### The Parish Communities of

# ST. JOHN NEUMANN



# ST. PAUL of the CROSS



### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

600

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him. "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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Msgr. Joseph G. Quinn Pastor

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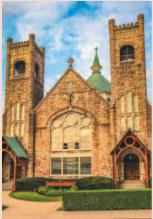
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### With Abiding Thanks

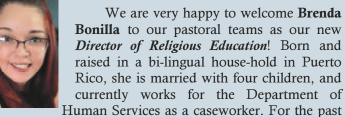
For more than seventeen years, Mary Jo Griffith has faithfully and selflessly served the parish of St. Paul of the Cross as *Parish Secretary* and *Office Manager*. In those capacities, she has helped to sustain and advance the mission and ministries of our beloved parish. Needless to say, we shall all be forever grateful to her for everything she has done for all of us!

Just a few weeks ago, Mary Jo was afforded the chance to return to her home parish in Olyphant, Holy Cross Parish, to take on similar tasks. Given the fact that she lives just a block or so from the church, it was - in her words - "an opportunity I could not pass up."

As Msgr. Quinn has noted: "We only hope Mary Jo knows how saddened we all are to see her leave. We shall be forever grateful for the extraordinary work she has so selflessly and happily done for our parish during her many years of service."

Thank you, Mary Jo!

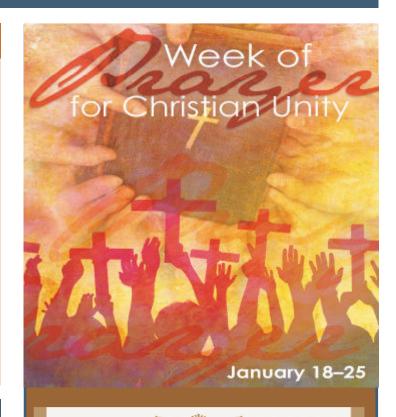
### New DRE Appointed!



13 years she served in different parishes in a variety of Catechetical roles: RCIA Coordinator, Community Coordinator for Hispanics, Charismatic Renewal Prayer Group Coordinator, and on the Diocesan Charismatic Renewal Service Team.

Brenda loves teaching and is passionate about providing a space to have an encounter with our Lord. She has taken several classes at Religious Studies Institute in the Bronx, NY, and is completing a certificate in Foundations for Leadership in Ministry with the University of Dayton. She and her husband are Certified FOCCUS Facilitators, and she is a lector and an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister.

Welcome, Brenda!



# PRAYER FOR UNITY "UNITY IN CHURCH"

Jesus, the Great Physician, I want to intercede on behalf of my church. You know our imperfections, our flaws, and our problems. Help us to unite under Your banner and to put aside our squabbles. Remind us that we are to have the same mind as that of Christ and to seek the interests of others rather than our own. Give understanding and grace to all and bring us together in prayer. The church is to be one body and one bride. I pray these things in the name of the bridegroom, the

### Reflecting on Today's Gospel...

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be *happy*! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana in today's Gospel shows us that God even puts His *blessing* on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It's not a life of burdens, but a life of *wonder and delight*! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial to a life of purpose, hope, and love!



God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains ever faithful to us. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to Him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

### 16 January 2022 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time





#### The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace to people of goodwill. We praise you. we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, Heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One. you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

# First Reading Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the Lord. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the Lord, a royal diadem held by your God.

No more shall people call you "Forsaken," or your land "Desolate," but you shall be called "My Delight, " and your land "Espoused." For the Lord delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

# Responsorial Psalm Psalm 96



# R. Proclaim His marvelous deeds to all the nations.

- 1. Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all you lands. Sing to the Lord; bless his name.
- **2.** Announce his salvation, day after day. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.
- **3.** Give to the Lord, you families of nations, give to the Lord glory and praise; give to the Lord the glory due his name!

# **Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Brothers and Sisters:

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.

To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them to each person as he wishes.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

# **Gospel** John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it.

And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

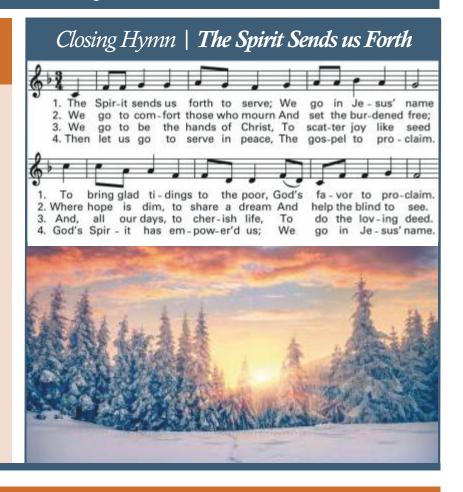
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

# 16 January 2022

### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

Amen.



