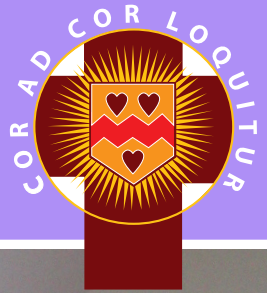


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Monday — Saturday:

8-10:30 a.m. & 2-5 p.m.

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FAITH IN CHRIST'S UNCONDITIONAL LOVE



FR. RICH
Servant Leader

So, we've come to Easter 2020. It is safe to say that it will be celebrated as no other has ever been. The pandemic has created a situation that requires us to build communities that are beyond the reach of our arms, but not the reach of our hearts or minds. The sentiment found in our responsorial psalm challenges us to step beyond our distances and link our spirits and voices: *"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."*

Any opportunity we have to offer praise and glory to God is a good day. Any opportunity we have to come together in any venue and witness to the power of God's love is a good day. Any opportunity we have to experience the strength, support, and love of our community is a good day. And so we have Easter 2020!

Five years ago, six words grabbed me and have refused to let go when I consider the nature of Easter. Any time that I consider a column for this solemnity, these words come to me unbidden, and they won't let go! **"Bravely, fiercely, and compassionately; relentless, forgiving, unconditional"** are the words. Beginning with the experience of Palm Sunday, Jesus embodies what God's love and commitment to us looks like. Knowing full well that his entry as King into Jerusalem would lead to the Cross, Jesus nonetheless rides into the city.

In the upper room, he washes the feet of his betrayer, offering a forgiveness that is lost to Judas. Knowing the grief and fear that his disciples would experience, he offers one final gift — himself in the bread and wine. In doing so he fulfills his promise to be with them until the end of the age.

In the Garden he let go of his own fear, turning it over to his Father in his prayer. Showing the depths of his love, he fulfilled the plan begun at the Fall. *"Forgive them, Father, they know not what they do! You will be with me in Paradise."* Even from the altar of the Cross, Jesus with profound **compassion** sets the bar for us.

If we enter into the moment of the Resurrection, we can experience the **fierce** love of the Father for his Son as Father banishes death, allowing his Son to stand in his full glory, attended by choirs of angels.

Today, more than ever, we are called to take these six words to heart. I think they bear repeating. **Bravely** choosing to make choices that acknowledge the unique world we find ourselves in. Defending **fiercely** the right we all have to live safely, against the assault of those who would deny or ignore our new reality. We are challenged to respond **compassionately** to those who are in the front lines of the Pandemic: the medical personnel, first responders, the patients. Not just these people, but all those who are working to keep the world moving. Not just these people, but those who keep our faith communities responsive to its members. **Relentless, forgiving, unconditional.**

The crisis is far from resolved. It is difficult to sift through the flood of information. It is difficult to separate the fiction from the facts and decide which facts help us the most to make decisions for ourselves and our families.

The Resurrection that we celebrate today is what makes us "Alleluia people!" That single phrase reflects the faith that we have in Christ's unconditional love, that love that flows through the Holy Spirit from the Father. Remember that in the days ahead.

Remember, *"This (and every day) is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!"*

Blessings to each of you; have a blest Easter!

Fr. Rich, O.P.

CURRENT PROCEDURES AT NEWMAN

Thank you for being patient with us, as we navigate how to serve you during this crisis. As the situation continues to change day by day, you can find the most updated information on our website.

Participate in Mass online

We are livestreaming daily Mass and the 11 a.m. Sunday Mass on our Facebook page, @comonewman. **You can view the livestream even if you do not have access to Facebook.** The livestream will begin 15 minutes prior to the Mass time, and the video will be available to view after the Mass is over.

Visit www.comonewman.org/view-newmans-livestream-mass (or click the "Livestream Mass" button on our website) to watch our livestream Masses and view our Sunday worship aids.

