

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



**March 19, 2023**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

## 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

**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 next column

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

**Stations of the Cross**  
Fridays of Lent after Mass at 5:45PM

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

## NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



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Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill*

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## MASS INTENTION

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
3/18 5:15PM **Gilbert Fimbres+**  
3/19 9:00AM **Justina Mataleno+**  
11:00AM **Andriana Grijalva**  
5:00PM **Ms. Barbara Lynch, OP**  
Monday: Lenten Weekday  
3/20 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**  
Tuesday: Lenten Weekday  
3/21 5:15PM **Annamarie Behrens**  
Wednesday: Lenten Weekday  
3/22 5:15PM **Tony Orozco**  
Thursday: Lenten Weekday  
3/23 5:15PM **Dona Maria Forte +**  
Friday: Lenten Weekday  
3/24 5:15PM **Our Newman Community**

*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

**H**ow goes the journey? Are you finding a little progress in creating more space for prayer? Refraining better from unhealthy habits? And, maybe recognizing the needs of others around you more clearly?

Lent invites us to do the "spring cleaning" necessary - even in the continuing and shifting tides.... of social, political, and ecclesiastical unrest in our world.... a raging war, over a year later.... in the Ukraine and Russian, and the call of Holy Father Pope Francis.... to mirror Our Lady's fidelity "to better hear" God's "knocking at our door" and to answer and say "yes" .... to life and dignity.... in ALL its expressions and challenges.

Today's Gospel brings into contact with a blind man who is seeking healing from Jesus. Jesus cures him by restoring his sight, and awakening faith within him. All are amazed by his healing, and the religious leaders of his time m.... seek answers to his mysterious restoration of sight.

The blind man's encounter with Jesus has done more than restore his sight... it has brought him 'sharper vision' to articulate his faith, and to witness 'God's transformative action' in his life! When he is questioned by the religious leaders of his time... he courageously defended what has happened to him, without any hesitation.

This is what occurs... when we grow... in the truth and "transforming" love of God's presence in our lives! God "opens" the eyes of our hearts.... and vision rushes into our whole being... heart, mind, and soul! As this sight comes... we are filled with the light of truth.... and, are able to witness... - how HOW GOD heals.... the blind spots of our lives... and gives us the freedom... to really see... love... and respond... effectively.... to others.

It's hard to believe that as of this week.... that we have been 'in the shadow' of the pandemic.... for almost four years! What have we learned? Has our sight sharpened or dimmed .... in any significant areas of our lives?

How has our faith been challenged to increase, thus far.. this lent? Have we been able to identify some areas in our life with God, others, and self.... that can be healthier, more honest, or healed?

Receiving "sight" can allow us.... to better navigate our fears and doubts... and to walk with greater 'hope' on this road called life.

May the rising vision that is "springing" from our Lenten practices - provide us with clearer sight.... to be of good and proper use to others!

And, May God's spirit of mercy and compassion "stir within us.. ..... allowing the "blessings" of true sight.... to guide our thoughts and actions... towards an increase of faith.... and discovery.... of where... "our heart and true treasure" lies..... Amen.

### INITIATION MINISTRY: PRAY FOR OUR ELECT

Pray for Lorraine, Chayan, Kimmie & Megan as they continue their preparation for full initiation at the Easter Vigil.

The Scrutinies, Rites held during this season of Purification & Enlightenment (aka Lent), will be held during the 11AM Mass on March 12th, 19th and 26th—"Hold us in your mercy"

### A NOTE OF THANKS

Special thanks to Leah Kapa, Joe & Suzanne Machain for preparing delicious meals for our Elect and Initiation Ministry Team members.

## THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ Anointing of the Sick at Masses Sunday 3/19 at 9AM and 5PM Masses
- ◆ Dominican Laity Chapter Mtg 3/19 at 3PM
- ◆ Rosary Under the Stars Tuesdays at 7PM at the Highland Bowl on campus
- ◆ Liturgy Committee Wednesdays at 1PM
- ◆ Social Justice Committee Wednesdays at 3PM
- ◆ Newman Night for Undergrads Wednesdays at 7PM
- ◆ Outreach Committee Thursdays at 4PM
- ◆ Community Life Committee Thursdays at 4PM
- ◆ Young Adult Community (22-35yo) Thursdays at 7PM
- ◆ Faith Formation Committee Thursdays at 7:15PM
- ◆ Lenten Fish Taco Night Friday 3/24 at 6PM, \$5/plate hosted by Knights of Columbus Council #16061
- ◆ Game Night Fridays 7PM in the Newman Library
- ◆ Celebration of Life for Dona Maria Forté, mother of Fr. JP Saturday, March 25th at 11:30AM

View our full schedule at [www.UACatholic.org/calendar](http://www.UACatholic.org/calendar)

### NEWMAN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Newman Foundation at The University of Arizona plans to award several scholarships for the 2023-2024 Fall Semester to UofA students who are full-time students and active at the St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center.

