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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY: 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m.*

5 p.m. & 8 p.m. (Students)

SATURDAY: 5 p.m.

WEEKDAY: Noon*

*livestreamed

RECONCILIATION:

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

BUILDING HOURS:

Open Daily 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
and 12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



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Photos from a hangout on
Saturday! We got together in the
gorgeous weather to play some football



26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"When John came to you in the way of righteousness,
you did not believe him; but tax collectors and
prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did
not later change your minds and believe him." - Mt 21:32

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GOD SEES OUR HEARTS



YVONNE CHAMBERLAIN

Assistant Director of

Campus Ministry

This week's scripture readings remind us that we must, not only, do what is right and just in the eyes of God, but we cannot compare ourselves to others, equating our good deeds as superior or more authentic. In Ezekiel 18, God reminds the House of Israel, the righteous will be saved, and granted eternal life in his Kingdom. When they hear this they assume, because they were the chosen people of God, that this status alone entitles them to eternal life. Yet God warns them, you will be judged based on your individual actions, not the actions of your collective, nor the actions of your ancestors, or your descendants. Therefore, our actions, and ours alone, will determine our place in God's Kingdom. He also makes known, regardless of whether we have lived a life filled with integrity or only recently turned away from sin, and chosen the righteous path, we will equally be blessed. This is a reiteration of the message we heard last week, in Matthew's Gospel, about the laborers who were disgruntled over the wages granted to their fellow workers in the vineyard. Honor is in doing what is desired and not necessarily the tenure of our fidelity.

The second reading this week reminds us, when practicing righteous acts we should do so without boasting or self-aggrandizing, but rather, regard our work as a humble sacrifice pleasing to God, and for His benefit alone. Have you ever felt entitled to something because you've put in the work or "paid your dues"? Have you ever felt cheated because someone else seemed to do all the wrong things, but got what you have been longing for? If you answered yes to either of these questions, know that these are common responses of our human nature. Although they are not virtuous traits, and therefore are not pleasing to God, they are attitudes that we can reform. When we acknowledge our shortcomings and genuinely seek to change God extends his mercy to us, much like he did for the tax collectors and prostitutes Jesus heralds in this week's Gospel.

Have you done something that you know is right, even when it takes more effort, or despite the fact that no one is around to witness you taking a shortcut? For example, walking around someone's yard, instead of cutting through their grass; or driving around the perimeter of a virtually empty parking lot, instead of cutting through the middle. Or have you felt compelled to do something fair and just, even when you, yourself, are not impacted? Like speaking up for someone being bullied, disregarded, or otherwise unable to speak for themselves? In these instances, though seemingly insignificant to some, God sees that our hearts and actions are aligned with His will for righteousness and justice. If we commit to submitting to his will, in small things and large things alike, we will not only please God, but surely be granted eternal life.

Yvonne Chamberlain

TITHING REPORT

August 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

\$322.82	Columbia Meals on Wheels
\$269.02	Coyote Hill Children's Home
\$161.41	Day Dreams Foundation
\$376.63	Food Bank of Central/NE MO
\$107.61	Heart of Missouri Girls on the Run
\$215.22	Habitat for Humanity
\$215.22	Life Network of Central Missouri
\$269.02	Love, INC.
\$107.61	Spectrum Health Care
\$376.63	St. Francis House
\$107.61	Tiger Pantry
\$215.22	True North
\$322.82	Vitae Foundation
\$269.02	Voluntary Action Center
\$215.22	Welcome Home

A LOOK AT NEXT SUNDAY

THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS

Think About These Things...



October 4 | 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80

Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43





WE PRAY

for our Newman Community

For those who are sick.

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: We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Bishop McKnight's September Prayer Intention: For children deprived of a safe and healthy home, that they experience the love of God through the care and concern shown by Catholics.

"It is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the living and the dead." 2 Maccabees 12:46

The Newman Prayer Ministry Team has made some changes to the process of requesting prayers by parishioners. Go to www.comonewman.org or call the Parish Office to request prayers. Prayer Requests 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, September 28	Noon	+ Albert Del Corro
Tuesday, September 29	Noon	+ Robert & Emma Tribble
Wednesday, September 30	Noon	+ RJ Occeña
Thursday, October 1	Noon	The Wright Family
Friday, October 2	Noon	+ Jim Reichart
Saturday, October 3	5 p.m.	+ Dinh & Hanh Nguyen
Sunday, October 4	8:30 a.m.	+ Chad McCoy
Sunday, October 4	11 a.m.	+ Susan Katz
Sunday, October 4	5 p.m.	+ Pastor Lopez
Sunday, October 4	8 p.m.	All Parishioners

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

PARISH FINANCES

September 19/20

Offertory*	\$29,365.93
Month-to-Date	\$85,272.47
Budget for month	\$128,000.00
Variance	- \$42,727.53

**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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CAMPUS MINISTRY

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY

It's not too late to join a small group! Small groups are a great place to meet new people and have discussions about your faith life. Discussion and activities are based around scripture and church teaching, but who knows where the conversation may lead! Find a small group that fits your needs by contacting McKenna at mckenna.kukla@focus.org.

