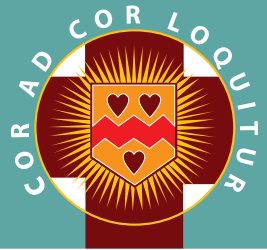


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MASS TIMES

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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Our masks can't hide our joy!! Awakenings weekend was truly a blessing!!



28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

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FROM OUR PASTOR




FR. DAN MERZ
Pastor

Bishop McKnight has been our Bishop for over three years now, and has established himself as a strong proponent for accountability within the Church, for greater involvement of the laity in the leadership of the Church, and as a voice for unity in overcoming racism in our society. Less known may be his steady efforts to review and improve the various ministries of the Chancery to be more responsive to the needs of the parishes through technology upgrades, communication and service.

All of this is to say that I encourage each of us to pitch in and support him and the work being done at his direction by contributing to the Catholic Stewardship Appeal this year. Our parish has been asked to raise \$69,000 and as in previous years, if we make our goal, then we will receive 10% back. Anything above our goal, we will receive 90% back. I've been your pastor for three months and am very grateful for your generous stewardship in time, in talent, and in treasure, especially given the pandemic. Thank you! And in anticipation of your generosity to the CSA campaign: Thank you! May the Lord who holds nothing back from us, not even His Beloved Son, fill our hearts with His charity and His peace!

Fr. Dan Merz



"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope."

JEREMIAH 29:11

The diocesan Catholic Stewardship Appeal will officially begin in our parish next weekend. In the next couple of weeks, you will receive a letter from Bishop McKnight inviting you to participate in this year's appeal. If each of our families would give a small portion of their income, we would easily reach our parish goal. As you reflect on the information about the CSA and the life of our Church, please remember that we are called to give out of gratitude.

A STEWARD'S WAY

WHAT THE CARES ACT MEANS FOR YOUR CHARITABLE GIVING



The CARES Act, signed in March, was created to combat the impacts of COVID-19. As part of the bill, individual now have increased tax incentives for charitable giving in 2020.

Are you itemizing deductions?

The adjusted gross income (AGI) limit for cash contributions was increased for 2020. You can now elect to deduct up to 100% of your AGI (increased from 60%).

Not itemizing?

The CARES Act allows for an additional "above-the-line" deduction for charitable gifts made in cash of up to \$300. If you are not itemizing in 2020, you can claim this new deduction.

What about IRA Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD)?

The CARES Act did not change the rules around the QCD, which allows individuals over 70½ years old to donate up to \$100,000 in IRA assets directly to non-profit organizations annually without taking the distribution into taxable income. However, the CARES Act does allow individuals to deduct 100% of their AGI for charitable contributions. This effectively affords individuals over 59½ years old the benefits similar to a QCD; they can take a cash distribution from their IRA, contribute to the cash to a charity, and may completely offset tax attributable to the distribution by taking a charitable deduction in an amount up to 100% of their AGI for the tax year. If you are older than 59½ years old and not yet eligible for the QCD, this could be a beneficial strategy for you if you are not dependent on existing retirement funds.

If you are interested in giving to Newman in this way to the offertory or as an extraordinary gift, first consult your accountant or financial advisor. For questions specific to Newman, contact JoAnn Shull at joann@comonewman.org.

This information was drawn from fidelitycharitable.org. The tax information provided is general and educational in nature and should not be construed as legal or tax advice. Always consult your accountant or financial advisor for more information on your specific circumstances.

A LOOK AT NEXT SUNDAY

WE ARE CALLED TO BE GOD'S IMAGE

October 18 | 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; Psalm 96

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b, 19-20; Matthew 22:15-21



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' October Prayer Intention: We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Bishop McKnight's October Prayer Intention: For all citizens in our country, that our participation in the upcoming elections may lead to a world which places a preeminence on the dignity of all human life.

"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 our website or this link: <https://forms.gle/UzttQFxrFGKTn2C29> or call the Parish Office to request prayers. Prayer Requests will be listed in the bulletin if you desire.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

THE GOOD WORKS OF THE TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE MADE POSSIBLE BY YOUR DONATION

The mission of the Knights of Columbus Developmental Center at Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center is to enhance and support children and adolescents with autism spectrum and other neurodevelopmental disorders in reaching their highest potential through comprehensive evaluation, care, family guidance, education and innovative research. The health care team understands that having a child with special needs can affect many aspects of a family's life. Patients receive a comprehensive evaluation based on their individual needs. The Center's team provides recommendations for treatment and education for both the home and school which can be shared with the referring physician. The Family Resource specialist provides families with ongoing support and helps the family locate the appropriate resources in the community.

Our annual "Tootsie Roll Drive" has been the main fund raiser for the Knights of Columbus Developmental Center for decades. Our council will be collecting donations at Mass on October 17 & 18, or you may donate online the entire month of October at MizzouKnights.org. Thank you for your support!



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 12	Noon	+ Charles Wilson
Tuesday, October 13	Noon	+ Alexander Lising
Wednesday, October 14	Noon	+ Albert Del Corro
Thursday, October 15	Noon	+ Chris Lively
Friday, October 16	Noon	+ Cliff Thomeczek
Saturday, October 17	5 p.m.	+ Richard A. Heimberger
Sunday, October 18	8:30 a.m.	+ Kevin Conley
Sunday, October 18	11 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, October 18	5 p.m.	+ Rosie & Sal Felice
Sunday, October 18	8 p.m.	+ Martha Krone

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

PARISH FINANCES

October 3/4

Offertory*	\$34,330.63
Month-to-Date	\$34,330.63
Budget for month	\$100,000.00
Variance	- 65,669.37

**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

QUARANTINE SUPPORT

If you or a friend are in quarantine and would like support from our Catholic Campus Ministry staff (prayer, food, medicine, etc.), fill out our [Catholic Campus Ministry Quarantine Support form](#). Any questions, contact Logan Davis, our Resident Campus Minister at logan@comonewman.org.

