

Christmas

Greetings

From the Chaplains
and Staff of
the Newman Center
May 2013 be filled
with God's Blessings



Dear Friends,

As we celebrate the Incarnation, that moment 2000 years ago when the God of the Universe broke into human history and flooded it with new light, I pray that you and those you love will be continuously surrounded by that light. The coming of the Messiah had been long foretold by the prophets as the great beginning of a New Age of God's relationship with his creation. Those prophecies, fulfilled in the person of Jesus of Nazareth, continue to be fulfilled in us, His followers and those who believe that He fulfilled the prophecies. The darkness Jesus came to dispel is still at work in the world and the light must be kept burning brightly by us. Like John the Baptist, we are here "to testify to the light so that others might believe..." (John 1: 7).

May your celebration for the Christmas Season be a strong testimony to your family and friends, indeed to all who know you, that you believe that "The true light, which enlightens everyone, [has come] into the world." (John 1:9).

On behalf of the ministers and staff of the Newman Center, I wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and God's richest blessings in the New Year.

Christmas Peace,

Fr. Bart op.

Jesus Christ is born for us! God becomes man to bring light into the world. I don't have to stay in the darkness of my selfishness. I am not alone! Now, I can pray with St. Augustin: "O let the Light, the Truth, the Light of my heart, not mine own darkness, speak unto me."

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Fr. Jacek Buda, O.P.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This time of year is a time for gratitude, friendship, and praise. God has richly blessed me with your friendship. For this I thank Him. I praise you all and I feel blessed to minister in your midst.

Fondly,

Fr. Donald, O.P.

A blessed and Holy Christmas to you,
May God's infinite love fill your heart with true peace. Thank you for your constant support of the Newman Center and for your generosity. As we come to the beginning of a New Year, I will continue to pray abundant blessings for you and your loved ones.

Sister Angelica Velez, O.P.

"The human heart was made for Jesus Christ". May this Christmas mean for each of us the coming of Christ into our hearts more deeply in faith, love, and peace. Blessings on each of you and your family this Christmas and throughout the New Year.

Sister Elizabeth O'Donnell, O.P.

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, in this time of Christmas, I'm praying for each one of you that you will continually recognize God's presence in your life, in particular through the way "God is with us" in the Eucharist, and that through God's humility to become human and His love you will grow closer in relationship to Him.

Have a Merry Christmas!

David Mares

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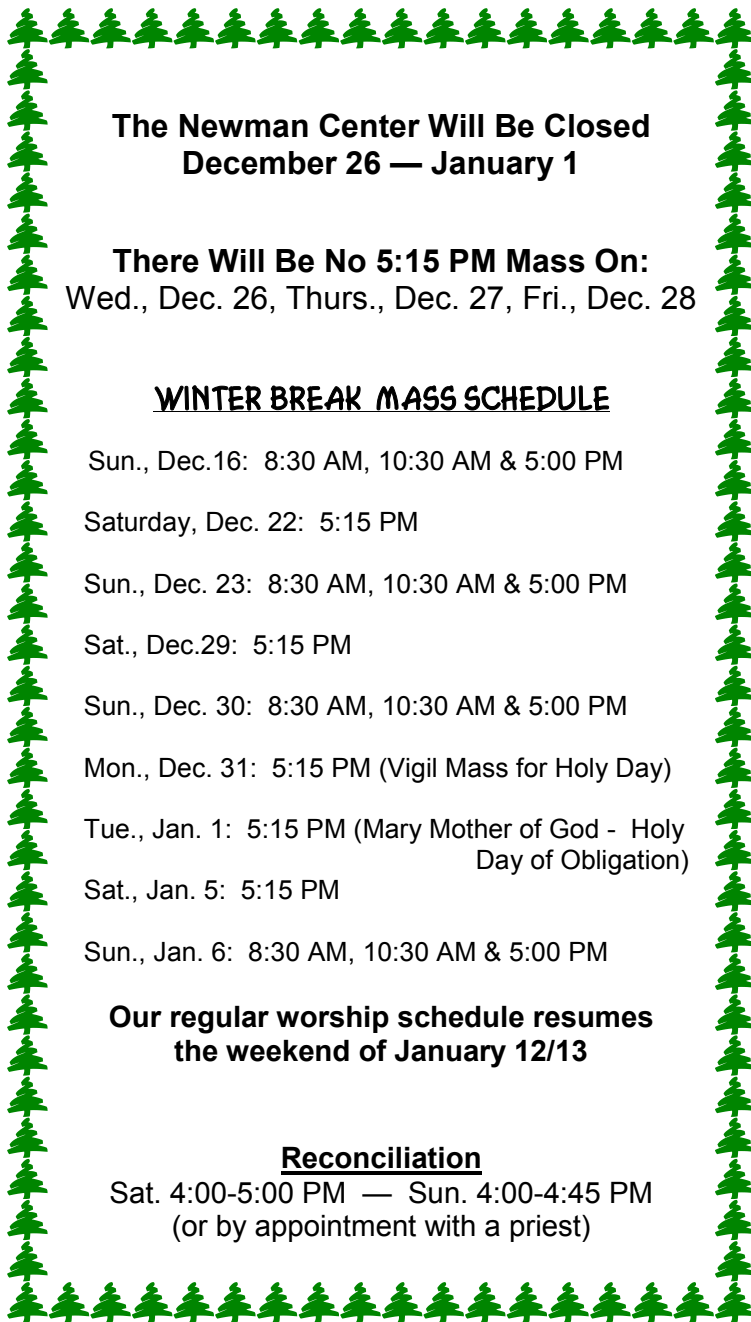
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**The Newman Center Will Be Closed
December 26 — January 1**

