



6TH SUNDAY
of Easter

ST. JOHN NEUMANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor: Rev. Alex Pereida

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Monday, May 6, 2024

11:30A.M.

Funeral Mass For: †Cheryl Wenzel

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

****NO MASS****

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

11:30A.M.

†Laura Trevino Nyreen
 †Jonathan Fielding
 Enrique Gumataotao
 Cindy Wilson (Special Intention)

Thursday, May 9, 2024

11:30A.M.

†Kyle D. Elstak
 †Edmund & Rita Zimmermann

Friday, May 10, 2024

11:30A.M.

† Maria del Socorro Arroyo
 Graciela Bernal (Happy 6th Birthday)

Saturday, May 11, 2024

President: Fr. George George

5:00P.M.

†JoAnn Eckstein
 †Manuel Estrada, Sr.
 Cindy Wilson (Special Intention)
 Our Military Troops & Our Parish Family

Sunday, May 12, 2024

President: Fr. Alex Pereira

7:30 A.M.

†Lisa Karpienski ; †Leone Broesch,
 †Rose Ann Gole

President: Fr. Alex Pereira

9:00 A.M.

†Lillie D. Mojica
 Socorro Almodovar (Happy Birthday)

President: Fr. George George

11:00 A.M.

†Laura Pascual
 Virgil Pascual (Happy Birthday)
 Onofre Martin, Sr. (Happy Birthday)



Lord, in your loving mercy, please send the Holy Spirit with the Gift of Healing upon these servants who are in need of strength, guidance and mercy...

- Almodovar, Alexander
- Autenrieth, Robert
- Battan, Donald
- Boyle, Philip J.
- Calderas, Christian
- Dunk, Marylen
- Estrada, Cindy
- Estrada, Frank Sr.
- Garcia, Mary Lou
- Garza, Guadalupe
- Gomez, John C.
- Gonzalez, Elizabeth
- Gonzalez, Presilla
- Gumataotao, Enrique
- Hernandez, Josie
- Hernandez, Samantha
- Hughes, Gen
- Jimenez, Margarita
- Jonson, John
- Keil, Geno
- Kenyon, Maria
- Leon Guerrero, Ida
- Llanas-Berber, Gloria
- Lopez, Dolores
- Lopez, Martin G.
- Lopez, Mattie
- Loza Galvan, Alfredo
- Loza, Blanquita
- Lozano, Donna
- Marsh, Jamie
- Melvin, Jacob
- Mendoza, Irma
- Morales, Celia
- Ocon, Guillermina
- Oyervides, Maria P.
- Pasquale, Thomas Jr.
- Ramirez, Juan
- Ramos, Dennis
- Regalado, Hortencia
- Rodriguez, Jaime
- Rosania, Nello
- Rudd, Gigi
- Strait, Lilo
- Tiritilli, Richard
- Torred, Edgar
- Travassos, Alex
- Villagomez, Joshua
- Wood, Alicia A.



The Sanctuary Light on the Main Altar the week of Saturday, May 4 through Friday, May 10 is lit in honor of **Maria Kenyon** (Special Intention)

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

7:00P.M.

Baptism Class-Parma Room

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

9:30A.M.

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting-Parma Room

2:00P.M.

Rosary Makers Meeting-Vizzone Conference Room

2:00P.M. -3:00P.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation-Brides Room

6:30P.M.

Adult RCIA -Scott Room

Saturday, May 11, 2024

11:00A.M.

Bilingual Baptisms-In the Church 11:00A.M.-2:00P.M.

Catholic Daughters Annual Fundraiser "A Taste of Italy"-Parish Hall

4:00P.M.-4:45P.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation-Brides Room

Sunday, May 12, 2024

6:30P.M.

Pro Life Rosary -Chapel

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The 2nd collection the weekend of **May 11 & 12, 2024** is for **St. Vincent de Paul.**
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We are in **GREAT** need of couples or individuals who are interested in bringing the Eucharist to individuals **one Sunday a month for our homebound brothers and sisters.**

This is a very rewarding ministry and those receiving the Eucharist are very grateful. Please pray on it, and if you are interested call the church office (210) 654-1643 during business hours.

**PLEASE DRESS MODESTLY
FAVOR DE VESTIRSE APROPIADAMENTE**

Our Church is the Lord's house and should be entered with Reverence and Respect.



With warmer weather coming upon us, we have a friendly reminder...Sunday is a time for coming together, as community, to pray, to give thanks and to praise God. It is a different time of togetherness than a picnic, being at home, of relaxation or recreation.

