

# 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

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



**December 7, 2025**

**Second 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: **January 15th at 7:30PM**

### Office Hours

Monday to Friday 10AM to 4:00PM

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

## NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



*Served by the Friars of the Western Dominican  
Province, Dominican Sisters of Oakford and  
Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill*

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### Second Sunday of Advent

12/6 5:15PM **Our Newman Community**

12/7 9:00AM **Paul Mackey +**

11:00AM **Elodia Jauregui +**

5:00PM **Ron Lowe II +**

Monday: The Immaculate Conception of The  
Blessed Virgin Mary

12/8 12:10PM **Patrick Rangel**

5:15PM **Ventura Armenta**

7:00PM **Joe De Maria**

Tuesday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

12/9 5:15PM **Adrianne Del Sol**

Wednesday: Our Lady of Loreto

12/10 5:15PM **Sally Kish +**

Thursday: St. Damasus I, Pope

12/11 5:15PM **Ernesto, Roberto & Francisco  
Roldan +++**

Friday: Our Lady of Guadalupe

12/12 5:15PM **Jose & Carmen Canchola ++**

*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](#)



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## Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

**T**oday, John the Baptist steps onto the Advent stage as the spark that begins the great illumination of God's coming into the world. He arrives with unmistakable passion and conviction, calling each of us to "turn around"—to reorient our lives toward a truer and more excellent way. He points us toward the One who will make crooked ways straight and mountains low, preparing nothing less than a "highway to our God."

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus extends this call to everyone—including the religious leaders of his day. Heritage, status, or title, He reminds the Pharisees, mean nothing if they do not lead to a change of heart and a renewed closeness to God's will. Authentic metanoia is more than adjustment—it is transformation. It is the grace-filled movement from lost to found, from blindness to sight. Our baptism marks the beginning of this new and grace-saturated relationship with God. It strengthens us far beyond the moment water touches our heads. In that encounter, we become children of God, bearers of His light, and witnesses to His love in the lives we touch.

Isaiah, in our first reading, offers us a breathtaking vision of God's desire for unity—where what is divided is brought together, where what is opposed finds reconciliation, and where the seemingly impossible becomes the pathway to peace. He proclaims, "There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the Lord as water covers the sea."

This is the destiny of the Messiah: to heal humanity at its roots and to baptize with the Holy Spirit and with fire. We, too, have been baptized in these same waters and sealed with that same Spirit. As we journey through this Advent season, may we step free from all that clouds our vision or feeds unnecessary drama and division. May we, like John the Baptist, commit ourselves to preparing a highway in the desert—a clear and hopeful path leading straight to God.

For in seeking that path, we seek the oneness in Him for which our hearts were made. May we be one.

Amen! Alleluia! 

### Newman Center Christmas Wish List

We appreciate and thank you for your continued generosity and financial support. The Newman Center continues to have ongoing needs which include the following:

- Sacristy Window Replacement.
- Green Hall Sound System.
- Portable Sound System.
- Power Washer - \$200.00.
- 5- Outside Door Mats - \$100.00 each.
- Molding Repair for the Stain Glass Window - \$100.00.



### 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

### THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ **Immaculate Conception-Holy Day of Obligation Masses**, Monday, December 8 at 12:10PM, 5:15PM 7:00PM
- ◆ **Young Adult Bible Study**, Monday at 7:00PM
- ◆ **Young Adult Community**, Tuesday at 7:00PM.
- ◆ **Reconciliation Service**, Wednesday December 10 at 7:30PM.
- ◆ **Mariachi Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe**, Friday, December 12 at 6:00pm, followed by Tamale dinner.

### COMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Baccalaureate Mass**, Sunday, December 14 at 11:00AM.

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

### STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

**Projected Revenue Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$778,043.12. Actual Revenue is \$770,095.57. Shortage of \$7,947.55**

#### Weekend Offertory:

December 1st. Envelopes: \$3,000.53  
November 24th. Envelopes: \$3,811.00  
November 17th. Envelopes: \$2,735.60  
November 10th. Envelopes: \$2,296.66

Total contributions from Venmo for the month of December as of December 5th is \$509.00

Total contributions from WeShare for the month of November as of December 5th is \$1,250.61

Total contributions from Breeze for the month of November as of December 5th is \$3,542.95

Your contribution during the Offertory goes towards utilities, ministries, staff and residences for the Friars & Sisters so we can carry out our shared mission.

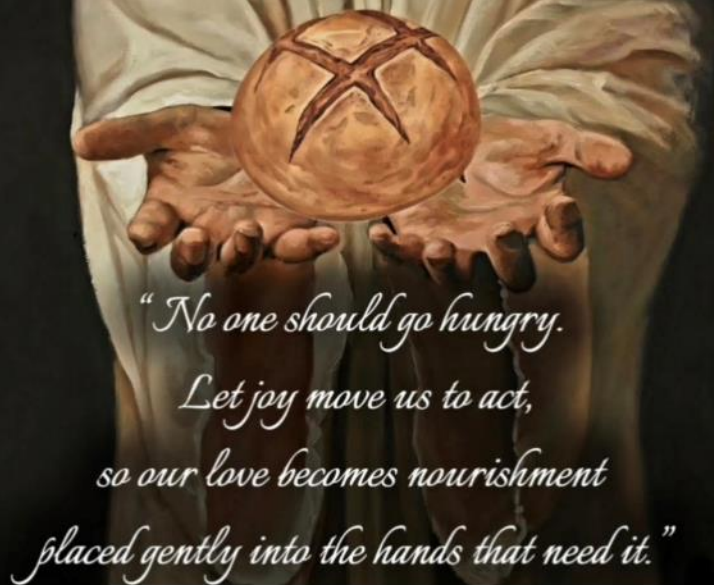
**Parents of our university students**, please consider supporting Newman as your son or daughter's parish-away-from-home. Recurring giving is available through our online platform Breeze



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



*The Least of These*  
*Matthew 25:40*



*"No one should go hungry.*

*Let joy move us to act,*

*so our love becomes nourishment*

*placed gently into the hands that need it."*

S O C I A L J U S T I C E

C A S A M A R I A

C H R I S T M A S

F O O D - D R I V E

PLEASE PLACE  
ITEMS UNDER  
CHRISTMAS TREE  
IN BACK OF CHURCH



IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION-  
HOLY DAY  
MASS



Monday

December 8 at 12:10PM,  
5:15PM & 7:00PM

**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.



St.Thomas More Newman Center invites you to  
**FALL BACCALAUREATE MASS**

2025



Wishing you all the best for a bright future

**December 14, 2025 11:00AM**

**Deadline to register is Wednesday, December 10 at noon**







## WREATHS *across* AMERICA



### Support Wreaths Across America

In honor of

**SGT. MARTIN A. LUGO**

A Tucson local Hero

Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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

3555 N. Oracle Veteran's Section

Please Join the Wreath Laying Ceremony for our  
Fallen Veterans at Holy Hope Cemetery

Your \$17 Donation

Places a Fresh Evergreen Wreath on a Veteran's Grave  
at Holy Hope Cemetery for the Christmas Season

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

For more information - Contact  
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### CALLING ALL NEWMAN CENTER ALUMNI!

Update your contact  
information and  
share your Newman  
Center story.

Be entered for a  
chance to win a **\$100**  
**Amazon gift card.**





# MARIACHI MASS

In Honor of Our Lady of  
Guadalupe

Followed by Tamale Dinner

12  
Dec

6:00 PM



### Annual Catholic Appeal

We want to thank all who made donations for the Annual Catholic Appeal. We also would like to inform everybody that we are still short \$14,000 from our goal of \$46,640. The Appeal provides financial resources for the ministries and charities that serve individuals and families of our parishes, schools, and communities.

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.