### Mass Intentions for the Week of January 17 - 23

#### Monday, January 17

Weekday

8:00am/SPC Thomas Notto (Gerry, Joe, and John Novak)

#### Tuesday, January 18

Weekday

8:00am/SPC Ann Marie Scherria Bitler (Friends)

#### Wednesday, January 19

Weekday

8:00am/SPC Rocco Domiano (Gwen Garibaldi)

#### Thursday, January 20

Weekday

8:00am/SPC Ann M. Lalley (Kathy and Tony Grushinski) 7:00pm/NAT Patrick Kearney (Joseph Madzin)

(in Spanish)

#### Friday, January 21

Weekday

8:00am/SPC Paul McAndrew (Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown)

#### Saturday, January 22

4:00pm / SPC Erwin and Mary Klassner

(Children)

4:30pm / NAT David Clark

(Mary Clark)

#### Sunday, January 23

8:00am / SPC Jack Conner

(Pauline and Jerry Mahon)

8:00am / HNJ Mary Buttner

(Pat and Sharon Kearney)

9:30am / NAT James Barna

(Jennifer Sosa)

11:00am / SPC Janet Kirchner

(Jack and Mary Rooney)

1:00pm / NAT All SJN Parishioners

(in Spanish)

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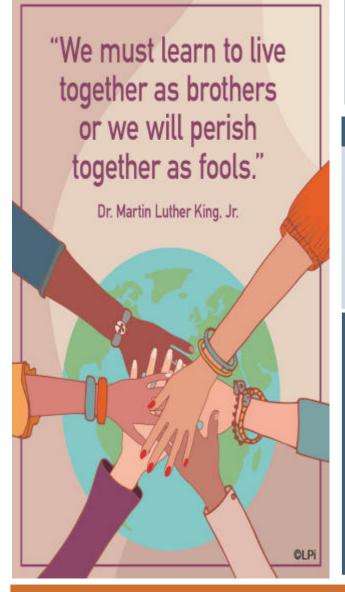
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Offered By: Daughters

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THIS MONDAY: CELEBRATING MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



# THIS SATURDAY FIRST PENANCE!

This coming Saturday, our parishes celebrate First Penance with 55 young boys and girls, as follows:

10:00 am (Last Names: A—G) 12:00 noon (Last Names: H—Z)

We keep them all in our prayers!

#### FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Our thanks to the more than 200 students joining us each week at the school at St. John Neumann!

Jan. 23: EP1, EP2, RCIC, CP1A, CP2

Jan. 30: EP1, EP2, RCIC, RCIT, CP1B, Gr. 3-6

Feb. 06: EP1, EP2, RCIC, CP1A, CP2

Feb. 13: EP1, EP2, RCIC, RCIT, CP1B

Feb. 20: PRESIDENT'S DAY – NO CLASS

Feb. 27: EP1, EP2, RCIC, CP1A, CP2, Gr. 3-6

VIGIL MASS
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Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 6:00PM Saint Maria Goretti Parish, Laflin

Principal Celebrant: Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L. Bishop of Scranton

#### **2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Parishioners who need a *Financial Statement of Giving* from their parish for the calendar year 2021 can request a copy by calling the parish office.

As in years past, it will be sent to you by USPS or, if you supply us your email address, we can send it to you in that format.

Thank you for always being supportive of your parish!

#### THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

#### Weekend of January 1-2

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### Las comunidades parroquiales de

### San Juan Neumann



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#### PRIMERA RECONCILLIATION

Este próximo sábado, nuestras parroquias celebran la Primera Reconcilliation con 55 niños y niñas, así:

> 10:00 am (Apellidos: A—G) 12:00 pm (Apellidos: H—Z)

¡Los mantenemos a todos en nuestras oraciones!

#### ¡Bienvenidas, Brenda Bonilla!

¡Con gran alegría, podemos anunciar que el más nuevo miembro de nuestro equipo pastoral es Brenda Bonilla, quien va a servir como la directora de Educación Religioso! Brenda nació y creció en Puerto Rico, es bilingüe en Ingles/Español, casada, 4 hijos, 3 nietos. Trabaja para el



Departamento de Servicios Humanos del Condado Luzerne por más de 10 años como Asistente Social. En los ultimos 13 años ha servido en diferentes parroquias como Anunciacion en Hazleton, Santo Nombre de Jesus en West Hazleton y Divina Misericordia en Shenandoah diferentes capacidades como Catequista, Coordinadora de RICA, Coordinadora Parroquial para Comunidad Hispana, Coordinadora de Grupo de Oración de la Renovación Carismática. También ha servido en Consejos Parroquiales, Servicio de Equipo Diocesano para la Renovación Carismática, y V Encuentro.

Ella ama la enseñanza y le apasiona el proveer a las personas con un espacio para un encuentro personal con el Señor. Ella tuvo su encuentro en un grupo de oración por eso Ama y promueve el Movimiento de la Renovación Carismática Católica. Fue preparada como Catequista por Padre Kopacz, ahora Obispo Kopacz, y su equipo en Most Holy Trinity Parish en los Poconos en el 2008, ha tomado muchas clases a través del Instituto de Estudios Religiosos en el Centro Carismático del Bronx NY. Ella está en proceso de completar su Certificación de Fundamentos para el Liderazgo en el Ministerio a través de VLCFF a Universidad de Dayton. Ella y su esposo Justo son Facilitadores FOCCUS certificados por la Diócesis. Ella También es Ministro de la Palabra y Ministro Extraordinario de la Eucaristía.

#### EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

#### Horario

16 de enero: EP1, EP2, RCIC, RCIT, CP1B

22 de enero: Primero Reconciliación – 10:00 y 12:00 en San Juan Neumann, Iglesia de la Natividad.

23 de enero: EP1, EP2, RCIC, CP1A, CP2

30 de enero: EP1, EP2, RCIC, RCIT, CP1B, Grados 3-6



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