

SAINT THOMAS MORE 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: "Increase our Faith" - Luke 17:5



December 26, 2021

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

FALL SCHEDULE

Weekend In-Person Masses

Masks required indoors

Saturday 5:15PM

Sunday 9AM, 11AM & 5PM

NO 5:15PM Mass on 12/25 and 1/1
NO 5PM MASS ON 12/26 and 1/2

Sunday Mass Online

11AM MST LiveStreamed

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

Weekday Masses Tuesday to Friday

RESUME JANUARY 11th

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 **RESUME JANUARY 10th:**

Monday to Friday 9AM-4:45PM

Adoration: NEXT DATE: Thurs 1/13
and the following First Thursdays at
7:30PM. The chapel is also open for
private prayer during Office Hours.

NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



*Served by the Friars of the Western Dominican
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and Dominican Sisters of Oakford*

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MASS INTENTIONS

Feast of the Holy Family

12/26 9AM **Melissa & Cornelio Ramirez++**

Our Newman Community

11AM **Ronald Racle+**

Monday: St. John the Apostle

12/27 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Tuesday: The Holy Innocents

12/28 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Wednesday: St. Thomas Becket

12/29 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Thursday: Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas

12/30 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Friday: Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

12/31 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Saturday: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

1/1 9AM **Irene Fimbres+**

*Mass Intentions can be requested for Memorials,
Birthdays, Anniversaries, Healing/Recovery or
Special Intentions by calling the office.*

\$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

Continued blessings upon our Days of the Christmas Season. I hope your holidays have been occasions for celebration and deep encounter.

Our readings throughout this season draw us into the Spirit of God upon the Holy Family, and all touched by the birth of the Word-Made-Flesh -“God, who is with us.”

This “Spirit” warms/disturbs the hearts and souls of tired shepherds, curious star-gazers, patient prophets, and controlling/insecure rulers.

Lives are effected by the coming of the Prince of Peace! Peace can have an impact on us..... if we let it! Will we allow it..... to melt lives frozen by indifference? Or, disappointed by broken promises, and past mistakes?

Peace, if applied patiently.... with loving endurance, always pays off!

May we strive towards the peaceful benefits promised to those willing to make God’s presence known to all... in what we say, and do in 2022!

Amen!

A NOTE OF THANKS

We are so grateful for all the volunteers who joined us to transform our chapel for the Christmas Season. We also thank Nicole Traicoff and Zane Innabi for assisting with the LiveStream for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses.

FAREWELL TO ANTHONY PENA

We are deeply grateful to Anthony for over five years of service as our Maintenance Tech. He is now enjoying some much-deserved retirement & we wish him well. We will be giving him a special blessing at the 11AM Mass on Sunday, January 23rd followed by Fr. Tom’s Café in his honor, join us to thank him & celebrate.

NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

Meets monthly via Zoom and hybrid in-person.

Next Book: [The Seven Storey Mountain](#) by Thomas Merton
Tuesday, January 25th 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](#)

CONGRATS TO OUR DECEMBER GRADUATES

Joseph Smith
B.S. Political Science & Spanish

Mary Spitzer
B.S. Public Health

Mayra Taborda
B.A. Studio Art with Design Emphasis

CORPORATE BOARD ELECTION JAN 16, 2022

Corporate Board Secretary, term ending 1/19/2024

Incumbent: Clifford Bowman, willing to serve another term.

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. If only one person has been nominated by then, the nominee shall be declared elected.

SALPOINTE ALUMNI SYNOD GATHERING

The Catholic Church wants to hear from you! On Sunday, January 9, the Salpointe Chaplain will host a listening session for college-age alumni and their friends. The session will take place from 5:00 to 6:30 PM In Foundation Hall.

Refreshments will be provided.

These sessions are designed as a safe space to open hearts and minds in an effort to understand people’s faith journeys in the Catholic Church. The Church wants to hear your experience, your joys, your frustrations, and your advice. This will allow the Church to better understand your needs in the future.

If you are in college and interested in being part of this experience, [please RSVP by Monday, January 3.](#)

Bring your friends; being a Salpointe alum is not a condition to participate. Find more information at www.synodtucson.org or email Fr. Manu Franco-Gomez, O.Carm. at efrancogomez@salpointe.org

We acknowledge the People of the Land who have dwelt here since time immemorial and continue to live in this place today: Tohono O’odham, Sobaipuri O’odham, Pascua Yaqui and other Native Americans. We give thanks for the original stewards of this land, our ancestors, our elders and all Indigenous People.

