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

Yearly Theme: "Increase our Faith" - Luke 17:5



September 12, 2021

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FALL SCHEDULE

Weekend In-Person Masses

Masks required indoors

Saturday 5:15PM

Sunday 9AM, 11AM & 5PM

(SEPTEMBER 12TH AT 11AM ONLY)

Sunday Mass Online

11AM Pacific LiveStreamed

through [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

Weekday Masses Tuesday to Friday

Masks required indoors

5:15PM in-person and LiveStreamed

through [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

Reconciliation: by appointment only.

Priest email addresses are listed in
the next column

Office Hours: Monday to Friday,
9AM-5PM ring bell for service.

Adoration: First Thursdays at 7:30PM.

The chapel is also open for private
prayer during Office Hours. Ring bell
at Lobby/Main Entrance and a staff
member will let you inside.

NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



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MASS INTENTIONS

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9/11 5:15PM **Joe & Ariel Ornellas Annivesary**

9/12 11AM **Our Newman Community**

Mass of the Holy Spirit

Monday: St. John Chryostom

9/13 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Tuesday: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9/14 5:15PM **Matilda Mensah Brown+**

Wednesday: Our Lady of Sorrows

9/15 5:15PM **Deceased MSJ Dominicans**

Thursday: Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian

9/16 5:15PM **Armando Rios+**

Friday: St. Robert Bellarmine

9/17 5:15PM **Miguel & Warner Ramirez++**

*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

Get behind me Satan”

Strong words from Jesus to illustrate what can happen when we lose our focus and mission. Peter didn't intend to be a potential barrier to Jesus's mission. He had just proclaimed with passion “You are the Christ the Son of the living God! But, as Jesus “unpacked” what this truly meant for God to come among us, and to heal us.... Peter and the others weren't prepared to hear and receive it.

So, Jesus, says, “Get behind me! Follow me! Listen to me, and allow what I say to sink in... to form, heal, direct, and love you! Follow me, and don't be distracted!

Today we gather for the Mass of the Holy Spirit! We come together as a community hungry for God's Spirit to fall upon us, and all of our efforts at the beginning of a new school year.

May we listen to how God invites us to build his kingdom through our study, research, community life, faith formation, liturgical life, social justice, and outreach!

May we “Get behind” Christ Jesus and, with the lead of the Holy Spirit, cooperate with the grace bestowed for the year before us. “Oh Lord increase my faith” Amen!



NEW TO TUCSON OR NEWMAN?

Welcome! We invite you to reach out to us via email or phone so we can meet you. Newman Registration also helps us be able to link you with our various ministries, the online form is at UACatholic.org/Registration

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY-ELECTED DOMINICAN LAITY OFFICERS

Moderator Mr. Gilbert Mejia, OP; Assistant Moderator Mr. Charles Craig, OP; Secretary Ms. Gloria Miller, OP; and Treasurer Mrs. Gail Gibbons, OP. To learn more about OPL visit www.oplaitywest.org

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE

The Newman Center has been named recipients of two grants from the [Western Dominican Province](http://www.UACatholic.org).

The first in the amount of \$3000 to assist with outreach as in-person ministries resume and \$50,000 that goes towards our undergrad and graduate student ministry programs. We are deeply grateful for the financial support of the Province and the four friars who serve and live in our community.

ROSARY UNDER THE STARS

Tuesdays at 7PM at the Highland Bowl on campus

SMALL GROUPS

The Transformation Team leads small groups that meet weekly to grow in faith and to draw wisdom from the Scriptures. To sign up, visit:

www.UACatholic.org/SmallGroups

MUSICIANS & SINGERS

If you play an instrument, especially piano or guitar, we are recruiting for choirs to help cover Masses. We are also looking for singers, even better if you can read music, but all are encouraged to reach out.

