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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.

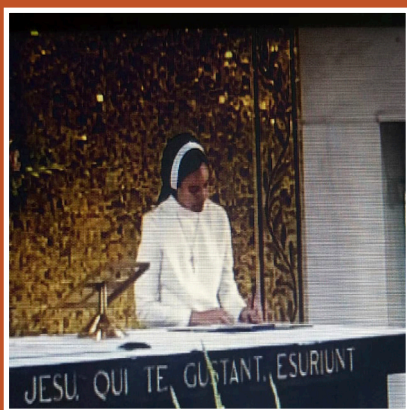
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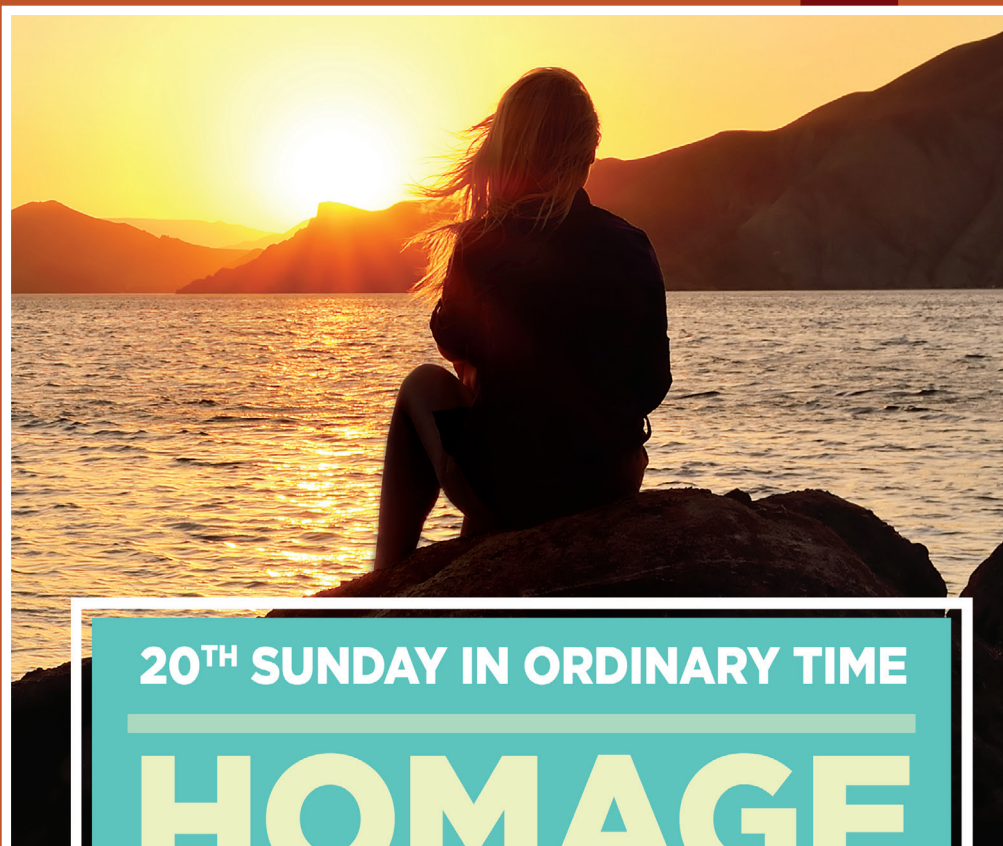


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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



@angellehall

Congratulations to Sr. Elizabeth Doyle, ASCJ in her Perpetual Profession of vows and to Mr. & Mrs. Isaac and Theresa Gillen on their marriage! The song "How Beautiful" was sung at both, and that sums up the joy I have at seeing our wonderful students embrace God's call in their lives. All is gift. #comonewman



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOMAGE

He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me." - Mt 15:24-25

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CLIMBING THE LADDER OF HOLINESS



LOGAN DAVIS

Resident Campus Minister

that there's going to be suffering and hardship in the world. "I know it's kind of crazy, and hard to believe, but the bad things that you don't necessarily understand are supposed to work for your own ultimate good." What? This is a concept many people, myself included, don't like to think about, let alone embrace in our day to day lives.

