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MASS TIMES —

SUNDAY: 9 a.m. | 11 a.m.

5 p.m. | 8 p.m.

SATURDAY: 5 p.m.

WEEKDAY: Noon

RECONCILIATION:

Tuesday & Saturday: 4 - 4:30 p.m.

ADORATION:

Weekday: 8:30-9:30 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday:

8 a.m.-Noon & 12:30-4:30 p.m.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK**



@missouri_rose

Brock, the Newman dog, works
the room at Como life teen!

#therapydog #lifeteen @comonewman

Use #comonewman on Instagram to be
considered for Photo of the Week!

No servant can serve
two masters.

He will either hate one
and love the other,
or be devoted to one
and despise the other.

You cannot serve both
God and mammon.

Luke 16

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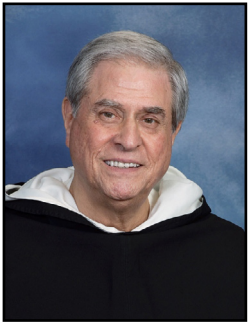
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LEGALISM VS. LOVE



FR. JOACHIM

Senior Priest in Service

If you attended one of my Monday noon Masses, you will recognize this message. I think its message is important enough for more than just the Monday noon Mass attendees. So, I repeat it here with a few additions.

Last January when the U.S. bishops met for a retreat, their retreat master, Capuchin Franciscan Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, who was appointed by Pope St. John Paul II and has been the papal household preacher since 1980, reminded our U.S. bishops: "If someone were to observe the law perfectly but did not have the interior disposition of heart that comes from

love, he would not, in fact, be observing the law, but would be pretending to observe it. It would be mere legalism, like that of many Pharisees."

In his first letter to the Thessalonians, St. Paul praises them for their example of faith, love, and hope. In contrast, in the Gospels, Jesus often criticizes the scribes and Pharisees for their heartless, loveless, practice and application of laws, customs, and mere trivia: "Woe to you scribes and Pharisees, you hypocrites." Then Jesus goes on to list all of their trivial and hypocritical practices. Jesus notes that their misplaced priorities and their shameless hypocrisy are not, in fact, observing the law but merely pretending to do so. Jesus' resistance to the Pharisees wasn't about Jewish law but about the way they were administering the law to the Jewish people. They turned good news into bad news; they focused on legalism instead of spirit. I am not advocating ignoring the law for our own purposes, but I am advocating using common sense in applying the law.

It would be easy for us to shake our heads at the failures of the Jewish leaders and say shame on them, but let's look into our own hearts. In his letter to the Thessalonians, St. Paul cautions them and us not to let our religious practices become mere functions and empty signs. Practicing love, compassion, and mercy is as important, if not more important, than insisting on our interpretation of orthodoxy. Law without love is simply legalism; religious practice without love is hypocrisy. I'll bet you never expected to hear that from a Canon Lawyer! A Catholic devoid of love is not really a Christian. Now, those may seem like harsh words, but think of the words Jesus used. Think about this — the scribes and Pharisees are the only people Jesus came close to condemning. Jesus didn't condemn sinners; he reached out to them in love. Jesus refused to condemn the woman taken in adultery; he simply admonished her to sin no more; Jesus forgave Peter for denying Him. Jesus would have forgiven Judas had Judas asked for forgiveness and mercy; instead, Judas despaired. And God will always forgive us because no sin is too big for God to forgive.

Jesus is cautioning us, through his words to the scribes and Pharisees, not to be more concerned about others transgressing laws of lesser importance while we continue to transgress graver laws ourselves. What was it that Jesus said? Don't try to remove the speck from another's eye, until you first remove the beam from your own eye. We must look at our motives for calling down others — is it love or is it wanting to be right? We must look at our motives for why we observe certain religious practices. If love, rather than legalism, is not a part of our religious practices, we're simply blowing in the wind. If we want to imitate Jesus, love will be in the forefront of everything we do.

Fr. Joachim, O.P.

