## DECEMBER PARISH UPDATE

# PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

The Parish Offices will be closed from December 24 through January 1 for the Christmas holiday.

### FIRST THURSDAY ADORATION

Please join us December 4 after the 12:15 Mass in spending time with Our Lord. We will be offering Adoration through the night on this first Thursday of Advent. We hope you will be able to spend some quiet time with Christ this Advent season.

#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

As a part of the First Saturday Devotion, St. John Neumann offers an opportunity to pray the rosary and attend Daily Mass.

On December 6, we will pray the rosary at 8:30am. Mass will be offered at 9am. Please join us in practicing the First Saturday Devotion.

#### **BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICK**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their Annual Breakfast with St. Nick on December 7 after the 10am Mass.

Breakfast will include pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, coffee & juice. There'll be fun holiday activities for the kids and a visit from St. Nicholas! The Parish Council Basket Raffle winners will also be drawn at this time.

This is a freewill donation event with proceeds going to the various Knights charities.

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS

We will offer Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8 at 12:15 and 7pm. As a reminder, this is a Holy Day of Obligation.

#### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Christmas Masses will be offered on:

Wed. Dec. 24 at 4, 7, and 10pm

Thurs. Dec. 25 at 10am

#### **SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

Masses for the Solemnity of Mary will be offered
Wed. Dec. 31 at 5:30pm
Thurs. Jan. 1 at 10am

#### **CONFESSION**

During Advent, Father will be offering

Confession the week of December 15 at 6pm.

Mon, Wed, Fri-St. John Neumann

Tues, Thurs- Infant Jesus Church

### **DEANERY PENANCE SERVICE**

The Deanery Penance Service will be held at St. Joseph the Worker Parish at 777 W. Hollis St, Nashua on

Sunday, December 7 at 2pm

#### **FOOD PANTRY THANKS**

The SJN Food Pantry would like to thank the parish for their generosity. Thanks to your generous donations, we were able to prepare baskets for more than 75 families. We are truly grateful!

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# THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF GOD'S WORD

Join us after the Saturday 5:30 Vigil or 12;15
Monday Masses as we look to Sacred Scripture
with Dr. Scott Hahn to understand the big picture
which shed light on the most fundamental
Catholic practices. For more information,
contact Cheri' at adultesjnnh.org.

### **HOW TO ADVENT**

Advent sometimes feels like that time that is sandwiched between Thanksgiving and Christmas. In "How to Advent", we will discover the rich traditions of the season and how they aid us in preparing our hearts for the birth of the child Jesus at Christmas. There are four episodes in this show that are between 12 and 15 minutes. that will be shown in the Church after the 8am Mass and in Room 3 after the 10am Mass. Join us in learning "How to Advent!"

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus are dedicated to the the St. John Neumann community and provide support to many of the ministries at SJN. They also offer a great place for fellowship for the men of the parish. They meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month at 6:30pm. For more info, please contact KofCesjnnh.org or attend their next meeting on December 8 at 6pm. (Changed for the Holy Day)

### WIDOW/WIDOWER

We will meet Saturday, December 13 in room #3 at 9:30AM. For more information, please email Trish at smroz@comcast.net or call at 603-494-2517.

#### **COOKIE WALK**

Youth Ministry is having a Christmas Cookie Walk to raise money for their program:

Following the 8 and 10 AM masses Sunday, December 14th

We will be selling a variety of Christmas cookies. Purchase a container for \$5, \$10 or \$20 and fill it up with delicious cookies. We can also use cookie donations. If you are willing to supply cookies for us to sell, please sign up in the gathering space.

#### **BASKET RAFFLE**

There are only two weeks left to get your tickets before we draw the winning names on Saturday, December 7, during the St. Nicholas Breakfast. Don't miss your chance to join in the fun and support our parish! Thank you again for your continued generosity and community spirit.

# KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CARDS

Keep Christ in Christmas Cards

- Available in the gathering space
- Self-service
  - Make your selection
  - Mark your information down
  - Send a check made out to the Knights of Columbus and mail to Tom Davis, 10
     Newfields St, Nashua 03063

#### **SEASONAL CHOIR**

The Seasonal Choirs are now practicing for the Christmas Liturgies.

Adult Choir-Sundays 1pm
Will sing at the 10pm Christmas Eve Mass
Children's Choir-Sundays 11am
Will sing at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass
For more info, contact Artie (music@sjnnh.org).