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OUR MISSION: TO BE TRANSFORMED THROUGH AN
ENCOUNTER WITH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH & THE LOVE OF GOD

2025-2026 Theme:
"May We Be One." John 17:21



September 7, 2025

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary

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: **October 2nd at
7:30PM**

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 10AM to 4:00PM

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9/6 5:15PM **Donna Baker, OP**

9/7 9:00AM **Carol Fimbres-Gaughan**

11:00AM **Rudy Monreal +**

5:00PM **Our Newman Community**

Monday: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9/8 5:15PM **No Mass**

Tuesday: St. Peter Claver, Priest

9/9 5:15PM **Ron Chavez +**

Wednesday: Weekday

9/10 5:15PM **Aide Salazar +**

Thursday: Weekday

9/11 5:15PM **St. Martin de Porres**

Friday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

9/12 5:15PM **Teresa Kuriakose**

*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

The corruptible body burdens the soul, and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns." This line from our first reading in the Book of Wisdom really struck me. It reminds us that our bodies—and really, our whole selves—are always in transition. From the moment we are born, we are set on a path that is passing through this life and moving toward eternity. But this doesn't mean we should just sit back and watch life pass us by. Not at all. Rather, it's a call to discover what God desires of us while we are here—and to consider the intention and energy with which we live out whatever we are doing. Wisdom reminds us that we see only part of life's design, while God sees the entire mosaic. And today's Gospel shows us, through one of Jesus' vivid parables, that discipleship requires us to let go of whatever is not of God.

For God is the true source of all our blessings: our family, our friends, our loved ones, even the possessions and treasures we hold dear. If we fail to recognize this, we risk becoming deaf to his voice, blind to his presence, and closed off to the life-giving love he longs to share with us. That is why Jesus uses such strong language in the Gospel when he tells us to "hate" anything that separates us from life, joy, healing, and peace. He's not calling us to despise people or gifts, but to reject whatever stands in the way of God's love. And then he speaks of "calculating the cost" of discipleship—of preparing ourselves to carry the crosses of our lives, whether they be anxiety, anger, sadness, fear, or anything else that weighs us down. When we step back and calculate, when we breathe instead of panic, when we slow down and refocus, life becomes more manageable. We make better decisions. We walk with greater peace. So in this sense, "hating" means refusing to cling to whatever is opposed to love, peace, healing, and hope. And the daily practice of stepping back—of creating a discipline of grounding ourselves—gives us strength and clarity for each day. It keeps us centered on what truly matters.

Last week we heard that humility (humus—the earth, the ground) is what roots us. This grounding gives us peace, keeps us sober, and allows us to see with good perspective. As summer draws to a close and fall approaches, may this be a time to reflect on where we want our hearts to rest. May we remain steady, grounded in God's love, so that his truth and peace may infuse us.

Amen! Alleluia!



ANNOUNCEMENT



friends in the nearby alps and is the patron of mountain climbers.

Today, Sept 7, Pope Leo is canonizing 2 new Saints, Carlo Acutis who died at the age of 15 and is the patron of web designers and Pier Giorgio Frassati who died from TB at 25 from working in the slums of his native Turin. We here have a special relation to Pier as he became a member of the lay Dominicans taking the religious name of Savonarola, the Dominican preacher who was hung and burned for preaching against the Borgia Pope Alexander vi. Pier loved to hike with his college

THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ **Young Adult Bible Study**, Monday at 7:00PM
- ◆ **Young Adult Community**, Tuesday at 7:00PM.
- ◆ **Undegraduate Newman Night**, Wednesday at 7:00PM.
- ◆ **Game Night**, Friday at 7:00PM.
- ◆ **Baptism Class**, Saturday, September 13 at 10:00AM in the Curry Classroom. Contact Sr. Mary Elizabeth for details.

COMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Mass of the Holy Spirit**, Sunday, September 14 at 11:00AM, UA Student Union Grand Ballroom 2nd floor.
- ◆ **Lumen Talk with Dr. Alex Nava**, Thursday, September 18 at 7:30PM, Green Hall
- ◆ **Student Sustaining Board Dinner**, Sunday, September 28 at 6:00PM

View all of our events at www.UACatholic.org/calendar

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

Projected Revenue (9 Months) Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$582,832.34. Actual Revenue is \$559,125.19.
Shortage of \$23,707.15

Weekend Offertory:

September 2nd. Envelopes: \$2,434.18
August 25th. Envelopes: \$3,502.73
August 18th. Envelopes: \$2,578.51
August 11th. Envelopes: \$2,951.64

Total contributions from Venmo for the month of September as of September 5 is \$395.00

Total contributions from WeShare for the month of September as of September 5 is \$1,854.40

Total contributions from Breeze for the month of September as of September 5 is \$1,513.69