These scholarships are in addition to any that may be offered by the Newman Sustaining Board. The application deadline is Friday April 14, 2023. If you are interested in applying, send an email to the following address to request application information:  
[newman\\_foundation@yahoo.com](mailto:newman_foundation@yahoo.com)

### SUSTAINING BOARD SCHOLARSHIPS

The application window has opened for the 2023-2024 academic year for this year's Sustaining Board Scholarship Program. **The deadline is Thursday, March 30th at 6PM.** The application is available at:  
[www.uacatholic.org/scholarship](http://www.uacatholic.org/scholarship)

### A NOTE OF THANKS

Gratitude to the Knights of Columbus University Council #16061 for re-seeding the Newman Lawn and filling in some uneven areas with topsoil. We are looking forward to having it back to its glory soon. Thank you!

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.



**RESOURCE PAGE WITH PRAYERS & REFLECTIONS**

[www.UACatholic.org/Lent](http://www.UACatholic.org/Lent)

**CONGRATS TO OUR NEWEST CATHOLICS**

Arianna Valenzuela, Baptized in Christ on 3/17  
Chloe Bustillos, Baptized in Christ on 3/18

**CONGRATS TO THE NEWLYWEDS**

Marco & Letty Valenzuela, Married in Christ 3/17  
Adian & Melissa Diaz, Married in Christ 3/17

**LENTEN FISH TACO NIGHT**

Friday, March 24th at 6PM

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council #16061  
\$5.00 plate for a meal and fellowship downstairs

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Lent Reconciliation Service**

Wednesday, 3/29 at 7:30PM—many priests will be available for confessions after a brief communal penance service

**2023 Annual Catholic Appeal  
Progress as of 3/17/23**

16 donors - \$11,145 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 24%  
Fulfilled to date: \$8525 or 18% of total goal

Donate Online at:

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

Select “St. Thomas More” as your parish



Funds raised by this campaign go to support Diocesan Seminarians, 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

**"Exploring the Role of Spirituality in Grief"**

Join the Santa Catalina Catholic Church Mental Health Ministry for its March Mental Health Focus - “Exploring the Role of Spirituality in Grief.” Presented by Judy Rossman, a parishioner, Stephen Leader and a facilitator in Griefshare at Santa Catalina Catholic Church.

Everyone grieves differently. We will discuss how the experience of grief challenges our faith, and its potential for a deeper relationship with our God.

The sessions will be held in the Parish Hall at 14380 N Oracle Rd. The same program will be presented twice so feel free to attend the one that fits your schedule.

March 19th from 1-3 pm OR March 27th from 6 - 8 pm

**HELP NEEDED WITH ART/ENVIRONMENT FOR THE EASTER SEASON**

Save the Date: we need at least 20 volunteers on Saturday, April 8th at 10AM to help transform our chapel for the Easter Season. It’s also a visible sign of love and support for our four Elect who will be fully-initiated at the Easter Vigil.

**MINISTRY OF CARE**

If you are in need of homebound communion or would like to volunteer as a communion minister, please contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth in the office. We are launching our Ministry of Care in the coming weeks.



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- ◆ 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](http://www.earizona.com)



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**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



## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Today's readings open our eyes to God's vision and Christ's light. Let us pay attention to how our Lenten readings call us to move from darkness and spiritual blindness towards the light of truth.

You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Eph 5:8

As faithful stewards, are we committed to using this Lenten season to pray, act and serve each other, so as to reflect the light of Christ.

## TAX CREDIT DONATION LETTERS

If you would like a summary of your 2022 contributions, please call the office or send an email to [Manny@UACatholic.org](mailto:Manny@UACatholic.org). We are still in the midst of transitioning data into Breeze which will automate these things in the future. Thank you for your support of our shared mission, Newman! We are grateful.

## WEEKLY FOOD COLLECTIONS AT MASS

This is an ongoing community outreach project of the Newman Center and the Knights of Columbus University Council 16061.

All Newman Parishioners are invited to participate in our ongoing 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.

If you are interested in serving and helping others on a 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, please contact Michele Brubaker at [brubakerm9@gmail.com](mailto:brubakerm9@gmail.com) or (520) 906-1663. If you are interested in serving and helping others on a 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, please contact Dan Chavez at [fotoventures@gmail.com](mailto:fotoventures@gmail.com) or (520) 904-5730.

## STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

March Online as of 3/17: \$7,468.53  
March 12 Envelopes: \$3550.57; Venmo: \$1161  
March 5 Envelopes: \$4682; Venmo: \$705

February ACH: \$3722; February Online: \$9,902.23  
Feb 26 Envelopes: \$3226.70; Venmo: \$746.87  
Feb 19 Envelopes: \$2500; Venmo: \$596  
Feb 12 Envelopes: \$4208.35; Venmo: \$1324  
Feb 5 Envelopes: \$2386; Venmo: \$745.13

January ACH: \$2792; January Online: \$10,815.34  
Jan 29th: Envelopes: \$1935.19; Venmo: \$473  
Jan 22nd: Envelopes: \$2554.80; Venmo: \$771  
Jan 15th: Envelopes: \$1511.02; Venmo: \$1341  
Jan 8th: Envelopes: \$4284.01; Venmo: \$662  
Jan 1st: Envelopes: \$2048; Venmo: \$2,274.75  
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](https://UACatholic.org/donate)