

# SAINT JOHN NEUMANN PARISH

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18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME  
July 31, 2022

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Anticipatory) ..... 5:30 PM  
Sunday ..... 8:00 AM  
Sunday ..... 10:00 AM  
Sunday (Labor Day thru Memorial Day) .... 6:00 PM  
Daily (Mon, Wed-Fri) ..... 12:15 PM

### CONFESSION

Saturday ..... 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM  
And before/after daily Mass, or by appointment.

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### BAPTISM

Parents must attend a Parent Baptism Class before the baptism of their child. The class is offered the first Sunday of each month following the 10:00 AM Mass.

### MARRIAGE

Please contact the office at least six months prior to the wedding date. The diocese requires Marriage Prep.

### VISITS TO THE HOMEBOUND AND SICK, ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the office to request home or hospital visitation.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

RCIA is the process of formation offered to those who seek to become Catholic. For information, please call the office.

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### ON WISDOM

The beginning of wisdom is to seek it. Though it cost all you have, get understanding. —Prov 4:7

The quotes below are attributed to St Augustine (d. 430).

- I BECAME evil for no reason. I had no motive for my wickedness except wickedness itself. It was foul, and I loved it. I loved the self-destruction, I loved my fall, not the object for which I had fallen but my fall itself. My depraved soul leaped down from your firmament to ruin. I was seeking not to gain anything by shameful means, but shame for its own sake.
- Carnal lust rules where there is no love of God.
- God judged it better to bring good out of evil than to suffer no evil to exist.
- The good man, though a slave, is free; the wicked, though he reigns, is a slave.
- Love the sinner and hate the sin.
- Wherefore, though good and bad men suffer alike, we must not suppose that there is no difference between the men themselves, because there is no difference in what they both suffer. For even in the likeness of the sufferings, there remains an unlikeness in the sufferers; and though exposed to the same anguish, virtue and vice are not the same thing. For as the same fire causes gold to glow brightly, and chaff to smoke; and under the same flail the straw is beaten small, while the grain is cleansed; and as the lees are not mixed with the oil, though squeezed out of the vat by the same pressure, so the same violence of affliction proves, purges, clarifies the good, but damns, ruins, exterminates the wicked.
- Beauty is indeed a good gift of God; but that the good may not think it a great good, God dispenses it even to the wicked.
- Do not believe yourself healthy. Immortality is health; this life is a long sickness.
- God had one Son on earth without sin, but never one without suffering.
- For God loves saving, not condemning, and therefore He is patient with bad people, in order to make good people



out of bad people.

- God chooses us, not because we believe, but that we may believe.
- We do good deeds, but God works in us in the doing of them.
- God would never permit evil, if He could not bring good out of evil.
- Don't hold yourselves cheap, seeing that the creator of all things and of you estimates your value so high, so dear, that he pours out for you every day the most precious blood of his only-begotten Son.
- You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.
- Late have I loved you [O God], O Beauty ever ancient and ever new! Late have I loved you! And, behold, you were within me, and I out of myself, and there I searched for you.
- What art Thou then, my God? what, but the Lord God? For who is Lord but the Lord? or who is God save our God? Most highest, most good, most potent, most omnipotent; most merciful, yet most just; most hidden, yet most present; most beautiful, yet most strong; stable, yet incomprehensible; unchangeable, yet all-changing; never new, never old; all-renewing, and bringing age upon the proud, and they know it not; ever working, ever at rest; still gathering, yet nothing lacking; supporting, filling, and overspreading; creating, nourishing, and maturing; seeking, yet having all things.
- God loves each one of us as if there were only one of us to love.
- Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe.
- Christ is not valued at all, unless He is valued above all.
- God is not greater if you reverence Him, but you are greater if you serve Him.
- Understanding is the reward of faith. Therefore seek not to understand that you may believe, but believe that you may understand.
- To be assured of our salvation is no arrogant stoutness. It is faith. It is devotion. It is not presumption. It is God's promise.
- Nothing whatever pertaining to godliness and real holiness can be accomplished without grace.
- For grace is given not because we have done good works, but in order that we may be able to do them.
- Wicked men obey from fear; good men, from love.
- Will is to grace as the horse is to the rider.
- What can be more excellent than prayer; what is more profitable to our life; what sweeter to our souls; what more sublime, in the course of our whole life, than the

practice of prayer!

- Humility is the foundation of all the other virtues: hence, in the soul in which this virtue does not exist there cannot be any other virtue except in mere appearance.
- The sufficiency of my merit is to know that my merit is not sufficient.
- Sin is believing the lie that you are self-created, self-dependent and self-sustained.
- Sin comes when we take a perfectly natural desire or longing or ambition and try desperately to fulfill it without God. Not only is it sin, it is a perverse distortion of the image of the Creator in us. All these good things, and all our security, are rightly found only and completely in Him.
- But just a minute, Mr. Poor Man; consider whether you can, in fact, enter. What if you're poor, and also happen to be greedy? What if you're sunk in destitution, and at the same time on fire with avarice? So if that's what you're like, whoever you are that are poor, it's not because you haven't wanted to be rich, but because you haven't been able to. So God doesn't inspect your means, but he observes your will.
- The desire for fame tempts even noble minds.
- You wish to be great, begin from the least. You are thinking to construct some mighty fabric in height; first think of the foundation of humility. And how great soever a mass of building one may wish and design to place above it, the greater the building is to be, the deeper does he dig his foundation.
- Because a thing is eloquently expressed it should not be taken to be as necessarily true; nor because it is uttered with stammering lips should it be supposed false.
- Charity is the root of all good works.
- Rome [the Pope] has spoken; the case is concluded.
- There is no salvation outside the church.
- Venerate the martyrs, praise, love, proclaim, honor them. But worship the God of the martyrs.
- It is as if he should feel that there is an enemy who could be more destructive to himself than that hatred which excites him against his fellow man; or that he could destroy him whom he hates more completely than he destroys his own soul by this same hatred.
- Anger is a weed; hate is the tree.
- They, then, who are destined to die, need not be careful to inquire what death they are to die, but into what place death will usher them.
- It is not the being seen of men that is wrong, but doing these things for the purpose of being seen of men. The problem with the hypocrite is his motivation. He does not want to be holy; he only wants to seem to be holy. He is more concerned with his reputation for

righteousness than about actually becoming righteous. The approbation of men matters more to him than the approval of God.