JOIN A BIBLE STUDY

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

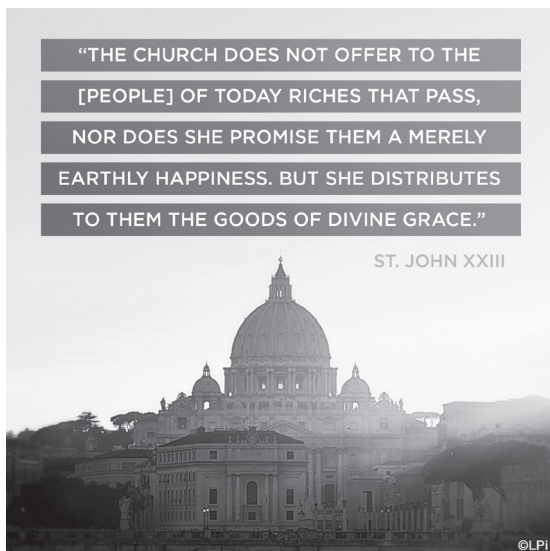
Spend time in prayer with the blessed sacrament Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30-9:30am; Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30pm. Participate in Power Hour, a sacrificial holy hour, Monday nights at 9:05pm.

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.

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



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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 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.

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.

VIRTUAL MISSOURI CATHOLIC CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY

During a "normal" year, today the Missouri Catholic Conference would be preparing to welcome hundreds of Catholics to our State Capitol for the Annual Assembly. However, this year the MCC canceled its in-person event due to ongoing concerns with COVID-19. As an alternative, we are releasing several new episodes of our podcast, MCC from the Capitol.

COMO LIFE TEEN

NEW SERIES AT LIFE NIGHT!

Join CoMo Life Teen today (Oct. 11) as we begin our new series, "Belong." We meet from 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart's Activity building. Come for conversation, games and prayer!



DON'T MISS OUT ON FALL RETREAT!

Don't miss out on CoMo Life Teen's Fall Retreat this year, "Discovery!" Registration link is on our Facebook page. The retreat is in town at Sacred Heart Nov. 6-8, and the cost is \$25. Spots are limited, so grab yours now!

BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE REMINDER

Confirmation students, please remember to send Renee a copy of your Baptismal certificate if you were baptized in a church other than Newman or Sacred Heart. Thank you!

"WITHOUT
LOVE, DEEDS,
EVEN THE MOST
BRILLANT, COUNT
AS NOTHING."

—ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

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CEP & EDGE

WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR UPDATES ABOUT IN-PERSON LEARNING:

If you are a family who would like to participate in CEP In-Person, please watch your email. If CPS reopens for hybrid classes this month, CEP will begin in-person. Those who would like to ONLY participate via zoom will continue Sunday afternoon classes every other Sunday.

EDGE SMALL GROUPS IN-PERSON OR ON ZOOM

EDGE families should have received updates about new small groups. There will still be zoom groups at 3:30 and 6:30 p.m. but we're adding an in-person group at 3:30 starting this Sunday. It's ok to join anytime! For more, contact emily.shull@comonewman.org

EDGE HALLOWEEN PARTY OCT 25TH

All 6th, 7th & 8th graders are welcome to join us OUTDOORS in the Newman Center courtyard from 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 25th. We'll have a fire for smores, snacks, games and prizes for the best dressed. Extra prizes for those who use their face mask as a part of their costume

KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: The reading from Isaiah tells us God wants only good things for us. Talk with your family about all the good things God has given to you.

For Parents: If we have been blessed, can we trust like St. Paul that God is with us even in hard times? Read the 2nd reading together. What does it say about God's care? Pray together for trust like Paul's.

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

wedding	banquet	king
servants	field	ready
guests	invited	business

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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.

LOVE INC COLLECTION

We are currently collecting items for Love INC! Columbia Love INC, Love in the Name of Christ, focuses on long-term poverty solutions. They help people with material, emotional, or relational poverty — fostering relationships in the process.

If you wish to make a contribution, we will be taking donations every month (right now, through the month of October)! We have a metal bin located in the chapel entryway of St. Thomas More Newman Center.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) has been helping the poor in Columbia for almost 15 years. SVDP is staffed by volunteers so 99% of every dollar donated to our 501(c)(3) charity goes directly to help the poor. Eighty-nine percent of our funding is used to pay delinquent rent and utility bills, but all requests are considered. The City of Columbia will begin shutting off service to delinquent accounts on Oct 1. After assisting over 450 families this year, most within the last 4 months, SVDP is almost out of funds.

SVDP is grateful for any support you can offer, whether prayerfully, financially or as a volunteer. Checks can be made payable to SVDP and mailed to Our Lady of Lourdes Church office, 903 Bernadette, CoMo 65203. Thank you for your prayers and your financial support! Vincentians are honored to be the face of Christ to the poor on your behalf.

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

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

We are now collecting non-perishable items for our local Food Bank of Central & Northeast Missouri! You can drop off your donations in the tall bin in the chapel entryway of St. Thomas More Newman Center. The Food Bank is not accepting volunteers at this time.