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NEWMAN NEWS

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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY: 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m.*
& 5 p.m.

SATURDAY: 5 p.m.

WEEKDAY: Noon*

*livestreamed

RECONCILIATION:

Tuesdays & Saturdays: 4-4:30 p.m.

BUILDING HOURS:

Monday — Saturday:

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

Sunday: 2-5 p.m.

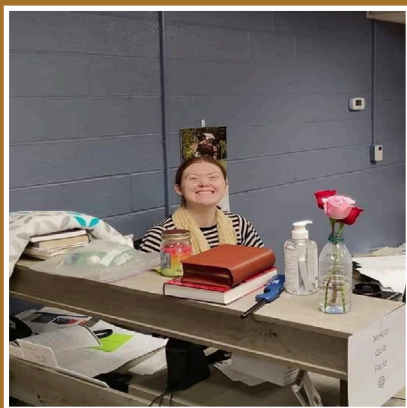
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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



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How can you tell it's a slow week in liturgy? I covered the office in roses because our liturgical color conversation went a bit far #comonewman #itspink



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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HOW GOOD OUR GOD HAS BEEN TO ME



THERESA NGUYEN

“I trust in your faithfulness.” Shortly before the pandemic began, I started praying with the psalms and came across this verse from Psalm 13. (In the NABRE translation, the verse is “But I trust in your mercy”; my personal Bible’s translation is NAB.) This verse – I trust in your faithfulness – became a mantra of mine in prayer as I contemplated the transitions occurring at Newman and in my personal life. My faithfulness to God is trying at best, but God’s faithfulness to us is perfect. It’s something we can rely

on. I trust in God’s faithfulness to see us through this pandemic. I trust in God’s faithfulness that Newman will continue to bear fruits in the midst of transition. And I trust in God’s faithfulness in my own life as I leave the staff and this community for the next stage in my life.

On August 1, I will be getting married and subsequently moving to Nashville. My future husband, Isaac, is a FOCUS missionary there at Belmont University. I don’t know yet what my career will look like in Nashville, but I trust that God is preparing me to be at the place where He wants me to be.

When I first came to Newman, Campus Ministry said that Newman would be my “home away from home.” I didn’t believe it then. But I can, without a doubt, now say that Newman is my home. It is the place where I met my future husband (in the Disciples Room), where my friends and I spent countless nights studying and praying rosaries, where I came after finding out my aunt had died, and where I will be married.

This community has showed me what it means to be part of an active parish. I can list new ministries and programs that I have helped begin here – young adults, Acts 2:42, New Parishioner Welcome Team, the mission trip to Texas, – but they were only possible because of the vibrancy of this parish and the desire for it. My favorite part of this job has always been interacting with parishioners. I have truly enjoyed going to hospitality meetings and parish picnics and meeting joy-filled people. No words can fully express my gratitude for the patience you have shown me over the years as I learned and experimented new things, particularly with technology and livestreaming Masses. Thank you for trusting me to cook dinner for you at Acts 2:42, to teach your kindergartners in CEP, and to keep you connected during the pandemic.

Psalm 13 ends with these verses:

I trust in your faithfulness.
Grant my heart joy in your help,
That I may sing of the Lord,
“How good our God has been to me!”

There is some fear of leaving the place I’ve known for the past seven years and moving to a new city, but I can truly say “How good our God has been to me!” for keeping me here three years ago. It has been an abundance of blessings to be able to serve you in this community. I leave with joy and gratitude, and I look forward to seeing you all again someday.

Theresa Nguyen



BISHOP MCKNIGHT OFFICIALLY INSTALLS FR. DAN MERZ

Last week, Bishop McKnight celebrated mass at 11 a.m. to officially install Fr. Dan Merz as our new pastor! He also offered a blessing to parishioners Rusty and Jennifer on their anniversary.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

August 2 | 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:1-3; Psalm 145

Romans 8:35, 37-39; Matthew 14:13-21



WE PRAY

for our Newman Community

For those who are sick, especially Cy and Mary Harbourt.
For our beloved dead. Eternal rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Pope Francis' July Prayer Intention: We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

Bishop McKnight's July Prayer Intention: For the unity of our country: that the God of truth may open our hearts to the truth of the Gospel, that peace may rule our hearts, and that justice may guide our nation of one people of many races.

