



**ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
*The mission of St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church is to lead all  
to Christ through the sacramental life, Christian formation, and  
service of neighbor.*



**September 30 and October 1, 2017**  
**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Parish Ministries for Saint John**

**Pastor – Fr. Chris Hess:** (804) 732-6385 or the rectory: (804) 733-6032 or 804-991-0237  
**Parochial Vicar – Fr. Jueles Buena:** (804) 732-6385 or 804-991-0237  
**Finance Council Chair:** Bernard Bishop (804) 733-9081  
**Unified Pastoral Council Representative:** Ron Franzyszen (804) 861-2834  
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**Administration:**  
**Christian Formation:** Deacon Matt MacLaughlin (804) 733-8616  
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**Parish Life:** Les and Deborah Ryan (804) 721-0149 or (804) 721-3889  
**Worship:** Phyllis Perdue (804) 733-3223; **Altar Guild:** Jolene Cave (804) 541-3296  
**Parish Hall Rental:** Patsy Root (804) 733-2097 or (804) 861-0123  
**Parish Office:** (804) 732-6385  
**Bulletin Deadline:** Monday before 10a.m.; all information should be sent to Norma Lonnemann

**MINISTERS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday, October 7**

**Celebrant:** Fr. Chris  
**Deacon:** M. MacLaughlin  
**Proclaimer -** R. Franzyszen  
**Eucharistic Minister –** E. Franzyszen

**Sunday, October 8**

**Celebrant:** Fr. Chris  
**Deacon:** M. MacLaughlin  
**Proclaimer –** J. DeAngelis  
**Eucharistic Minister –** B. Bishop

**Cleaning, October 7**

Bishop/DeAngelis

**Counters, October 8**

Horne/Ryan



**OFFERTORY**

September 23-24, 2017  
Regular Collection: \$855.00

***We appreciate your generosity!***

**JUSTICE AND PEACE:**

This week we are asking for your donations of canned meats (i.e. chicken, Vienna sausage, SPAM, tuna, etc.)

October 9 – is our turn to feed at the Men’s Shelter in Petersburg. Sign up sheet is in the back of church if you can help.



*“The family of Louis Stech, Jr., would like to thank all who offered assistance during his illness and funeral. Our parishioners were a God send, and we appreciate it very much.”*

**VIRTUS TRAINING**

Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 5p.m., Sacred Heart Parish Center. Marissa Ayala is facilitating an English Virtus Training. It is a requirement from the Diocese for all those wanting to serve and/or will be working with children or if children will be part of the ministry. If you need the training, please register online at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) prior to attending the class. The class is about 2.5 hours long, no children are allowed to attend.

**BULLETIN INSERT**

Beginning next week, we will NOT have a bulletin insert on a weekly basis. Most of the information is included in the Cluster bulletin – and very often there is NOTHING for our insert, except for schedules (which all ministers have). Therefore, we will have an insert twice a month, unless there is something happening that warrants an insert. All

information will be in the Cluster bulletin, the website and in our weekly announcements.

**HURRICANE IRMA RELIEF**

Second collection this weekend for Hurricane Irma relief.

**CZECH-SLOVAK FESTIVAL**

October 21 – we need help preparing, serving and working at the Festival.

**SAINT JOHN’S ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR**

November 4. We need your help! We need workers for the bazaar. There will be a Brunswick Stew (we need your help!) – sign up will be in the back of church. There will be a Silent Auction. There will be fun for all ... so mark your calendar now and plan to attend, and help!

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

This year we will have our annual Christmas Potluck – BRUNCH this year! The church will provide the main entrée. There will be breakfast and dinner items. More information will follow – but mark your calendar for December 17 following the 9a.m. Mass.

**CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY AT BUSCH GARDENS**

The ongoing tradition in the Diocese of having our youth gather at Busch Gardens in Williamsburg to join in community and fellowship continues! The day includes admission to the park, Sunday Vigil Mass and dinner.

This year it will be on Saturday, October 7:

- 10a.m. – park opens
  - 12p.m. – ticket pick up ends
  - 3:15p.m. – Celebration of Sunday Vigil Mass at Abbey Stone Theatre
  - 5:30p.m. – Diocesan all you can eat dinner buffet at the Black Forest pavilion opens
  - 6:00p.m. – Howl-O-Scream events start
  - 6:30p.m. – buffet closes
  - 12a.m. – park closes
- COST: All inclusive – includes admission to the park, Mass and Buffet - \$62.00 per individual  
Single Day – admission and Mass - \$55.00  
Buffet only - \$12.00 (includes Mass)

Tickets MUST be purchased by parish, online at [www.evangelizerichmond.org](http://www.evangelizerichmond.org). You need to know your parish name, parish youth contact (Marissa Ayala), on site coordinator and number of tickets. All payments are due Prior to receipt of your tickets on Saturday.



Saint John Nepomucene is a very generous parish! Every time we ask, you contribute. SO – just so you know that your donations are appreciated, we want to share with

you two responses we have received on our recent (summer) donations. You ARE generous stewards!

**FROM COMMONWEALTH CATHOLIC CHARITIES:**

*“Dear Father Hess: .....CCC is profoundly grateful to you and the parishioners of St. John Catholic Church for supporting the special collection. The 2016 collection totaled just over \$156,000 with 100% of the money going to direct service to those in need.....Please accept my deepest appreciation and extend a sincere thank you to the staff and parishioners of St. John for your support of \$243.25 to CCC.....Sincerely, Joanne D. Natrass, Executive Director, MBS, BSN, RN”*

**FROM THE PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER**

*“Dear Family of St. John Catholic Church: We are writing to express our deepest thanks for your donations of \$283.73 collected through the Baby Bottle Blessing to sponsor the work at the Pregnancy Support Center of the Tri-Cities. Generous gifts from groups like your provide the financial and moral support needed to continue our mission. Together seventy five groups collected a total of \$40,432.00.....We look forward to a continuing partnership with you. Sincerely, Zsa Zsa Johnson, Executive Director”*

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**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY 2017 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE**

*“Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Ghost, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering.” (St. Louis de Montfort)*

Join the 2017 Public Square Rosary Crusade at Chick-Fil-A, Colonial Heights (by Wal-Mart) on Friday, October 13 at 2:30p.m.

For more information, contact Patrick Casale at 804-943-9665.

