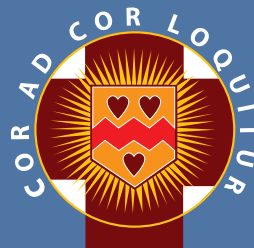


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SATURDAY MASS TIME

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)

RECONCILIATION:

Tuesdays: 5 - 5:30 p.m.

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.

KEMPER-JAMES LIBRARY:

Open daily (self-service)

Reference section open

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
from 10-12 a.m.

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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

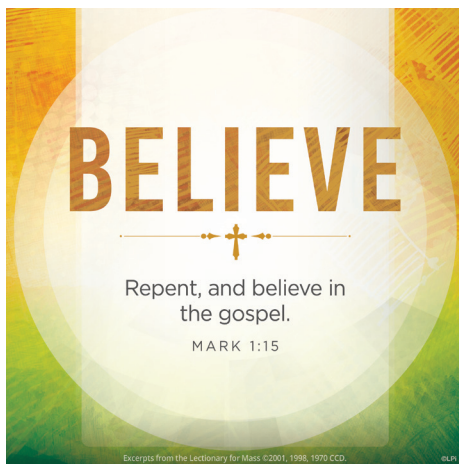
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"WHAT ARE YOU GIVING UP FOR LENT?"



St. Oscar Romero said, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more." These powerful words provide the perfect framework for a conversion oriented Lenten experience. God is giving us this Lenten sign to stop being concerned about what you

have and focus on who you are. This requires that we create a desert space and listen more attentively for God to reveal His presence. It is all so wonderfully simple on the one hand and so incredibly challenging on the other. The message is simple: love God, neighbor, and self. Those simple words make great sense, but we struggle translating them into reality. Our attachments, compulsions, obsessions, addictions, routines, and busyness all anchor us to the "idol of the self," keeping us mired in our compulsive need for self-aggrandizement. It's not about us!

God vowed, long ago, to nurture, sustain and protect the relationship He has with His people. He called us into being, nurtures us in being, and sustains us in being. Without the Loving Divine Presence, all life would cease. Once we slow down a bit and clear away some of the clutter, we can see how the journey of our life is unfolding. We can see what brings us in and out of tune with God's love and how we can better imitate God's loving fidelity in our relationship with Him. In short, we will see our myopic short-sightedness and figure out how we can better share the Divine Fire within with others.

Lent isn't just about giving stuff up for forty days and indulging again at Easter. We need to push things much farther and wrestle with the question of how we can be more. "Being more" means becoming more fully alive and in touch with the holiness of life and the divinity that lives in and empowers all beings and things. It is realizing that the "quality" of our presence is crucial to being an effective witness and herald of God's unconditional love.

The illusion we have bought into causes us to believe that the wrong things and systems matter. We tirelessly fight to keep things the way they are, to return to the former ways of doing things or restore some nostalgic fantasy memory of "life in the good old days." Lent isn't about maintaining what we have or returning to something that is gone. It's about becoming something new. It's about being more focused, centered, convicted, and grounded so that we can be a person who truly

loves and treasures being made in the image of God. The secret to Gospel living is not found in accumulating anything for ourselves, even merit points for heaven. Gospel living means learning how to live with less so that others can live with more. The thought of permanently giving something up makes us feel uncomfortable. Truth often does.

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COMING UP AT NEWMAN...

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. Sign up on our website or click here: <https://comonewman.breezechms.com/form/ad1336>

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 Tropes. Register under parish or student sign-ups at comonewman.org or contact Emily or Troy with questions.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

There will be Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:00 p.m in the Church throughout the Lenten Season.



WE PRAY

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 PRAYER

As we continue to answer our call to live as stewards, today we look to the pillar of prayer. The beauty of our faith is that there are many ways to pray and be in conversation with our God!



Two modern day saints, St. John Paul II and St. Teresa of Calcutta, both saw the beauty Christ in the Eucharist:

"This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago is present today in the Eucharist." – St. John Paul II

"When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now."

Newman offers Eucharistic Adoration regularly on the following schedule:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30-9:30am (when MU is in session)

Wednesdays 12:30-1:30pm (year-round)

"Power Hour" on Mondays at 9:05pm (when MU is in session)

While these are the times that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, you can also pray in the chapel any time the building is open. Eucharistic Adoration will occasionally be offered in conjunction with other events, such as retreats and spirituality events.

