



St. John Neumann Mothers' Group Ministry

WHO WE ARE

Goal: To promote fellowship and spirituality among the mothers of the St. John Neumann parish community. To sustain a dynamic support network and build lasting friendships for our parish's mothers as well as children. To answer the parish call to action by organizing events and, individually, volunteering our time, food and goods.

Membership: Our membership volume is dynamic, and changes as families change. On average, we have 100-120 active members. **For more information about the group or to join, please email momsgroup@saintjn.org, or complete our online registration form <https://goo.gl/forms/erAmuJXDH7jQXfh52> or contact our *Membership Coordinator, Carmen Wright, at carwright277@yahoo.com***

Communication: Our primary mode of communication is electronic. Notification of events, membership and other information is done primarily through monthly email newsletters, Evites and our closed Facebook group.

Coordinator: Lizette Ryan lizette.sjn@gmail.com

ACTIVITIES & CONTACTS

PLAYGROUPS meet Thursday mornings (all year) for children generally ranging in age from newborn to five years old. The group meets regularly from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM at SJN in the Early RE room next to the cry room. From time to time, the group meets at local parks or in people's homes. Dads, grandparents, and other caregivers are welcome.

The Playgroup Coordinator is Mary Burkhalter, Mary.Burkhalter@gmail.com

FIRST FRIDAY SOCIAL: (October through June) Join us in the Early Religious room on First Friday mornings from 9:30-11:00 (following the 9:00 Mass), for light refreshments, play time for children, and social time for moms.

The First Friday Social Coordinator is Katharina McHugh, katharinamchugh@hotmail.com

FAMILY ACTIVITIES are scheduled throughout the year, some weekends and some weekdays, and may include: trip to an apple orchard, Halloween party, All Saints' Day party, Easter Egg Hunt, Frying Pan Farm picnic, Bready Park play date, family cookout, and more! In addition to moms, we welcome children, dads, grandparents, and other family members to these events. *The Family Activities Coordinator is Sarah Norman, sarahcnorman@gmail.com*

SOCIAL ACTION projects include coordinating the provision of meals for new moms and moms in need, collecting for local organizations that serve women and children, and fundraising for kids' charities.

The Social Action Coordinator is Rhiya Dominic, rhidom@gmail.com

SPIRITUALITY is nurtured through participation in Bible Study, Story Time for Tots, book club, various children's activities, annual Rosary Prayer Potluck, pilgrimages, adorations, retreats and Lenten acts of kindness.

The Spirituality Coordinator position is OPEN.

Bible Study: Meets from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM on select Fridays from September through May, and covers the upcoming Sunday scripture. Childcare for children six months and older is provided by SJN volunteers. **RSVP** is required for childcare. *The Bible Study Coordinator is Felice Ketterer, felicegabrielle@gmail.com*

Living Rosary Circle: Meets quarterly or annually as scheduled.

The Living Rosary Coordinator is Angela Vasquez, arvasquez2006@yahoo.com

Nativity Play: The children put on a Nativity play around Christmas time.

The Nativity Play Coordinator position is OPEN.

Stations of the Cross & Lenten Soup: One Friday during Lent, the Mothers' Group combines forces with another SJN ministry to lead the Stations of Cross and provides meatless soups and other food for the community immediately following.

The Stations & Soup Coordinators are Sarah Norman, sarahcnorman@gmail.com

Meaghan Stoner, stonerfamily@gmail.com

MOMS' NIGHTS OUT (MNO) are social events for our moms. We meet one weeknight evening each month, often at a restaurant. A different mom takes up the mantle each month to plan the evening.

The Moms' Night Out Coordinator is Fiorella Ghersi, fioregp@yahoo.com

TEA CIRCLE meets quarterly for afternoon tea and on occasional monthly gatherings for casual morning get-togethers.

The Tea Circle Coordinator is Lizette Ryan, lizette.sjn@gmail.com