

CATHOLIC
CAMPUS
MINISTRY

at
St. Thomas More
Newman Center



DONOR IMPACT REPORT 2018-2019

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Since our founding in 1963, we have been dedicated to fostering the faith lives of young people while they are in college. While the college culture has certainly evolved over time, our mission remains the same. More than five decades later, we continue to spread Christ's light on campuses and serve as a center of faith in the lives of our students.

We have thousands of students to serve, with students coming and leaving with the start of each new school year. That's why we are continually seeking to reach more students and deepen the experiences of those who walk through our doors. We are backed by a steadfast parish community as well as hundreds of parents, alumni, and friends of our ministry.

Yet, as we pause to reflect on this past school year, our focus shifts to next semester. How will we reach our new students and continue to serve those returning? As the Lord promised, there is always room at His table. In that spirit, we continue to grow ours. Even as we meet the needs of our students today, we know that our mission calls us to go out and share the Good News. Thank you for joining in mission with us to grow the FAITH of our college students!

We invite all on our  **campuses** to  **EXPERIENCE** *authentic friendships* and an intimate *relationship* with **Christ**. We **EMPOWER** disciples to  **love, serve, and value** all persons on their  **campuses** and in their future  **communities** to *share* the *richness* of the **Faith**.



Dear Newman Family,

Thank you for making this past school year another faith-filled year in Catholic Campus Ministry! While I have the privilege and blessing to serve our students daily, your support makes what we do a reality for each of our students.

As I reflect at the end of the school year, I'm left with a profound sense of gratitude. This verse from Philippians 1:3-5 captures my prayer so well: *"I give thanks to my God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now."* From the first day that we connect with students on our campuses - Mizzou, Stephens College, and Columbia College - to when they graduate, we journey with them to know Jesus Christ more deeply and to use their gifts in partnership for the Gospel as they leave.

We know that these conversions of heart and decisions to follow the Lord more closely do not happen overnight. College is a critical time in the lives of our students. They begin to make the decisions that will form the rest of their lives - not just with their careers, but also their lifestyle, habits, and values. With Catholic Campus Ministry, you support this exploration by providing formative experiences which help them discern God's particular call for their lives. We cultivate a community where students find support in their peers and our staff. Your partnership for the sharing of the Gospel is instrumental

in providing many opportunities for our students to encounter the Lord.

In service to this mission, the Lord showered us with many blessings this year. Our newest and returning students found their way to a closer relationship with Jesus and the community through our Welcome Week events, fall retreats, and many Bible studies. Students were mentored in leadership through our Student Leader retreat and through the FOCUS SEEK Conference. Our weekly Ephesians 3 fellowship gave us the opportunity to encounter Christ through music, talks, and Adoration. Most importantly, Christ met us in the Eucharist through beautiful Masses and Holy Hours.

I know that what we do is not possible without your prayerful support. Your dedication to our shared mission "from the first day until now" provides a faith foundation for so many college students. We give thanks to God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in our every prayer for all of you.

In Christ,



Angelle Hall

Angelle Hall | Director

FOOD

PROVIDING THE
BREAD OF LIFE
TO SUSTAIN US

The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith; it is only fitting that Catholic Campus Ministry is also centered around the Mass.

Mass is the largest ministry we provide to the students. Your support makes it possible for us to host dynamic liturgies which feeds students as they learn to balance their relationship with God and the busyness of college classes.

Students attend all of our weekend masses, but the Sunday 8 p.m. mass is designed specifically for them. In addition, over 100 students participate in daily Mass, which is offered Monday through Friday at noon - a great spiritual boost in the

middle of a full day of classes!

Every August, we start the school year with the Mass on the Quad - a beautiful liturgy which also witnesses the Church's presence in the lives of its members on campus!





THE FRUITS OF OUR GRADUATES IN THEIR POST-COLLEGE LIVES

ACHIEVE



Our graduates leave us equipped not only with their degree, but also with a strong foundation in their faith life. Whether they enter the workforce, continue with graduate school, or spend time as a volunteer/missionary, they bring their faith with them.

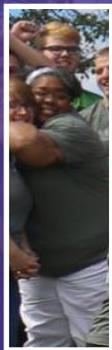
This year, we have five students committed to missionary work after graduation. Two others have taken full-time ministry positions at Catholic parishes. Many more will enter the workforce and live out their faith in their everyday lives.



“My time at Mizzou prepared me for the future by giving me real world experience in classes and extracurriculars that could not be simulated elsewhere. The Newman Center provided me with my closest friends, encounters with some of the most incredible people I’ve meet and the opportunity to both lead and be led. I’m confident that my four years of undergrad has set me up for success in my future endeavors!”

*- Troy D’Souza, MU’19
(pictured at left, on top)*





IGNITE

"I almost didn't get on the bus..."

It's a phrase heard often in the post-retreat conversation with students. So often, students are pulled in multiple directions and for one reason or another struggle to say "yes" to the opportunity for a retreat or conference experience.

Whether it is busyness or fear, it often takes a leap of faith for our students to take a chance on a Campus Ministry event.

However, it is on these extended weekends with new friends and time set aside to pray and worship that something ignites in the hearts of our students. They experience Christ in a new way that transforms their lives.