Email our Music Director

Nathan Payne at NathanP@UACatholic.org

LIVESTREAM TEAM

We are recruiting additional members of the LiveStream Team Ministry so we can have a rotation for Sunday and Weekday Masses. If you are interested in being trained, contact Manny at

Manny@UACatholic.org

USHERS/SACRISTANS, LECTORS & EMS

Upcoming Training: Saturday, 9/25 at 10AM

We are in need of additional Ushers/Greeters, Sacristans, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers. Please reach out to Manny to learn more:

Manny@UACatholic.org

YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY

Meets weekly on Thursdays at 7:30PM

Graduate Students and Young Professionals between the ages of 22-35, email the co-leaders Edith and Nathan to get connected:

YoungAdultLeaders@UACatholic.org

or visit their [Facebook Group](https://www.facebook.com/UACatholic.org)

NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

Meets monthly via Zoom and hybrid in-person. Next Book:

Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life

by Richard Rohr

Tuesday, September 28th 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](#)

THOMISTIC INSTITUTE

The UA Thomistic Institute is kicking off the year with a discussion night. Come and meet people who share a love for discussing the deep questions of life. We'll have a few prompts for small group discussion, each prompt growing in substance. Light refreshments will be provided.

The event will take place on August 31st from 7PM to 8PM in the Student Union (room TBD). Contact Kevin Kuper at kwgkuper@gmail.com for more details.

BECOMING CATHOLIC: RCIA

Are you or someone you know considering becoming Catholic but you are not sure if you're ready to enter into the process? Maybe you are searching to understand the basics of what the Catholic Church teaches and why. Perhaps you simply want to deepen your relationship with Jesus and the community of believers. Save the Date for Tuesday, September 14th at 7PM for our first session. After that, inquiry sessions will be after the 11AM Mass until 2PM and offer a time to converse, ask questions, reflect, pray, and discern the steps for entering into the process for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). For more info contact Sister Angelica srangelica@uacatholic.org 520-327-4665 ext. 108 or Margaret Kish at mkishaz@aol.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus Council 16061 encourages all Catholic men of the St. Thomas More Newman Center Parish to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus. If you have a desire to serve the Catholic Church, the St. Thomas More Parish, and the Tucson community, the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. For more information about the Knights and how to join us in our service to Christ, please contact Jay Bell at (520) 237-7417 or by email at jay.bell@cox.net or talk to any member of our council.



Saint Thomas More Catholic Newman Center Confirmation Information 2021 - 2022



Dates: Fall and spring semester (year commitment)

Fall semester: 9/14 - 11/16

Spring semester: 2/8 - 4/19

When: Every Tuesday from 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Where: The Newman Center Classroom

Sacrament of Confirmation - April 24th (time TBD)

Contact: Fr. Pius Youn, O.P. - frpius@uacatholic.org

Irene Sotelo - confirmation@uacatholic.org

GATHER THE PEOPLE; BREAK THE BREAD; TELL THE STORY.

The Steensons

After nearly 54 years of marriage, they still look like high school sweethearts. But no, they met after their graduation from Danbury High School (CT) when he was on leave from the USAF in which he served 4 years.

Meet Bruce and Char Steenson born in Gardner, MA and Norwalk CT respectively. True Easterners, they were on the road full time following construction and found work in Tucson where they fell in love with this place. Work, for Bruce, was as a journeyman electrician before being employed at the UA's College of Agriculture as a construction electrician. For Char, raising 3 children was her full time job for 20 years. Her outside work transition brought her to the UA's Undergrad Admissions Office as a data entry person. She earned a BA in Religious Studies at the U of A and a MSW through ASU.



Today, you may recognize this couple at the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass —Bruce with his broad grin and tropical-themed shirts and Char sometimes in a matching dress or shirt, petite, well-groomed and outgoing. On occasion, they are accompanied by Lisa, their daughter, or the other adult children, 8 grandchildren, or 2 great grandchildren. They call Newman “home” because of its diverse, multi-aged community. “Our connection to Newman starts and ends with relationships—starting with our relationship to Christ and then on to others.” says Bruce.

When not present at Mass, it could be their summer travels to cooler climates, hiking and camping have called to them. In that case, Newman connections are through live streaming, on-line giving and emails to community members. Bruce and Char are Newman lectors, partners, and an example of a beautiful relationship among us.

Coming Soon—tell your story!



This month, a new class of novice brothers will begin life with the Dominicans as they work through eight years of formation. These men are making a radical choice for Christ and preparing for a new life of service to God and to you! Would you pray for them?

Sign up to pray for them at opwest.org/novicepledge

Please sign up for the Novice Prayer Pledge today! As our thanks, your name will be remembered on the Prayer Pledge Honor Roll that will hang throughout the year in the Novitiate, encouraging the new brothers during their formation.

