

We are so looking forward to helping you making this a beautiful occasion for the two of you. This is a helpful bullet point summary to help you with the standard requirements for marriage at St. John Neumann as contained in our wedding policy document. Further clarifications of these points are contained in that document which we ask you to read to avoid confusion.

- **Do not schedule any wedding date or reserve any venue until you have met with a priest or deacon.**
- **Give yourself a minimum of 6 months from your first meeting with a minister and your wedding date. A year is needed if your wedding is out of country.**
- **Contact Janice Maginn in the office 512-328-3220 ext 103 jmaginn@sjnaustin.org to begin the process and schedule a meeting with a minister.**
- **Obtain a new, certified copy of your Baptism certificate with notations from your place of Baptism. Non Catholic parties will need proof of Baptism as well.**
- **A refundable deposit of \$200 will be necessary to reserve the wedding date. Consuming food, drinks, gum or the use of tobacco in the church by anyone and cancellation for any reason prior to the ceremony will void your deposit. The church fee for parishioners is \$650 and non-parishioner fee is \$1200. Janice Maginn handles payments and reservations.**
- **Regular available wedding times are 10:00am, 2:00pm, and 7:30pm on Saturday.**
- **You will need to meet with Lance Hargis, the director of Music, soon after the wedding date has been set.**
- **You will be asked to attend a marriage preparation retreat, an introduction to Natural Family Planning course, and several face to face interviews with a priest or deacon.**
- **You will be asked to obtain signed witness statements. The office will provide this document for you.**
- **You will meet with an assigned wedding coordinator as the wedding approaches. No outside wedding coordinators will be permitted to direct the wedding liturgy.**
- **The fee for the organist and cantor is \$550.**
- **A state marriage license needs to be obtained 30 days before the wedding.**
- **No secular music or recorded music will be permitted for the wedding.**
- **The music ministry will help you select music from a wide selection of appropriate music.**
- **You will be given a guide to help you plan your wedding liturgy which the Deacon or Priest will review with you.**
- **No unity candles**
- **No rose petals, rice, glitter, sparklers, or bubbles are permitted on the Church property.**
- **No food, drink, or bubble gum in the Church or preparation areas.**
- **No tape, glue, tacks, or staples can be used to affix decorations.**

- **Modesty in vestments; avoid plunging necklines, open back dresses, short skirts, or midriffs. Covered shoulders should be preferred.**
- **Flowers should not crowd the sanctuary or be placed on the altar.**
- **Photographers and videographers are encouraged to use decorum while taking photos. They are not to enter the altar area at any time during the ceremony.**
- **A stipend for the minister and altar servers is customary.**
- **Photos may be taken directly before or immediately after the wedding.**
- **The Church and dressing rooms are available an hour and a half before the wedding and a half hour after the wedding.**
- **Everything, except the flowers, needs to be cleaned and removed from the Church before you depart.**
- **Any exception to these parameters needs the permission of the Pastor or his delegate.**

POLICIES FOR THE CELEBRATION OF A CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE
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Thank you for contacting St. John Neumann Catholic Church and expressing your desire to celebrate a Christian marriage. We are so happy for you and your possible future together and we look forward to being a part of this celebration. Marriage is both a beautiful celebration and a challenging vocation, so we strive to provide everyone looking to get married with some basic means of formation and discernment. In the following pages we have outlined the basic preparation requirement to serve as a guide. It is helpful if read it before you meet with the priest or Deacon and make reference to it as you go along.

These guidelines are divided into two sections. The first section deals with the steps of preparation for marriage and married life. The second section deals with the wedding ceremony itself and the steps needed to make arrangements. Please read the guidelines in their entirety in order to avoid complications.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE BRIDE AND GROOM

This is your marriage and your preparation program; and we highly recommend that every couple take thought as to how they can personalize their formation. Every couple should ask themselves, "What can I do in order to prepare well for Marriage?"

Below are the standard steps of preparation that we require of couples.