If you have yet to experience adoring the Blessed Sacrament during Adoration, consider trying out this powerful form of prayer. You can pray in quiet, read Scripture, or pray the rosary. Most important is that you can spend time in conversation with the Lord, present to you in the Blessed Sacrament.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 22	Noon	<i>Communion Service</i>
Tuesday, February 23	Noon	Marvin Mertes
Wednesday, February 24	Noon	+ Alice Krieg
Thursday, February 25	Noon	+ Lorina Alexander
Friday, February 26	Noon	+ Barnarda Matias
Saturday, February 27	5 p.m.	+ Jillian Goehl
Sunday, February 28	8:30 a.m.	Bridgette Walsh
Sunday, February 28	11 a.m.	Salvatore Selice
Sunday, February 28	5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, February 28	8 p.m.	+ Jerome O'Laughlin

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

PARISH FINANCES

February 13/14

Offertory*	\$19,409.55
Month-to-Date	\$65,984.09
Budget for month	\$125,000.00
Variance	- \$59,015.91

*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

DISCERNMENT NIGHTS AT NEWMAN

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



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 almtyd@mail.missouri.edu

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

VOCATION/MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

There are many Vocations opportunities available. Visit <https://www.comonewman.org/campus-ministry/mission-vocations/> to learn about them. Contact campus.ministry@comonewman.org with questions.

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FORMED DAILY LENTEN REFLECTIONS

Daily lenten reflections can be sent to your inbox! Sign up at formed.org/lent

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 MOVED:

The Discussion on Marriage with Fr. Paul has been moved to February 22 at 8-8:45 p.m. Make sure to sign up for your free Formed account and watch this short video (Beloved Session 1: Does Marriage Matter?) prior to our discussion.

Register on the parish & student sign-ups page so we can send you the zoom information. Contact for more information on the event or how to get a FREE Formed subscription.



ZOOM DISCUSSION WITH FR. DAN ON PRAYER

Discussion on Prayer with Fr. Dan Thursday, February 25 at 7p.m. on Zoom. We'll focus our discussion on Lectio Prayer Episode 1: Prayer: an Intimate Dialogue

Make sure to sign up for your free Formed account and watch this short video prior to our discussion.

Register on the parish & student sign-ups page so we can send you the zoom information. Contact emily.shull@comonewman.org for more information on the event or how to get a FREE Formed subscription.

COMO LIFE TEEN

LIFE NIGHT THIS WEEK: Q&A WITH FR. DAN MERZ

Tonight (2/21), we will have a Q&A with Fr. Dan at Life Night! Fr. Dan gave an amazing talk earlier this semester, and we're excited to have him back to answer all of your questions. 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 students, please send your letter to the Bishop to Renee if you have not done so already! These can be emailed or dropped off at Newman. Do not place in an envelope - we'll place them all in one envelope to send to the Bishop.



Contact - Renee Molner
renee.molner@comonewman.org

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 FISH FRIES

Your Columbia Knights of Columbus councils are planning to host Fish Fries 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 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

EDGE IS IN PERSON & STILL ONLINE

Edge is meeting in-person today (2/21) from 3:30-4:45 in the MPR. Zoom sessions still offered at 6:30 p.m. Contact Emily with questions.

1ST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING FEB 28TH:

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 28th both at 1 p.m. Contact Emily for the zoom information.



Contact - Emily Shull
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KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: Talk with your family this week about what you'll do together for Lent.

For Parents: Jesus took time away to prepare for his ministry. What will your family do to prepare your hearts this Lent?



PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

SPIRIT
JESUS
DESERT

FORTY
SATAN
TESTED

ANIMALS
ANGELS
BELIEVE

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HELPFUL LINKS

INFORMATION ON ATTENDING MASSES

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

VIEW THE LIVESTREAM MASS

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

PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION

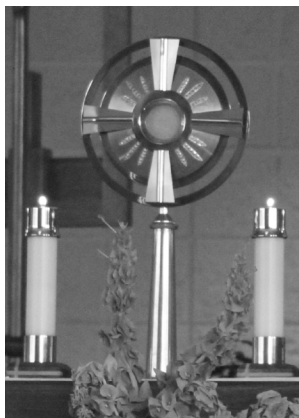
Visit www.comoneyman.org/public-health for the most updated information on our procedures and building hours.

PRAYER RESOURCES

Visit www.comoneyman.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

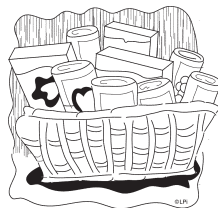
You can learn more about these options or set up an electronic way of giving on our website at www.comoneyman.org/parish/support/offertory. If you have any questions, please contact Angie Claas at angie@comoneyman.org.

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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