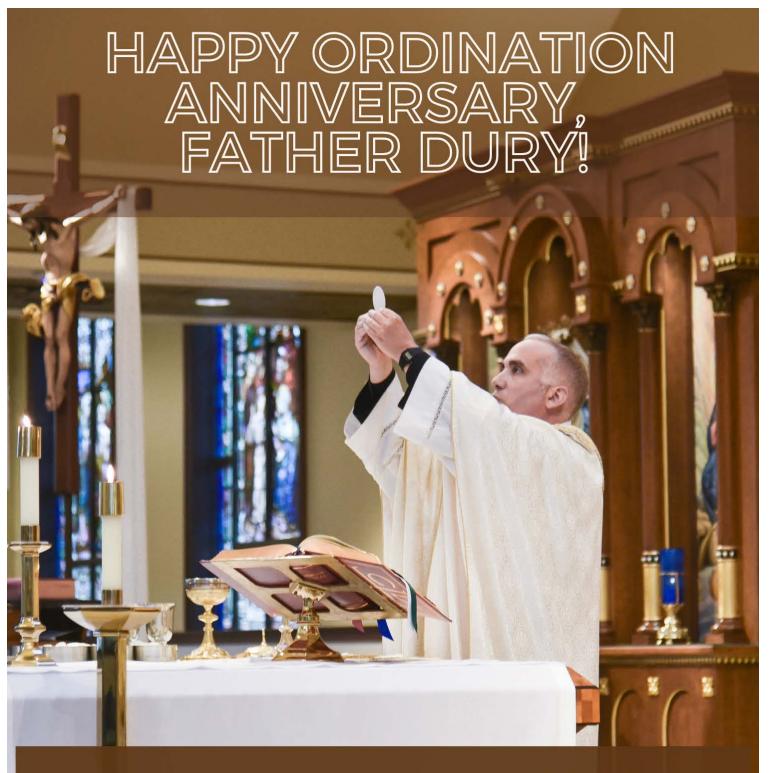


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May 18, 2025 marks 15 years of faithful service as a priest. Thank you for your "yes" and for your unwavering commitment to the Church and the community!

FAMILY OF FAITH



Mark your calendars for Family of Faith Information sessions and Family of Faith - Juniors!

The Family of Faith Team will host two identical informational sessions:

- Sunday, June 1 | 10:00–10:45 am (between Masses)
- Tuesday, July 8 | 6:30–7:15 pm

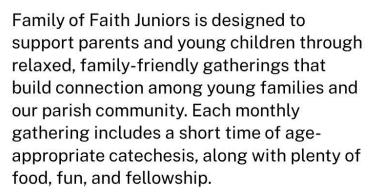
Come learn about our family catechesis model and how we support faith formation at St. John Neumann. These sessions will explain the vital role of parents as the primary catechists, with the parish serving as your support.

The full Family of Faith staff will be present and eager to connect with you. This summer, we're also offering one-on-one family meetings — a great opportunity for us to get to know you better and walk alongside your family in faith. A signup link will be sent soon.

We look forward to meeting you and serving your family this year and beyond!

FAMILY OF FAITH JUNIORS (AGES 0 -KINDERGARTEN)





Upcoming Gatherings:

Where: Pavilion & Playground

When: 10:10-10:45 am - Sunday, June 8

Visit.

saintjohnsunbury.flocknote.com/fof juniors to sign up for monthly text updates and get connected with other parish families!

Congratulations on the Baptism of Emelia Leilani Tice

Maya Lou Steffas
Charlotte Ann Steffas
James Wilder Steffas
Lennox Axel Liimatta
Celeste Margot Misich
Roman Alexander Khadr
Evelyn Anne Harris
Ellia Joy Gibbons

who were baptized on Sunday, May 11, 2025

The next Baptism preparation class will be held on Saturday, June 7 at 9:45 a.m. Baptisms will take place the following day, Sunday, June 8 at 12:15 p.m. If you would like to have your child baptized, please contact John Pratt at ipratt@stjohnsunbury.org.

SJN OUTREACH



SJN FAMILY PROMISE WEEK: MAY 18-24, 2025

Our parish will provide nightly meals for families at the Promise House in Delaware, OH. Please consider signing up for a slot on the SJN Website, saintjohnsunbury.org/volunteer or scan the QR Code.

