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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: "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" - Matthew 6:21



November 27, 2022

First Sunday of Advent

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

Liturgy of the Hours **Tuesday to Friday**

Morning Prayer (Lauds) 8:30AM Evening Prayer (Vespers) 5:00PM

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4PM and by appointment. Priest email addresses are listed in the next column

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament First Thursdays at 7:30PM

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9AM-4:45PM

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MASS INTENTIONS

First Sunday of Advent 11/26 5:15PM Daniel Szymanski 9AM Irene Zoziol+ 11/27 11AM Alice B. Lopez+ **5PM Our Newman Community**

Monday: Advent Weekday 11/28 5:15PM NO DAILY MASS Tuesday: Advent Weekday 11/29 5:15PM Raphael Luu Wednesday: St. Andrew

11/30 5:15PM John Gamatero+ & Florentino Antztason

Thursday: Bl. John of Vercelli 12/1 5:15PM *Juanico Chan* Friday: Advent Weekday

12/2 5:15PM Jesus Cervantes+ Jamine Cisneros+ & Mario Cisneros+

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











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Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

he quiet light of Advent breaks into our chaos and invites us to come home, and to join the mantra "O come, O come Emmanuel" which echoes above everything.... lighting and guiding our way throughout these December days of Advent..... and opening the door to Christmas glory.

Advent... is an invitation.... to slow our inner and external pace..... and, to hear... the beating of our hearts, minds, relationships, and souls. The longer and darker nights of December..... remind us that the true light of the world is already present, and is offering us.... 'guidance' in our questions, struggles, losses, finals, and peace-seeking. The light also 'beckons' us.... to seriously consider this question.... Are we 'ready' to climb 'God's mountain' - as we heard in today's 1st reading....? To climb out of quarreling and bitterness.... hatred and canceling, fear and indifference...... Are we ready.....? to beat our swords and spears -- from warring and bad conflict..... into pruning hooks and ploughshares.... and, tools.... for cultivating reconciliation, community, and good stewardship with each other, and our world?

In our second reading today, we are invited to "throw off the works of darkness and to put on the armor of light" Our job is to remain faithful, and "vigilant" in our discernment of what 'creates' greater 'fog and darkness' and what 'allows' us to keep 'stepping' into the 'light of Christ's love and peace?

This, "People of God", is what we do 'every-time' come to Mass, go to confession, or reach out to someone in need - whether we can help them perfectly, or not! We are called in chaotic times - not to stop praying.... but to take a deep, deep, deep..... breath....., and to pray.....in a more authentic way!

God always hears our prayers...., but do we hear.... what God is 'saying' back to us.....? Especially...., when times are crazy, confusing, or depressing? God is always speaking, reaching out, and calling us into the grace and freedom of his love. Are we willing to (quiet ourselves) and to allow his 'Spirit' to touch "our hearts" wherever we need it?

May the spirit of this season "echo" the reality of "God with us." May we be blessed over these days of crisper sunrises, and cooler nights.... to simply breathe....... and know the 'peace' of the Word made Flesh, and the Light that heals and illumines the world.

And, may we begin this Advent season.... with hearts, minds, and souls.. 'open' and willing... to keep listening and searching...... for God's loving embrace in all moments and situations of life. For this is where true transformation happens! "For where your treasure is there also your heart will will be". Amen!

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ Social Justice Committee Tuesdays at 3:30PM
- ◆ Rosary Under the Stars Tuesdays at 7PM at the Highland Bowl on campus
- ◆ Outreach Committee Wednesdays at 4PM
- ◆ Newman Night for Undergrads Wednesdays at 7PM
- ◆ Liturgy Committee Wednesdays at 8PM
- ◆ Community Life Committee Thursdays at 4PM
- ◆ Young Adult Community (22-35yo) Thursdays at 7PM
- ◆ Faith Formation Committee Thursdays at 7:15PM
- ◆ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12/1 at 7:30PM
- ◆ Dominican Laity Candidate Formation 12/2 at 3:30PM
- ◆ Game Night Fridays 7PM in the Newman Library
- ◆ Advent Morning of Reflection (1 of 3) 12/3 at 9AM
- ◆ Sustaining Board Christmas Brunch 12/4 at Noon
- ◆ Knights of Columbus Council #16061 Sunday 12/4 at 6PM in the Curry Classroom