EPHESIANS 3 (E3) WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

Join us Wednesdays at 9pm, in the Chapel, for Ephesians 3 (E3). E3 is an hour devoted to prayer, a talk, praise & worship music, and fellowship. For more information contact Joe at e3@comonewman.org.

HOLY HOURS

Spend time in prayer with the blessed sacrament Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30-9:30am; Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30pm. Participate in Power Hour, a sacrificial holy hour, Monday nights at 9:05pm.

BUILDING USAGE

The student lounge has new hours of accessibility: Sundays 5-10pm; M & W 8am-10pm; T, Th, & F 8-5; Closed Saturdays.



The library and classrooms on the second floor are available when the building is open – please use the self-sanitation stations before and after use.

lounge, but use

Please refrain from eating in the building, you can store and reheat food in the outdoor areas of the building to consume food. Masks are required, at all times, in the building.

FREE T SHIRT / GIFT BAG!

We still have some yellow Pope Francis tees available if you didn't get one. Also, if you missed picking up a Newman swag bag this fall stop by the Campus Ministry offices to grab yours. Bags contain a CSA tumbler, laptop sticker, prayer cards and, a Newman facemask!

NEWMAN NEWS

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 NOVEMBER

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 **November 27, 2020** provided that they do one of the following:

- Prayerfully participate in the Sunday or holy day of obligation Mass livestreamed from their parish church or chapel, the Cathedral, the Vatican, **or of any Mass of the day celebrated in communion with the Roman Catholic Church.**
- Prayerfully read and meditate on the readings of the Mass for the Sunday or holy days of obligation, and recite the Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet.

READING THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE

Parishioner Dr. Jill Raitt will be holding a weekly online discussion of St. Augustine's Confessions via Zoom. Meetings will be on Wednesdays from September 30 - November 25 from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Discussions will focus on one chapter each week and each chapter should be read ahead of the online discussion. The recommended text is the translation by Maria Boulding.

Contact Dr. Raitt at raittj@missouri.edu if you are interested in participating!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE HAS STARTED

From Sept. 23 – Nov. 1, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Columbia Planned Parenthood, 711 N Providence Rd, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach.

If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help with your on site time, talent or treasure, please contact Kathy Forck 573-821-5130 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/columbiamo.

Upcoming Feast Day Mass

On Tuesday, September 29 at the noon Mass we will be celebrating the feast of **Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, the Archangels.**

From Universalis:

St. Michael – "He is mentioned in the Apocalypse as the leader of the heavenly host. He is a patron of soldiers."

St. Gabriel – "He appears in the book of Daniel to explain some of the prophet's visions and was also the bearer of the Annunciation to the Blessed Virgin Mary."

St. Raphael – "In the book of Tobit, he is the angel who heals Tobit of his blindness. His name means God heals."

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael pray for us!



COMO LIFE TEEN

LIFE NIGHTS ARE BACK!

Join CoMo Life Teen for Life Nights on Sunday nights from 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart's Activity building. Please follow us on Facebook or Instagram or join our weekly email list for any announcements or changes to our schedule.

FALL RETREAT REGISTRATION OPEN

High schoolers can register now for Fall Retreat, which will take place Nov. 6-8 at Sacred Heart Parish! Registration and more info can be found in the weekly CoMo Life Teen emails or by emailing Renee at renee.molner@comonewman.org. Cost is \$25. Teens will go home to their own houses at night, and masks are required.

SERIES ON FORGIVENESS WRAPS UP

We're wrapping up our Forgiveness series tonight (9/27)! Maggie's coming back to talk to us about how we sometimes feel that God has wronged us, but really those feelings come from placing our wills above His (because God is good!). How can we better surrender to God's will and build our relationship with Him? We'll talk about this and more on Sunday; we'd love to see you there!

CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENT REMINDER

Confirmation students need to turn in their copy of their Baptismal certificate by Oct. 11. These can be sent to Renee either as a paper copy or online.

AROUND TOWN

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus council of Sacred Heart parish is holding a drive-through fish fry dinner on Saturday October 10 at Father Tolton High School from 4-7 PM. Price is \$12.00/dinner. Menu includes a generous portion of fish, green beans, slaw, and our famous chips with orders of more than one dinner. Proceeds will be used to support Catholic education and other ministries in our area. We will also be selling Tootsie Rolls for the benefit of the developmentally disabled.

