

CATHOLIC WILDCAT

The Weekly Newsletter of the Catholic Community at the University of Arizona

August 23-24

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



Newman students during dorm move-in week. Greeting under the tent and passing out cold water to UofA students and their parents on campus.

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Preaching the Gospel at the University of Arizona since 1926

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:15 PM

SUNDAY MASSES

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM
5:00 PM & 7:00 PM

MONDAY–FRIDAY

Morning Prayer: 7:30 AM
Evening Prayer: 5:00 PM
Daily Mass : 5:15 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00-5:00 PM
Sunday 4:00-4:45 PM
(or by appointment with a priest)

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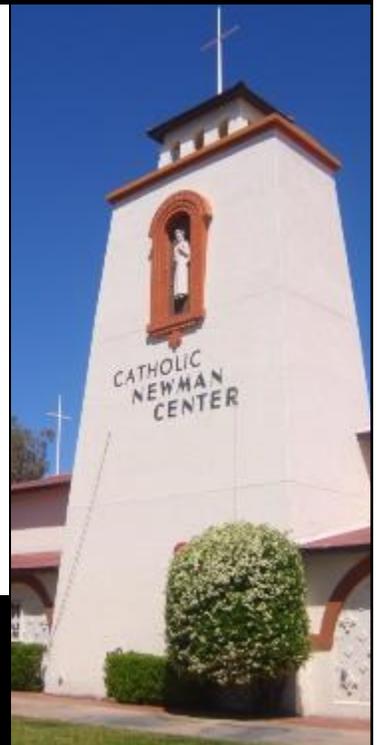
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NEWMAN CENTER STAFF

This Community is served by the Friars of the Western Dominican Province and the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose

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The Newman Mission:

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

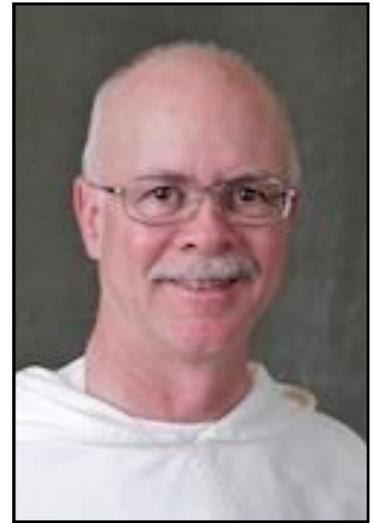
The Newman Promise:

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.

Welcome from the Pastor

It seems clear, however, that there can be no such thing as a demonstration of the meaninglessness of life; one can only report that one has not so far found a meaning, and it is always possible that the fault is in the direction of one's search - one has been trying to draw water from empty wells.

William Ernest Hocking



A HEARTY WELCOME to all who are new to St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center Parish, especially to students beginning their academic endeavors at the University of Arizona! As the Catholic parish for the University, we wish Newman to be your home away from home during your studies.

Of course, our wish for you is much deeper than that. We desire that you join us in the great adventure of our common quest to encounter Jesus in reality, and drink deeply from the wells of salvation. From such an encounter, we are enlivened and motivated to witness to the presence of Christ in our lives both at Newman and at the University.

Welcome, too, to those who have been away for the summer, and have returned to the Newman Center. It is great to have you back!

During my first year as Pastor, I wish us to refocus on the basics of what being a Catholic Christian means. The source and summit of our Catholic lives is that encounter with Jesus Christ that happens through the sacramental life of the Church in fellowship with other faithful Catholics. These are nice sounding words, but together we can make the theory actual, and turn this theology into a more deeply lived experience.

Aside from a new Pastor, we have a couple of other changes in the Dominican pastoral staff this year. Fr. Jacek Buda, O.P., returns to Tucson after a year at our namesake Newman Center in the Western Dominican Province, which is St. Thomas More Newman Center in Eugene, OR. In addition, we welcome Br. Cody Jorgensen, O.P., who will be with us for a year as a Campus Ministry Intern. Br. Cody is a Dominican seminarian at our Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Berkeley, CA, who will be returning there next year to continue his theological studies for the priesthood. Meanwhile, Sr. Angelica Velez, O.P., and Sr. Elizabeth O'Donnell, O.P., continue their ministry here again this year. And Fr. Donald Bramble, O.P., remains a visible and active participant in Newman liturgies, ministries, and events.

If you are new to Newman, your first impressions will likely not tell the whole story. There are deep currents moving here this year, and subtle yet exciting things will well up to surprise us.

If you are already quite at home at Newman yet feel a bit uncertain about the change in leadership, please be assured that our changes are neither random nor mindless. A spirit of liberty through faithfulness to the Christ and his Church will be a prime guiding principle for us this year. Increased liberty also creates a degree of uncertainty, but we expect an increasing ferment of creativity to result as well.

I am happy to serve this wonderful community in the coming year, and ask your prayers for me and all the Newman staff. We are all praying for you as well, our Newman Community at the University of Arizona.

Peace, in Christ,

Fr. James

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Journey for those who would
become Disciples of Jesus

R.C.I.A.

