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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



April 24, 2022

Divine Mercy Sunday

SCHEDULE

Weekend In-Person Masses
Saturday 5:15PM (Covid-19 Protocols)
Sunday 9AM, 11AM & 5PM

Sunday Mass Online
11AM MST LiveStreamed
through [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

Weekday Masses Tuesday to Friday
5:15PM in-person and LiveStreamed
through [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

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

Morning Prayer (Tues-Fri) 8:30AM
Evening Prayer (Tues-Fri) 5:00PM

Office Hours:
Monday to Friday 9AM-4:45PM

NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



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MASS INTENTIONS

Divine Mercy Sunday—2nd Sunday of Easter
4/23 5:15PM **Our Newman Community**
4/24 9AM **Alain D'Almeida**
11AM **Newman Sustaining Board**
5PM **Monce Villasenor**

Monday: St. Mark
4/25 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: Easter Weekday
4/26 5:15PM **Sr. Carmel Marie Silva, OP+**
Wednesday: Easter Weekday
4/27 5:15PM **All Students**
Thursday: St. Peter Canel; St. Louis Grignion
4/28 7:30PM **All Grad Students/Young Adults**
Friday: St. Catherine of Sienna, OP
4/29 7:30PM **All UA Faculty & Staff**

*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

It's has been a week since Easter Sunday! Last weekend our church was full, our voices raised in celebration, and our Lenten fasts were completed. The brightness of the spring shown everywhere from the beauty of our altar decorations to the energy our Easter hymns!

Today we move deeper into the joy of the Easter Season, as we hear another account of how persistent God's love is... for us.... to rise.. and to walk in his love!

The followers of Jesus are locked behind doors, minds, and hearts ... of real physical and emotional pain and fear! They could be next on the list to be taken, and they're not ready! Who would be! Especially, after witnessing the trauma of the arrest and execution of their leader and friend.

Despite the high drama of this situation, and all its potential to be a dead end. Jesus walks right into the heart of the matter, and says...

"Peace be with you, Do not be afraid, and Receive the Holy Spirit". He simply walks through the death that is surrounding them, and calls them back to life... And, keeps calling them! Despite Thomas's absence the first time.... Jesus keeps calling him... even when Thomas doubts and grows cynical., Jesus keeps calling him to see and embrace new life, real life...., and to touch and probe it!

We are invited to do the same when we are filled with doubt and fear.... Come, he says to us.... "Take and eat and drink" This is my self, broken open and poured out for all of you! Now, Go! and do the same with your lives!

We are blessed this weekend at the Saturday 5:15pm Mass to have several members of our community who will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. We welcome our Bishop Edward Weisenburger to celebrate this important moment with those faithful stewards who have been preparing for several months. May our confirmandis' courage move us to allow God's Spirit to direct us in way that provides real benefit and blessings for all to seek to love God and to build his kingdom.

"Oh Lord increase our faith" Amen!

OFFICE CLOSURE FOR EASTER

Newman will be closed on Monday and Tuesday of next week, April 18th and 19th, to give staff some time to breathe and reset after Holy Week

A NOTE OF THANKS

We are incredibly blessed by all of our volunteers and ministers. Thank you to everyone who helped make our Holy Week and Triduum celebrations a blessed time. Art & Environment helpers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Ushers, LiveStream Team—each of us play an important role in the community and we are blessed by your "Yes!" The RCIA Team would also like to thank our Newman Sponsors for walking with the Elect during Lent as well as those who helped cook meals for our time together.

SAVE THE DATES

All Volunteers - Appreciation Mass & Reception

Saturday, April 30th at 5:15PM—with mariachis!

S.M.I.L.E.—Student Ministry's Incredibly Large Event

Wednesday, May 4th at 7PM on the Newman Lawn

Taizé Prayer Night

Thursday, May 5th at 7:30PM

NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

Meets monthly via Zoom

Next Book: Wise Blood by Flannery O'Connor

Tuesday, May 3rd 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](#)

YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY

Small groups have launched for young adults ages 22-35. The group will also be hosting monthly happy hours & other social events. To get connected, email Kim & Lauren at YoungAdultLeaders@uacatholic.org or fill out [this form](#)

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, Sobaijuri 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.

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

For this story, begin by studying the accompanying picture. It was taken April 17th 1982, forty years ago, at the marriage ceremony of Mary Grace and Bob Wendel here at the Newman Center. The officiating priests were Fr. Bob Burns, O.P. and Fr. Mike Mack, O.P.