For those in quarantine

If you are self-quarantined due to age or health and need someone to check on you every few days via phone, the Long Term Care/Homebound Ministry team will help you. If you need an essential item such as groceries or medications, let us know. We will try to identify a resource to help you. Contact the parish office at (573) 449-5424 or email Janet Kelly at reception@comonewman.org.

Building Hours

The building is open for private prayer Monday through Saturday from 8-10:30 a.m. and 2-5 p.m. and on Sundays from 2-5 p.m. Reconciliation will continue as scheduled on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 4-4:30 p.m.

Jesus has been moved to the Tabernacle in the main Chapel, and you are welcome to pray there while the building is open. Please be mindful of distancing and having less than 10 people in the Chapel at any time. Please enter through the side door on Turner Avenue. The parish office is closed, as well as the classrooms upstairs and the student lounge. Staff will continue to regularly check phones and emails.

Event Cancellations

Per the Diocese's directives, all scheduled in-person events have been canceled now until April 30.

Visit www.comonewman.org/public-health for the most updated information on our procedures, event cancellations, and spiritual resources.





WE PRAY

for our Newman Community

For those who are sick, especially Dennis Hensley.

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

Pope Francis' April Prayer Intention: We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

Bishop McKnight's April Prayer Intention: For a stronger sense of the mission of the Church, especially among our youth and young adults, in this time of pandemic and in our discernment of a new pastoral plan.


Call the Parish Office to request prayers or assistance if you are homebound. Names will be listed in the bulletin for two weeks.

Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary for Protection from the Coronavirus

O Immaculate Heart of Mary, we entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross, you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. Patroness of the Diocese of Jefferson City, you know what we need. We are certain of the power of your intercession, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who taught us to "love one another, as I have loved you" took our sufferings upon Himself and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Bring under your mantle of protection all who provide care for the sick and minister to their needs, as your Son implores us to do for one another.

V. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

R. Do not despise our pleas and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.




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diojeffcity.org/public-health

Volunteer or request assistance
Updates from the diocese
General health directives/CDC updates
Communication tools

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 13	Noon	+ Alexander Lising
Tuesday, April 14	Noon	+ Thomas K. O'Day
Wednesday, April 15	Noon	+ Baby Acero
Thursday, April 16	Noon	+ Danisse Murillo
Friday, April 17	Noon	+ Inderski family members
Sunday, April 19	11 a.m.	The Joe Fick family

Please call the Parish Office at (573) 449-5424 to request a Mass intention.

PARISH FINANCES

April 4/5

Offertory*	\$39,089.75
Month-to-Date	\$39,089.75
Budget for month	\$115,000.00
Variance	— \$75,910.25

**This includes EFT giving, mailed envelopes, and online donations through credit/debit cards and Venmo. Thank you for your continued support of the parish!*

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FIRST READING (ACTS 10:34, 37-43)

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PS 118)

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,
"His mercy endures forever."

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.
I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD."

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done;
it is wonderful in our eyes.

SECOND READING (COL 3:1-4)

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

GOSPEL (JOHN 20:1-9)

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone

removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

Act of Spiritual Communion prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



CONTINUING YOUR SUNDAY TITHE

As public Masses are temporarily suspended, we are working to serve you, albeit in a new way, during these trying times. In the Bishop's instructions to the faithful of the diocese, he has asked us to continue our Sunday offertory tithe by postal mail or electronic means.

If you are already giving through EFT (electronic funds transfer) or through your credit/debit card online, your gift will continue as you have previously set it up. Thank you for your commitment to the parish through this giving option. If you are accustomed to giving to the offertory through cash or your envelopes, please consider continuing your gift in one of the following ways:

- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- Credit/Debit Card or Bank Account through online giving
- Venmo — a PayPal app
- Mail Your Gift through USPS

You can learn more about these options or set up an electronic way of giving on our website at www.comonewman.org/parish/support/offertory. If you have any questions, please contact Angie Claas at angie@comonewman.org. Thank you for continued commitment to the parish!