- Step 1. Do not set a date until after the initial visit with the priest or delegate!** This is imperative in order to avoid complications, disappointments, and to respect the discernment process.
- Step 2. Give yourself a minimum of 6 months:** The period of engagement is a period of discernment, and ample time is an important element of good discernment. For this, and other reasons, give yourself a minimum of 6 months from initial contact with the parish until proposed wedding dates. This is especially imperative if the place of marriage is in a different city. **If you are going to another country to be married please give yourself about 1 year.**
- Step 3. Contact our Sacraments Coordinator:** Her name is **Janice Maginn** and she can be reached at **(512)-328-3220 X-103** or **JMaginn@sinaustin.org**. She will begin the process of arranging a meeting between you and one of the ministers here at the Parish for an initial interview.
- Step 4. Obtain a new, certified with church seal, Baptismal Certificate.** A church seal stamped copy of a newly issued (within the last six months) Baptismal Certificate, with notations, is required from the Catholic parties. This certificate must be obtained from the original records of the Church in which you were baptized. When contacting your Church of baptism to obtain the certificate give your name, date of birth, parents' names and approximate date of your Baptism and let them know that it is for a Catholic wedding and must include **notations**. You may secure the address of the Church of your Baptism from the original certificate, look it up on the internet or call the parish office (512-328-3220). For a non-Catholic, baptized Christian, a Certificate of Baptism or a letter from a family member stating that the person was baptized and the approximate date is also requested. Any questions regarding this information may be inquired of the priest or deacon handling your marriage preparation.
- Step 5. Have an initial meeting with one of the ministers at St. John Neumann.** You will be contacted by a priest, Deacon, or their secretary in order to arrange a time for the initial meeting. This first meeting with the priest or deacon will include getting to know you as a

couple and explaining the marriage preparation process required at St. John Neumann. At this time the **prenuptial questionnaire** will be completed and the priest or deacon will continue to work with you in completing all necessary canonical paperwork required by the Catholic Church.

If either party has been previously married in or outside of the Roman Catholic Church, a **Document of Nullity** from a marriage tribunal may be required. No definite wedding plans will be made until this is completed. The priest or deacon working with you in preparation will be able to assist you.

Step 6. Take the FOCCUS Questionnaire. This questionnaire is a self-examination tool that raises points for discussion between the couple and their director. Once you have taken this questionnaire, the minister or director who is preparing you for Marriage will set up some times to sit down with you and review the results. This questionnaire can be taken in many different ways. **Those who attend the "Journey Through Marriage" course in Lakeway, Texas (information provided below) will be provided an opportunity to take this Questionnaire during these sessions.** If you are not planning to attend the course in Lakeway, or you may not be taking the course until much later in your preparation, you may talk to Janice Maginn about taking it on-line or manually.

Step 7. Attend an approved marriage preparation course. There are several approved formation retreats provided in the Austin area. We require the attendance of at least one of these options:

- A. "Journey into Marriage"/FOCCUS and Intro to Natural Family Planning** preparation course is offered by **Pat and Richard Thompson** at the Church of the Resurrection, **EMMAUS** in Lakeway, Texas. **In this course all of the requirements of the Diocese of Austin (NFP course, FOCCUS Test, and retreat) are offered all in one day.** You may call **Richard (512)-261-8124** or **Pat (512) - 970-7063** or email: journeyintomarriage@austin.rr.com to schedule a class.
- B. Together in God's Image:** This retreat is offered in many parishes in our Diocese and outside the Diocese. To find out when and where such retreats are held you can go to the Austin Diocese Website (<http://www.austindiocese.org/marriage-prep-calendar-1>) or call the Diocesan Family Life Office at **(512) 949-2470**. Please note that not all opportunities for this retreat are listed on the website and that most locations require the completion of the FOCCUS Questionnaire before attendance. Janice Maginn can assist you if there is difficulty.
- C. Sponsor Couple or Couple to Couple Preparation offered at St. John Neumann:** This encompasses several meetings in the home of a married sponsor couple who exemplify a firm marital commitment themselves. Through exercises the engaged couple shares their responses to situations that may occur in married life. The married couple, in turn, shares their lived experience of a Christian marriage. The sponsor couple will meet with you at a mutually convenient time. Contact Janice Maginn, Sacraments Coordinator for more information. The cost of materials for this preparation is included in your donation to St. John Neumann. A certificate is issued upon completion of these sessions which should be turned in to Janice Maginn after completion..

