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## CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER

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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



#### **December 13, 2020**

#### **SCHEDULES**

#### **In-Person Masses Reservations Required**

Saturday 5:15PM Sunday 9AM, 11AM, & 5PM (7PM resumes in late January)

Reservations Open Monday 8AM through Fridays at Noon. Details here

#### **Sunday Mass Online**

11AM Pacific Live-Stream through Facebook Live, and our YouTube Channel

#### Weekday Masses Online Only Tuesday through Friday

11:30AM Pacific Live-Stream through Facebook Live and our YouTube Channel

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

#### **NEWMAN CENTER STAFF**



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

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### **Third Sunday of Advent**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Third Sunday of Advent 12/12 5:15PM Bishop Manuel Moreno+ 12/13 9AM Sally Kish+ 11AM Ramón Castillo+ 5PM Our Newman Community

Monday: St. John of the Cross 12/14 11:30AM NO DAILY MASS Tuesday: Advent Weekday 12/15 11:30AM NO DAILY MASS Wednesday: Advent Weekday 12/16 11:30AM NO DAILY MASS Thursday: Advent Weekday 12/17 11:30AM NO DAILY MASS Friday: Advent Weekday 12/18 11:30AM NO DAILY MASS

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











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## Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

s we travel through the season of Advent, I hope we can grow in our community relations with one another, and to share and learn what each unique person adds to the wider narrative of Newman. Advent invites us to serve the stew that God has been cooking within us - over the weeks and months of the year.... I pray that we will "take courage" in whatever way we need it..... And, "be not afraid" – to step forward.., and onto whatever path -- God is calling us...

2020 has been quite a year! As we close the fall semester may the power of these last couple of weeks usher us in to the new promise of Christmas and 2021! May the voice of John the Baptist still echo and move us to climb God's holy mountain.

Are we ready to climb God's mountain, as we hear in our Advent readings? To climb out of quarreling and bitterness.... To beat our spears -- from warring, into pruning hooks and plough-shares.... tools for cultivating community and communication?

Advent's invitation invites us not to be swept away -by the busyness and drama -- that can fill these weeks
before Christmas --- But, to be brave and courageous,
and to listen for the voice of Emmanuel - "God is with
us". Are we prepared to do this? To make room for
God w/ us".... I hope so.....

Rejoice, Rejoice, Emmanuel... shall come to thee O Israel....." Amen!

#### PRAY FOR OUR RCIA CANDIDATES

Please keep Danielle, Nathan, Corey, Hannah, and Jenny in your prayers as they continue their formation to be fully-initiated in the Church at the Easter Vigil in 2021.

#### **USHERS NEEDED FOR WINTER BREAK**

We are in need of additional ushers as we approach the holidays and the university's winter break through the middle of January. If you are able and willing to serve in this ministry, please contact Sr. Mary Virginia at srmaryv@uacatholic.org

#### **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

We will be ordering poinsettias soon for the chapel's Christmas Season Environment. If you would like to purchase one, the cost is \$10 - please write your family name in the memo line for the label.

You can either send a check or pay online through <u>Venmo</u> or <u>WeShare</u>
Deadline is December 18th

#### **IN-PERSON MASSES & RESERVATIONS**

Reservations are required in order to maintain safe social distancing. The Reservation Window is open from Monday at 8AM to Friday at Noon and can be done online <a href="https://www.UACatholic.org/Mass-Reservations">www.UACatholic.org/Mass-Reservations</a>

We will continue to broadcast a Sunday Mass live at 11AM Mountain Time. Communion distribution will be available afterwards near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel Door on the north side of the Church between 12:15PM and 12:45PM on Sunday for those who view the Live-Stream.

#### **WINTER BREAK CLOSURE**

The Friars will be away on retreat this week. We won't have Daily Mass between December 14th and 30th to give staff some time for rest and renewal during the UA's Winter Break.

