

# 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

2024-2025 Theme:

“Love your enemies, do good and expect nothing in return.” Luke 6:27



## December 1, 2024

## First Sunday of Advent

### 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: **December 5th 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 Advent

11/30 5:15PM **Ward Cockrum**

12/1 9:00AM **Our Newman Community**

11:00AM **Arlie Miller +**

5:00PM **Joyce Gutierrez**

Monday: Advent Weekday

12/2 5:15 **No Mass**

Tuesday St. Francis Xavier, Priest

12/3 5:15PM **Elizabeth Coompon**

Wednesday: Advent Weekday

12/4 7 5:15PM **Apryl & Helen Williams**

Thursday: Advent Weekday

12/5 5:15PM **Ward Cockrum**

Friday: Advent Weekday

12/6 5:15PM **Justina Sinlao +**

*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

**B**e Vigilant at all times and pray that you will have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man” Today begins the Advent Season. Four weeks to prepare and listen to God’s whispers and shouts throughout the competing voices of finals, shopping, holiday parties, family gatherings, and a variety of stressors that seem to plague this time of year.

Our Sunday readings invite us to take a courageous posture in face of many ‘perceived’ “tribulations” not to die of fright, and to let ourselves be swept away by all the chaos around us. We are called, instead to “pray”, and reach out... in faith and truth to God, and, to ground ourselves in that relationship... taking time to breathe.... and, calm down.... Seeing that God, in Christ... will be present to guide us through anything, with His Spirit that is “upon, and anoints us.”

Our job is to remain faithful, and “vigilant”. And, that is what we do every come to mass, go to confession, or reach out to someone in need - whether we can help them perfectly, or not! We are called in chaotic times-not to stop praying... but to take a deep breath, and to pray in a truer and more honest way!

God always hears our prayers..., but do we hear what God is saying back to us.... when times are crazy, sad, or depressing? God is always speaking, reaching out, and calling us to the freedom of his love. Are we willing to allow his Spirit to touch/anoint us wherever we need it?

May we begin this Advent season with hearts, minds, and souls... open, and willing... to keep listening and searching... for God’s loving embrace in all moments and situations of life. “Increase my Faith.. Lord be our Rock... Transform my heart, my soul... Increase my Faith!

Amen. Alleluia



## THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ **Young Adult Community**, Tuesday at 7:00pm.
- ◆ **Undergrad NEWMAN NIGHT**, Wednesday at 7:00pm.
- ◆ **Advent Reconciliation Service**, Wednesday, December 4 at 7:30pm.
- ◆ **Adoration**, Thursday, December 5 at 7:30pm-8:30pm
- ◆ **Newman Game Night**, Friday at 7:00pm.

## COMING EVENTS

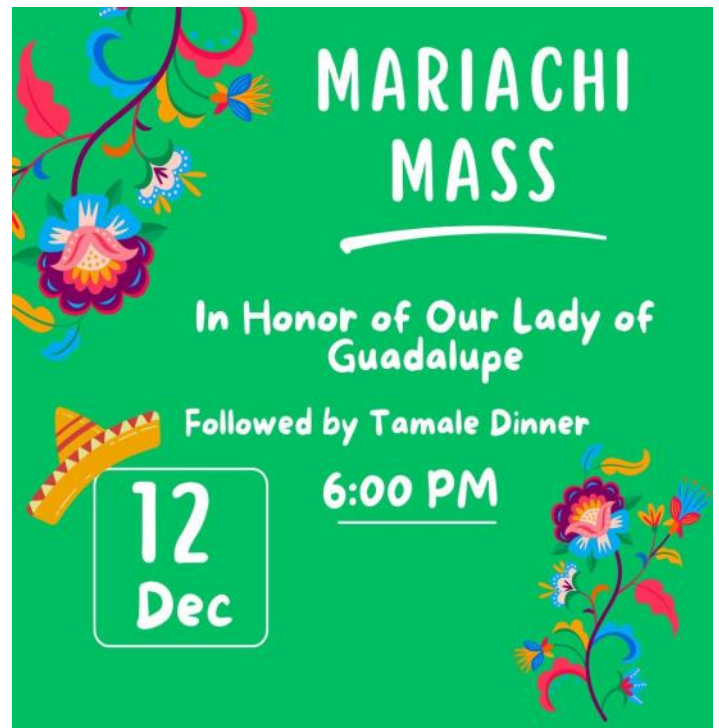
- ◆ **Immaculate Conception-Holy Day Mass**, Monday, December 9 at 12:10pm
- ◆ **Mariachi Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe**, Thursday, December 12 at 6:00pm, followed by Tamale dinner.