A LETTER FROM THE BISHOP

14 September 2019

Dear Faithful of the Diocese of Jefferson City,

On Friday, the Missouri Attorney General issued a report based on a 13-month investigation on clergy sexual abuse of minors in the four Roman Catholic dioceses of Missouri. The report is more than 300 pages long and involved a review of records of more than 2,000 priests serving in Missouri since 1945. It provides a list of 163 priests who had reports of an offense against a minor under Missouri Criminal Law, and it reports that the Attorney General will refer 12 priests now removed from ministry to local prosecutors for criminal investigation and possible prosecution. Whether any prosecutions will result from these referrals remains to be seen, but, as with any investigation by law enforcement, the Diocese of Jefferson City will be fully cooperative.

The report finds that since 2002, when the US bishops enacted the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, "the four dioceses in Missouri have implemented a series of reforms that have improved their response to, and reporting of, abuse. This report recommends additional reforms to strengthen oversight and protect victims from future abuse."

It is my sincere hope this report assists the Church in achieving our goals of accountability and transparency, while respecting the legal standards for privacy of all affected by the report. Let me be clear: we must understand sexual abuse, whether by clergy or others, is still a present reality in society. This requires a proper vigilance and the necessity to follow through with safe environment protocols to ensure our children and youth grow and flourish in a healthy Church environment and a societal culture that protects the vulnerable.

To all survivors who suffered clergy sexual abuse in the Diocese of Jefferson City, and to their friends and family members, I offer you an apology from the depths of my heart.

My staff and I are carefully reviewing the report and its recommendations. I am grateful for what each of you do to make our communities safe, healthy and holy places, and for your encouragement and support of these efforts. We can only be a holy people, a people who are better together, if we have confidence in our priests and if you trust me as your shepherd.

May Mary, the Immaculate Conception and our Mother, intercede for us as we strive to follow her Son and Our Lord, Jesus. I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend W. Shawn McKnight, S.T.D.
Bishop of Jefferson City

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Who are the ones in need at our door?"

September 29 | 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1, 4-7; Psalm 146

1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31



**LIBRARY CLOSED THIS WEEK**

For the full catalog listing of the library, visit:
www.comonewman.org/dbd-ministries/kemper-library

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

6 p.m.	Mass Planning Team Meeting/Aquinas
7 p.m.	RCIA/MPR
7:15 p.m.	Student Choir Rehearsal/Chapel
9:30 p.m.	Power Hour/Chapel

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 121/MPR
6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 242/Lima
7 p.m.	Parish Council/Aquinas

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

6:15 p.m.	CEP Classes/Second Floor Classrooms
6:30 p.m.	EDGE Bible Study/Disciples
6:30 p.m.	Student Pastoral Council/Conference
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (9am)/Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (5pm Sat)/Liturgy Office
7 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (11am)/Chapel
7:45 p.m.	Mizzou CSA Exec/Conference
9 p.m.	Ephesians 3/MPR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

10 a.m.	Adult Faith Formation: Cracking the Code/MPR
7 p.m.	Colleen Carroll Campbell/Chapel

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28**

9 a.m.	Confirmation Day of Service/Chapel, MPR
3:30 p.m.	Music Rehearsal/Chapel
4 p.m.	Emergency Coordinator Training/Gathering Space
6:30 p.m.	Korean Mass/Chapel

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8 a.m.	Music Rehearsal/Chapel
9 & 11 a.m.	Children's Liturgy/Lima, Merton, Day, Romero
9 & 11 a.m.	Nursery Open/De Porres
10 a.m.	CEP Classes/Second Floor Classrooms
10 a.m.	Emergency Coordinator Training/Gathering Space
10 a.m.	Music Rehearsal/Chapel
3 p.m.	Music Rehearsal/Chapel
6 p.m.	EDGE/MPR
6:30 p.m.	Music Rehearsal/Chapel
6:45 p.m.	Life Night/Sacred Heart Education Building
7 p.m.	Emergency Coordinator Training/Gathering Space

Information for the bulletin is due by noon on the Friday before the weekend it is published. Dates may change with upcoming holidays. Please submit to Theresa Nguyen at theresa@comonewman.org.

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS ARE AVAILABLE**

If you need low gluten communion hosts, please call the parish office.

WELCOME!

