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SATURDAY MASS TIME

5 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

8:30 a.m.

11 a.m. (livestreamed)

5 p.m.

8 p.m. (livestreamed)

WEEKDAY MASSES (M-F)

Noon (livestreamed)

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6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. - Mk 1:44-45b

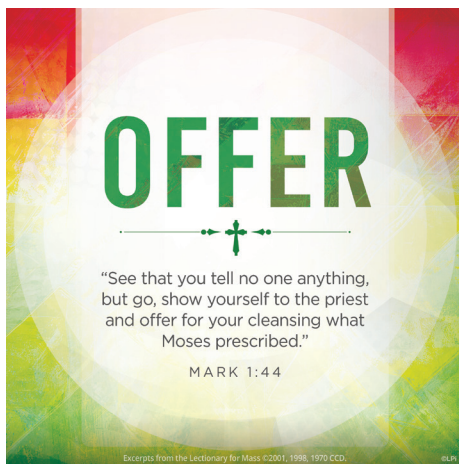
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REFLECT ON THE 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



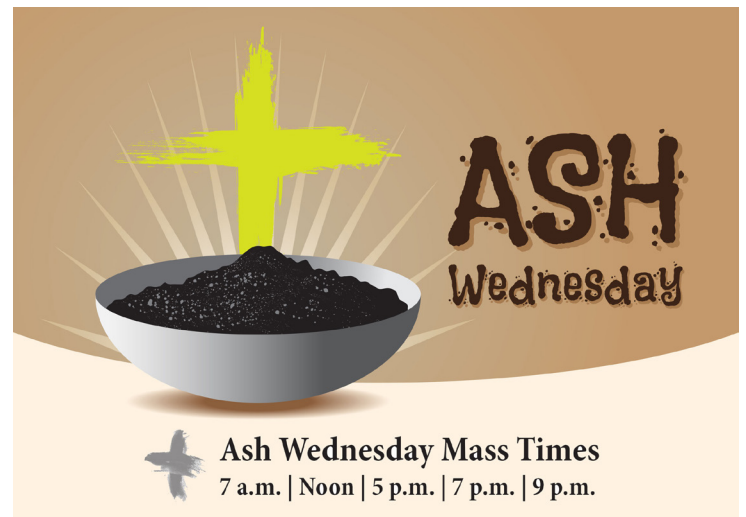
The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains

intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and

make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.



SIGN UP TO ATTEND AN ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

As we prepare for the Lenten season, we are excited to see many members of our community at Ash Wednesday Masses this year!

If you are planning to attend an Ash Wednesday Mass at Newman, please sign up under the Mass time you plan to attend. This will help out our entire community as we try to accommodate as many people to attend Mass as we can!

This year, the Vatican has asked priests around the world to sprinkle ashes on the heads of the faithful rather than using the ashes to make the sign of the cross on foreheads.

Visit the Parish or Student sign up page to RSVP!



for our Newman Community

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

For healing and recovery to health:
Rick Stephenson

Pope Francis' February Prayer Intention: We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Bishop McKnight's February Prayer Intention: For parents: may they have the spiritual and material resources they need to provide their children a home in which charity and mercy are practiced, and knowledge of our faith is shared.

A STEWARD'S WAY

STEWARDSHIP THROUGH FORMATION

As stewards, we are called to the continuous conversion through formation. This involves not only the conversion of the heart, but the education of the mind. As a Newman Center at the heart of the university setting, this should be a familiar to us!



We each must first cultivate our hearts, that they may be ready to receive the Good News. This can be done through an active participation in the sacraments and a commitment to personal prayer. As we seek to form our minds, Newman offers several avenues for adult faith formation:

- Classes and groups:
 - Women's Spirituality Group, led by Sr. Karen
 - Topical classes, generally 4-8 weeks, led by the pastoral staff
 - Small Group Bible Studies:
 - Several groups meet regularly on an ongoing basis
 - Some groups meet seasonally (such as for the upcoming Lenten season)

FORMED: new this year, you can access FORMED for free through Newman. FORMED is a Catholic online resource which gives you access to movies, audio books, bible and theology studies, kids programs, and more. Sign up at formed.org/signup and search by zip code 65201.

Campus Ministry: Through student programming, we seek to form our young adult college students through Ephesians 3, bible studies, and retreats.

If you are interested in committing to additional formation experiences, you can mark your interest on your Season of Stewardship intention form. If you have already turned it in, contact the office for more information.