With the pandemic still raging, it's been simultaneously interesting and disturbing to see from a spiritual lens all of the different hardships, suffering, and especially new temptations that come along with a society more focused on isolation. Humans are social beings, and I think quarantine has emphasized the yearning we all have for authentic community. The popular meme shortly after everyone started quarantining revolved around people texting their exes. While amusing, I think it points to people having way too much time to think, and not in a good way. Myself included! After so many days of being in the same place without seeing your friends or family, your perspective starts to go a little off the rails! We start to over think our past and present relationships, missing the human connections we once could have so easily.

When all of this mental chaos starts to swirl, the next thing that I personally fall into is rampant comparison to other people, and I think this is common for many others as well. And I'll say it; this is not from God! We as humans are experiencing an entirely new situation in an entirely novel era of human history, and we need to be patient with ourselves and not obsess over how productive or unproductive, consoled or desolate others are being during their quarantine experience. I have to remind myself all the time, and I would recommend that you do it, too, that God is patient with us and cares about the smallest of things that we do in our day to day lives and can use them to draw us closer to Him. We are meant to be our own unique saints, not photocopies of somebody else.

I mentioned earlier that the bad in our lives is supposed to work for our good. In the pandemic, it can seem like there's more bad than good, but I wake up every day and try to see how I can use these hardships as a ladder to climb to greater holiness. I'll leave you with some more of St. Catherine's words. "If everyone knew how to use the grace God gave them they would benefit from everything that happens to them. This is what I would like you to do whenever something new happens to you, whether you like it or not: think to yourself and say, I intend to get some benefit from this. If you really did this you would be rich in no time." God, give us the grace to benefit from everything that happens to us!

Logan Davis

"You must believe in truth that whatever God gives or permits is for your salvation." So said St. Catherine of Siena hundreds of years ago in one of her countless spiritually bolstering letters she would send across Europe to those who needed encouragement. And here I am, feeling lucky that we have this treasure trove of saintly wisdom at our fingertips anytime we might want it.

This quote especially has been on my mind lately, because, I don't know if you've heard, but there's a pandemic going on out there!

Just the way it's phrased gives the impression

IMPORTANT UPDATES AT NEWMAN

PARKING LOT CHANGES THIS FALL

MU has released their lease on our parking lot. As such, Newman has sold some permit parking spaces to students, faculty and staff and has retained visitor spaces. For those coming to Newman for mass, to pray, for meetings, etc, your experience will not be very different. We will have expanded area for visitor parking (marked by yellow parking spaces and new signage). You will still need to sign in during business hours (except if just coming for daily mass). Weekends and evenings will be the same where our lot (and adjacent University parking) will be available.

In the transition from MU's control back to ours, we anticipate one-time "growing pains." We ask for your patience and understanding for the last two weeks of this month (August 14-31) as parking may be difficult. Starting September 1, our new system will be in place and we anticipate relatively smooth sailing moving forward!

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTENDING MASS AT NEWMAN

Both daily and Sunday Masses will still require an online sign up which can be found on our website. Please be sure to list the number of people in your household that will be attending. A staff member will still greet you and check you in for contact tracing purposes.

Signing up for mass is to let us know you will be attending and with how many people. Once you sign up, please be sure to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to Mass to ensure you have a seat. When you enter the chapel, please move to the far end (west side) and sit **FOUR** chairs apart from the next person or household to ensure proper distancing.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

FOR FLESH AND BLOOD HAS NOT REVEALED CHRIST TO YOU, BUT OUR HEAVENLY FATHER



August 23 | 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 22:19-23; Psalm 138

Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20



WE PRAY

for our Newman Community

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

Pope Francis' August Prayer Intention: We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Bishop McKnight's August 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.

Go to www.comonewman.org/prayer-requests/ or 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 LeAnn Korsmeyer (LKorsmeyer@diojeffcity.org) Only first names of those affected by the virus will be shared.