Welcome to Newman! If you frequently attend Mass with us, please consider registering here so we can better serve you. Registration forms are in the Gathering Space under the TV, in the parish office, or online on our website (www.comonewman.org). Thank you for being part of our faith community!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Sept. 23	Noon	† Larry David
Tuesday, Sept. 24	Noon	† Lois Johnson Rankins
Wednesday, Sept. 25	Noon	† Ed & † Virginia Murray
Thursday, Sept. 26	Noon	† Bryan Clark
Friday, Sept. 27	Noon	† Barbara Clark
Saturday, Sept. 28	5 p.m.	Dinh & † Hanh Nguyen
Sunday, Sept. 29	9 a.m.	† Troy Zars
Sunday, Sept. 29	11 a.m.	† Richard Heimburger
Sunday, Sept. 29	5 p.m.	† Ron Frederick
Sunday, Sept. 29	8 p.m.	All Parishioners

PARISH FINANCES**September 14/15**

Offertory	\$23,171.99
Month-to-Date	\$77,600.69
Budget for month	\$122,500.00
Variance	— \$44,899.31

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PARISH PICNIC

Join us for this year's Parish Picnic at Gordon Shelter in Stephen's Lake Park! Come on Sunday, September 22 for food, fellowship, and games. Newman will provide the main dish from CoMo Smoke and Fire and drinks; please bring a side dish or salad (last names A-M) or dessert (last names N-Z) to share. Food will be served from 12:30 to 2 p.m., and there will be a doorprize raffle! Contact Theresa Nguyen at theresa@comonewman.org with questions. Please bring your own lawn chair if you can. We hope to see you there!

CAN YOU HELP WITH OUR CGS PROGRAM?

We are beginning a Montessori-based catechesis program which involves creating materials to help kids understand the Sacraments and stories from the Bible. If you are a wood worker or can help with sewing, calligraphy, or hand painting, we'd love to have the help! We're also looking for simple donations of house plants, small letter sorters, and small book or picture stands. Contact emily.shull@comonewman.org to help.

COLLEEN CARROLL CAMPBELL AT NEWMAN

Colleen Carroll Campbell is an award-winning author, journalist, former presidential speechwriter, and mother of four. Her books include *My Sisters the Saints*, and the recently published *The Heart of Perfection: How the Saints Taught Me to Trade My Dream of Perfect for God's*. Join Colleen for a talk and signing of her new book, *The Heart of Perfection*, at Newman in the Chapel on Thursday, September 26 at 7 p.m. The talk is open to all. Contact Angelle Hall at angelle.hall@comonewman.org with questions.



KEMPER LIBRARY CLOSED THIS SEMESTER

Kemper Library will be closed this semester as we explore options to make the library more "parishioner" friendly. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

EMERGENCY COORDINATORS AT MASS

Volunteers are needed assist with emergencies that may occur before, during, or immediately following Mass. Emergencies include medical incidents, fires, storms, earthquakes, and intruders. Training sessions will be on Saturday, September 28 at 4 p.m. and Sunday, September 29 at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Meet in the Gathering Space. For more information or to volunteer, contact Liz Harrison at elizabeth.raine@gmail.com.

LIFE TEEN M&M FUNDRAISER

Next weekend, high school students will be distributing tubes of mini M&Ms after the Masses. We ask that you take a tube, enjoy the candy, and return the tube filled with any kind of donation you would like to make to CoMo Life Teen. Thank you in advance for supporting our biggest fundraiser of the year!

TEXAS MISSION TRIP EXPERIENCE DISCUSSION

Thank you to all those who donated to the Texas Mission Trip! On Thursday, October 3, during the talk portion of Acts 2:42 (a night of community dinner and prayer), the Texas group will share their experiences of serving asylum seekers at the border. If you cannot come for the night, the Texas group will also be sharing their experiences after daily Mass (12:30 p.m.) on the same day in the MPR. Contact theresa@comonewman.org with questions. See the schedule below for Acts 2:42:

5:30pm | Dinner in the MPR
6:30pm | Nursery open
6:30pm | Praise & Worship in the Chapel
6:45pm | Discussion on the Texas Mission Trip
7:15pm | Adoration in the Chapel
8pm | Benediction

MU HOMECOMING ALUMNI CHOIR

If you are interested in joining the alumni choir at the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 13 (MU Homecoming weekend), please contact Kelley Burns at kelley.burns@comonewman.org. Light breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m., followed by 9 a.m. rehearsal, and then 11 a.m. Mass.

NEWMAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

SEPTEMBER PERSONAL ITEMS COLLECTION

This month, Newman Volunteer Corps is collecting items for Turning Point at Wilkes. Requested items include travel-size soap/body wash, travel-size shampoo, travel-size toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, and tampons. Turning Point also needs shoes, undergarments, socks, backpacks, and sleeping bags. Please see the NVC bulletin boards in the Gathering Space and outside the MPR for more details about requested sizes. Donations may be placed in the large silver bin in the Turner Street entrance. Thank you for donating items for Rainbow House in August!



As a "tithing parish," the Newman Center contributes 5 percent of the offertory each month to nonprofit organizations. You can read more about the organizations we tithe to at:

www.comonewman.org/parish/tithing

\$251.07	Adult Day Connection
\$301.29	Columbia Meals on Wheels
\$251.07	Coyote Hill Children's Home
\$150.64	Day Dreams Foundation
\$251.07	Food Bank of Central/NE MO
\$100.43	Girls on the Run
\$200.86	Habitat for Humanity
\$200.86	Life Network of Central Missouri
\$251.07	Love, INC.
\$100.43	Spectrum Health Care
\$301.29	St. Francis House
\$200.86	True North
\$251.07	Voluntary Action Center
\$200.86	Welcome Home

AROUND TOWN

MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

The Catholic Bishops of Missouri invite you to attend the Annual Assembly of the Missouri Catholic Conference on Saturday, October 5, in Jefferson City. Come learn about public policy from the experts who are involved in advocacy on a daily basis. The theme of this year's gathering is "Raising the Next Generation of Catholic Advocates." The event is free and includes lunch and childcare for children above four years of age. A youth track is available for students in middle school and up and includes a mock legislature where students can debate bills on the floor of the Missouri Senate. To register for the event, go to MOCatholic.org or call 1-800-456-1679. See you on October 5!

COMO LIFE TEEN

LIFE NIGHTS

Our next Life Night is September 29, where we'll be eating good food, hanging out, and discussing our own rights and responsibilities! For our full Fall schedule, find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram at [@comolifeteen](https://www.instagram.com/comolifeteen). We meet for Life Nights on Sundays from 6:45-8:30 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Education building. Join us for dinner, friends, and games!

FALL RETREAT: REGISTER NOW!

All teens are invited to join us November 1-3 at Camp Trinity for a weekend of prayer, canoeing, hayrides, friends, and more! The theme this year is "Search." Come find what you're searching for! Register on the *Parish Sign Ups* page.



CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

You should have received your Day of Service assignments. We can't wait to see you there!



for our Newman Community

For those who are sick, especially Jim Charlton.

For our beloved dead. Eternal rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Pope Francis' September Prayer Intention: That politicians, scientists, and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

Bishop McKnight's September Prayer Intention: For first responders; that God's holy angels may watch over and protect those who place themselves in harm's way to serve their neighbors.

Call the Parish Office to request prayers or to have the Eucharist brought to the homebound. Names will be listed for two weeks.

A STEWARD'S WAY

STEWARDSHIP AT WORK: MISSION IN CAMPUS MINISTRY



As a university parish, the St. Thomas More Newman Center has a very special place within church ministries. Our very existence as a Newman Center springs from the needs of the collegiate communities in Columbia. Our service to students, faculty, and staff is an essential component of the collegiate atmosphere and our mission in the Church.

There are many reasons why you may have chosen the Newman Center as your faith home — proximity, music, preaching, convenience, family, or maybe something else. Regardless of your individual reason, our collective purpose and reason for existence as a Newman Center is to support and enhance the spiritual lives of Catholics on campus.

The steadfast support of the parish, both financial and spiritual, has made our student ministry the largest in the state. Your role as parishioners in this community stewards students in their faith journey while they are in college.

Financially, the parish instituted the Campus Ministry endowment in 2007, and it is now worth \$2.48 million. This funds approximately one quarter of the annual budget for Campus Ministry. In addition, the parish supports another quarter of the Campus Ministry budget through the annual offertory contributions. These financial investments allow the staff to continue to serve the 10,000+ Catholics on our campuses.