Step 8. Attend a Natural Family Planning Introduction Course. The Vitae Clinic and Austin Fertility Care Center in Austin provides an introduction to Natural Family Methods as well as one on one formation opportunities for growing in the use of this safe and morally sound family planning method. To register for these introduction classes you may sign up on-line at <http://www.austinfcc.org/>. **Those who attend the "Journey into Marriage" course in Lakeway, Texas (information provided above) will be provided an opportunity to take this course during these sessions.**

Step 9. Turn in Your Witness Affidavits. At your initial meeting with the priest or deacon you will be given a short form to be filled out by a friend or family member that will testify to your suitability for marriage. Each couple will be given two affidavits and these can be turned in at any time during the process.

Step 10. Obtain a Marriage License: A marriage **license** may be granted by any county in Texas. The license expires if the marriage does not take place within 30 days from the date of issue. The license is not valid if the marriage takes place in less than 72 hours after the license has been issued. **Please bring your license to the rehearsal and give it to your SJN wedding liaison.** She will make sure the priest/deacon and witnesses sign it after the ceremony. The liaison will then put it in the safe and on Monday it will be delivered to Janice Maginn, the Sacrament Coordinator for SJN. She will make a copy and then scan and email it to you before she mails it to the state for recording. **The Wedding liaison must have the license before the ceremony can begin on the day of the wedding.**

Others requirements: We do not intend this preparation for marriage to be a series of tasks to be fulfilled; but as tools to aid you in safe guarding the sacredness of marriage and help you in your own discernment. What has been presented above is the standard preparation process, but at times there may be other steps that may be asked of you, and we invite you to put forward your own initiatives. Please know that we strive to avoid what is unnecessarily burdensome and we will seek to make any extra ordinary requests as painless as possible. Your commitment is for life; and we treat it seriously, but not without understanding.

GUIDELINES AND PREPARATION FOR THE WEDDING CEREMONY

The first priority is the marriage discernment and preparation, outlined above, and we should keep our attention focused on that process even though at the same time we are preparing the big celebration. And it is proper that we should celebrate Marriage with all the ceremony that is we can muster. Below are a series of requirements that you need to keep in mind as you prepare the celebration and liturgy.

Setting the Date: Only after your initial visit with a minister and the minister has given an initial approval, can you schedule your wedding date. To set this date you will need to contact Janice Maginn (unless some other arrangement has been made). The date for the wedding will need to be coordinated between the Church calendar, the calendar of available ministers, and your calendar.

If you are not being prepared here at St. John Neumann you will have to give some confirmation that you have had an initial meeting to begin marriage preparation and that they have given approval to move ahead with setting a date (usually an e-mail or letter from the minister).

Weddings at St. John Neumann are reserved for **10:00 AM; 2:00 PM and 7:30 PM on Saturdays**. For exceptional reasons weddings may be reserved on Fridays. Consult with your assisting minister if you have a special situation. Exceptions to these times require permission from the pastor or his delegate and are only given for serious reasons

Some weekends are reserved for special reasons, and not all times are available on every weekend. Please note that St. John Neumann asks that couples avoid scheduling weddings during the penitential season of Lent. These dispensations need to be approved by the Pastor. Please consult with the parish office on what is available before deciding on your wedding date.

At the time of reservation you will need to make a **refundable deposit of \$200. Consuming food, drinks, gum or the use of tobacco in the church by anyone and cancellation for any reason prior to the ceremony will void your deposit.** You may pay the fee of \$650 (registered parishioners) at that time or in payments. Full amount is due 30 days before the wedding. The deposit is required before we will reserve the church for the wedding.

Fees: Fees for the use of the church building and marriage preparation expenses were reviewed and approved by the Parish Council (August 2010).

1. **A \$200 deposit to be refunded after the wedding. Consuming food, drinks, gum or the use of tobacco in the church by anyone will void your deposit, both at the rehearsal and the wedding. A refundable deposit of \$200 will be necessary to reserve the wedding date. Cancellation for any reason prior to the ceremony will void your deposit.**
2. **\$650 facility use fee for active Parishioners (Active Parishioners are couples, or their parents, who are registered members of St John Neumann and who have a documented history of some financial contribution for at least a 6 month period).**
3. **\$1200 facility use fee for non-parishioners**
4. **\$350 Organist fee**
5. **\$200 Cantor (Musician) Fee**
6. **Extra musicians, instrumentalist, and rehearsals may be a source of additional fees**
7. **Some of our the marriage preparation programs may require their own costs**
8. **Optional Rehearsal Attendance of Musicians-\$100**
9. **Voluntary Monetary Gift to the Priest/Deacon**

As per the Council, the standard for determining parishioner status for facility rental is based on these criteria:

- (1) The couple or their parents must be **registered** members of the parish for a minimum of six months before scheduling their wedding at parishioner rates.
- (2) The couple or their parents must have a **documented** history of some financial contribution for at least a 6 month period, which justifies the lower fee for rental of facilities.
- (3) Rental fees are based on parishioner/non-parishioner status at the time the Church is reserved for a future date.