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, August 17	Noon	† Robert & Emma Tribble
Tuesday, August 18	Noon	† Sherrie Neff
Wednesday, August 19	Noon	† Mary Weable
Thursday, August 20	Noon	† Lucy Zahler
Friday, August 21	Noon	† Alphonse Pham & Anne Dong
Saturday, August 22	5 p.m.	† Jillian Goehl
Sunday, August 23	8:30 a.m.	† Lila Nittler
Sunday, August 23	11 a.m.	† Richard A. Heimberger
Sunday, August 23	5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, August 23	8 p.m.	Campus Ministry Benefactors

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

PARISH FINANCES

August 8/9

Offertory*	\$45,109.73
Month-to-Date	\$56,025.68
Budget for month	\$102,000.00
Variance	— \$45,974.32

*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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Pastoral Staff

Pastor | Fr. Dan Merz, S.L.D. | [frdan](#)
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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 INFORMATION

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.



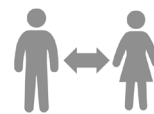
WASH YOUR HANDS

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.



NEWMAN NEEDLEWORKS

Newman Needleworks welcomes new members. We don't have meetings. You can work at home, at your own pace. Currently we are in great need of baptismal stoles, both crocheted and knitted. Patterns are available. If this is something you would like to do, please contact Susan Devaney ~573 696 1424 or devaney.susan@gmail.com.

LOAVES AND FISHES

For the month of August, we will need volunteers to cook AND volunteers to serve at the Loaves and Fishes kitchen. Those who cook will pre-package the meals and then servers will distribute the to-go style meals outside. Masks will be required. If you are not in a high-risk group, please consider helping to serve! Thank you to all those who are signed up to provide food for the Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen! (702 Wilkes Blvd).

INTERFAITH GARDEN UPDATE

We are looking for volunteers to weed and especially young people to turn our compost and spread mulch for us. You can work alone or safe distanced from anyone for an hour or two at any time during the week except between Friday and Saturday sunsets. The garden plot is at Congregation Beth Shalom, 500 W. Green Meadows Rd. All our produce goes to the Food Pantry on Big Bear Blvd.

Please contact Lily Chan at lilyhchan@gmail.com or Susan DeMian at susandemian@yahoo.com and we will give you more details.



MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

FOOD BANK

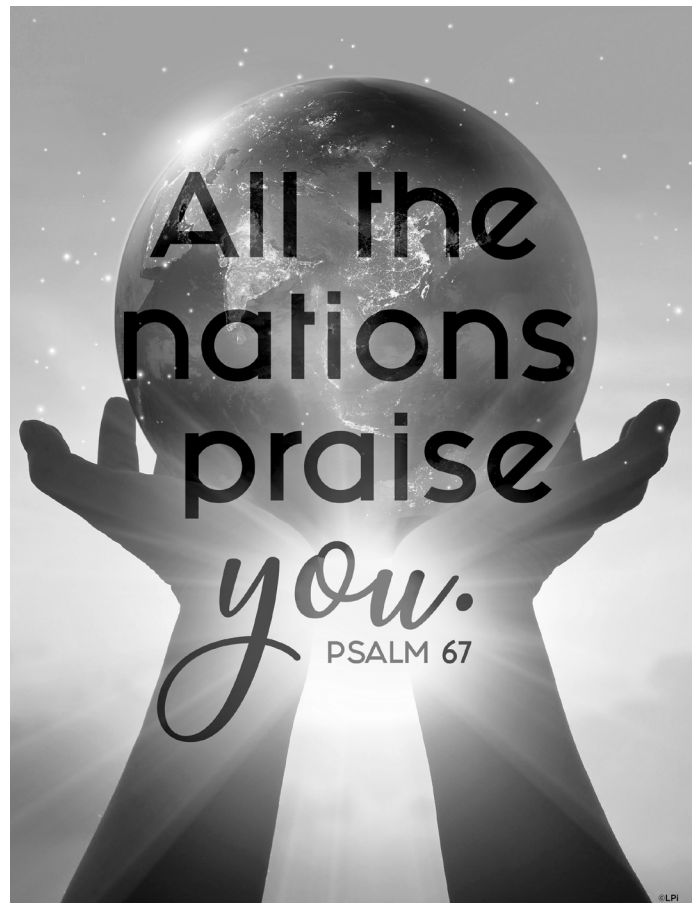
Earlier this week, the Food bank decided they will continue to need volunteer support through this Friday and Saturday.

If you meet the following requirements, they ask that you consider signing up to help support us on Friday (8/7) from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. or Saturday (8/8) from 9:30 a.m.-noon.