Spiritually, parishioners over the years have left an imprint on the ministry as a whole. Whether mentoring or befriending individual students or standing side-by-side with students as catechists, musicians, liturgical ministers, or volunteers, the interactions between residents and college students are what help them to grow into active adult members of the Church. Your prayers have touched the lives of an untold number of students who have passed through our doors in the past 56 years.

CEP & EDGE

SUNDAY CEP FIRE DRILL — SEPTEMBER 29

Weather permitting, we'll have a fire drill next weekend. This means if kids are not in their room, the drill is going on and they will be back soon. The route will be chalked out on the pavement if you'd like to see where we will meet up for a fire or any evacuation emergency.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

All sixth, seventh, and eighth graders are invited to join us on Wednesdays in the Disciples Room from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to hang out, snack, and go over the upcoming Sunday readings.

KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: Does anything in your life get in the way of God? This week, be helpful when it comes to praying with your family and getting ready for church.

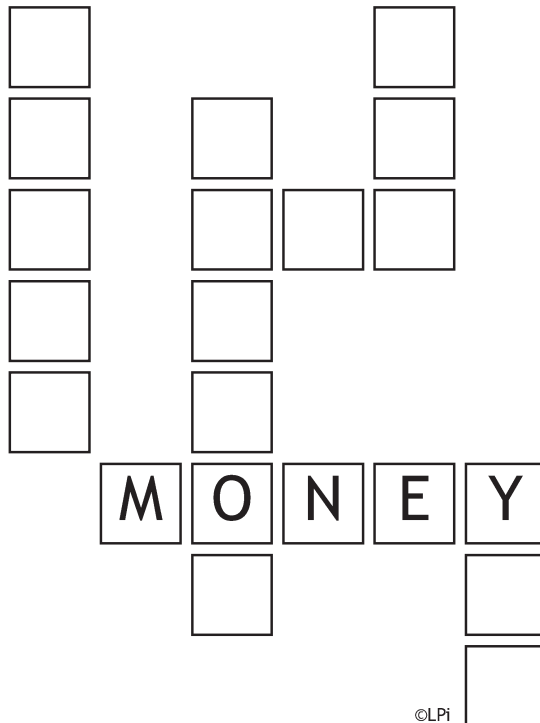
For Parents: Think and talk as a family about how you approach money. Do you teach the value in giving along with saving? There are many groups that can do a lot with just a small contribution, like the Food Bank. Pick one together and set a family giving goal.



Puzzle

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

You cannot serve God and money.



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CAMPUS MINISTRY



All registrations/RSVPs for campus ministry are found on the website under *Event Sign Ups*:
www.comonewman.org/campus-ministry/cmsignup

AWAKENINGS RETREAT

Awakenings is a retreat held for students and run by students. You'll hear talks from your peers, spend time in small groups, have personal reflection time and, of course, have a lot of fun! Awakenings #38 will take place October 25-27 at Cross Pointe Retreat Center in Lake Ozark, Missouri. We will meet at Newman at 4 p.m. on Friday and return by 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. The cost of the retreat is \$50, which includes all meals, transportation, and lodging for the weekend. If you need financial assistance, contact Yvonne (yvonne@comonewman.org) before you register. Register online at the *Event Signs Up* page (see above). For more information, please contact the Awakenings Rector, Taylor Sedgwick, at tas3w9@mail.missouri.edu.

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MENTORING AT-RISK KIDS (MARK)

Newman's Mentoring At Risk Kids (MARK) program is looking for volunteers for the Fall 2019 semester! MARK volunteers form positive relationships with at-risk youth in our Columbia community through academic tutoring, being a positive role model and supportive friend, and encouraging them to achieve their dreams! Volunteers commit to mentoring K-8 students once a week for two hours through Como Youth Works. Sign up through the *Event Sign Ups* page or contact Libby Weller for more information at lawz9b@mail.missouri.edu.

SAINT WALL

Catholic Campus Ministry is now accepting suggestions to add to our "Saints Wall" in the student lounge. The Saint Wall serves to remind us of the amazing men and women who are role models in the Church! Every year, we add five more saints to our wall. Submit your suggestions at the link on *Event Signs Up*, no later than October 11. Campus Ministry staff will make the final decisions on the 2019 inductees. The 2019 saints will be unveiled during a prayer service after noon Mass on All Saints Day, November 1.

