

# 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

2023-2024 Theme: Jesus said: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength" and "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." - Mark 12:30-31



**February 18, 2024**

**First Sunday of Lent**

## SCHEDULE

### Weekend Masses

Sunday 9AM, 11AM & 5PM  
Saturday Vigil 5:15PM

### Sunday Mass Online

11AM MST LiveStreamed  
through [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)

### Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday 5:15PM

### Liturgy of the Hours

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

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays at 4PM or  
by appointment with a priest

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues-Fri 8:45AM Holy Hour  
Next Monthly: March 14th at 7:30PM

### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9AM to 4:45PM

*We are open for prayer, study &  
community weekdays from 8AM-9PM*

## NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



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## MASS INTENTIONS

### First Sunday of Lent

2/17 5:15PM **Lydia Guerrero**

2/18 9:00AM **Frank Linarez +**

11:00AM **RCIA Candidates/Catechumens**

5:00PM **Our Newman Community**

Monday: Bl. Alvarez of Zamora, friar & priest

2/19 5:15PM **NO DAILY MASS**

Tuesday: Bl. Christopher of Milan, friar & priest

2/20 5:15PM **Esther Sanchez Garcia +**

Wednesday: Lenten Weekday

2/21 5:15PM **Elsa Monteverde**

Thursday: The Chair of Peter the Apostle

2/22 5:15PM **Helen Roman +**

Friday: Lenten Weekday

2/23 5:15PM **Helen Roman +**

*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

**T**he Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan.....

Another Lenten Season begins. We've received our ashes; and now are struggling to embrace some practice.... To direct us towards greater freedom in our lives; and, to commit ourselves... towards growing..... in the areas of prayer, fasting, and....., greater generosity towards others.

These are all... good things... designed to help us to create.. more space... in ourselves ... for listening, learning, and living more free.

Prayer invites us..... to be driven into the desert as Jesus was.... There to be confronted with, and in, ourselves... the strong and weak; the grounded and messy; .....w/ our good behavior.... as well, as our most unhealthy.

Prayer... teaches us.... to listen.. attend... and to simply breathe..... It shows us.....that cultivating a deep relationship with Christ, in God through the Holy Spirit... is both a gift.... And, lasting and benefit.

Fasting... is so much more.... than refraining from chocolate. Yes, this can be a start... but it is so much more... Fasting invites us.... reflect deeply... upon what.... might be an unhealthy attachment.... in our lives.... that is leading us to us to ruin....and not to flourish.

What habit, attitude, or material attachment.... is stunting our spiritual, physical, intellectual, or personal growth? What needs deletion or movement.. in order to remain rooted in God? Healthy fasting produces a clearer focus, and a more balanced life.

Almsgiving.... is the fruit.... of having more space in our lives.... for generosity. Jesus emerges from his time in the desert... not simply challenged and hungry... but grounded in the Father's love.... from prayer; cleansed of useless distractions; from fasting; from letting go of useless attachments..... and, more focused..... because he is filled with the Holy Spirit..... and only has the space.... to be generous.... in his dispensing... of the spiritual "Alms" needed..... for others to rise and flourish!

How are we called to rise over these precious days of Lent? How are we called to To love God with everything - All our heart, mind, soul, and strength..... as well as our neighbor as ourself? May we be courageous by responding to God's invitation to enter into our "inner room" where Christ is waiting to embrace us.

Amen!

## THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ **Parents of Young Children Meetup** Sunday 10AM
- ◆ **RCIA Rite of Election** 3PM at St. Augustine Cathedral. Keep our 11 participants and team in prayer
- ◆ **Dominican Laity Chapter Mtg** Sunday 2:30PM
- ◆ **Thomistic Institute Reading Group** Mondays 6PM
- ◆ **Social Justice Committee** Tuesdays NOON
- ◆ **Faith Formation Committee** Tuesdays 3:45PM
- ◆ **Young Adult Community (22-35yo)** Tuesdays 7PM
- ◆ **Community Life Committee** Wednesday 1PM
- ◆ **Liturgy Committee** Wednesdays 3PM
- ◆ **FOCUS Summer Projects Info Night** Wednesday 6PM
- ◆ **Newman Night for Undergrads** Wednesdays 7PM
- ◆ **Rosary Under the Stars** Thursdays 6:30PM, courtyard west of Steward Observatory
- ◆ **Outreach Committee** Fridays 4:15PM
- ◆ **Stations of the Cross** Fridays of Lent 5:45PM
- ◆ **Game Night Fridays** 7PM downstairs

View all of our events at [www.UACatholic.org/calendar](http://www.UACatholic.org/calendar)

### FOCUS SUMMER PROJECTS INFO NIGHT

Students: this Wednesday at 6PM there is an info night for FOCUS Summer Projects, a 10-week summer program involving work experience, growing in your faith, and witnessing authentic Catholic Community & friendship. Come learn more from UA students who participated last year

### LUMEN SERIES COMING UP

Thursday, February 29th at 7PM

Sr. Mariane Farina CSC from the Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology in Berkeley will present on Catholic Social Teaching



**FIND US READY LORD!  
DAY OF REVIVAL**

**SATURDAY – APRIL 20, 2024**  
9:00 am – 9:00 pm

St Francis de Sales Catholic Church Gymnasium  
1375 South Camino Seco, Tucson

You are invited to join men and women throughout the diocese for this exceptional conference which will include teaching from internationally known speakers & authors, times of praise & worship, mass, adoration, and a healing service!

