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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



December 11, 2022

Third 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

Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday
12/10 5:15PM **Dona Maria Forte+**
12/11 9AM **Our Newman Community**
11AM **Fall Graduates**
5PM **Jose & Carmen Canchola ++**

Monday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
12/12 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: St. Lucy
12/13 5:15PM **Daniel Nadzan**
Wednesday: St. John of the Cross
12/14 5:15PM **Geraldine Briones +**
Thursday: Advent Weekday
12/15 5:15PM **Sally Kish +**
Friday: Advent Weekday
12/16 5:15PM **All Fall Graduates**

*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

Our Gospel for this weekend is taken from the eleventh chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, where John the Baptist has been arrested and 'questions' from his jail cell whether Jesus "is the one or should we look for another?"

When we find ourselves 'stuck' in our own 'self imposed' prisons... what do we do to 'free' ourselves, and to heal....., and to get back into life? What creates that wholeness... inspiration... or the 'freedom' to act... w/ purpose.... "as Jesus does.... with love, forgiveness, healing, and transformation?"

When John's inquiry is conveyed to Jesus, he does not respond theoretically, but rather by pointing to things that are happening, namely, God's grace is making people whole again....."Go and tell John what you hear and see:

the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them. And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me."

Are we allowing ourselves to be made whole again, this Advent? To break the chains of unhealthy self doubt.. into the ability to allow "our questions" to be "transformed" into a healthy longing for God, and the "freedom" that comes from preparing our minds, hearts, and souls to receive his Blessings.... fully and with Gratitude.

As we move towards final exams, gradations, and this closing week, and last few days of Advent... May the "echo of Emmanuel" ring joyfully within us. May it clear away the clutter of my 'monkey minds' and usher in the "Peace and Blessings" of this Season of Grace!

On this third Sunday of Advent - let us "rejoice" in God's of promise to light our way through "darkness" with the voices of John the Baptist and Our Lady of Guadalupe, (whose feast day we remember today.) Her words to Juan Diego illumined his steps forward - when he was full of fear and doubt, and allowed him to feel his God given dignity, and to speak truth and charity to power. Let us pause for moment... and receive Our Blessed Mother's words:

"Hear me and understand well, my little son, that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything. Do not be afflicted by the illness of your uncle, who will not die now of it. Be assured that he is now cured. Climb, my dear son, to the top of the hill; there where you saw me and I gave you orders, you will find different flowers. Cut them, gather them, assemble them, then come and bring them before my presence.

We have been baptized in these same waters, and sealed with Holy Spirit! We have been wrapped (as Juan Diego was) in the same mantel of loving protection by Our Blessed Lady.....

May we go forth unburdened.... from the weight... of all that scatters our clarity, and seeks to create darkness, drama, and useless fear in our lives.

May we join John the Baptist in "Preparing the Way of the Lord... in our Tucson Desert.... "For where your treasure is, there also your heart will be! Amen!

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ♦ **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.
Hosted by Arcos de Oro & the Canchola Family
- ♦ **Young Adult Community (22-35yo)** Thursdays at 7PM
- ♦ **Advent Morning of Reflection (3 of 3)** 12/17 at 9AM
- ♦ **Dominican Laity Chapter Mtg** 12/18 at 3PM
- ♦ **Knights of Columbus Council #16061 Mtg** 12/18 at 6PM in the Curry Classroom
- ♦ **Winter Break Office Closure** Begins 12/19 to 1/6/23

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

✝ Young Adult Community (Ages 22-35)

Thursday, Dec. 8
Green Hall 7:00-8:30 pm

Christmas Card Service Night

Help us make Christmas cards for sick and homebound parishioners.

Come enjoy a tamale dinner, Christmas music, and dancing!

Thursday, Dec. 15
Green Hall 7:00-8:30 pm

Christmas Party

Feel free to bring a dessert!

Wednesdays
Curry Room 6-7 pm

Small Group Session
"Faith Sharing"

A NOTE OF THANKS

Gratitude to Andy Romo for the donation of Christmas Trees for the church as well as the luminarias for outside.

Also thanks to Roger Canchola and the Canchola Family, Arcos de Oro, Los Diablitos de Sunnyside Mariachi under the direction of Roberto Martinez, and Tom at Arizona Flower Market for making the Mariachi Mass possible.

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.

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

INITIATION MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please keep in your prayers Chayan, Kimmi & Lorraine as they continue through the RCIA Process (Rite of Christian Initiation 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

SAVE THE DATES

Winter Break Closures

Monday to Friday December 19th to January 6th

Help us Decorate the Church for Christmas

Friday, December 23rd at 6PM

Christmas Eve Masses

Saturday, December 24th 5PM & 7PM

Christmas Day Masses

Sunday, December 25th 9AM & 11AM

2022 Annual Catholic Appeal

Progress as of 12/9/22

36 donors - \$24,147 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 52%
Fulfilled to date: \$23,567 or 51% 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

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Tucson-grown Poinsettia are available for \$10 sponsorship to help us decorate the church for Christmas. Contact the office for payment along with the family name you would like acknowledged in a gift tag

LOST & FOUND

There are many items in our Lost and Found box in the office that has been with us for a long time. A variety of water bottles, hats, keys, sunglasses, reading glasses, rosaries, earrings, necklace, most recently – a shawl, a lunch bag, purple hat, a house key found by the bike rack. We will dispose of these long-term items at the end of the year. Please stop by the office during the week or on the weekend look in the classroom on the counter. Thank you.



◆ 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.marizona.com

New Outlook

Diocese of Tucson Online News

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. Non-perishable 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 [Casa Alitas Orientation PowerPoint](#); 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

Gaudete Sunday calls us to Rejoice! We are called to live the Good News, proclaiming that our Savior will come again in triumph! We are called to proclaim a new Kingdom of God where all things are possible.

“Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.” Mt 11:3

As faithful stewards, we are focused on the promises God makes through the Savior's coming. God always fulfills his promises. Can I be patient and focus my heart on the promises of the Kingdom amid all of life's distractions?

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

December Online as of 12/9: \$4,274.16
Dec 4th: Envelopes: \$3,379.40; Venmo: \$874

November ACH: \$3,722; November Online: \$11,375.30
Nov 27th: Envelopes: \$2,499.96; Venmo: \$811
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

October 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

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 know you will attend—drop off registration form at the office by Friday Dec. 2, 2022.

NAME _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE # _____

WINTER SCHEDULE

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