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DIOCESAN INFIRM PRIEST FUND COLLECTION

Typically during Easter Sunday, there is a second collection for the Diocesan Infirm Priest Fund. This collection maintains a reserve fund for out-of-the ordinary health needs of diocesan priests not covered by health insurance. Please consider mailing in the special envelope you received for this collection. Thank you for your generosity!

FR. TOLTON CELEBRATION POSTPONED

The Father Tolton Celebration Mass & Luncheon, originally scheduled for April 26, has been postponed due to Columbia's stay-at-home order. A new date has not yet been decided.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD BANK COLLECTION

In February, you responded to our Food for Families collection drive by donating \$2,400 to support the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri. After applying matches from the council and the national office, we donated \$3,400 to help provide food to the needy.

In this uncertain time, it is even more vital that we support the needy in our community. Therefore, the council has again stepped up to challenge our community. The Newman Center Knights of Columbus will match, dollar for dollar, the first \$1,150 donated to the Food Bank for their COVID19 response efforts. The funding for this match comes from your support of our fundraisers throughout the year, such as our Football Season Tailgates and our annual (except this year) fish fry. Visit www.comonewman.org/sunday-news to donate. Thank you for your support in the past (to provide this match) and now!



POPE FRANCIS' URBI ET ORBI BLESSING

Pope Francis meditated on the calming of the storm from the Gospel of Mark during the prayer service on March 27 over which he presided on the steps of St Peter's Basilica:

"Lord, may you bless the world, give health to our bodies and comfort our hearts. You ask us not to be afraid. Yet our faith is weak and we are fearful. But you, Lord, will not leave us at the mercy of the storm. Tell us again: "Do not be afraid" (Mt 28:5). And we, together with Peter, "cast all our anxieties onto you, for you care about us" (cf. 1 Pet 5:7)."

Read the full text and watch a video of the blessing at www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-03/urbi-et-orbi-pope-coronavirus-prayer-blessing.html

NEWMAN VOLUNTEER CORPS



PERSONAL CARE ITEM COLLECTION

Newman Volunteer Corps will not be hosting a collection during the month of April. Thank you to all who donated to Love INC in March!

HELP MAKE US A CENTER OF CHARITY AND MERCY

Newman is working to connect with and help parishioners who are in self-quarantine and in need of resources such as groceries, medicine, or just someone to check in on them. If you are willing to be part of this team and help us, please contact Susan Devaney at devaney.susan@gmail.com.

SISTER PARISH LENTEN PROJECT

In 2013, the Newman Center entered in a sistering relationship with La Inmaculada Concepcion Parish and communities in La Libertad, El Salvador. Through this relationship, both communities commit to supporting and nurturing friendship, spiritual companionship, visits, and advocating sustainable solutions to poverty.



This year, funds collected through the Lenten Project will support the empowerment of women and youth through organic agricultural training, establishing micro-loan groups, and supporting youth training in dance, theater, band, and leadership. Our goal is \$9,000. To learn more and to donate, visit www.comonewman.org/lent.

FORCOLUMBIA: CANCELED

The main volunteer event will not take place on April 25. The large-scale volunteer effort to love and serve our city is not going to be implemented. ForColumbia has organized ways to continue to do our small part in order to let others know that we care.

- Continue to pray for the medical personnel in our city who are already seeing COVID-19 in our hospitals and are putting themselves at risk for the good of others. Pray for their protection, for wisdom to know how to do their jobs with excellence, and for rest. Many doctors and nurses are working longer hours, and are having trouble sleeping.
- Sign up to be part of their Prayer Team. (visit www.forcolumbia.com/prayer)
- Continue to follow health protocols and social distancing.
- Continue to check in on the neighbors near you.



CEP & EDGE

CEP & EDGE WILL NOT MEET IN APRIL & MAY

Classes/EDGE Nights are finished for the school year to allow our volunteers the freedom to plan as needed for jobs, school, and family. We do hope to have an end of the year party at regular session times at some point.