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



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Monday,  
December 9 at  
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**MARIACHI  
MASS**

In Honor of Our Lady of  
Guadalupe

Followed by Tamale Dinner

**12  
Dec** **6:00 PM**

### **CTSO TAX CREDIT DONATIONS**

Arizona’s Catholic Tuition Support Organization (CTSO) wants to “thank” all the parishioners that have supported Catholic education and ask you to **renew** your support to the students in our Catholic Schools through CTSO. Brochures are in the vestibule or visit [www.ctso-tucson.org](http://www.ctso-tucson.org) to make an online contribution

### **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 FINANCIAL REPORT

First Quarter Projected Revenue Fiscal  
Year 2024-2025 is \$173,879. Actual  
Revenue is \$149,515. Shortage of **\$24,364**

### Weekend Offertory:

November 25th. Envelopes: \$4,498.54  
November 18th. Envelopes: \$2,751.00  
November 11th. Envelopes: \$2,318.10  
November 4th. Envelopes: \$4,811.25

Total contributions from Venmo for the  
month of November as of November 28th.  
is \$5,871.87

Total contributions from WeShare for the  
month of November as of November 28th.  
is \$4,247.12

Total contributions from Breeze for the  
month of November as of November 28th.  
is \$5,893.95

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.  
Recurring giving is available through our  
online platform Breeze



View all giving options at [www.USCatholic.org/donate](http://www.USCatholic.org/donate)



## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias can be sponsored for \$12 to help  
decorate the church for Christmas. The plants  
will be available to take home after Christmas  
season. Stop by the office for details.



## 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

*Congratulations*  
**BACCALAUREATE MASS**

**Sunday, December 15 at 11AM**

[Click Here for registration.](#)



Deadline to register is Sunday, December 8th at Noon.

**Wishing you all the best  
for a bright future!**

## Christmas Toy Drive Nov. 17 - Dec. 1, 2024

The Newman Center Social Justice  
Committee will sponsor **AVIVA  
Children's Services**

For over 40 years, **Aviva Children's Services**  
has worked to fulfill its mission to improve  
the quality of life for children who are  
victims of neglect, abuse and poverty and  
are in the care of Arizona's Department of  
Child Safety (DCS). Watch for the Giving  
Tree in the Church beginning Nov. 17!

**Deadline to return gifts is Dec. 1st**

## Bilingual Spanish Masses at Newman for the entire community.

Outreach to students who typically go to their home parish in Tucson or surrounding areas like Nogales and primarily pray in Spanish have been intentionally with three bible studies by the Newman Focus Team and the Torch Team. Now we have begun celebrating bilingual Spanish Masses that allow them to participate and allows English speakers to practice Spanish. To aid the Mass we have a new bilingual Pew Card.



After the Mass resident members Eric and Minerva made tacos and frijoles while Fr. Emmanuel made the Newman recipe for a large serving of Spanish rice.

The next Spanish Mass will be on December 6th at 5:15 pm – Bienvenido. If you would like to make enchiladas for the celebration email Fr. Emmanuel.



Also mark your calendar for the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass and tamale dinner for the entire community. Que Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe! Viva!



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website



## WREATHS *across* AMERICA



Support WAA and St. Thomas More Newman Center  
Social Justice Committee- #AZ0092P

In Honor of

### Sgt. Martin Lugo

A Tucson local Hero

Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

At Holy Hope Catholic Cemetery 10:00 a.m.

3555 N. Oracle

Veteran's Section

Please Join the Wreath Laying Ceremony

Your \$17 Donation\* made payable to  
"Wreaths Across America"

Or purchase a wreath online at

<https://wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/42855/Overview/?relatedId=15499>

- Your \$17 Donation is fully tax deductible as allowed by law.

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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.