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

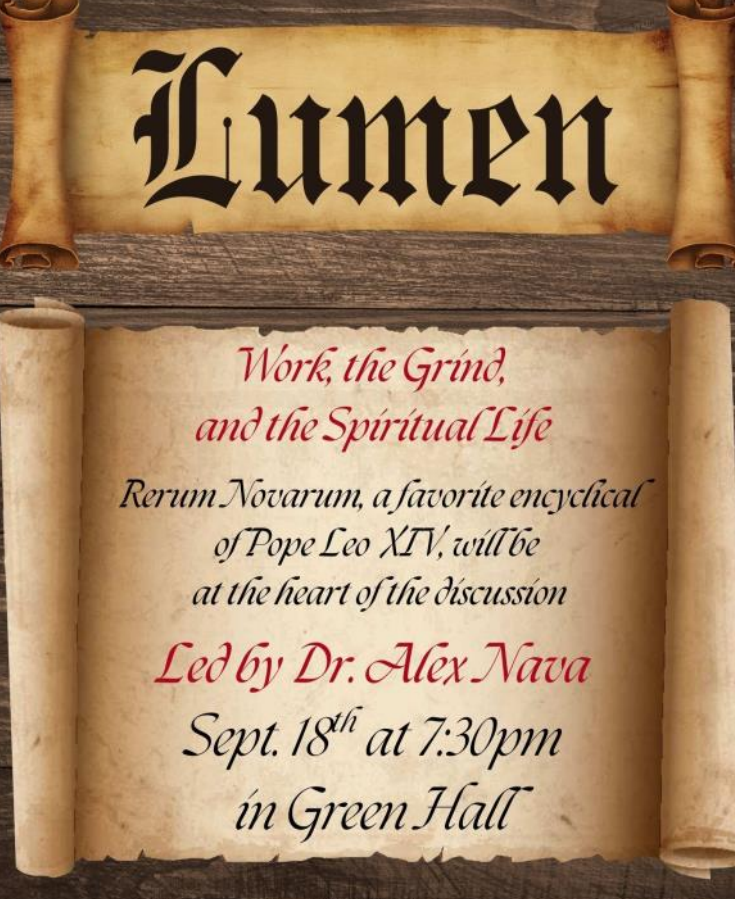


Free all giving options at www.UACatholic.org/breeze



Mass of the Holy Spirit

Sunday, September 14th at 11AM
 UA Student Union Grand Ballroom (2nd Floor)
 Parking at 2nd St. Garage
Wear Red - Reception to follow
 This will be the only Newman Mass that day





Lumen

*Work, the Grind,
and the Spiritual Life*

*Rerum Novarum, a favorite encyclical
of Pope Leo XIV, will be
at the heart of the discussion*

Led by Dr. Alex Nava
Sept. 18th at 7:30pm
in Green Hall

UARIZONA HOME FOOTBALL NEWMAN PARKING FUNDRAISER


FOOTBALL SEASON IS HERE!

OUR PARKING FUNDRAISER SUPPORTS
 WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
 AND THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE
AT ALL HOME GAMES.


WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- PARKING SPACES ARE \$15 AT THE NEWMAN CENTER.
- HOME GAMES ARE USUALLY SATURDAY EVENINGS, AND PARKING SALES BEGIN AT 11:00 A.M. FOR TAILGATING.
- SPACES FOR SATURDAY EVENING MASS WILL BE RESERVED, BUT MASS ATTENDEES SHOULD ARRIVE EARLY DUE TO HEAVY GAME-DAY TRAFFIC.
- PLEASE NOTE: NEWMAN DAILY PARKING PASSES ARE NOT VALID FOR FOOTBALL PARKING.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!




BEAR DOWN!



HAVE YOU REGISTERED WITH THE NEWMAN CENTER YET?

Please fill-out the registration form on our website (www.uacatholic.org/registration) or scan QR code below.



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



PEACE WITH CREATION SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Monday, Sept 8 – Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Scripture: “The Lord has done great things for me, and holy is his name.” (Luke 1:49)

Prayer: Lord, as we celebrate Mary’s birth, may we welcome new life with joy and care for the earth that nurtures it.

Tuesday, Sept 9

Scripture: “The earth is the Lord’s and all it holds, the world and those who dwell in it.”

(Psalm 24:1)

Prayer: Creator God, remind us that we belong to you and that all creation is a sacred trust.

Wednesday, Sept 10

Scripture: “Ask the beasts and they will teach you; the birds of the heavens and they will tell you.” (Job 12:7)

Prayer: Loving God, open our hearts to learn wisdom from your creatures, living signs of your presence.

Thursday, Sept 11

Scripture: “Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; let the sea and what fills it resound.” (Psalm 96:11)

Prayer: God of joy, may we join with the earth and all creation in songs of praise and thanksgiving.

Friday, Sept 12 – Holy Name of Mary

Scripture: “God looked at everything he had made and found it very good.” (Genesis 1:31)

Prayer: Creator of all, through Mary’s intercession, help us to see the goodness in your creation and protect it with love.

Saturday, Sept 13 – St. John Chrysostom

Scripture: “They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.” (Isaiah 2:4)

Prayer: God of peace, teach us to turn away from destruction and to cultivate life-giving ways in harmony with creation.

Sunday, Sept 14 – Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Scripture: “Through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.” (Colossians 1:20)

Prayer: Lord Jesus, by your cross you reconciled all creation. Strengthen us to carry the cross of care for the earth and all who suffer.

Are You INTERESTED in the CATHOLIC FAITH ?



For those *Considering* joining the Catholic Church or *Inquiring* about the Catholic Faith

Contact Margaret Kish mkishaz@aol.com or the Newman Center office at 520-327-4665



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.