FIRST COMMUNION POSTPONED

Bishop McKnight has asked that all sacrament celebrations be postponed until at least June 14. We'll be in touch via email when we're able to plan further. If you are not getting emails, contact emily.shull@comonewman.org.

EDGE ONLINE BIBLE STUDY & PARENTS BIBLE STUDY

We're starting an online bible study for middle school students Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. and working on one for parents, too. If you're interest in more details, contact emily.shull@comonewman.org.

KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: What can you do to share the joy of the season with someone else?

For Parents: Share your family celebrations by finding a way to work together to bring hope and joy to someone else this week.

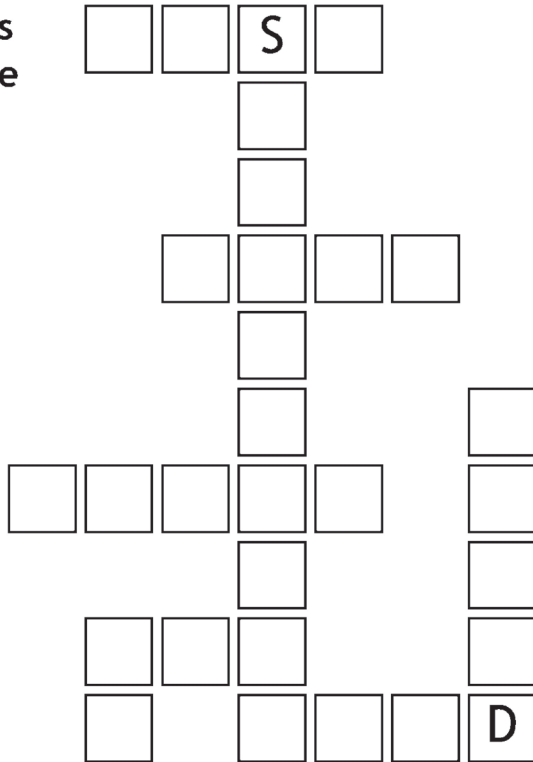


Puzzle

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

The Scriptures

said Jesus
would rise
to life.



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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

EPHESIANS



VIRTUAL EPHESIANS 3

The Ephesian 3s team is excited to announce that E3 will continue in a virtual format for the remainder of the semester — via Instagram Live! Follow Newman's account (@comonewman) and join us on Wednesdays at 9 p.m.

SENIOR SEND OFF UPDATES

Seniors — we didn't want your senior send off to be this way. But we are working to make your senior year — however different it might be — meaningful for you. With Mizzou postponing graduation, we will reevaluate scheduling a Baccalaureate Mass around the new graduation date. Delivery of graduation cords and other senior gifts will be announced once we know more information about what the University will be doing. Until then, we ask that you take some time to do two things virtually:

1. Complete your exit survey. This will not only give you a chance to reflect upon your college experience but will also help Campus Ministry to prepare for future graduating classes. Your input is so important to our discernment process.
2. After you complete the survey, sign up for a virtual exit interview with a member of the Campus Ministry Team. During the interview, we want to pray with you, hear your story, and learn more about your experiences at Newman.

Check your email or visit the website to complete these tasks.

CAMPUS MINISTRY VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS

Your Campus Ministers are available for virtual office hours. We invite you to reach out to us with your needs, concerns, joys, and triumphs as you navigate the remainder of the semester. Office Hours are as follows:

- **Allison:** MWF 2-4 p.m. | Google Hangout or phone (email allison@comonewman.org for her number)
- **Angelle:** MWF 1-2:30 p.m. | Google Hangout or Google Chat
- **Yvonne:** TTh 2-4 p.m. | Google Hangout, Facetime or phone (email yvonne@comonewman.org for her number)

If you would like to meet with one of us outside of these times, please email us to schedule an appointment.

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