For both parishioner and non-parishioners being prepared by a priest or deacon from St. John Neumann but **NOT** celebrating their wedding ceremony at the parish. Please consider a small stipend to the minister who does the preparation.

The fee is to defray the expenses of the marriage preparation materials, mailings, janitorial services, and the use of the campus facilities. The 200.00 deposit is refundable in both cases, provided church rules are followed and there are no damages. **Consuming food, drinks, gum or the use of tobacco in the church by anyone will void your deposit, both at the rehearsal and the wedding. Cancellation for any reason prior to the ceremony will void your deposit.**

However, we also do not wish to exclude anyone from the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony due to financial difficulty. If a couple can truly not pay the expense without significant financial difficulty, they may make their situation known to the priest. Proof of hardship may be required.

For exceptionally small and simple weddings (under 30 people) a small chapel is available. The venue has no space for musicians and the fee for use is 325.00 for active Parishioners (Active Parishioners are couples, or their parents, who are registered members of St John Neumann and

who have a documented history of some financial contribution for at least a 6 month period) and 600.00 for non-parishioners. For more information consult the office.

Music: After the wedding has been scheduled you should contact our Office of Music Ministry if you are going to have any music at your wedding. You can do this by contacting **Lance Hargis, Director of Music, at (512)- 328-3220 x-166 or email him at lhargis@sinaustin.org.**

All music and musicians used in the liturgy need to be approved by the Director of Music and they will help you with selecting music that is appropriate to the liturgy. The Catholic Church treats the wedding liturgy with great reverence and avoids the use of any type of secular music during the ceremony. No Broadway, country western, rock and roll, or related types of music will be allowed in the sacred space. Recorded music will also not be permitted in the wedding.

The SJN staff organist plays at all weddings and an SJN staff cantor will sing at all weddings. The organist stipend is \$350 and the Cantor's fee is \$200. They are a joy to hear and well equipped to handle almost any nuance you may desire for the sacred music. They also have a thorough knowledge of the musical needs of the liturgy in this space. The musicians do not typically attend rehearsals and will ask for a \$100 rehearsal fee if this is requested.

With advanced notice the Music Ministry also has the ability to contract other musicians and instrumentalists who are familiar with SJN. Any visiting musicians that participate in the music for the wedding, as an accompaniment or a solo piece, will need to have a familiarity with liturgical music and attend needed rehearsals. A \$50 fee for every half hour of rehearsal required will be charged. Any requests beyond these arrangements will need approval from the Pastor or his delegate.

Our musicians will reserve the date for your wedding upon receiving payment, which must be submitted no later than 60 days in advance. Payment for SJN staff musicians is made directly to them.

The Minister: You may express your desire for a particular Priest or Deacon here at St. John Neumann; but be aware that they may have to defer you to one of the other ministers for various reasons. You can also invite a guest priest or deacon to be the presider. This priest or deacon would simply need to contact the Pastor for the appropriate delegation necessary for him to preside at the ceremony. It will also allow a chance to extend hospitality and information on the use of the parish facilities and guidelines for the celebration of the liturgy. Although he may delegate it out to others, the presider of your wedding is responsible for your marriage preparation. If you are asking to be prepared by a priest or deacon of St. John Neumann, appropriate arrangement will need to be made according to these policies.

It has long been customary to offer a monetary gift (stipend) to the priest or deacon preparing you for marriage and/or witnessing your ceremony. This is a courtesy and a special thank you to the clergy who has given his time on your behalf. Your thoughtful gift is always greatly appreciated. While the amount is strictly voluntary, an offering comparable to the organist's fee is suggested.

The Liturgy: The couple has the opportunity to choose some of the prayers and readings for the Wedding ceremony. SJN requires couples to provide a Wedding Program for the attendees of your wedding. After completing the marriage preparation program, the couple should sit down with the Priest or Deacon who will preside over their wedding and work through the different options for the liturgy. The booklet "**Together For Life**" is often used as a handy resource and you may be given this in order to guide you through the decision process. The couple should meet with the presider of your ceremony one month prior to the wedding to review the planned liturgy.