**There Will Be No 5:15 PM Mass On:
Wed., Dec. 26, Thurs., Dec. 27, Fri., Dec. 28**

WINTER BREAK MASS SCHEDULE

Sun., Dec. 16: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

Saturday, Dec. 22: 5:15 PM

Sun., Dec. 23: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

Sat., Dec. 29: 5:15 PM

Sun., Dec. 30: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

Mon., Dec. 31: 5:15 PM (Vigil Mass for Holy Day)

Tue., Jan. 1: 5:15 PM (Mary Mother of God - Holy
Day of Obligation)

Sat., Jan. 5: 5:15 PM

Sun., Jan. 6: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

**Our regular worship schedule resumes
the weekend of January 12/13**

Reconciliation

Sat. 4:00-5:00 PM — Sun. 4:00-4:45 PM
(or by appointment with a priest)

Sacramental Formation @ Newman

Adult Initiations: If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please speak to one of the Pastoral staff about participating in the RCIA program.

Confirmation: Eight-week classes and the Sacrament of Confirmation are offered twice each year. Please contact the office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday & Sunday, 4:00 PM (or by appointment)

Marriage: Couples who would like to celebrate this Sacrament should contact one of the priests at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

Infant Baptisms: Infant Baptisms are celebrated at Sunday Masses. Please call the office to schedule baptisms and preparation classes.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact one of the priests if you would like to be anointed because of sickness, injury, or surgery

The Newman Mission:

To be the Presence of Jesus Christ on the Campus of the University of Arizona

The Newman Promise:

The entire Newman Community will work together to create an environment where university students are formed to live their Faith more intentionally and future leaders are formed for the Church and the world.

HAVE YOU BEEN CONFIRMED?

DEADLINE to apply for the Spring program: January 28
Classes begin: Monday, February 4

The Sacrament of Confirmation is an important and powerful step in Catholic life that completes our full initiation as members of the Body of Christ. The Newman Center offers a shortened, but intensive, 9-week program for those seeking to be Confirmed. Meetings for the Spring 2013 Semester will be held every Monday evening from 7 to 9:30 PM in the classroom, beginning on Feb. 4. Confirmation will take place on Sunday, April 14. To apply for the upcoming session, you must complete an application and interview with Sr. Elizabeth. To schedule an interview, please call Sr. Elizabeth at the Newman Center, (520) 327-4665 or email her at srelizabeth@uacatholic.org. NO Applications for the Spring confirmation program will be accepted AFTER Jan. 28.