OLLIS KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

October 1st is almost here! OLLIS begins accepting names for the kindergarten list for 2023-2024. Go to our website (www.ollisk8.org) and find the application. Complete the application and submit it with the \$40 application fee to OLLIS office beginning Oct. 1st. Be sure to tell your family members of this important date. We are still accepting applications for 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

TUNE IN TO COVENANT CATHOLIC RADIO

Seasons come and seasons go, but our pillar of Faith remains in season and out. Keep your radio set on 94.7 FM, Covenant Network Catholic radio. You are sure to find many educational and inspirational programs to nurture your faith and devotional programs throughout the day and night-time hours to support and enrich your faith life.

CEP & EDGE

NO CEP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

We will not have class to allow our student volunteers to participate in the Awakenings Retreat. Classes will resume on October 11th.

EDGE ZOOM GROUPS UNDERWAY

Two weeks left in our EDGE kick-off zoom groups. Middle school students are welcome to join now. Contact us for details or about what's coming up next at emily.shull@comonewman.org

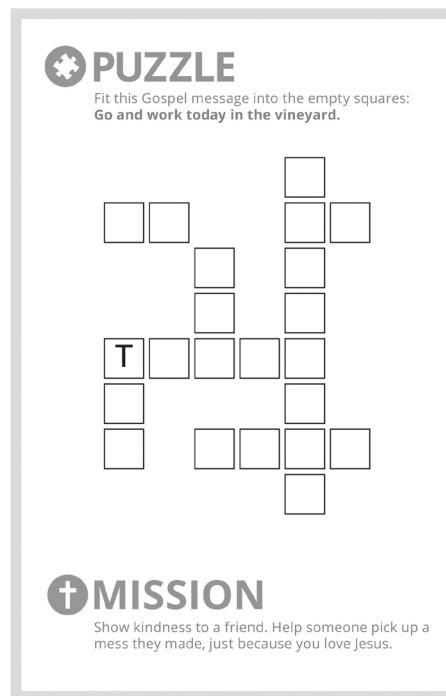
1ST RECONCILIATION PREP UNDERWAY

If you have a child in 2nd grade or above who'd like to prepare for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion this year, please contact us about getting started at emily.shull@comonewman.org

KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: What seems fair to you and me might not be what is fair to God, but God is asking us to remember God has given us all that we need.

For Parents: It's easy to say the right thing, not so easy to do the right thing. Talk as a family about at least one thing you'll each work on this week.



HELPFUL LINKS

INFORMATION ON ATTENDING MASSES

Visit www.comonewman.org/attend-mass to view the current instructions on attending Mass at the Newman Center.

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

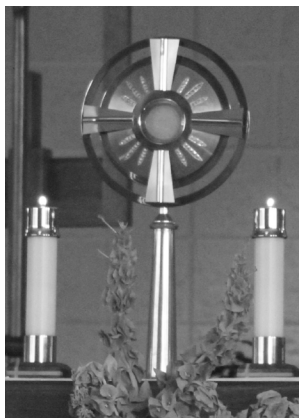
Visit www.comonewman.org/public-health for the most updated information on our procedures and building hours.

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.

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.

LOAVES AND FISHES

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). See our website for more information!

FLU SHOTS

It is more important than ever for everyone 6 months of age and older to get a flu shot this year. This will help to reduce the overall burden of respiratory illnesses on the health care system. It will also protect the most vulnerable in our population.

If you are age 65 or greater, please consider getting the high dose vaccine. It contains a higher dose of the antigen providing a better immune response. This vaccine is available at the Columbia Boone Co Health Dept. There is no cost if you have Medicare insurance. Flu shots are available at the health department, local pharmacies and clinics.

NOTE: The Health Department requires an appointment this year for ALL flu shots. Call today 573 874 7355

MENTORING AT-RISK KIDS (MARK)

Calling all college students! Mentoring At-Risk Kids (MARK) is still happening this semester! You would be working with elementary-aged kids and would commit to a 2-hour time slot once a week to help the kids through their class work. It will look a little bit different, but it is an easy and great way to get involved.

If you are interested in MARK, reach out to our coordinator, Jordan Layton, at 573-352-0180 or jel478@mail.missouri.edu!

NEWMAN NEEDLEWORKS

Can you crochet, knit or sew? Newman Needleworks needs you to make baptismal stoles for infants and young children in the parish. Patterns and assistance with cost of materials are available. Questions? Contact Susan Devaney ~devaney.susan@gmail.com or 573 696 1424 OR Jan Pritchard ~jpritcha@socket.net