There are also parts of the Liturgy that can involve participation from your family and friends such as bringing up the gifts, reading from scriptures, serving at the Altar, or administering Holy

Communion. The minister can help you with those choices. Please note that certain roles should be filled by individuals who have held that role before; especially Altar Servers and Eucharistic Ministers. Please make sure that you have at least two ushers who are not groomsmen. This is particularly important if your wedding attendance will be larger than 100 guests.

*SJN does require that you provide a Wedding Program for the attendees of your wedding.

Wedding Liaison: As the day of the wedding approaches a Wedding Liaison will be assigned to the couples to counsel them on the liturgy and the guidelines to be followed. The Liaison meets with the couple as needed and will attend the rehearsal as well as be there the day of the wedding. The **Liaison** will schedule access to the facilities of St. John Neumann when needed, and will monitor the return of all items used in the ceremony that must be removed. **The church must be left ready for the next liturgy scheduled. NOTE:** Wedding consultants employed by the bride or groom have **NO AUTHORITY** in planning any part of the liturgy or in decorating or arranging the Church. The parish Wedding Liaison is the only person to be employed in these matters. Please inform your wedding consultant.

Flowers and Candles at the Wedding: The use of flowers and other decorations can greatly enhance a wedding ceremony, and we welcome your creativity in this regard. Adornments should be simple and moderate in number; complementing the wedding ceremony, not overshadowing it. Flowers are to be arranged in such a manner as to respect the sacred space. The altar space should be free of flowers so that the priest can move freely around it. Any flowers placed at the front, side, or corner of the altar must have approval by the Pastor before they are placed. Christmas and Easter placements also need his final approval. No other changes can be made later without the Pastor's approval. Please take in consideration the different liturgical colors and seasonal themes of the Church. Plants, banners, altar cloths, etc. are an important part of the designated liturgy for the season. You are invited to work your colors/theme around these items. Out of consideration for our donors, regularly placed plants and flowers for our weekend liturgies cannot be moved. Wedding flowers can be easily placed in front of them. Potted plants must have waterproof pot covers or be provided with saucers. Silk flower arrangements in the Sanctuary are not considered liturgically correct and are not permitted.

Leaving the flower arrangements in the church after the wedding is a great way to extend the investment you put into the flower arrangements. We will lovingly enjoy and acknowledge them at our next liturgy.

******Please plan to donate any flowers used in your Ceremony to SJN. ******

The church does not provide candelabras. If rented from a florist, they must use oil filled candles and have someone come and removed them from the church as soon as they wedding ceremony is over. Make arrangements with your groomsmen or ushers to light the candles 10 to 15 minutes before the wedding ceremony. A candle lighter is available for your use. Remember that full dignity and decorum are expected of everyone when they are in the Sanctuary/altar area.

A Unity Candle may not be used as part of the wedding ceremony.

Decorations, flowers, bows or ribbons are not to be taped or tacked to the pews. Use only non-destructive methods of attachment (covered floral wire, ribbon or special pew attachments may be used). An Aisle runner, fresh or silk petal flowers are not permitted. No glass items, including aisle candles, Votive candles, vases, are permitted in the aisles and pathways to the Church.

Throwing rice, confetti, flowers petals, birdseed, etc is not allowed on parish grounds. Bubbles are also not allowed.

The placement of flowers and candelabras are to be approved by the Wedding Liaison. Following the photos after the ceremony, the bride's wedding consultant or other designated member of the wedding party or family will be responsible for the removal of decorative items

along with any floral boxes. They must be removed immediately so the Sanctuary can be readied for the next liturgy.

St John Neumann has a Flower Guild and they would be more than happy to assist you in providing the flowers and decorations for your ceremony. Your Parish Wedding Liaison can give you more information if you would be interested. If you choose to hire an outside florist, please let them know they are required to communicate with the Parish Wedding Liaison to obtain and sign our Wedding Flower and Decoration Policy Guidelines. Please complete this before the ceremony.