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Masses on Sunday 12/26 at 9AM & 11AM
No Saturday Vigil & No 5PM Sunday Mass 12/26

OFFICE CLOSED FOR WINTER BREAK

December 27th through January 7th
NO Daily Masses until Tuesday, January 11th

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Saturday, 1/1—Mass at 9AM
No Saturday 5:15PM Vigil Mass on 1/1

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday, 1/2—Masses at 9AM & 11AM
No 5PM Sunday Mass on 1/2

www.UACatholic.org/calendar



SAVE THE DATES

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, January 1st at 9AM
(not a Holy Day of Obligation in 2021)

Anthony Peña Farewell Blessing

Sunday, January 23rd at 11AM Mass, Café to follow

Undergrad Synod on Synodality Listening Session

Wednesday, 1/26 from 7PM to 9PM
Dinner will be served—View the [Reflection Questions](#)

Young Adults Synod on Synodality Listening Session

Thursday, 1/27 from 7PM to 9PM
Dinner will be served—View the [Reflection Questions](#)

Resident Community Day of Reflection & Synod on Synodality Listening Session

Saturday, February 5th 9:30 to 12 Noon
Lunch will be served—View the [Reflection Questions](#)

WE ARE HIRING

Position: [Maintenance Technician I](#)

Location: St Thomas More Newman Center - Tucson, AZ

Job Id: 1904 **# of Openings:** 1

Primary Function: Under the direction of the Pastor and Business Manager, this position is responsible for performing a variety of maintenance duties in the parish, rectory, apartments and convent located at the St. Thomas More complex.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Perform in support of the Church's spiritual and pastoral mission
- Shall abide by Catholic principles in the employee's professional and private life, and shall govern his/her professional and private life in strict accordance with Catholic morals and principles to demonstrate complete adherence to Catholic moral strictures;
- Perform general facility and grounds maintenance duties to include cleaning and maintenance of Church, rectory, convent, apartments, outdoor meeting spaces, or other facilities
- Maintain parish equipment including kitchen, restrooms, plumbing and electrical systems in a functional condition; routine maintenance of parish vehicle; recommend and oversee replacement of equipment as necessary
- Maintain records of maintenance performed as necessary
- Maintain a supply of and account for cleaning supplies and equipment; maintain an adequate inventory at all times
- Comply with chemical handling laws and safety regulations as required; maintain a safe working environment
- Maintain security of buildings, equipment, and tools
- Perform other duties as assigned
- Physical/Mental Requirements: Requires coordination and manual dexterity, normal mental and visual ability; ability to lift as required in a normal maintenance environment.

Required Activities: Walking; sitting standing; stooping; reaching; talking; handling; hearing; carrying; lifting; and climbing ladders.

Education and Experience: High School Graduate or equivalent. Minimum 2 years' experience in a maintenance or similar environment

This is a full-time position with benefits. To apply, [visit this link](#) or call Manny for more info at (520) 327-4665 x 112, or email manny@uacatholic.org

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

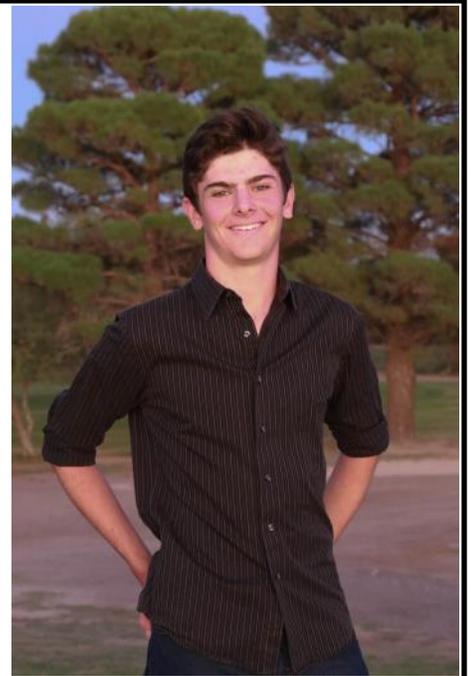
Born and raised in Thatcher Arizona (2 hours SE of Tucson) Thomas Ryan Zicarelli credits his “amazing, strong-in-her-faith Catholic mother with the solid life foundation for him and his 5 siblings. He is the youngest of 6 children. Upon graduation from Thatcher High School, he not only earned a high school diploma, but also an Associates Degree in General Studies from Eastern Arizona College, thanks to the dual credit program.

Thomas chose the University of Arizona in order to pursue a major in Optical Sciences and Engineering, a nationally recognized program. But, Newman chose him!

He was planning to join Newman in 2020, but didn't plan on getting very involved. His older brother was already involved in music ministry and the Student Ministry Program. “I was invited into the community over and over again. Opportunities kept arising . . .and I'm really glad that I took advantage of them.”