View our full schedule at www.UACatholic.org/calendar

NOVEMBER'S MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

In addition to the Book of Remembrance where you can write down your deceased loved ones names, we will again be creating an ofrenda in the Guadalupe side chapel. Please bring pictures or prayer cards of your loved ones; write your contact info on the back so we can return items at the end of Nov.

INITATION MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please keep in your prayers Chayan, Kimmi & Lorraine as they continue through the RCIA Process (Rite of Christian Initation for Adults). If you would like to help with the RCIA Program, we are in need of volunteers to coordinate meals, leading Dismissal and coordinating Sponsors. Reach out to Manny@UACatholic.org for time commitments & more info

NOTRE DAME ALUMNI & FRIENDS Hesburgh Lecture

Friday December 2, 2022, 5:30pm in the Curry Classroom
Professor Clive R. Neal
"50 Years since Apollo 17 Left the Moon and
Why We Should Go Back to Stay"
Open to the Public. Food & Refreshments offered

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.

NO LITTER NOVEMBER SPONSORED BY THE YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY

Join us for **No Litter November** to celebrate our gratitude for God's creation and active responsibility as <u>stewards of the</u> <u>earth</u>! To participate, collect trash and recyclables throughout the month of November and submit photos of yourself with the trash you collect. Official rules below!

- We will measure the volume of trash using a standard grocery bag-photos must be of you with your grocery bags full of trash or recyclable materials
- Trash/litter must be in its most compact form (can't fill a bag with boxes that haven't been broken down, etc.)
- Bags must be full
- <u>Trash cannot be your personal trash</u>; must be collected from public spaces such as streets, trails, or neighborhood walkways
- Bags of recyclable materials are worth DOUBLE

Photographic evidence must be provided and emailed to youngadultleaders@uacatholic.org by noon on December 1st

- Prize will be awarded for the "trashiest" individual
- Trashiest community (Resident, YA, or Undergrad) will receive bragging rights

CTSO TAX CREDIT DONATIONS

The amount you can now contribute to Arizona's Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) has increased. If filing as a single taxpayer you can give up to \$1,243, and a married couple filing jointly can contribute up to \$2,483, and you, the donor can receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit off your Arizona tax liability. Visit www.ctso-tucson.org to make an online contribution or take a brochure from the lobby

2022 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 10/31/22

35 donors - \$24,075 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 52% Fulfilled to date: \$23,005 or 49% 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

SAVE THE DATES

Advent Reconciliation Service Wednesday 12/7 at 7:30PM

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Feast Day Vigil Mass 12/7 at 5:15PM Feast Day Masses 12/8 at 12:10 & 5:15PM

Fall Baccalaureate Mass

Sunday 12/11 at 11AM Seniors Sign-up here

Mariachi Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday 12/11 at 5PM followed by Tamale Dinner

Christmas Eve Masses
Saturday 12/24 at 5PM & 8PM

Christmas Day Masses Sunday 12/25 at 9AM & 11AM



- ♦ Bring new life into your marriage!
- ◆ Detox from the daily grind of life. Spend a weekend away with your spouse talking about what really matters.
- ♦ Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences. To apply and for more information please visit www.earizona.com



Visit: https://news.diocesetucson.org/subscribe

How to report abuse

- 1. Call 911 to make a police report
- 2. If the abuse happened in any other state, call the Police or Sheriffs Office in the specific area of that state
- 3. Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson 1.800.234.0344 and/or the Office of Child, Adolescent and Adult Protection at 520.838.2513