Thank you for keeping the novices in your prayers! To sign-up today, please visit: opwest.org/novicepledge

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WELCOME BACK!

WELCOME BBQ
SUNDAY, AUG 22ND AT NOON

NEWMAN NIGHT FOR UNDERGRADS KICKOFF
AUG 25TH AT 7PM

YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY KICKOFF
AUG 26TH AT 7:30PM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FIRST THURSDAYS AT 7:30PM, BEGINNING THURSDAY, SEPT 2

MASS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
SUNDAY, SEPT 12TH, 11AM

NEW STUDENT MINI-RETREAT
SEPT 18TH 10AM-1PM

FALL UNDERGRAD RETREAT
OCT 1-3 ON MT. LEMMON





2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Progress as of 8/27/21

39 donors - \$29,635 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 64%

Fulfilled to date: \$26,095 or 56% of total goal

Donate Online at:

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

Select "St. Thomas More" as your parish



Last 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.

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 annual goal

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The readings today remind us we must focus on what God is asking us to do in our lives and not that which is easy or comfortable for our own purposes.

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." Mk 8:345

We are called to be imitators of Christ. As Stewards, this takes sacrifice, endurance and commitment. Am I willing to say Yes to all that God is calling me to be?

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

Sept Online as of 9/10/21: \$4355

Undergraduate Student Ministries: \$100

Young Adult Community: \$200

Sept 5th Envelopes: \$2819.85; Venmo: \$436.87

August ACH: \$3142; August Online: \$9,947

August 29th Envelopes: \$2819.85; Venmo: \$656

August 22nd Envelopes: \$3,340; Venmo: \$778

August 15th Envelopes: \$2347; Venmo: \$1,425

August 8th Envelopes: \$2,643; Venmo: \$674

August 1st Envelopes: \$1772; Venmo: \$733

July ACH: \$4462 July Online: \$7,769

July 25th Envelopes: \$2993.54; Venmo: \$772

July 18th Envelopes: \$2043; Venmo: \$1327

July 11th Envelopes: \$4271; Venmo: \$933

July 4th Envelopes: \$1622; Venmo: \$722.87

Dominican Common Room Project: \$500

Thank you for your generosity each week. Your contribution during the Offertory goes towards utilities, ministries, staff and residences for the Dominican Friars & Sisters so we can carry out our shared mission.

Parents of our university students, please consider supporting Newman as your son or daughter's parish-away-from home

Regular giving or recurring giving helps us be able to plan for future budgets. We invite you to prayerfully consider setting up monthly or weekly recurring donations through our Online Giving Program. **Text UACatholic to 800-950-9952 for a link on your mobile phone** or visit:

UACatholic.org/donate

walking on
water



CALLING OUT ALL NEW
STUDENTS!

JOIN US FOR A MINI-RETREAT

SEPT. 18TH, 2021

10AM-1PM

BASEMENT OF NEWMAN CENTER

FREE, NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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LOVE IN COMMUNITY

Love each other as I have
loved you- John 15:12

FALL UNDERGRAD
RETREAT

OCTOBER 1-3
MT. LEMMON, AZ

\$40 fee

sign up on

<https://forms.gle/2PxjvYNs4D8tC9VUA>

or use QR code below

Deadline: Sept 27th, 2021



FAITH AND REASON FORUM
PRESENTS...

THE GIFTS OF THE *Holy Spirit*

TALK BY
BR. ANDREW THOMAS KANG, O.P.

Br. Andrew Thomas Kang, OP will give us a general and particular overview of the **gifts of the Holy Spirit**. First, he will explain **who the Holy Spirit is**. Secondly, he will make the distinction between *sanctifying and gratuitous graces*. Lastly, he will describe in detail what it means to be "*inspired*" by the **Holy Spirit** and how to carry out the mission of the Church by such good. By providing speculative and experiential knowledge and by encouraging group discussions, the talk will help all attendees to **know and experience the Holy Spirit!**

ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS INVITED!

TUES, SEP 28. | 7 - 9 PM
GREEN HALL - ST. THOMAS MORE NEWMAN CENTER

Refreshments provided. Following the talk, there will be time for discussion and questions.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

7:30PM ON FIRST THURSDAYS

SEPT 2
OCT 7
NOV 4
DEC 2

FEB 3
MAR 3
APRIL 7
MAY 5