Currently, Thomas is a member of the Student Ministry Team working with the Community Life Coimmittee planning retreats and Newman Nights' events. This group also takes on many of the roles at Mass. Besides that, Thomas enjoys his Newman “home” because of his experiences at retreats---especially the 2 nd retreat which was on Zoom. He got to know some of his best friends in prayer group and adoration and hiking. This is where “I am happiest with people who make me smile or just being in the presence of God.” And, just look at the sunshine of his smile! In him we see our future in the Catholic Church!

Coming soon, tell your story. . . .



RCIA THANK YOUs AND SPRING SEMESTER MEALS

A special note of gratitude to Edella Schlager, Margaret Kish, Joe & Suzanne Machain for assisting with meals this past semester for the nine catechumens and RCIA team who are walking a journey of faith together to the Easter Vigil and Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation & First Eucharist). If you would like to help prepare a meal for one of the Sundays during the Spring Semester, contact Margaret at mkishaz@aol.com or call the office (520) 327-4665

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 info please contact Jay Bell at (520) 237-7417 or by email at jay.bell@cox.net or talk to any member of our council.

ONLINE GIVING MATCHING PROGRAM

WeShare is matching recurring contributions through our online giving program during the months of November and December. To be eligible for the match, set up a weekly or monthly regular amount to give, this also helps our staff be able to plan our budgets. To sign up, visit:

<https://uacatholic.churchgiving.com>

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 12/21/21

42 donors - \$30,345 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 65%
Fulfilled to date: \$29,225 or 63% 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 Holy Family experienced many of the same joys and trials that all parents and children experience today. And, so, we can look to this Family for help in our own family lives and see in them a model of stewardship in family life.

We can take their example to heart by making Sunday Mass attendance a priority for our families, by making prayer with our family a priority every day, by making sure that we regularly celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and by observing in our family life the feasts and fasts appropriate to the liturgical calendar. When we, as families, prioritize our Time with God and worship of Him we will be imitating the Holy Family.

On this Feast of the Holy Family, let us reclaim the beauty and importance of family life. Let's commit to steward our families well in 2022, making time spent with God and practicing our faith the most important appointments on our family calendars.

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

December Online through 12/23: \$10,428
Dec 19th Envelopes: \$4,417; Venmo: \$722
Dec 12th Envelopes: \$3294.08; Venmo: \$1,036
Dec 5th Envelopes: \$2835.56; Venmo: \$1,684
Dominican Common Room Project: \$7800

November ACH: November Online: \$11,046
Dominican Common Room Project: \$10,000
Nov 28th Envelopes: \$2849.75; Venmo: \$739
Nov 21st Envelopes: \$3309; Venmo: \$766.81
Nov 14th Envelopes: \$1323.25; Venmo: \$847
Nov 7th Envelopes: \$4097; Venmo: \$838

October ACH: \$4012; October Online: \$10666.16
Oct 31st Envelopes: \$5711.90; Venmo: \$659.71
Oct 24th Envelopes: \$1,314.48; Venmo: \$920.58
Oct 17th Envelopes: \$1,765.25; Venmo: \$1612
Oct 10th Envelopes: \$3,157.25; Venmo: \$1213.58
Oct 3rd Envelopes: \$3,157.25; Venmo: \$747
Extraordinary Gifts: \$6500
Dominican Common Room Project: \$620

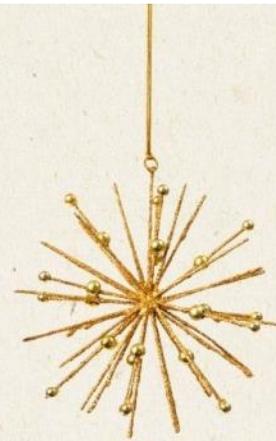
Your contribution during the Offertory goes towards utilities, ministries, staff and residences for the Dominican Friars & Sisters so we can carry out our shared mission.

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. Visit: UACatholic.org/donate

WINTER SCHEDULE

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
19 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9AM MASS 11AM MASS 5PM MASS	20	21	22	23	24 CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM MASS 7PM MASS	25 CHRISTMAS 9AM MASS 11AM MASS NO 5:15PM MASS
26 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 9AM MASS 11AM MASS NO 5PM MASS	27	28	29	30	31	1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 9AM MASS NO 5:15PM VIGIL
2 2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 9AM MASS 11AM MASS NO 5PM MASS	3	4	5	6	7	8 BAPTISM OF THE LORD 5:15PM VIGIL MASS
9 BAPTISM OF THE LORD 9AM MASS 11AM MASS 5PM MASS	10	11	12 1ST DAY OF CLASSES	13	14	15 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5:15PM VIGIL MASS