Sponsor a \$15 Fresh Evergreen Wreath for a Veteran's Final Resting Place at

Holy Hope Cemetery National Wreaths Across America Day December 17th, 2022

Join for the wreath laying ceremony at 10:00 a.m. In Honor of SGT. Martin A Lugo KIA 19 AUG 2010 OEF







Gold Star Family - rltwmartin@gmail.com

WEEKLY FOOD COLLECTIONS AT MASS

This is an ongoing community outreach project of the Newman Center and the University of Arizona Knights of Columbus Council 16061. All Newman Parishioners are invited to participate in our ongoing (yearly) food donations. Nonperishable food items only, please. Donation bins are located at all entrances of the chapel. The food donations will benefit Casa Maria, Pio Decimo, and Poverello House.

CASA ALITAS OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

Casa Alitas, located near Kino and Ajo Way, serves migrant families who have left their home countries to escape violence and poverty. After arriving in the US, they have been granted humanitarian parole and are here legally to await an asylum hearing. Casa Alitas volunteers offer support by providing hospitality, including food, shelter, advocacy, and travel assistance. Our goal is to provide a comfortable, healthy location for travelers to await their journeys and to prepare them for a safe trip.

Visits are planned on the 1st Thursdays and the 3rd Saturdays monthly when it fits into your schedule. Here's a <u>Casa Alitas Orientation PowerPoint</u>; it provides an excellent overview and insight into what Casa Alitas is and what it does.

This can help you decide if this type of community service is a good fit for you.

If you are interested in serving and helping others on a 1st Thursday, please contact Michele Brubaker at brubakermm9@gmail.com or (520) 906-1663. If you are interested in serving and helping others on a 3rd Saturday, please contact Dan Chavez at fotoventures@gmail.com or (520) 904-5730.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

This Holy Season of Advent calls us to prepare our hearts for the celebration of the birth of our Savior, and the anticipation of His second coming.

"Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths" Is 2:3

As a faithful steward, what must I do to open my hear t more fully that I may know Him, listen to his words, and be guided in his pathways?

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

November Online as of 11/25: \$9,772.56 Nov 20th: Envelopes: \$7,893.72; Venmo: \$1636 Nov 13th: Envelopes: \$2,336.42; Venmo: \$570 Nov 6th: Envelopes: \$3,174.84; Venmo: \$700.71

Oc tober ACH \$2,792; October Online: \$11,506.31 Oct 30th: Envelopes: \$2,556.99; Venmo: \$1412.71 Oct 23rd: Envelopes: \$2,167; Venmo: \$1,579 Oct 16th: Envelopes: \$2,267.35; Venmo: \$1,574 Oct 9th: Envelopes: \$3289.04; Venmo: \$860.71 Oct 2nd: Envelopes: \$2328.34; Venmo: \$719 Dominican Common Room Project: \$500

September ACH: \$4747; September Online: \$13,019.52 September 25th: Envelopes: \$3485.97; Venmo: \$454 September 18th: Envelopes: \$3540.70; Venmo: \$1,663 September 11th: Envelopes: \$2029.03; Venmo: \$494 September 4th: Envelopes: \$2869.07; Venmo: \$661.71 Dominican Common Room Project: \$1100

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



Advent Mornings of Reflection

Saturdays
December 3, 10, & 17,
2022
9:00am - 11:00am

Curry Classroom Saint Thomas More Catholic Newman Center

What Child is this? /Who is this Child for me?

Join us as we reflect on the Advent scriptures in anticipation of the birth of the Christ Child. Our prayer will focus on:

† Words of the Prophets † Experiences of Joseph, Mary, John the Baptist, and others

Participants will consider what the birth of Jesus means for their own spiritual journey and for the world.

Sessions include guided contemplative prayer and small group sharing. Participants will be given reflections with guidance for at-home prayer between sessions to gain experience with personal contemplative prayer.

Tom Cashman, an Ignatian spiritual director, will lead the sessions thomasdcashman@gmail.com

Please let us kno	ow you will attend—drop off registration form at the office by Friday Dec. 2, 2022.
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