PARISH FINANCES

February 6/7

Offertory*	\$46,574.54
Month-to-Date	\$46,574.54
Budget for month	\$125,000.00
Variance	- \$78,425.46

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 15	Noon	+ Gary Winter
Tuesday, February 16	Noon	+ Mary Ann Fitzpatrick
Wednesday, February 17	7 a.m.	+ Clarence & Frances Falter
Wednesday, February 17	Noon	Marvin Mertes
Wednesday, February 17	5 p.m.	Lourdes Tecson
Wednesday, February 17	7 p.m.	CM Benefactors
Wednesday, February 17	9 p.m.	+ Sydney Schrag
Thursday, February 18	Noon	+ Elizabeth Posch
Friday, February 19	Noon	The Sahyouni Family
Saturday, February 20	5 p.m.	+ Roy & Mary Jones
Sunday, February 21	8:30 a.m.	+ Carolyn Spier
Sunday, February 21	11 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, February 21	5 p.m.	+ Amandus & Ethel Schoen
Sunday, February 21	8 p.m.	+ Emily Kirk

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

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CAMPUS MINISTRY

DISCERNMENT NIGHTS AT NEWMAN

Come play games and get to know some men and women living in religious life. March 18 from 7-8:30pm in the MPR. Sign up now at <https://comonewman.breezechms.com/form/CelebGameNight>

Celebri^{ty} GAME Night

APPLY TO BE A 2021-2022 NEWMAN INTERN!

Are you interested in serving the Church and gaining valuable ministry experience? Consider applying for one of Newman's internships! Positions are as follows:

- Life Teen Intern (10-15 hours weekly during semester and 2 weeks in summer, \$11.15 per hour)
- Parish Interns (10 hours weekly during the semesters, \$11.15 per hour)

- Communications Intern
- Technology Intern
- Religious Education Intern (Pre-K-5)
- EDGE Intern (grades 6-8)
- Music Intern
- Liturgy Intern
- Service & Justice Intern

Visit website at <https://www.comonewman.org/campus-ministry/cmsignup/> for job descriptions and applications!

REGISTER FOR AWAKENINGS #41 NOW!

Registration Awakenings #41 is now open. Awakenings is a retreat held for students and run by students. You'll hear talks from your peers, spend time in small groups, have personal reflection time and of course have a lot of fun!

Awakenings #41 will take place March 5-7. The cost of the retreat is \$25. If you need financial assistance, contact Yvonne Chamberlain (yvonne@comonewman.org), in Campus Ministry, before you register. For more information, please contact the Awakenings Rector, Annika Meyer Aat almytd@mail.missouri.edu

Visit this link to register: https://comonewman.breezechms.com/form/Awakenings41_Awakeners

NEWMAN NEWS

FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Beloved: Does Marriage Matter? or for kids: Walking with Jesus: The Rosary Prayers in Song

See the Parish & Student Sign-ups page to get your account or contact emily.shull@comonewman.org

JOURNEY INTO PRAYER

Join us Wednesdays after Daily Mass to learn more about prayer! This month the focus is Ignatian prayer. Sessions will last about 15 minutes in the Disciples Room.

DISCUSSION ON MARRIAGE WITH FR. PAUL ON ZOOM:

We'll focus our discussion Monday, February 15th at 8-8:45 p.m. on Beloved Session 1: Does Marriage Matter? Make sure to sign up for your free Formed account and watch the short video prior to our discussion.

Please register on the parish & student sign-ups page so we can send you the zoom information!



NEWMAN ANNUAL *VIRTUAL* TRIVIA NIGHT

Virtual Trivia Night February 20th: Annual Trivia Night will be held over Zoom this year on Saturday, Feb 20th at 7 p.m. Funds benefit Tiger Pantry which serves students, faculty & staff experiencing food insecurity.

Cost is just \$40 per team of up to 5 adults but your team must be able to meet in the same physical location.

Prizes for 1st place is \$150 to Flatbranch Pub & Brewing. 2nd place team receives \$100 to Shakespeare's and 3rd place team receives \$25 to Sparky's and \$25 to Trop's. Register under parish or student sign-ups at comonewman.org or contact Emily or Troy with questions.

YOUNG ADULT ZOOM HAPPY HOUR

Join other young adults at Newman on Friday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. over Zoom for a Happy Hour! This group of 22-35 year olds meets monthly; email renee.molner@comonewman.org for information or to join our email list or GroupMe.



COMO LIFE TEEN

LIFE NIGHT THIS WEEK: LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS

Tonight (2/14), we will be talking about the sin of racism and how to better love our neighbors at Life Night. We meet 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart's Activity Building most Sundays! This is open to all high schoolers, so bring a friend and join us for a great night of community and prayer.

Check out our social media for our semester schedule and more info. You can find us on Facebook and Instagram at @comolifeteen.

CONFIRMATION CLASS REMINDER

High school Confirmation class will meet again today (2/14). Please remember to bring or send in your letter to the Bishop to Renee! Do not place in an envelope - we'll place them all in one envelope to send to the Bishop. We'll be talking about the Holy Spirit in class. Come with open hearts; we can't wait to see you there!