Volunteers:

- Meals can be dropped off 5:15–5:45 pm.
- Pizza night: Drop off sides and driver tip 5:00– 5:15 pm.
- Meals may be plated individually or familystyle. I can provide containers—let me know if needed.
- Address: 39 N. Washington St., Delaware, OH

Supplies:

As a parish, we will be collecting Toilet Paper. These can be placed in the Family Promise bin at church.

Note: Please list your meal in the sign-up to avoid duplicates. If you can cook but can't deliver, just reach out!

Keep the Promise House families and those seeking housing in your prayers.

Questions?

See the SJN website or contact: Marcia Sepion – 614-769-1678

NAVIGATING END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS WITH CATHOLIC GUIDANCE

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Bringing End-of-Life Issues into Focus

SPEAKER

Marian Schuda, MD

Dr Schuda is certified in Geriatric Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine and is currently the Medical Director for Patient Services at Riverside Methodist Hospital. She is the Guild Secretary for the Catholic Medical Association in Columbus.

Thursday, June 5, 2025 6:45 - 8:00 pm Faith and Family Center ST JOHN NEUMANN CHURCH 9633 E OH-37, SUNBURY, OH

REGISTER:

VISIT, SAINTJOHNSUNBURY.FLOCKNOTE.COM/ SIGNUP/210371 OR SCAN THE QR CODE.



BABY BOTTLE DRIVE SUPPORT LOCAL MOMS & BABIES!



If you picked up a baby bottle last weekend, please fill it with loose change, cash, or checks to support Pregnancy Resources of Delaware County — the only Pregnancy Resource Center in the county. Please return filled bottles on Father's Day weekend: June 14 & 15.

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YOU'RE INVITED! FRIDAY, JUNE 20 & SATURDAY, JUNE 21

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Be part of the fun and join over 500 volunteers who make it all happen! Help for a couple of hours and still enjoy the night. All ages and abilities welcome.

Roles include setup/teardown, game operators, food servers, shuttle hosts, bakers, ticket sellers, and more!

Sign up on the parish website or scan the QR code.

Volunteers who register by May 25 receive a FREE Festival T-shirt and dinner tickets for DiCalcara's Italian Kitchen or Jet's Pizza Pavilion!

CASH RAFFLE

Tickets are \$10 each or 5 for \$40. Big prizes up for grabs! Not participating? Please return unused tickets for reuse.

Return stubs with payment in a sealed envelope marked Festival Raffle by June 15 or bring them to the Festival. Winners will be drawn Saturday night—no need to be present to win!

SILENT AUCTION & BASKET RAFFLE

We're accepting donations of new items, services, or themed baskets through June 10. Drop off at the parish office.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT PARISH MINISTRIES AND LOCAL COMMUNITY NEEDS.

FOR FULL DETAILS, VISIT THE FESTIVAL PAGE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL SJNFESTIVAL@GMAIL.COM



WELCOME OUR NEW PAROCHIAL VICAR

FATHER ELIAS UDEH



We're pleased to welcome Fr. Elias Udeh, who will begin his assignment here on July 8.

Born in Enugu, Nigeria, Fr. Elias is the third of five children. His father was a civil engineer, and his mother worked in textiles and taught women to make and sell clothing. After attending technical college, he worked at a Mercedes-Benz plant before beginning seminary studies in 2001. He studied philosophy and theology at Spiritan institutes affiliated with the University of Nigeria-Nsukka, earning a master's degree in theology in 2012. Fr. Elias was a member of the Spiritans (Congregation of the Holy Spirit), a missionary order founded in France in 1703, now serving in over 60 countries. His ministry has included service at St. Anthony Parish in Nigeria and missionary work among the poor in Brazil. Now a priest of the Diocese of Columbus, he brings with him a deep missionary spirit and a global perspective.

Fr. Fox has begun his new assignment at St. Brigid in Dublin.



ONLINE SURVEY

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR WEEKEND MASS TIMES

With the end of the COVID-19 pandemic, the arrival of Fr. Dury as pastor in 2021, and the anticipated arrival of Fr. Elias this July, attendance at our weekend Masses has increased dramatically!

We want to accommodate the sacramental needs of our growing parish more readily. The SJN Parish Leadership Team wants to learn more about our current needs, and opportunities to provide the best possible stewardship of material, time, facilities and our combined clergy and lay staff.

We'd appreciate your taking time to complete a short, anonymous survey. Please note the survey will close at the end of day on June 1.

Vist https://forms.office.com/r/sfZVWGviNX or scan the QR code below to take the survey.

Thank you for being a vital part of our parish family!



Congratulations, Father Kevin Girardi!