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### LAST WEEK

July 24 (17th Sunday Ordinary Time) — \$5,719.00

**THANK YOU for your generosity!**

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Jul 31, SUNDAY — 16th Week of Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM | Sunday Mass  
10:00 AM | Sunday Mass  
6:00 PM | \*Sunday Mass (resumes 11 Sep)  
7:00 PM | Adoration

**Aug 1, MONDAY**

12:15 PM | Daily Mass

**Aug 2, TUESDAY**

7:00 PM | Scouts Meeting

**Aug 3, WEDNESDAY**

9:30 AM | Knitting Group (meets every other Wednesday)  
10:00 AM | Faith Sharing  
12:15 PM | Daily Mass  
7:00 PM | Girls High School Endow Series Discussion Group

**Aug 4, THURSDAY**

10:00 AM | Women's Bible Study  
12:15 PM | Daily Mass

**Aug 5, FIRST FRIDAY**

10:00 AM | Food Pantry  
12:15 PM | Daily Mass w/ Adoration

**Aug 6, FIRST SATURDAY**

8:30 AM | Men's Group  
8:40 AM | 1st Saturday Rosary  
9:00 AM | 1st Saturday Mass  
9:00 AM | Divine Mercy Cenacle (1st & 3rd Sat)  
9:30 AM | Widow's Group (2nd Sat of month)  
4:00 PM | Confession (until 5:00 PM)  
5:30 PM | Anticipatory Sunday Mass

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### MASS INTENTIONS

Jul 30 (Sat), 5:30 PM | Dr. Boris Naprta (req. by Anica, Sara & Emma)  
Jul 31 (Sun), 8:00 AM | David Blanchette (req. by Norma & Anne Lavoie)  
Jul 31, 10:00 AM | Carlos Medeiros & Family (req. by Emily Medeiros)  
Aug 1 (Mon), 12:15 PM | Rick Boucher (req. by Boucher Family)  
Aug 3 (Wed), 12:15 PM | John & Mary Freedom & Annemarie Freeman-Massarro (req. by John Freeman, Jr.)  
Aug 4 (Thu), 12:15 PM | Intention of Diane Bonenfant  
Aug 5 (Fri), 12:15 PM | Dr. William Doherty (req. by

Marie Doherty)  
Aug 6 (Sat), 5:30 PM | Tom Bennard & John Berube (req. by the Bouchers, Mark & Joanne Kenna)  
Aug 7 (Sun), 8:00 AM | David Blanchette (req. by Norman & Anne Lavoie)  
Aug 7, 10:00 AM | Gertrude Roy Belanger (req. by Lester Family)

The Code of Canon Law confirms the practice of offering Mass(es) for particular intentions is ancient: "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2).

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

K-12 REGISTRATION for the 2022-2023 school year has begun! Please register early to assist us with planning. REGISTRATION can be completed online (<https://sjnnh.org/re-registration2022-23>). HARD COPY FORMS are also available in the church gathering space if preferred.

#### DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

24 Sep 2022 (Saturday)

Bank of NH Pavilion (Gilford, NH)

Bp. Peter Libasci invites all to join with him for a EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL. This is a FREE diocesan event with the purpose of bringing together people across the diocese to celebrate JESUS' TRUE PRESENCE in the Blessed Sacrament!

**SCHEDULE: 8:00 AM, Gates Open**  
**9:00 AM, Eucharistic Preacher**  
**10:30 AM, Mass w/ 200-person Choir**  
**12:00 PM, Lunch**  
**1:00 PM, Eucharistic Procession w/ Holy Hour**  
**2:30 PM, Event Ends**

- Bus Transportation TBD
- Free Parking
- Activities for Parents & Children
- Concessions
- Confession Available

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

[www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org](http://www.EucharisticRevivalNH.org)



**AN INVITATION FOR ALL  
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS**

Continues Aug 3 (Wed), 7:00 PM  
St John Neumann Parish Hall

JOIN US for evenings of discussion about growing in relationship with God and in understanding of the true teaching of the Church on the role of women. Discussions will be led by Rachel Magalski, a young adult of our parish community.

We'll be using The Endow High School Series: Created to Love. The cost is \$40 for non-parish members, \$20 for parishioners.

**CRAFTERS WANTED**

RESURRECTION PARISH (449 Broad St, Nashua, NH) is looking for crafters for their JINGLE BELL FAIR & HOLIDAY CELEBRATION to be held on November 19, 2022. Cost is \$40/space. For more information, please call the parish office: (603) 882-0925.

**ONLINE** *giving*

St John Neumann Parish offers ONLINE GIVING for families to easily give one-time as well as recurring donations. You can make a secure donation via Electronic Check or Debit/Credit Card by visiting the parish website <SJNNH.ORG> and scrolling to the bottom of the homepage and clicking on <ONLINE-DOANATION>.

<https://sjnnh.org/online-donation>

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