The important thing to remember is that for Mass our clothing, whatever we wear, should be reverent, **no skin tight clothes, or see-through clothes, no low cleavage, or strapless tops, or pants that hang way down the waist, shorts or very short pant-skirts.**

Our clothes should not draw attention to ourselves and our bodies. Our attention should be on our love and worship of God.

This dress code is for everyone who attends Mass, but it is most important for those who are the ministers in the Mass, e.g.: Music Ministers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Altar Servers, Greeters and Ushers.

We are not asking that you have new clothes, or that you cannot wear jeans or wear leisure clothes. We are asking that you be respectful of the Lord's home and of one another in what you wear.

**Let us continue to pray for rain
wherever it is needed.**

SAVE THE DATE

**Quench your THIRST for saving lives.
Blood Drive**



Knights of Columbus Msgr. Robert Silverman Council 9291 will hold their next blood drive **Sunday, May 19, 2024.** The bloodmobile will be in front of the Church from 8:00am-1:00 pm. All donors will receive a commemorative **50th ANNIVERSARY** water bottle, *while supplies last.* For further information, please contact Albert Eng at eng0760@live.com

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ADORATION**

- 1 RECONGNIZE THE PRESENCE OF GOD**
15 MINS
Place yourself in the presence of Christ
- 2 THANKSGIVING**
15 MINS
Give thanks for all the blessings God has given you
- 3 PETITION**
15 MINS
Ask for the world, the people around you and your conversion
- 4 ATONEMENT**
15 MINS
Express your sorrow for the world's sins and yours

INFORMATION TAKEN FROM WWW.PJP2EA.ORG CatholicLink

**Religious Education News
CONGRATULATIONS FAMILY**

Children attending religious education are encouraged to attend Mass with their family on a weekly basis. We ask them to bring the little section where they write their name for attending Mass posted in our bulletin. On April 24, 2024 we did our final drawing of the semester to win a 100 dlls. gift card to IHOP to have lunch as a family. The winning family was that of Joseph Menjivar...Congratulations! Continue to bring your children to Mass, sharing the faith is the best legacy you can leave your children, it will help them through life knowing Jesus is always there for them. **Registration for the next cycle will begin Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Tuesday, May 28, 2024 from 8:00A.M. – 3:00P.M. in the Church Office**



WELCOME

Welcome Newly Baptized!

April 27th we welcomed four children into Christ's Church through water and the Holy Spirit. Just as God gave these children the gift of life when they were born, Baptism gave them the gift of Faith and Eternal Life.

The Parents and Godparents represented the entire Church and served as the instruments through which God gave each child faith.

Let us, the parishioners of St. John Neumann, celebrate these children's Baptism and encourage the lifelong journey of faith this sacrament initiates.



Those baptized were:

- Damian Alexander Granado
- Julian Alexander Martinez
- Kingsley Clinton Sua
- Persephone Lupefa'alele Sua



**St. John Neumann -
Edwin Stecher
Endowment Fund grow!**

Support our journey of faith led by Fr. Alex Pereida... Your contribution to our Edwin Stecher Endowment Fund is vital for our community's enduring growth and spiritual vitality.

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- Aid our parish ministries.
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There are many more ways to make such a gift. Please reach out to Deacon John Benage at the Catholic Community Foundation to discuss other opportunities, let him know that you have made a gift to the *St. John Neumann-Edwin Stecher Endowment Fund*, or just to chat.

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- Saturday Late Night game starts at 10:55 PM**
- Sunday Game start at 2:00PM**
- Sunday Late night game starts at 10:45 PM**



**St. PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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The St. Pius X Child Development Center (SPXCDC) is opening May 1, 2024 for ages 18-35 months! Come play and learn with us!

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Bringing Home the Word

Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)
May 5, 2024

God's Call

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

The story about Cornelius shows that God's call is not restricted by our likes and dislikes. Cornelius was a Roman, a citizen of the nation that was occupying Israel. More than that, he served in a military that exercised harsh control over the inhabitants of the land. A man like this would not have been loved by the Jews of the day. However, Cornelius recognized Peter as a representative of God. All who were listening to Peter's words were baptized and became one with the community of believers.

Faith, baptism, and incorporation into

the community of believers are offered to Jew and Roman alike. They are offered today to those who are members of our own religious, racial, or ethnic groups and those who are not; those who are socially or politically vulnerable, and those with power. The question is not, "Who does God favor?" but, "Who favors God?"