Ordained to the Priesthood May 17th, 2025

Please join us at St. John Neumann for his
Masses of Thanksgiving
Sunday, May 25th, 2025 at 9:00 am & 11:00 am
Reception to follow the 11:00 am Mass in the Faith
and Family Center





SIR KNIGHT JOHN MASCARI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

St. John Neumann Parish 2025 High School Seniors:

The St. John Neumann Knights of Columbus are offering a one-time \$2,000 scholarship for the 2025-2026 academic year to a registered member of the parish attending college or university.

To Apply

Submit a personal statement (max 500 words) and a letter of reference from a school official, teacher, coach, employer, or community leader who knows you well. The selection committee will review parish involvement, character, financial need, community service, and the essay.

Deadline:

Applications must be postmarked by July 1, 2025

mailed to:

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The recipient will be announced in the parish bulletin. If you are no longer a parish member, contact the Parish office to update your information at 740-965-1358.

For more information or to apply, please visit the St. John Neumann Youth Ministry Page or scan the QR code.





Come Pray the Rosary for Mary This Month

THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

We invite you and your family to lead the Rosary following each Sunday Mass, including the Saturday Vigil, as we come together in devotion to Our Blessed Mother.

Additionally, the Pro-Life Ministry invites you to pray the Rosary every Thursday at 10:00 am throughout the month of May.



Families and individuals of all ages are welcome to volunteer!



Weather permitting, we will gather at the Marian Grotto; otherwise, we will pray in the church.

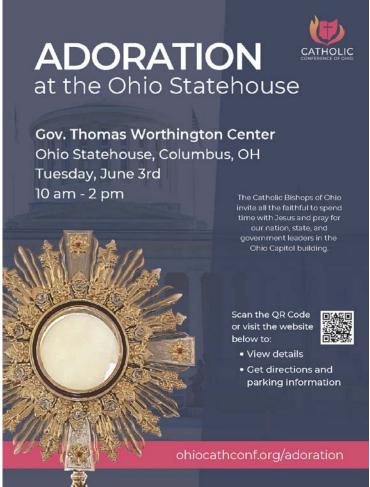


A script with all Rosary prayers will be provided no experience necessary.

If you're interested, please sign up here: <u>saintjohnsunbury.org/volunteer</u> or scan the QR code.







SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 18 K of C Highway Cleanup Community Festival Raffle Sale Family Promise

8:30 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass (Gladys Hudson †)

10:15 am OCI Mystagogy - FFC C

10:30 am Confessions

11:00 am Mass (Jeff Brader †)

12:00 pm Fr. Dury's Reception

Monday, May 19 Family Promise

6:00 pm K of C Monthly Meeting 7:00 pm Society of SVdP Meeting

Tuesday, May 20 Family Promise

11:30 am Women's Sandwich Making

5:00 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Mass (Tom Scholl †)

Good Samaritan Ministry

Wednesday, May 21 Family Promise

10:30 am Rosary

11:00 am Mass (Fr. Dury "Happy Birthday")

7:00 pm SJN Grief Support Group

Thursday, May 22 Family Promise

5:00 pm Confessions

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm Mass (Larry Hake †)

Friday, May 23 Family Promise

10:30 am Rosarv

11:00 am Mass (Gary Baumgartner †)

Blessed Sacrament Reposed

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, May 24 Blessed Sacrament Reposed

Family Promise

1:00 pm Wedding 3:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass (Pete † and Linda Giuliani †)

Sunday, May 25 Blessed Sacrament Reposed Family Promise

8:30 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass (J Thadeus Howard †)

10:15 am OCI Mystagogy - FFC C

10:30 am Confessions

11:00 am Mass (Marjorie May †)

12:00 pm Fr. Girardi Reception

MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

Mass & Confession Schedule

Weekend

Saturday

Confession: 3:00-3:50 pm

Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm

Sunday

Confession: 8:30-8:50 & 10:30-10:50 am

Masses: 9:00 & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday

Confession: 5:00-5:50 pm

Mass: 6:00 pm

Wednesday & Friday

Confession: 10:00-10:50 am

Mass: 11:00 am

First Fridays

Confession: 10:00-10:50 am

Mass: 11:00 am

Divine Mercy Devotions follow Mass

First Saturdays

Mass: 9:00 am

SPRING SESSION

ST. JOHN NEUMANN GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

WEDNESDAYEVENING 7:00 - 8:30 PM

May 21





For more information or to sign up, please visit our website or scan the QR code.

For questions, contact Deacon Carl at 740-965-1358, ext. 126.

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