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OUR MISSION: TO BE TRANSFORMED THROUGH AN
ENCOUNTER WITH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH & THE LOVE OF GOD

Yearly Theme: "Fear is useless, what is needed is trust" - Mark 5:36



August 23, 2020

Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass Online
11AM Pacific Live-Stream
through [Facebook Live](#), and our
[YouTube Channel](#)

Weekday Masses
Tuesday through Friday
11:30AM Pacific Live-Stream
through [Facebook Live](#) and our
[YouTube Channel](#)

****NOTE**** You do NOT need a
Facebook account to view our
LiveStream. Videos are available for
you to view at your convenience after
they premiere.

Reconciliation: by appointment only.
Priest email addresses are listed in
the next column

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
8/23 11:00AM **Reyes Arvayo+**
Our Newman Community

Monday: St. Bartholomew
8/24 11:30AM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
8/25 11:30AM **Sr. Julian Dion+**
Wednesday: Weekday
8/26 11:30AM **All Students**
Thursday: St. Monica
8/27 11:30AM **Sr. Frances Mary Pierson+**
Friday: St. Augustine, Patron of Tucson
8/28 11:30AM **Deceased MSJ Dominicans+**

*Mass Intentions can be requested by calling the
office for Memorials, Birthdays, Anniversaries,
Healing/Recovery or Special Intentions.
\$10 is the suggested donation*

[Link to the Readings at Mass](#)
[Guide to the responses during Mass](#)

Liturgy of the Hours via the [iBreviary App](#)

Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

It is hard to believe that we are already in mid-August! It has been a very unusual summer, not to mention last few months. It's hard to say what's normal, and even unclear to name if "normal" even exists.

Jesus, like many other teachers of his time, loved the use of parables. He used them as often as he could, and those who heard them were left spellbound.

Parables offer three movements: orientation to something that we think we know... only to disorientate us, then to re-orientate us again - in what is true.

In the Parable of Wheat and the Weeds - 7/19/20 - from the 16th Sunday.. we are invited to have a different response towards the wheat and weeds growing together. Instead of separating them we are called to allow them grow together and for God to do the separating later, if needed. God's grace and mercy will act during the growth of wheat and weeds.

In the Buried Treasure and a Pearl of Great Price - 7/26/20 from the 17th Sunday - we are pointed towards the consideration of the Kingdom of God, being a treasure, or a pearl of great price, which we are to value 'so much' that we would be willing to do 'anything' to attain it. If we do this, the Kingdom can act upon our lives, and make a significant difference.

In the Feeding of the Great Crowd 8/2/20 - from the 18th Sunday - we see Jesus caring for the physical needs of a massive crowd by feeding them spiritually, and then serving them a meal that allows not only everyone to be fed, but also have an abundance leftover. It seems that real generosity produces deep miracles.

In Jesus walking on the water, and Peter joining him for a moment - 8/9/20 - from the 19th Sunday - We are invited to see how deep is our faith. Is our faith only solid when we are in control? What about in those moments where we have no control? Can we hold on to God's promise in Christ, to help us to navigate moments of uncertainty, and to walk on the waters of life with Jesus?

In our last example - Jesus, Canaanite woman, and her daughter - 8/16/20 - from the 20th Sunday - Jesus shows us that persistence pays off even in situations that appear impossible - Even in historical and racial tensions that appear to only close down dialogue. In our final Gospel - the Canaanite woman persists in the truth that Christ's message is intended for all.... And, this produces not only 'healing' for the woman's daughter, but 'confidence and healing' for the woman herself.

As The Pastoral Staff steps away for a little renewal before the "opening" of another academic year of ministry at Newman, in a time of uncertainty, pandemic, social distancing, virtual ministry-classes, and the great need for much flexibility and faith.... We do so confident that whatever is before us as a Newman community, that we will be supported by the Grace of God that transforms and leads.... with the Spirit of truth and the Love of God! Amen!

NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, 8/25 at 7pm via Zoom
discussing *The Hobbit* by JRR Tolkien
contact Kelly for more info:
kellykottmerlovesbooks@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY

meets weekly on Thursdays at 7:30PM via Zoom
Graduate Students and Young Professionals between the
ages of 22-35, email the co-leaders Joe and Edith to get
connected: YoungAdultLeaders@UACatholic.org
or join the YAC [Facebook Group](#)

POVERELLO HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Beginning on August 19th Poverello House,
located at 221 E Lee Street, intends to begin
providing limited service to homeless men.

From 7:00 am until noon on Wednesdays thru Sunday,
men who were guests at Poverello House prior to its
closing, will be welcomed into the yard for a hot breakfast,
an opportunity to take a shower, do laundry, and enjoy a
place to relax in the shade.

Volunteers are needed to provide triage before the men
enter the yard. Wednesdays or Sundays 7AM-8:30AM
Training will be provided if needed.

If you can volunteer 1 day, a few days or 5 days, contact:
Jeanette at 909.446.5469 or jarnquist@gmail.com

SMALL GROUP SIGN-UPS

Sign-ups are open for small faith sharing groups.

The form is available at:

<https://uacatholic.org/smallgroup/>

NEWMAN PARKING PERMITS

Applications for the 2020-2021 school year are now being accepted. We have a limited number of spaces with priority given to registered and active members of the Newman Center—students, faculty and staff. Email your completed application to Manny@UACatholic.org.

[Link to the application is here](#)

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Our readings today ask each of us what it means to be called as His disciples. Saying Yes to that call, gives us joy and strength to turn to Him when we face uncertain challenges.

I will give thanks to your name, because of your kindness and your truth; when I called you answered me; you build up strength within me. Ps 138: 2-3

If we say, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God”, then we must say so, not just with words but with our actions.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Newman Registration helps us keep the lines of communication open and connects our community with the various ministries we offer. If you are new to our community or have moved in the past year, please fill out the online registration form at:

www.UACatholic.org/Registration

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 8/20/2020

40 donors - \$26,423 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 57%
Fulfilled to date: \$24,178 or 52% of total goal

Donate Online at:

<https://support.cathfnd.org/donate>

Select “St. Thomas More” as your parish



This year we received a \$10,000 grant used to do a number of facility updates including new water fountains in the lobby and student lounge; hand sanitizer stations and other public health elements needed for our reopening coming soon.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RCIA ELECT

Brandon, Malia & Morgan

Their RCIA journey continues due to the quarantine. We look forward to the day we can gather in person and joyfully welcome them as fully-initiated members of the Church and our Newman Community.

Please also pray for Isabel who was baptized and received First Communion. She will be Confirmed with the rest of the group this Fall

NEWMAN WEBSITE AND EMAIL LISTSERV

As you know, the public health situation evolves very quickly. We will communicate any changes to our schedule via our email listserv:

<https://uacatholic.org/join-our-weekly-email-list/>

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

August Online Giving as of 8/22/2020: \$6,692
August 16 Envelopes : \$3546; Venmo: \$452
August 9 Envelopes: \$3,490, Venmo: \$319
August 2 Envelopes: \$2,540; Venmo: \$487
Convent A/C Unit Help: \$2100

July ACH: \$6282; July Online Giving: \$11,140.75
July 29 Envelopes: \$940.00; Venmo \$845
July 19 Envelopes: \$3507.25; Venmo \$1,195.50
July 12 Envelopes: \$2370; Venmo: \$563
July 5 Envelopes: \$1880; Venmo: \$564

June ACH: \$5,442; June Online Giving: \$8,439.25
June 28 Envelopes: \$1705; Venmo: \$1527
June 21 Envelopes: \$3735; Venmo \$1277
June 14 Envelopes: \$1380; Venmo \$530
June 7 Envelopes: \$1495; Venmo \$644
Extraordinary Gift: \$2000

Thank you for your generosity each week. Your contribution during the Offertory pays for the utilities, staff and ministries so we can carry out our mission.

We invite you to prayerfully consider setting up one-time or recurring donations through our Online Giving Program or through ACH with your bank. It provides an easy way to track your contributions for tax credit purposes.

Text **UACatholic** to 800-950-9952 for a link on your mobile phone or download an ACH form by visiting

UACatholic.org/donate

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