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.

COVID-19 Spiritual Adoption

If you or your prayer group would like to spiritually adopt an individual or family within our diocese that has been affected by the coronavirus, please contact Erin Boeckmann at eboeckmann@diojeffcity.org. Only first names of those affected by the virus will be shared. (With the individuals' permission, send the first names only of anyone seeking prayers to LeAnn Korsmeyer, director of Parish and Charitable Services, at lkorsmeyer@diojeffcity.org.)

COVID-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

Especially, Lord, we lift up _____. May s(he) feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses. Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation as they receive treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 27	Noon	† Elfrieda Waltz
Tuesday, July 28	Noon	† Geraldine & Dean Childress
Wednesday, July 29	Noon	† Jose & Corazon Occeña
Thursday, July 30	Noon	† Dorothy Rost
Friday, July 31	Noon	† Lucy Zahler
Saturday, August 1	5 p.m.	† W.H. "Jack" O'Donnell
Sunday, August 2	8:30 a.m.	
Sunday, August 2	11 a.m.	
Sunday, August 2	5 p.m.	

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

PARISH FINANCES

July 18/19

Offertory*	\$29,384.10
Month-to-Date	\$73,879.50
Budget for month	\$100,000.00
Variance	— \$26,120.50

Diocesan Mission Collection \$3,564.00

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

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HELPFUL LINKS

SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS

Visit www.comonewman.org/attend-mass to view the current instructions on attending Mass and to sign up to attend daily Mass and Sunday Mass.

VIEW THE LIVESTREAM MASS

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

PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION

Visit www.comonewman.org/public-health for the most updated information on our procedures and building hours.

PRAYER RESOURCES

Visit www.comonewman.org/prayer-resources for links to daily Masses, readings, and other prayer opportunities.

Prayer for a Communion of Desire

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, renew my heart now with the power of Your Spirit. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Unite me more closely to Your Body, the Church. And never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



CONTINUING YOUR SUNDAY TITHE

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.

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INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Catholic Church, contact Lisa Rose at lisa.rose@comonewman.org to learn about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process.

DISPENSATION EXTENDED THROUGH SEPTEMBER

All the faithful of the Diocese of Jefferson City, and those who are present in the territory of the Diocese, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation until 11 September 2020, provided that for days of precept after 1 July 2020 they do one of the following:

- Participate in the Sunday or holy day of obligation Mass livestreamed from their parish church or chapel, the Cathedral, or the Vatican.
- Prayerfully read and meditate on the readings of the Mass for the Sunday or holy day of obligation, and recite the rosary.
- Prayerfully read and meditate on the readings of the Mass for the Sunday or holy day of obligation, and recite the Divine Mercy chaplet.

CAMPUS MINISTRY SUMMER CONTACT LISTS

If you are a student who will be in Columbia this summer and want to be kept up to date on Campus Ministry and Newman events, please join the summer email list and/or the Newman Summer 2020 Chat in GroupMe. Visit the *Event Sign Ups* (www.comonewman.org/campus-ministry/cmsignup) page on our website for the links.

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE

In the continued interest of the safety of our staff and parishioners and per city ordinance, anyone over the age of 10 entering the building will be required to wear a face covering. We encourage and advise children over the age of 2 to wear a face covering as well, in accordance with CDC guidelines. Please continue to refrain from attending mass in person if you are not feeling well.

3 EASY STEPS TO KEEPING YOURSELF & OTHERS HEALTHY!

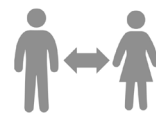
All of us need to be extra careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



WASH YOUR HANDS
Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.



DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE
Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE
Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.

NEWMAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

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. Please pray for those who are on the front lines and working at hospitals and grocery stores.