Photography and Videography: Photographs are an important memory of the wedding ceremony. To assist in making the process of photographs as care free as possible, we have designed the following policies. Prior to the wedding, your photographer will need to read, sign, and return the SJN Mixed Media Agreement. Photographers and videographers are encouraged to use decorum while taking photos. They are not to enter the altar area at any time during the ceremony. Photos/videos may be taken only at those points designated by the presider. Videographers are asked to have stationary cameras placed and not roam the Church during the ceremony. Photographers/videographers should limit their use of the main aisle during the ceremony since their movement is distracting to the sacramental focus of the ceremony. Please consult the presider or **Wedding Liaison** prior to the ceremony. No TV lights or bright spotlights are allowed in the Church building. **Photos may be taken up to 20 minutes prior to the Liturgy. After the ceremony, photos must be completed within 30 minutes.** The wedding party should return immediately to the Altar area. It is helpful to have a photographer assistant-someone who can round up people for each subsequent picture so the photographer does not have to. If the bride and groom would like the presider to pose with them for a photo after the ceremony, this photo should be taken first.

Any video and/or sound recordings made during your ceremony will require signed Artist Releases from each musician and the Presider. It is the responsibility of your photographer/videographer to contact the Director of Music to complete that process. Please have these complete and submitted prior to your wedding.

Dressing Room Facilities: The Church provides a room for the convenience of the bride and her attendants, however; you are encouraged to come dressed for the wedding. The groom and groomsmen are asked to come dressed for the wedding also. For Saturday evening weddings, the bride's room is not available until 7pm.

Please observe the following:

- **No food or drinks (bottled water is permissible) are to be brought into the Church (Bride's room or Sacristy). This includes alcohol. Consuming food, drinks, gum or the use of tobacco in the church by anyone will void your deposit, both at the rehearsal and the wedding. Smoking is not permitted as it is a Westlake Hills city ordinance.**
- Hair spray may be used only in the restroom.
- The room must be left clean. All flower boxes, paper, etc. that is brought into the Church and dressing area must be cleared after the wedding.
- The Church is not responsible for valuables left in the room. The bride and groom should appoint someone to clean up the rooms and take care of any valuables belonging to the wedding party.

The Rehearsal: This is usually scheduled the evening before the wedding. It will begin on time and be completed within 1 hour. We ask that you make sure all members of the wedding party are present (bridal party, ushers, immediate family) at least 15 minutes before the rehearsal is to begin. This allows the members of the immediate wedding party to become familiar with the environment of the Church building and with the public roles they will assume as part of the liturgy. We ask that you schedule the rehearsal time with your presider **before** making arrangements for your rehearsal dinner. The rehearsal time should be placed on the parish calendar at the same time as the date and time of your wedding. There may be other

rehearsals scheduled on the evening you select. The couple should meet with the presider of your ceremony one month prior to the wedding to plan the liturgy. This will allow for relaxed and joyous rehearsal time for you, your family and friends before the actual wedding ceremony.

The Day of The Wedding: The Church will be available an hour and a half prior to your wedding. Photographs must be completed within 30 minutes after the ceremony. To avoid disappointment, we ask that you be conscious of the demands on the parish facilities that include the celebration of the Eucharist, Confession, or other parish activities.

The church is the House of the Lord. We ask that all who participate in the rehearsal and wedding are respectful of the space and Church surroundings. Please ask parents of young children to monitor them closely and to keep them seated. Food and beverages, including alcohol, gum or tobacco are prohibited anywhere in the Church. Consuming food, drinks, gum or the use of tobacco in the church by *anyone* will void your deposit, both at the rehearsal and the wedding.

Children's safety issues: For the sake of the security and safety of children, they are never to be apart from direct adult supervision while on church property. That means that children may not wander the parish property alone. Also, children who need to leave the pews during the liturgy to go to the bathroom **must** be accompanied by an adult.

Additional Advice and Guidelines: The Church assumes no responsibility for private property lost, damaged or stolen at Church events. This includes automobiles damaged, etc. It is suggested that the party make arrangements for purses, jewelry, etc. to insure the safekeeping of personal property.

The Church cannot accept delivery or take responsibility for clothing or other items used nor can these be stored in Church.

St. John Neumann can be difficult to find for persons not familiar with Austin. Also please allow for traffic on Fridays. Traffic in Austin on Fridays at 3:30 can be very bad. Please provide your family and guests with simple directional maps. The Church offices are closed Friday evening and Saturday.