



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER

— CELEBRATING 100 YEARS —

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Our Mission: To be Transformed through an
Encounter with the Spirit of Truth & the Love of God

2026-2027 Theme:
“May We Be One.” John 17:21



September 5, 2026

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 1st 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

9/5 5:15PM William Reed +

9/6 9:00AM Robert Delgado Jr. +
11:00AM Our Newman Community
5:00PM Francisca Mora +

Monday: Weekday
9/7 5:15PM No Mass

Tuesday: The Nativity of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
9/8 5:15PM Vera Castillo +

Wednesday: St. Peter Claver, Priest
9/9 5:15PM Ronald Chavez +

Thursday: Weekday
9/10 5:15PM Charles Sevin +
Friday: Weekday
9/11 5:15PM Repose of the Souls of
9/11

*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

Don't Harden Your Heart. Well, here we are, two weeks into the semester. For some of you, it probably feels like you just got here. For others, it may already feel like you've been here forever. The excitement of the first week has probably worn off a little. Classes are getting real. Syllabi are turning into assignments. Maybe you're realizing that you have a little more on your plate than you thought you did. And so, these readings today actually come at a pretty good time. The Psalm says: "If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts." I think that's a really important word for us at the beginning of a new semester because it's easy to harden our hearts. We get tired and disappointed because someone says something that hurts us or a friendship gets complicated. We don't do as well on that first exam as we hoped or we feel overwhelmed and then we start comparing ourselves to everyone around us and little by little we can close ourselves off. We stop listening to God and to other people and sometimes even to ourselves. God says: **Don't harden your heart but listen.**

The first reading gives us this image of the watchman; someone who is willing to pay attention, to see what is happening, and to speak when something needs to be said. Jesus takes it one step further in the Gospel; if someone hurts you, He says, go to them and talk to them. Don't gossip about them or don't walk away and don't let resentment build. It takes courage and it also takes love. St. Paul puts it very simply: "Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another." That's a pretty good way to begin a semester. We're going to owe each other a lot of things this year; notes, assignments, favors, maybe money for coffee! What we really owe one another is love and love sometimes means speaking the truth. Love means listening, forgiving and noticing when someone is struggling and not just walking past them. This is where I think our *Bear Down* theme comes back. We talked about bearing down on what matters, what is true, what gives life and what is worth giving ourselves to and one of the things that matters is one another. You were not meant to go through these four years alone. You don't have to have everything figured out. You don't have to know exactly who you're becoming but you do need people who will walk with you and you need to be willing to walk with others. That is part of what Newman is supposed to be: a place where you can belong while you are still becoming and that's why our Centennial theme "May We Be One" matters. It isn't just a nice phrase for a celebration but it is a prayer. May we be one; one community and one family. People who listen to one another, care for one another, challenge one another, forgive one another and help one another, will get closer to Christ. Jesus gives us the beautiful promise at the end of today's Gospel: **"Where two or three are gathered in My name, there am I in the midst of them."**

As you begin this semester, maybe the invitation is pretty simple: don't harden your heart, listen for God's voice, pay attention to the people around you, have the courage to speak when something needs to be said and have the humility to listen when someone speaks to you and don't try to do this semester or this life alone. Bear down on what matters, stay close to Christ, stay close to one another and together, may we be one.

Alleluia! Amen!



HAVE YOU REGISTERED WITH NEWMAN?

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



THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

- ◆ Newman will be close on Monday, September 7 in observance of the Labor Day.
- ◆ Student Labor Day Hike-Mt Lemmon, Monday, September 7, 9:30AM.
- ◆ Young Adult Community, Tuesday at 7:00PM.
- ◆ Undergraduate Newman Night, Wednesday at 7:00PM.
- ◆ Game Night Friday at 7:00PM.

COMING EVENTS

- ◆ Lumen Talk with Fr. Emmanuel-Pathways to Faith, Thursday, September 17 at 7:30PM.
- ◆ Mass of the Holy Spirit at Newman, Saturday & Sunday, September 19 & 20 at All Masses.
- ◆ "May We Be One" Gala at the Hilton El Conquistador, Saturday, October 17, 2026

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

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

Projected 3rd Quarter 2025-2026 revenues were \$550,580.00. The actual revenues were \$572,021.23. Projected 3rd Quarter 2025-2026 expenses were \$514,755.31. The actual expenses were \$507,266.51.

Weekend Offertory:

August 31st. Envelopes: \$3,074.45
August 24th. Envelopes: \$2,637.42
August 17th. Envelopes: \$3,663.80
August 10th. Envelopes: \$4,013.05

Total contributions from Venmo for the month of August is \$6,490.00.

Total contributions from WeShare for the month of August is \$3,891.86.

Total contributions from Breeze for the month of August is \$8,203.17.

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 at giving system at www.uacatholic.org/register



Mass of the Holy Spirit

**Saturday, September 19 at
5:15PM**

**Sunday, September 20 at All
Masses**

Please Wear Red

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.

Celebrate
with Us



ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER

Centennial Gala

OCTOBER 17, 2026 | 5:30 PM | HILTON EL CONQUISTADOR

Join us for the "**May We Be One**" Centennial Gala, celebrating 100 years of the St. Thomas More Newman Center's support of alumni, students, parishioners and friends.

A highlight of the evening will include a conversation with University of Arizona Athletics coaches and staff exploring leadership, mentorship and faith-driven service, benefiting the Newman Center Student Campus Ministry.



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R. Ken Coit Director
of Athletics



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Head Coach,
Baseball



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MAYMON**
Head Coach,
Women's Golf



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Champion Coach,
Softball



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Basketball Letterwinner,
Crest Insurance Attorney

RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 26
➔ NewmanGala.givesmart.com



Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

Immersion in Living Water
EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

Sept. 6. May this Season of Creation 2026 be a path for the healing of the Earth and for human well being to flourish together...

Sept. 7. May we embrace our interconnectedness with all of creation and immerse ourselves in the responsibility of caring for and restoring our Common Home...

Sept. 8. During this Season of Creation 2026, may we celebrate God our Creator and acknowledge Creation as a divine continuing act that summons us to love and care for the gift of all created..

Sept. 9. May living water renew our relationship with creation and inspire us to act with love, responsibility and faith...

Sept. 10. May this Season of Creation be filled with the prophet Ezekiel's vision of a river flowing from the temple of God, which grows without stopping and brings life where everything seems barren...

Sept 11. For each of us, that we may recognize ecological damage, embrace our interconnectedness, and immerse ourselves in the responsibility of caring for and restoring our Common Home...

Sept 12. May we celebrate the beauty of all creation and the hope that emerges when we walk united for justice peace, and care for our Common Home..



Are You INTERESTED in the CATHOLIC FAITH ?

For those *considering* joining the Catholic church or *inquiring* about the Catholic faith, Please contact Margaret Kish at mkishaz@aol.com or the Newman center office at 520-327-4665



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