INTERFAITH GARDEN

The Interfaith Garden is a joint effort between Newman Center and Congregation Beth Shalom to grow vegetables using organic practices for the Food Pantry to take good care of God's creation. We started our 11th year of gardening early April with new guidelines in light of the pandemic. We no longer have group workdays. Instead, we ask volunteers to sign up for an hour or two when there are no more than 4 other people around (when face masks and social distancing would be required). Right now, we need people to weed, to spread mulch on the pathways, and turn our compost piles. You can work any day of the week except between Friday and Saturday sunsets, but you have to let us know which day and time you will be there at least 1 day before coming. We welcome anyone (or family units) who wants to help, with or without gardening experience.

The garden plot is at Congregation Beth Shalom, 500 W. Green Meadows Rd. Since the buildings are locked, bathrooms are not available. If possible, bring your own gloves and tools. If not, they will be provided. There will be diluted bleach solution and paper towels available in the storage tub close to the garden gate to sanitize any shared tools, the gate lock and storage tub lid you touch after gardening. Or bring your own sanitizer.

Please contact Lily Chan at lilyyhchan@gmail.com (573/289-3792) or Susan DeMian at susandemian@yahoo.com (573/289-3180) and we will give you more details.



TITHING REPORT

June 2020

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/tithing

\$327.83	Columbia Meals on Wheels
\$273.19	Coyote Hill Children's Home
\$163.91	Day Dreams Foundation
\$273.19	Food Bank of Central/NE MO
\$218.55	Habitat for Humanity
\$109.28	Heart of Missouri Girls on the Run
\$218.55	Life Network of Central Missouri
\$273.19	Love, INC.
\$109.28	Spectrum Health Care
\$327.83	St. Francis House
\$109.28	Tiger Pantry
\$218.55	True North
\$273.19	Voluntary Action Center
\$218.55	Welcome Home

COMO LIFE TEEN

BIBLE & BREAKFAST

Join us on July 28 for our Souls & Goals night at Our Lady of Lourdes - we'll have a night of socially distanced games outside! Unfortunately, our pool party on August 12 has been canceled, but we're looking to replace it with another socially-distant event. Keep an eye out for more information on that in our weekly email or on our social media!



CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

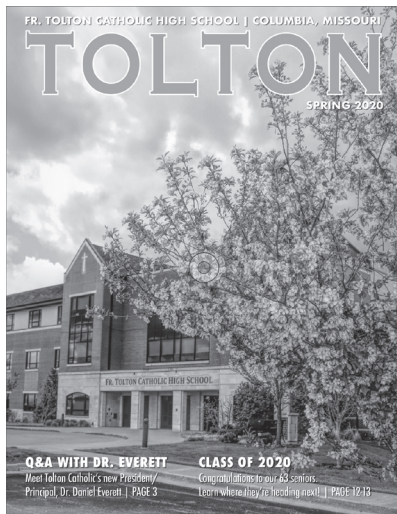
Confirmation registration for 2020-2021 is opening! Please check the Parish website for the registration link (For Parish > Sacraments > High School Confirmation). Confirmation classes are for freshmen and sophomores in high school this year. We're excited for another great year!

AROUND TOWN

DIOCESAN WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

The Women's Ministry is offering online summer book clubs! Choose from books on self help, faith formation, devotional, or fun reads. Learn more about the books offered and how to sign up to join at: diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry-book-club-2.

TOLTON CATHOLIC MAGAZINE AVAILABLE ONLINE



To read all the latest news and exciting stories about Fr. Tolton Catholic High School, including a Q&A with the school's new President/Principal Dr. Everett, visit www.toltoncatholic.org.

CEP & EDGE

LET US KNOW IF YOU DID NOT GET A SURVEY FOR CEP & EDGE:

A family survey went out this week about possibilities for CEP & EDGE for fall now that we're about 1 month out from school returning. If you'd like to take the survey and didn't receive it, contact emily.shull@comonewman.org

KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: This week we hear a lot about God's Kingdom being like treasure. How do you think this might be different from silver or gold?

For Parents: Ordinary time readings can feel monotonous but it's also an opportunity for depth. Pick another image of the Kingdom to meditate on together this week. If you have older kids, recall all the images in the last couple weeks. What similarities and differences do you notice?



Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

KINGDOM

HEAVEN

TREASURE

HIDDEN

FIELD

FOUND

PEARLS

SOLD

BOUGHT

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