Contact - Renee Molner
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IN THE DIOCESE

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN STARTS SOON

The Spring 2021 40 Days for Life prayer campaign will begin on Wednesday, February 17 and run through Sunday, March 28. Volunteers are needed to pray to end abortion on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood in Columbia. Contact Doris Schmidt at 573-875-6597.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: FOOD FOR FAMILIES

The weekend of February 13-14, members of the Knights of Columbus will be collecting cash donations for the Food Bank for Central and Northeast Missouri after the weekend Masses. The council will match the first \$500 of contributions from the parish dollar for dollar. The council will also utilize a Supreme Council matching program to collect an additional \$100 for every \$500 raised. Every \$1 you donate will be turned into over \$50 of groceries by the food bank thanks to these matching programs. Please be generous in your support!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRIES

Your Columbia Knights of Columbus councils are planning to host Fish Fires this year. All fish fries will be DRIVE THRU ONLY. (The event at Newman will have a walk-up table for students living on campus.) Meals are \$12 (Student Discount at Newman) and will be served 4:30-7:30 PM. More information and tickets are available online at MizzouKnights.org.

Feb 19 - CKC Hall (2525 N Stadium Blvd)

Feb 26 - Newman Center (602 Turner - use 5th Street lot entrance)

March 5 - Fr. Tolton HS (3351 E Gans Rd)

March 12 - Fr. Tolton HS (3351 E Gans Rd)

March 19 - CKC Hall (2525 N Stadium Blvd)

CEP & EDGE

NO EDGE TODAY BUT ONLINE & IN-PERSON NEXT WEEK

Edge will meet in-person 3:30-4:45 in the MPR starting today February 14th for a Valentine's party! Masks and temp-checks required! Zoom sessions still offered at 6:30 p.m. Contact Emily with questions.

1ST COMMUNION PARENT MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY:

If you have a child who's at least in 2nd grade and would live to receive 1st Communion, please have at least one parent join us for a Zoom Parent meeting will be February 14th OR 28th both at 1 p.m. and on Zoom. Contact Emily for the zoom information.

NO WEDNESDAY CEP THIS WEEK

There will be no class February 17th to allow families to attend Ash Wednesday Mass together. We'll resume February 24th and Sunday and zoom groups will continue as usual.



Contact - Emily Shull
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KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: Take some time this week to pray for those who are alone that they may know God is always close by.

For Parents: Jesus gave the man more than health, he gave him a place in the community. Who can your family reach out to this week who is cut off from others?

PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

LEPROSY
JESUS
POWER

WELL
WARNED
SHOW

GIFT
HEALED
WALKED

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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

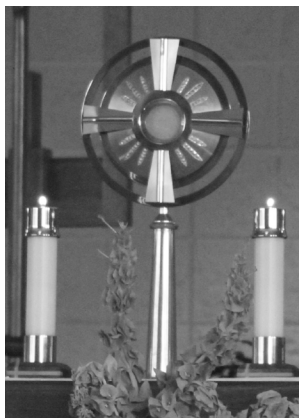
Visit www.comonewman.org/public-health for the most updated information on our procedures and building hours.

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

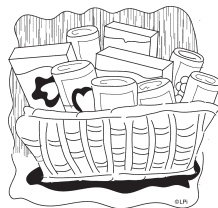
You can learn more about these options or set up an electronic way of giving on our website at www.comonewman.org/parish/support/offertory. If you have any questions, please contact Angie Claas at angie@comonewman.org.

NEWMAN VOLUNTEER CORPS



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

We are 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.



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

January Total: 55 pounds

Thank you for your donations! Donate at the bin in the Turner Street entrance.

MY LIFE CLINIC: SUPPLIES NEEDED!

Our February Personal Care Collection is beginning! This month, we will be collecting items for The My Life Clinic. The My Life Clinic does great work to support women right here in Columbia! When women face an unplanned pregnancy, it is easy to become scared and overwhelmed. My Life offers a caring, non-judgemental space to provide the care women need during this challenging time. They provide free pregnancy testing, prenatal services, STD testing, and consultations. It is their vision that women are supported and secure in their life choice — and the clinic's needs are great during this time. We encourage you to consider donating their most needed items: Diaper Bags, Diapers (size 5-6), Playmats, Bottles with Nipples, Baby Shampoo and Conditioner and Maternity Bras

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

St. Vincent de Paul Society continues to help folks like these in financial need. The group helps assist with paying gas, lodging, rent and utilities for those in need of financial assistance.

If you are able to donate, make checks to SVDP and mail to the Lourdes parish office at 903 Bernadette!

Won't you help us "heal the brokenhearted?" Interested in being a phone volunteer? Email Joanne for an invite to our next Zoom meeting at joanne.slama@gmail.com



Contact - Jaynie Vanatta
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