INQUIRY SESSIONS FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Every Tuesday night 7 PM in the Newman Library

Fall Semester: September 2 - December 9

Spring Semester: January 27 - May 5

What do you say when a friend or family member asks you about, or comments about, the Catholic Church? For many of us, that's a little uncomfortable. Yet, it can often be a manifestation of someone reaching out in search of a deeper relationship with God. And they're reaching out to you! Fear not. Throughout the entire year, members of the Newman Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) team are available to sit with anyone who is interested in learning more about what it is to be Catholic, why we do what we do, what is involved in exploring becoming a part of the Church... So, your response to these questions can be very simple and very effective... invite them to an inquiry session. You're welcome to come, too, if you wish to support, to learn, to be part of another person's walk of faith. This can bring amazing growth into your own life, we promise.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Religious Education classes will begin for students K-5th grade on Sunday, September 14 at 9:00 AM in Green Hall. All families are welcome to register on the 8th. No pre-registration is required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS MEETING

Those interested in working with the K-5th grade Religious Education program are asked to attend a meeting on Saturday, September 13 from 9:00 AM to Noon.

In observance of Labor Day
the Newman Center
will be closed

Monday, September 1.

There will not be a 5:15 PM Mass

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HAVE YOU BEEN CONFIRMED?

Realizing that many students make it to college without having been Confirmed (for various reasons), the Newman Community wishes to make Confirmation preparation available on a regular basis. The Preparation Process at Newman is not a comprehensive program of Catechesis, nor can it take the place of a broader catechetical experience. It is a Sacramental Preparation process which presumes that those who participate already have a basic level of Catechesis. The focus of our Process is preparing for Confirmation as the Sacramental completion of Christian Initiation.

The Bishop of Tucson has given the Newman Center permission to prepare College-age students for the Sacrament of Confirmation in a concentrated course. The course is completed in just 8 weeks (attending class once each week and completing some assignments outside of class). Because it is a short amount of time, we must assess a student's motivation to complete Christian Initiation and insist that **every student be present for every class during the eight week period.**

Requirements to apply to enter the preparation process:

- ✓ You are Baptized and received your First Communion
- ✓ You are an active practicing Catholic
- ✓ You are able to attend all 8 sessions
- ✓ You must schedule an interview with Sr. Elizabeth

2014 - 2015 CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Fall Semester 2014

Classes on **Tuesday** evening
beginning **September 23**

Spring Semester 2015

classes on **Monday** evening
beginning **February 16**

Sign up now at the Receptionist's desk and you will be contacted for an interview.

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GRADUATE STUDENT COMMUNITY

Theology on Tap

The next installment will be on Tuesday, September 9, at O'Malley's on 4th Ave. Arrive at 6:30 PM for food and drink. The talk will begin at 7:00 PM.

Hikes

Hikes will begin in October.

Ice Cream Social

Saturday August 30, 6:00-9:00 PM in Green Hall.

For questions or instructions to subscribe to the mailing list, contact Elizabeth at edelcurto@email.arizona.edu.

Newman: The Man Behind the Name

A wise, southern gentleman once said:

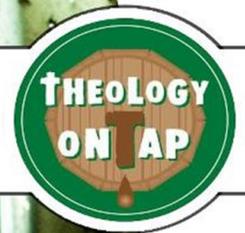
"God is good. God and beer is better."



Tuesday — September 9 — 7:00 PM
At O'Malley's Pub — 247 N. 4th Ave.

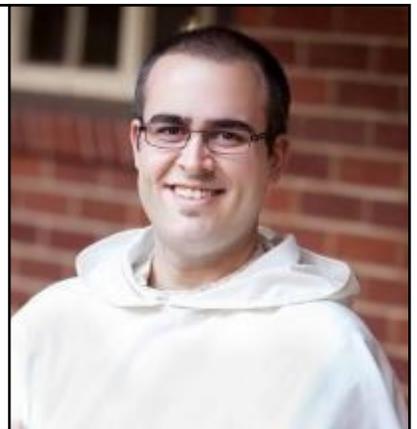
With Fr. James Thompson, O.P.

Questions? Email Elizabeth Del Curto:
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Please Welcome Br. Cody Jorgensen...

Br. Cody grew up in central Washington state, and attended school at the University of Washington in Seattle. Growing up with an Evangelical background, it was at the UW Newman Center that Br. Cody met the Church and the Dominicans. His sophomore year he was baptized and received into the Church. He graduated from UW with degrees in Biochemistry and Informatics. After graduating he remained in Seattle for a year, working locally. Three years after being baptized, Br. Cody entered the Dominican Novitiate. He is currently pursuing a double MA degree in Philosophy and Theology at the DSPT in Berkeley, CA. He enjoys singing and learning about sacred music, as well as brewing beer for the brothers.



THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS

August 24: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20
8:00 AM No Intention
9:30 AM The Molina Family
11:15 AM No Intention
5:00 PM Richard & Mary Fimbres
7:00 PM Pro Populo

August 25

2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
5:15 PM No Intention

August 26

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26
5:15 PM No Intention

August 27: St. Monica

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
5:15 PM No Intention

August 28: St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor

1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
5:15 PM No Intention

August 29: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

1 Cor 1:17-25; Mk 6:17-29
5:15 PM Marie Cardenas (Birthday)

August 30

1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30
5:15 PM No Intention

August 31: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
8:00 AM Pro Populo
9:30 AM No Intention
11:15 AM No Intention
5:00 PM No Intention
7:00 PM No Intention