This day promises to be a life changing experience of spirit filled evangelization! For schedule information, speaker biographies, and to register visit [www.vineofgrace.org](http://www.vineofgrace.org) or call 520.631.1408.

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.

## CURSILLO WEEKENDS SCHEDULED

Men's Cursillo April 25, 2024 through April 28 and the Women's Cursillo May 2, 2024 through May 5, 2024 @ St Francis De Sales, Tucson.

In order to live a Cursillo a person has to be invited by a Cursillista or have a Cursillista sponsor them. Sponsors need to attend a Sponsor meeting in order to sign up his/her candidate for the Cursillo. Sponsor meetings will be held around the diocese between now and the scheduled weekends. They are also seeking Cursillistas that would like to work the weekends and in order to do that they must be cleared through the Safe Environment at their parishes and be attending a School of Leaders, Grouping and attending Ultreyas. If there are no Cursillo activities in your parish, you can reach out to Alma Clark, the English Cursillo Lay Director [tucsonyumacursilloaydirector@gmail.com](mailto:tucsonyumacursilloaydirector@gmail.com)

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Formation Sessions for those interested in Adult Baptism are Sundays from 11AM to 2PM. For more info, contact [Manny@UACatholic.org](mailto:Manny@UACatholic.org) or call the office. Applications and more info are available at [UACatholic.org/RCIA](http://UACatholic.org/RCIA)

## ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM SIGNUPS

Baptized Catholic but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Sign-ups are open via application on the website at [UACatholic.org/Confirmation](http://UACatholic.org/Confirmation)  
Sessions are held on Tuesdays at 7:30PM and began Feb 6th, reach out for any questions

## 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 2/16/24

8 donors - \$10,620 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 23%  
Fulfilled to date: \$9,200 or 20% 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

Please donate and list **St. Thomas More** as your parish so we can reach our annual goal. Envelopes are at the exits



## PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN

Young families with children (0-5) are forming a faith sharing group to support the spiritual life of parents in this unique time of life. Our next gathering is **Sunday, February 18th at 10AM in the Curry Classroom**. For more information contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth at 520-327-4665 or [srmaryelizabeth@uacatholic.org](mailto:srmaryelizabeth@uacatholic.org)

## TAX CREDIT DONATION LETTERS

2023 Donation Statements were emailed and mailed at the end of January. If you didn't receive yours or would like a hard copy, contact [Manny@UACatholic.org](mailto:Manny@UACatholic.org) or (520) 327-4665 x 113. Please take time to Register if you are new or your address has changed: [UACatholic.org/Registration](http://UACatholic.org/Registration)



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





◆ Love is in the air! No matter how long you have been married, you can still have romance in your marriage.

- ◆ The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience gives you the tools to keep your marriage alive & vibrant
- ◆ Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 6-7, 2024
- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit the website at: [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)



Resources at [UACatholic.org/Lent](http://UACatholic.org/Lent)

Pick up a CRS Rice Bowl & Hallow App flyer at church entrances

### LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent at 5:45PM after Daily Mass

### CASA ALITAS OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

[Casa Alitas](#) needs community support to serve migrant individuals and families fleeing their home countries to escape violence and poverty. The individuals served by Casa Alitas have been granted humanitarian parole by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and they are allowed to remain in the U.S. to await their asylum court date. The stop-over at Casa Alitas is a brief respite en route to their final destinations with family or sponsors.

Casa Alitas is largely volunteer-run. If you are interested in community service, the Newman Center leads volunteers on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday and other times monthly. Volunteers create a safe and welcoming space for guests. Opportunities include guest intake, food service, clothing donation room, laundry and linen support, arts and activities for children, travel planning, and airport escort.

We encourage you to reflect on how you can serve our community to help others. Please consider signing up to volunteer at a time that fits your schedule. To sign up or for questions, please contact Michele Brubaker at [brubakerm9@gmail.com](mailto:brubakerm9@gmail.com), (520) 906-1663.

### WEEKLY FOOD COLLECTIONS AT MASS

Non-perishable food items only, please. Donation bins are located at all entrances of the chapel. Donations will benefit Casa Maria, Pio Decimo, and Poverello House.

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Lent is a time for us to turn from sin. The reading from Peter reminds us that Christ suffered for our sins that we might more fully know God's love.

“Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God.” 1 PT 3:18

As faithful stewards, may we use this Lenten Season to enter the desert with Jesus, and through steadfast prayer, allow Him to lead us closer to God.

### STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year Progress: 7/1/23 to February 16th:  
 Offertory Budget: \$269,857.92; Actual: \$273,408.25  
 Difference: \$3,550.33 divided by 33 weekends: \$107.58

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US TO CATCH UP TO BUDGET PROJECTIONS, WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL!

Let's keep up the momentum

February Online as of 2/16: \$7,178.81  
 Feb 11 Envelopes: \$3,366.85; Venmo: \$794  
 Feb 4 Envelopes: \$3,441.15; Venmo: \$1692.50

January Online: \$11,857.79; Bank Transfers: \$3672  
 Dominican Common Room Project: \$600  
 January 28 Envelopes: \$2,492.63; Venmo: \$840  
 January 21 Envelopes: \$2,284.13; Venmo: \$2088  
 January 14 Envelopes: \$4,276.66; Venmo: \$651.78  
 January 7 Envelopes: \$2998.34; Venmo: \$1166

Your contribution during the Offertory goes towards utilities, ministries, staff and residences for the 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.



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