Freshman Overnight, Awakenings, and the FOCUS conference all provide avenues to ignite the faith of our students. The Busy Person's Retreat gives even the busiest students a retreat that fits within their class schedules.

Your support makes these experiences



possible. Campus Ministry at least partially subsidizes the cost of all retreats and conferences and offers additional scholarships to those who need it. Your generosity opens the doors for hundreds of students each year to spark a flame which will last a lifetime!

SPARKING THE FLAME OF FAITH IN THE HEARTS OF OUR STUDENTS



“What I did not know going into my first SEEK Conference was the transforming experience that I would be going through, and the incredible encounter with Christ that was coming my way. This spark only grew when I got back to campus. With this heart that God transformed on SEEK, I have since led Bible studies, entered discipleship (faith mentoring), led multiple small groups on retreats, and helped welcome people into the Newman community so that they can come to know Christ in the ways that I have been fortunate enough to. It is incredible to think about how many lives we can touch, and how many souls we can save, just by opening our hearts to God and giving Him our ‘yes,’ exactly like I was able to on SEEK. If it wasn’t for this conference, I know that I would not have the relationship with Christ that I do today.”

-Katie Nations, senior, Student Pastoral President 2019-20





GROWING IN KNOWLEDGE OF THE LOVE OF GOD

EACH



Just as our students gain knowledge through their coursework, they also have the opportunity to grow in faith through catechetical opportunities provided through your generous support.



This year, students experienced a teaching Mass at the Awakenings Retreat. Fr. Reginald Wolford, O.P. also held a semester class on the Catechism. The Campus Ministry team hosted a weekly catechetical night to dive deeper into different aspects of the faith.



This year's spring break pilgrimage was under the patronage of Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton. Students visited important sites in the Civil Rights Movement and discussed what our faith demands of us in regard to human dignity.

“On the trip, we were reminded of our nation’s brutal history everywhere we went. But we were also reminded of the undying perseverance and faith of those who fought for justice and refused to bow to resistance and mistreatment.”

-Tess Vrbin, MU'19

WHERE OUR STUDENTS
FIND A COMMUNITY
TO SUPPORT THEM

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When you spend most of your time on a campus with thousands of other students, it's important to find a small community of friends who can support you and share in life with you.

In other words, a home away from home.

With your partnership, Newman becomes this place for our students. They come to Newman to feel at home and be challenged by their peers to grow in faith and become the best versions of themselves. Through weekly bible studies, socials, formal, the Homecoming parade, or just hanging out, students make friendships here that last a lifetime!



FOOD.....ACHIEVE.....IGNITE.....TEACH.....HOME

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*Serving the students on their faith journey in college is only made possible through our generous supporters like **YOU!***

Our Partners in Mission



106 Parents of current students
20 Alumni Parents of current students



103 Alumni



127 Friends of Campus Ministry



43 current students



9 Businesses & Foundations

408 individual donors

13% of our supporters are monthly givers

27% of our supporters gave more than one gift over the course of the year

#GivingTuesday

On November 27, 62 donors fully funded two major projects:

- Student transportation to SEEK Conference in January
- All annual food expenses for Newman's night to cook at the Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen

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CAMPUS MINISTRY ENDOWMENT

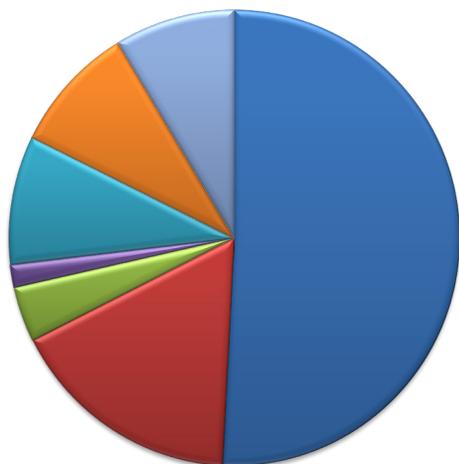
Fiscal year end 2016-17:
\$2,402,442

Fiscal year end 2017-18:
\$2,481,973

Generous donors, including the Legacy Fund members, made **\$41,298.03 in gifts** to the endowment during the fiscal year 2018-2019.

ALL MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH YOUR GENEROSITY

Expenses



- \$211,907 | Salaries & Benefits
- \$69,997 | Evangelization & FOCUS
- \$16,412 | Leadership
- \$6,722 | Service & Justice
- \$38,031 | Retreats & Spirituality
- \$37,903 | Administration & Fundraising
- \$36,000 | Professional Services

Revenue



- \$114,744 | Fundraising
- \$42,570 | Football Parking
- \$22,125 | Retreat & Event Fees
- \$110,000 | Endowment Income
- \$127,533 | Parish Support

You may notice that one of the primary sources of our revenue comes from “Parish Support.” The St. Thomas More Newman Center is also a parish comprised of 800+ households. The parish’s primary ministry is the encouragement and development of Catholic students through Campus Ministry. However, our goal is to make our student ministry self-sustaining. Although the parish community will always be dedicated to supporting the students, your gifts are moving us toward a sustainable future.

THANK YOU
for your 'yes' and for
investing in our student
community! Please join us in
mission again in the coming
school year!



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