- All volunteers must be over 18 years old
- All volunteers must be able to work outside and dress appropriately for the weather
- All volunteers must be able to lift 35 pounds repeatedly
- All volunteers must follow all safety instructions, including wearing a mask and gloves for the entirety of their shift, staying within designated volunteer areas, and following basic food safety requirements
- All volunteers will be asked to complete a safety check list before starting their shift with us. If you do not meet all our requirements, we will have to ask that you not volunteer with us that day.

If you are in the CDC at-risk group, they ask that you not volunteer with us at this time

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to our Volunteer Coordinator, Samantha Cripe at scripe@sharefoodbringhope.org or 573-447-6620.



COMO LIFE TEEN

LAST SUMMER EVENT!

While unfortunately, we won't be having our end of summer pool party this year, we have replaced it with another event; join us August 12 at 7 p.m. at the Newman Center for a bonfire and movie night! It's our last event of the summer, so don't miss out!

FALL SCHEDULE ONLINE

Our CoMo Life Teen fall semester schedule is available on our social media pages and in our weekly email, so make sure to check it out. We're hoping to be in-person, socially distanced in the Activity building at Sacred Heart. Life Nights are from 6:45-8:30 p.m. most Sundays during the school year and are open to all high schoolers.

FIRST LIFE NIGHT

The first Life Night of the semester will be on Sept. 6! Join us for a night filled with games and community as we kick off an incredible semester together! If you have any questions or concerns, please email comolifeteen@gmail.com or renee.molner@comonewman.org. We're looking forward to seeing our sophomores-seniors again and meeting our freshmen!

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION CLOSING SOON

Confirmation registration for 2020-2021 will be closing soon! Please check the Parish website for the registration link. Confirmation classes are for freshmen and sophomores in high school this year. You must register before the parent/student meetings. 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.

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRL PROGRAM

Have you been searching for a Christ centered, character development program for your daughter? American Heritage Girls (AHG) is a Christ centered, character development program for girls ages 5-18 years. AHG focuses on six Program Emphases: Faith, Leadership, Citizenship, Social, Emotional, and Life Skills. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish is starting a troop and we invite you to consider participating in this ministry. To learn more about AHG, visit americanheritagegirls.org or americanheritagegirls.org/catholiccommittee.



A virtual information night will take place on August 19th at 7 PM. Please contact Barb Kasper @ 763-257-4388 or brbegan@gmail.com for additional details.

CEP & EDGE

CEP REGISTRATION IS OPEN

We have options for in-person and at home learning this year but there are MANY special things to know. In person classes will be Sundays from 10-11 a.m. and Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30. Cost is \$50 per child and scholarships are available. Classes begin after Labor Day. Please visit the parish sign-ups page or contact emily.shull@comonewman.org

EDGE OPTIONS COMING SOON

We are offering in person and online opportunities for middle schoolers. Families should be receiving email updates. All opportunities will begin after Labor Day. If you are NOT getting information via email, reach out to emily.shull@comonewman.org

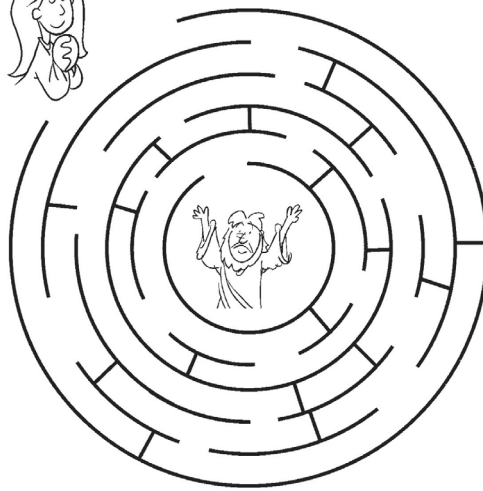
KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: Jesus helped the woman because of her great faith. Ask God to help you trust like she did!

For Parents: These readings show us that being a community that welcomes all isn't simple. God is generous but we often aren't. Who in the parish do you never approach or get to know? What could you do to welcome and include or just get to know others in the parish?

PUZZLE

Help this woman find Jesus.



MISSION

When I hear a siren, I will pray for the people inside the ambulance.