The Gospel story reinforces this point, insisting God's love for us is the foundation of everything: "Love one another as I love you" (John 15:12). God's love is all-inclusive. So should our love be all-inclusive. If God's love is for all, it follows that we are all favored by God—all chosen and cared for by him. This includes even those who might be our political adversaries, or who might exercise exacting authority over us, or who cherish different religious ideas. Imitating God's love requires that we will goodness to others—even those with whom we disagree or who have caused us harm. †

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A Word from Pope Francis

To love as the Lord loves us means to appreciate the people beside us, to respect their freedom, to love them as they are, not as we want them to be.... Where does this abiding in the Lord's love lead?... Jesus told us: "That my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full."

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 9, 2021



REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- Can you pray for the grace to accept the goodness of people with whom you disagree?
- Can you listen to them?

Sunday Readings

Acts 10:25–26, 34–35, 44–48

They could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God.

1 John 4:7–10

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

John 15:9–17

[Jesus said,] "Love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Easter Wisdom from Henri Nouwen

Listen to the Church—I know that [listening to the Church] isn't a popular bit of advice at a time and in a country where the Church is often seen more as an obstacle in the way than as the way to Jesus. Nevertheless, I'm deeply convinced that the greatest spiritual danger for our times is the separation of Jesus from the Church. The Church is the body of the Lord. Without Jesus, there can be no Church, and without the Church, we cannot stay united with Jesus. I've yet to meet anyone who has come closer to Jesus by forsaking the Church. To listen to the Church is to listen to the Lord of the Church. Specifically, this entails taking part in the Church's liturgical life. Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Ascension, and



Pentecost—these seasons and feasts teach you to know Jesus better and better and unite you more and more intimately with the divine life he offers you in the Church.

Listen to Your Heart—It's there [in your heart] that Jesus speaks most intimately to you. Praying is first and foremost listening to Jesus who dwells in the very depths of your heart. He doesn't shout. He doesn't thrust himself upon you. His voice is an unassuming voice, very nearly a whisper, the voice of a gentle love. Whatever you do with your life, go on listening to the voice of Jesus in your heart. This listening must be an active and very attentive listening, for in our restless and noisy world Jesus' loving voice is easily drowned out. †

From *Lent and Easter Wisdom* by Henri J.M. Nouwen, compiled by Judy Bauer, © 2005, (812866) available at Liguori.org.

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From "Acts of the Apostles" by Ronald D. Witherup, SS

“**W**hat is your church like?” I have heard this question posed at gatherings of large groups of Catholics. The responses to this question often begin with comments about church buildings and only later shift to descriptions of the congregation. Yet that experience of the congregation, of the People of God everywhere, is what the Church is really about. The story is told in the Acts of the Apostles...the only New Testament document devoted exclusively to the story of the early Church. It is the companion volume to the Gospel of Luke (compare the Prologues, Luke 1:1-4 and Acts 1:1-5). The Church uses this book at Mass almost exclusively throughout the Easter season, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. †

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Lord Jesus, grant us the grace of open hearts and minds that we may be receptive to the promptings of your Spirit, we pray. Amen! Alleluia!

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

May 6-11

Monday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 16:11-15 / Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 16:22-34 / Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 / Jn 16:12-15

Thursday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 18:1-8 / Jn 16:16-20

Friday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 18:9-18 / Jn 16:20-23

Saturday, Easter Weekday:
Acts 18:23-28 / Jn 16:23b-28

Bringing Home
the Word 
May 5, 2024

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Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Matthew Velasquez, Madonna Gil Jery & Nancy Murguia
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Gerry Schmoker, Bonnie Stewart Matthew Velasquez
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Irene & Felipe Gomez
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Matthew Velasquez

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9:00 a.m. Mass Coordinator	Cristina Arreguin
11:00a.m Mass Coordinators	Rose Caballero
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (Sp) & 11:00 a.m.
Monday	11:30 a.m.
Wednesday-Friday	11:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday at 4:00-4:45 p.m.
 Wednesday at 2:00-3:00 p.m.
 or by appointment, during office hours

BAPTISM: Second and fourth Saturday of the month at 11 a.m. Please register at the Church Office in advance.

MARRIAGE: Please make arrangements with the pastor six months prior to the date of the wedding. Couples should comply with all archdiocesan policies.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND: The Eucharist is taken by our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion upon request. The anointing of the sick is also offered by the Pastor for serious cases.

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