

# 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



**September 28, 2025**

**Twenty-Sixth 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*

## 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

### Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9/27 5:15PM **James Kelley**

9/28 9:00AM **Ward Cockrum**

11:00AM **Angelique Budaya**

5:00PM **Our Newman Community**

Monday: St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael,  
Archangels

9/29 5:15PM **No Mass**

Tuesday: St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the  
Church

9/30 5:15PM **Nicholas Perez +**

Wednesday: St. Therese of the Child Jesus,  
Virgin & Doctor of the Church

10/1 5:15PM **Gunnar Dale +**

Thursday: The Holy Guardian Angels

10/2 5:15PM **Milagros Fernande +**

Friday: Bl. Dominic Spadafora, OP

10/3 5:15PM **Nathaniel Lilli**

*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

Over the next six Sundays, the Gospels invite us to take a deeper dive into what it truly means to follow Jesus, the Christ. "May We Be One!"

In this Sunday's Gospel, we meet Lazarus, the beggar, and the Rich Man, who dressed well and dined abundantly. Lazarus longed for scraps from the Rich Man's table, yet the man never "saw" him or his hunger. Strikingly, even the dogs noticed Lazarus' sores and tried to comfort him. Discipleship requires that we *see* and respond. To follow Jesus means breaking through our fears, prejudices, and blindness—and pouring out our lives in love.

Amen! Alleluia!



### ANNOUNCEMENT

Next Weekend October 4-5, we will take up a 2nd collection for **Catholic Relief Services** for the humanitarian needs of our brothers and sisters in Gaza and Sudan by the request of Bishop Kicanas.

I am sure you have seen the tragic scenes of suffering happening in Gaza and in Sudan. Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has people on the ground lending assistance in both desperate areas. They are trying to help. I am asking that we take up a special collection throughout the Diocese to be given to Catholic Relief Services to assist in their efforts to care for dying people in these two Countries.

Bishop Kicanas

### ANNOUNCEMENT



We will have Liturgical Ministry Training on Monday, October 6 at 6pm in the Church. If you are interested in serving as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister or Sacristan, plan to attend one of these sessions.

### ANNOUNCEMENT



Congratulations to Clinton and Amy Napier on the baptism of their children Evelyn Elizabeth & Colette Renee on September 21, 2025.

### 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

- ◆ **Sustaining Board Student Dinner**, Sunday, September 28 at 6:00PM.
- ◆ **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.

### COMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Liturgical Ministry Training**, Monday, October 6 at 6:00PM
- ◆ **Sustaining Board Family Brunch**, Sunday, October 12 at 12:00PM.
- ◆ **Undergraduate Fall Retreat**, October 17-19. Please contact Fr. Emmanuel for details

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:

September 22th. Envelopes: \$3,208.00  
September 15th. Envelopes: \$2,857.01  
September 8th. Envelopes: \$3,309.25  
September 2nd. Envelopes: \$2,434.18

Total contributions from Venmo for the month of September as of September 26 is \$5,533.00

Total contributions from WeShare for the month of September as of September 26 is \$3,717.69

Total contributions from Breeze for the month of September as of September 26 is \$6,526.52

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)

## Letter from Fr. John Paul

Dear Students, Alumni, Friends, and Members of the Newman Community,

This year marks a sacred milestone in the life of our Newman Center—100 years of faithful, loving ministry to the students, faculty, and community of the University of Arizona. As we look back with gratitude and ahead with renewed purpose, we are filled with awe at all that God has done—and continues to do—through this vibrant spiritual home.

Our theme for this historic year, “*May we be one*,” draws from Pope Leo XIII’s call that “*One in Christ, we are One*.” In a world that often feels fragmented and divided, this call to unity in Christ is not just timely—it is essential. It reminds us that our faith is not lived in isolation, but in communion—with God and with one another.

As we enter our centennial year, we’re witnessing a beautiful and Spirit-led renewal at Newman. Our student community is growing—more young people are seeking the Lord, finding joy in authentic community, and responding to His call in new and courageous ways. Grad students and young adults are stepping into leadership and deepening their roots in the Church. Resident members continue to be the steady heart of our liturgical and spiritual life. And our alumni and friends carry the light of Newman far beyond Tucson, shaping the world with lives of witness and love.

This flourishing would not be possible without the support and prayers of so many. We are especially grateful to the members of our Sustaining Board, Newman Foundation, Resident Community, Young Adults, and beloved Students, whose generosity of time, resources, and care continues to be a vital force in helping us fulfill our mission.

As we celebrate this centennial year, let us give thanks for all who have come before us, and commit ourselves to carrying their legacy forward. May this be a time of recommitment—to faith, to unity, to joyful witness. May the Spirit of Christ continue to stir our hearts and move us outward, together, in mission.

With deep gratitude and hope,

*Fr. John Paul Forté, OP*

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Pastor



**FALL RETREAT**  
**CONNECTION**



LA PURISIMA RETREAT  
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**UARIZONA HOME FOOTBALL  
NEWMAN PARKING  
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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!**







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**Monday, Sept 29 – Feast of Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael (Archangels)**

Scripture: “Bless the Lord, all you angels, mighty in strength, acting at his behest.”  
(Psalm 103:20)

Prayer: God of angels, may Michael guard creation, Gabriel brings good news of hope, and Raphael guides us toward healing and wholeness.

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**Tuesday, Sept 30 – St. Jerome**

Scripture: “Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path.” (Psalm 119:105)

Prayer: Lord of wisdom, as St. Jerome treasured your Word, help us let Scripture guide our steps toward care for the earth.

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**Wednesday, Oct 1 – St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus**

Scripture: “Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much.” (Luke 16:10)

Prayer: Little Flower of Jesus, teach us that small acts of love for creation bring great joy to God.

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**Thursday, Oct 2 – The Holy Guardian Angels**

Scripture: “For he commands his angels with regard to you, to guard you wherever you go.”  
(Psalm 91:11)

Prayer: Guardian Angels, watch over us and over the earth, protecting all living beings from harm.

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**Friday, Oct 3**

Scripture: “You shall be my people, and I will be your God.” (Jeremiah 30:22)

Prayer: Faithful God, renew your covenant with us and with creation, that we may live in harmony and peace.

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**Saturday, Oct 4 – Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (Closing of the Season of Creation)**

Scripture: “Praise the Lord, all you works of the Lord; exalt him forever!” (Daniel 3:57)

Prayer: Creator of all, through St. Francis, teach us to live simply, love deeply, and care joyfully for our sister, Mother Earth.

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***HAVE YOU REGISTERED WITH THE NEWMAN CENTER YET?***

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



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.