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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 5, 2023

Second 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
NO STATIONS ON 3/10—Spring Break

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

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MASS INTENTION

Second Sunday in Lent
3/4 5:15PM **Irene Fimbres+**
3/5 9:00AM **Ward Cockrum**
11:00AM **Our Newman Community**
5:00PM **Catherine Anne Peterson+**

Monday: Lenten Weekday
3/6 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: Lenten Weekday
3/7 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Wednesday: Lenten Weekday
3/8 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Thursday: Lenten Weekday
3/9 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**
Friday: Lenten Weekday
3/10 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

*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

Mountains in Scripture are places of Godly encounters. Many of the great heroes of the Bible were called to ascend a mountain to hear the voice of God calling, bestowing, directing, forming, and pointing them in some new direction. God showers down healing and new possibilities for all who are hungry for meaning, forgiveness, and reconciliation.... both within and beyond... our personal borders.

Today we hear about Abraham, Peter, James, and John.... How they were called from their ordinary experience.. into a place of transformational obedience and glory.

Abraham was called from a place of curious wandering.. into a loving relationship with the God of life. Abram who felt at times flat... discovered the power of new life, and received the stewardship of many nations.

This is what can happen when our ears and hearts are open... Abram, struggling to see his and Sarah's future..... had the courage to respond to God's promptings in his life. They listened to God's voice, and followed his requests.... even when it seemed against what they would have initially chosen to do. Abraham was "obedient" to God's commands, and God was abundant in His response to Abraham declaring him the "father of many nations."

In today's Gospel Peter, James, and John accompany Jesus on his journey up the mountain. In the midst of their conversation Jesus is "transfigured" before them, and they witness the 'divinity' that they have only 'experienced' behind the power of mighty words spoken... and deeds performed. As they encounter Jesus in this way, they are caught up in the 'glory' of those great figures in the Bible who have gone before them, and, who have been formed by the grace.. and discipleship of the Most High. Their response to this encounter is fear, wonder, and a greater desire 'to participate' in what they have been called to.

May our Lenten days be 'opportunities' to climb God's mountains. May our struggles up.... and through them... be places of surprising encounters, and, fresh new air. May we move from old behaviors that lead to death.... to ascending "heights" that bring greater truth and love.... to ourselves... and to those all around us. The Lenten Season calls us into abundance.. may we swallow it whole and entire.

May we let go of useless fears and climb into the "transformation" that comes when 'we wander with Jesus' into the heights of faith, hope, and love. "For where your treasure is that also your heart will be" 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

A NOTE OF THANKS

Special thanks to Edella Schlager, Helen Castillo, and Luz Elena & David Howard for preparing delicious meals for our Elect and Initiation Ministry Team members.

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ **Knights of Columbus Council #16061 Mtg** Sunday 3/5 at 6PM
- ◆ **Spring Break Closure** The Newman Center will be closed March 6th through the 10th, there will be no Daily Mass.
- ◆ **Social Justice Day of Service** Tuesday 3/7 starting at 10:30AM. Contact socialjustice@uacatholic.org for more information
- ◆ **Catholic Sisters Week 3/8 to 3/15**—join us in prayers of gratitude for the ministry and witness of faith by Religious Sisters, especially Sr. Lynn and Sr. Mary Elizabeth who are on our staff.

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

CONGRATS TO OUR NEWEST CATHOLICS

Genevieve Babicke, Baptized in Christ February 4th
Evo Medina, Baptized in Christ February 18th

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

ONLINE GIVING PLATFORM

After much research, we are pleased to join the online giving platform Breeze to help us better manage our registration database and financial contributions. If you have online giving set up through WeShare, it will remain active but all new contributions will be transitioning over to Breeze. The new landing page [is linked here](#) and at UACatholic.org/donate

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. 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.

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

THOMISTIC INSTITUTE LECTURE

Tuesday, March 14th at 7:30PM
in the Student Union, room TBA

“A Lecture on God & Modernity”

By Prof. Joseph Trabbic of Ave Maria University

More info at www.ThomisticInstitute.org

LENTEN FISH TACO NIGHTS

Fridays, March 17th and March 24th at 6PM
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council #16061
\$5.00 plate for a meal and fellowship downstairs

SAVE THE DATES

Anointing of the Sick Available at Masses

Sunday March 19th at 9AM & 5PM

Celebration of Life for Dona Maria Forté, mother of Fr. JP

Saturday, March 25th at 11:30AM

2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

Progress as of 3/1/23

12 donors - \$9,545 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 20%
Fulfilled to date: \$8085 or 17% 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.



◆ 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



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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



You were transfigured on the Mountain, O Christ God, showing Your Disciples as much of Your glory as they could hold. Let Your eternal light shine also upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Giver of Light, glory to You.

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

To “be a blessing” is the true aim of a stewardship way of life. It is also an excellent way to live out the season of Lent. The sacrifices we take on, the spiritual disciplines we practice, and the extra acts of service we perform during this season — all give glory to God and transform our lives into a blessing for others.

Lest we grow weary on this path, our Gospel passage today, from Matthew, offers us a powerful image of the great God we serve. It is the story of the Transfiguration of Jesus, when our Lord reveals Himself in His true glory and the Father says, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” The apostles who witnessed this were awestruck. But our loving Savior reassured them saying, “Rise, and do not be afraid.”

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

March Online as of 3/3: \$2,413.15

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

December ACH: \$4,652; December Online: \$17,422.47

Dec 25th: Envelopes: \$8771.06; Venmo: \$2631.71

Dec 18th: Envelopes: \$3,208.88; Venmo: \$966

Dec 11th: Envelopes: \$2400.71; Venmo: \$719

Dec 4th: Envelopes: \$3,379.40; Venmo: \$874

Dominican Common Room Project: \$2000

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

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