FOOTPRINTS ON OUR HEARTS

A support group for families who have lost a child of any age. Meetings held at Most Holy Trinity Parish, 1300 N. Greasewood. For more information, contact 884-9021.

**SUPPORT
YOU**



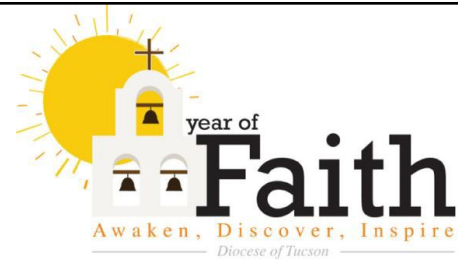
**WHAT
VALUE!**

Catholic education combines a quality curriculum that nurtures faith development, provides strong academics, high expectations, and promotes respect for one another. Take advantage of the tax credit and receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit. Send your contribution of up to \$1,000 if filing jointly or \$500 if filing singly, to the Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) before December 31st and Get the Credit.

CTSO, P.O. Box 14467

Tucson, Arizona 85732-4467

Visit www.ctso-tucson.org for online giving



DIocese OF TUCSON YEAR OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Rediscovering the Second Vatican Council
Saturday, January 26 — 8 AM to 4 PM
Our Mother of Sorrows Parish, Tucson
1800 S. Kolb Road, Tucson, AZ 85710
\$10.00 (Includes Lunch)
Registration Deadline, January 18

MAIN SPEAKER

Dr. Massimo Faggioli, Assistant Professor of Theology
University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota

For Information Contact Isabel Madrid, 838-2544

R.C.I.A.

The Journey for those who would
become Disciples of Jesus

**INQUIRY SESSIONS FOR THOSE INTERESTED
IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Every Tuesday night 7 PM in the classroom**

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

The Newman Center has EFT available to make it possible for you to make your regular contribution by automatic deduction from your checking account. This is intended to help those who would like help being more intentional with their regular parish stewardship. Pick up an Authorization Form at the Newman front desk.

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

December 25: The Nativity of the Lord

Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

8:30 AM No intention
10:30 AM Pro Populo

December 26: St. Stephen, first martyr

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

No Mass Today

December 27: St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a and 2-8

No Mass Today

December 28: The Holy Innocents, martyrs

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18

No Mass Today

December 29

1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

5:15 PM Ceil Schmidt +

December 30: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

8:30 AM No Intention
10:30 AM Irene Fimbres
5:00 PM Pro Populo

December 31

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

5:15 PM No Intention

January 1: Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

5:15 PM Pro Populo

January 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day 5:15 PM Mass CENTER CLOSED	2	3	4	5
6 Just Coffee Sales	7 7:00 PM RCIA Catechists	8 8:00 AM CMLT Retreat 7:00 PM RCIA Team Winter Session Ends	9 7:00 PM OPL 7:30 PM Student Centered Mass Classes Begin	10 7:00 PM Lector Prep	11 7:00 PM Welcome Back Social	12 9:30 AM Renew Leaders
13 Regular Mass Schedule Resumes 11:00 AM RCIA Lunch 12:30 PM Baptism Class 1:00 PM OPL Professed 1:00 PM RCIA 6:00 PM Pasta Supper Primavera Trip	14 3:00 PM Renew 4:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Renew 7:30 PM Benedict XVI Reading Group 9:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration	15 2:00 PM Renew 2:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Tom's Event	16 4:00 PM Renew 7:30 PM Student Centered Mass	17 3:15 PM Renew 6:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Lector Prep 7:30 PM <i>Footprints of God</i> 7:30 PM Renew	18 <i>6:00 PM Dives in Misericordia</i>	19 8:00 AM Walk for Life Kino Trip
20 11:00 AM RCIA Lunch 1:00 PM RCIA	21 MLK Day CENTER CLOSED	22 2:00 PM Renew 2:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM RCIA Inquiry 7:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Renew	23 4:00 PM Renew 7:30 PM Student Centered Mass	24 3:15 PM Renew 6:00 PM Renew 7:00 PM Lector Prep 7:30 PM <i>Footprints of God</i> 7:30 PM Renew	25 <i>6:00 PM Dives in Misericordia</i>	26
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