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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 4, 2022

Second 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

NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



*Served by the Friars of the Western Dominican
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Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill*

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MASS INTENTIONS

Second Sunday of Advent
12/3 5:15PM **Elizabeth Coompson +**
12/4 9AM **Our Newman Community**
11AM **Sustaining Board**
5PM **Hernandez Family**

Monday: Advent Weekday
12/5 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: St. Nicholas
12/6 5:15PM **Lilly's Family**
Wednesday: St. Ambrose
12/7 5:15PM **All Students**
Thursday: Immaculate Conception of BV Mary
12/8 12:10PM **Raphael Luu**
5:15PM **Daniel Nadzan**
Friday: Advent Weekday
12/9 5:15PM **Blanca Salinas**

*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

Today John the Baptist graces the scene as the beginning of a lighting process to God's illumination coming into the world. John appears with passion and conviction as he calls for a "turning" of our lives... back to a truer and more excellent way..... To a way, and to a 'person' who will make "crooked ways straight, and mountains made low....."

When this happens... a "Highway to our God" is created, and our pathway becomes more focused. The Jesus of Matthew's Gospel - calls everyone, including the Religious Leadership.... to a deep conversion. He reminds the Pharisees that their heritage as "Sons of Abraham" means nothing... if this relationship does not 'change' their hearts, and draw them closer to God and his will.

True 'metanoia' is about a transformed way of seeing things.. "I was lost, and now I'm found... was blind but now I see."

Baptism initiates a new and grace-filled relationship with God, and supports us well beyond the pouring of water at our baptism. In this encounter we become children of God, and share his light with all that we meet.

We have been baptized in these same waters, and sealed with the Holy Spirit! May we go forth free from the weight of all that scatters our *clarity, and seeks to create *darkness and *useless drama in our lives.

May we join John The Baptist in "Preparing a highway in the Desert.... A highway to the God of all 'blessings'. Amen!

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

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ Sustaining Board Christmas Brunch 12/4 at Noon
- ◆ Knights of Columbus Council #16061 Sunday 12/4 at 6PM in the Curry Classroom
- ◆ Social Justice Committee Tuesdays at 3:30PM
- ◆ Rosary Under the Stars Tuesdays at 7PM at the Highland Bowl on campus
- ◆ Advent Reconciliation Service Wed 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
- ◆ Community Life Committee Thursdays at 4PM
- ◆ Young Adult Community (22-35yo) Thursdays at 7PM
- ◆ Faith Formation Committee Thursdays at 7:15PM
- ◆ Game Night Fridays 7PM in the Newman Library
- ◆ Advent Morning of Reflection (2 of 3) 12/10 at 9AM
- ◆ 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

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 Gilbert, Danitza, Diane, Manny Sr, Sr Mary Elizabeth, and Frank for helping to transform our chapel for the Advent Season.

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.

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

They love the liturgical music and community feel at St. Thomas More Newman Center! After 11 years living in Las Cruces NM, Eric and Minerva Conrad moved to Tucson in 2018. Both had retired: he from software engineering and she from sports marketing. Once the pandemic had subsided, they found this parish and wanted to serve, as they had in New Mexico. As proof of their desire to serve, Eric, convert, and Minerva, a cradle Catholic, stepped right up to host Fr. Tom's Cafe this last August, though they had been at Newman only a short while. And they both do it with a warm smile! This couple might be seen at 9 am Mass, Sundays, but they also found another way to serve. Their story follows.

When the call to form small faith groups (for permanent community members) was announced, they knew they wanted to lead a group, and were eager to facilitate. They invited those interested in the topic to their home. Last week, the Conrads finished a seven-week study with those 9 other Newman parishioners which was titled "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass." They have already started planning their next study which will focus on the Holy Spirit. Both are looking forward to meeting more of the Newman family either through this group study or wherever the Spirit provides such interaction. Coming soon. . . tell your story!



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 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

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



◆ 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



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

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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 brubakerm9@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

As we celebrate the Second Sunday of Advent, let us continue the journey of climbing God's Holy Mountain, the Kingdom of God, where Christ will reign forever.

"There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious."
Is 11:10

As we "straighten the paths" of our own hearts and minds, as we prepare to climb God's Holy Mountain, we are called to be God's stewards of grace and mercy. This is preparation fitting for our merciful Savior.

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

December Online as of 12/2: \$2,116.44

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

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 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