Fast forward to 2022 and know that the relationships endure between bride and groom and between the couple and Fr. Burns.

Native Tucsonan, Mary Grace attended local Catholic Schools, Sacred Heart and Salpointe High School, before entering the University of Arizona. She earned degrees in Education and Special Education along with a Masters Degree in Deaf Education. Her desire to serve even reached doctorate level courses in Public Policy, but serving others was more important than achieving the Ph.D. She worked at the AZ State School for the Deaf and Blind, Amphitheatre Schools, Pima County and the State Education Offices, 44 years.

Bob, a Native Chicagoan, followed a similar path with attendance at St. Ferdinand Elementary and St. Patrick High School prior to entering the Viatorian novitiate. While there, he earned a degree in Political Science at Loyola University before exiting the novitiate. Before he left Illinois, Bob taught in high schools in Springfield, Chicago, Wheeling and Glenview. His next move would change his life—coming to Tucson and the University of Arizona to earn two masters' degrees: counseling and educational administration. Bob's service to the schools lasted 41 years in Illinois and Tucson at Amphitheatre and then post-retirement at Sunnyside Schools.

Of course, the Newman Center drew both of these young service-oriented Wildcats together! Mary Grace has been a member since 1971 and Bob since 1974 both taking on different ministries from music to office work to lecturing to social justice, to counting collection monies. M.G. lived in one of the Newman apartments for a year and recalls hearing Los Changuitos Feos Mariachi's weekly practices in the basement, madly hemming the wedding trousers of her roommate's groom 2 hours before the services, her own wedding day, and that of one of two daughters whose wedding was also officiated by Fr. Bob Burns.

This couple was in service to others through their college years, careers, as public school officials, and now, as close as any family might be, in their life-long friendship and care for Fr. Bob Burns.

Why is Newman "home?" Memories of the 1970s and Msgr. Powers, "a dear and kind man," Fr. Tom's Cafe and the understanding that food brings people together; amazing liturgical music; always loving responses from staff and other students in difficult times; wonderful student retreats at Picture Rocks, beautiful homilies; great after-Easter Vigil parties in the backyard of apartments next to Newman. This is a "place to come home to for quiet worship, noisy liturgies, serious advice, shared community of believers. Because it WAS and STILL IS TODAY—a Community of Believers."

COMING SOON, TELL YOUR STORY!





Baccalaureate Mass

May 8th at 11AM

Graduates: fill out the form on the website and email a grad picture by Friday, May 6th to: newman@uacatholic.org

Mass will be LiveStreamed at:
[YouTube.com/UACatholic](https://www.youtube.com/UACatholic)
[Facebook.com/UACatholic/live](https://www.facebook.com/UACatholic/live)

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2022 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 4/1/22

20 donors - \$16,060 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 34%
 Fulfilled to date: \$12,100 or 26% of total goal

Donate Online at:

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

Select "St. Thomas More" as your parish



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 & St. Jeanne Jugan Ministry With Elders providing communion to nursing homes & other assisted living facilities

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 Second Sunday of Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. While Thomas doubts the apostles' account of the Risen Lord, Jesus comes to him on a mission of mercy. He comes to offer Thomas peace, hope and a renewed relationship with One who is First and Last.

"When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives." Rev 1:17

Let us commit ourselves to becoming faithful stewards of Christ's mercy. Let us stand with Thomas and pray "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" in His merciful love

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

April Online as of 4/22/22: \$8,917

April 17th Envelopes: \$6,066.55; Venmo: \$3685.95

April 10th Envelopes: \$3633.60; Venmo: \$1020

April 3rd Envelopes: \$2489.62; Venmo: \$647

Ukrainian Relief Near East Missions: \$1855

Dominican Common Room Project: \$500

March ACH: \$3762 ; March Online: \$11,485

March 27 Envelopes: \$4325; Venmo: \$1087.10

2nd Collection for CRS Ukraine Relief: \$1639

March 20 Envelopes: \$2,479.51; Venmo: \$443

March 13 Envelopes: \$3254.75; Venmo: \$677

March 6 Envelopes: \$4470.31; Venmo: \$979

Ash Wednesday Venmo: \$243

February ACH: \$3862; February Online: \$12,495

Feb 27 Envelopes: \$1786; Venmo: \$813.95

Feb 20 Envelopes: \$2713.95; Venmo: \$1672

OPWest Rosary Sunday 2nd Collection: \$3999.55

Feb 13 Envelopes: \$1855; Venmo: \$764

Feb 6 Envelopes: \$3571.96; Venmo: \$551

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