#### FINAL 5PM SUNDAY MASS THIS WEEKEND

The 5PM Sunday Mass will resume next January

#### **CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR MASS TIMES**

12/24 Christmas Eve: 5PM 12/25 Christmas Day: 11AM 1/1 Mary, Mother of God: 11:30AM - livestream only

Reservations for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day will open this week and be open through 12/22 at Noon

We will LiveStream all of these liturgies for all those who remain at home. Communion Distribution will be available on Christmas Day between 12:15 & 12:45PM like Sundays

#### YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY

meets weekly on Thursdays at7:30PM 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

#### **NEWMAN BOOK CLUB**

Meets monthly via Zoom
Next Book: A Song for Nagasaki by Paul Glynn
Tuesday, January 26th at 7PM
Contact Kelly for login info or to get a copy of the book:
kellyklovesbooks@gmail.com
View previous titles discussed by the Book Club here

## CORPORATE BOARD SECRETARY ELECTION NOTICE

#### CANDIDATES REQUIREMENTS:

Candidates for election must be lay persons who are:

- ♦ Catholic
- Registered, practicing parish members
- ♦ At least 25 years old.

#### WHO CAN NOMINATE A CANDIDATE?

The pastor may nominate up to two persons, including the board member whose term is expiring. Other nominations may be made in writing by at least 10 registered parishioners in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

All nominations are to be made at least 2 weeks before the election and announced at Sunday Masses two weeks prior to the election date of **January 17**, **2021**. If only one person has been nominated by then, the nominee shall be declared elected.

#### **ELECTION COMMITTEE**

At the time of the notice of the election, the Pastor shall appoint an election committee to receive nominations, prepare ballots, act as tellers and supervise the election.

KNOWN CANDIDATES AS OF BULLETIN PRINTING Clifford Bowman, current Secretary, willing to continue serving

#### CTSO END-OF YEAR GIVING

The Catholic Tuition Support Organization makes it possible for youth to attend Catholic schools within the Diocese of Tucson. Tax Credits of up to \$1183 for individuals & \$2365 for couples available. Visit <a href="https://www.ctso-tucson.org">www.ctso-tucson.org</a> for details

#### 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 12/10/2020

48 donors - \$27,598 pledged of \$46,940 goal - 59% Fulfilled to date: \$27,193 or 58% of total goal

Donate Online at:

http://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 to keep our community safe.

We learned that the 2020 Appeal is facing a shortfall of over \$85,000. Funds raised by this campaign go to support Diocesan Seminarians, Jordan Ministry Team, Youth & Young Adult Ministries, and several Catholic Community Services programs such as the Kolbe Society prison outreach and St. Jeanne Jugan Ministry With Elders.

If you are financially able, please donate and list **St. Thomas More** as your parish so we can reach our 2020 goal

#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday. "Gaudete" is a Latin word, meaning "rejoice."

"I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul." IS 61:10

When God Himself is the source of our joy, it cannot be taken away from us. How am I being transformed during this Advent Season to be centered in a true and lasting spirit of joy?

#### STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

December Online Giving as of 12/11: \$5137 December 6th Envelopes: \$2834; Venmo: \$354

November ACH: \$4359.50; November Online: \$8903.75 November 29th Envelopes: \$4000; Venmo: \$650 November 22 & 26th Envelopes: \$3743; Venmo: \$1061 November 15 Envelopes: \$2056; Venmo: \$274 November 8 Envelopes: \$1554.00; Venmo: \$744.50 November 1 Envelopes: \$1930.50; Venmo: \$417 Extraordinary Gift from the Barbara Emich Trust: \$66,060

October ACH: \$6559.50; October Online \$7,686 October 25 Envelopes: \$3259; Venmo: \$418 October 18 Envelopes: \$3537; Venmo: \$1050 October 11 Envelopes: \$1560; Venmo: \$397 October 4 Envelopes: \$2,560; Venmo: \$586 Extraordinary Gift: \$5000

Dominican Common Room Project: \$500

Thank you for your generosity each week. Your contribution during the Offertory pays for utilities, ministries, staff and residences for the Dominican Friars & Sisters 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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