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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

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Noon (livestreamed)

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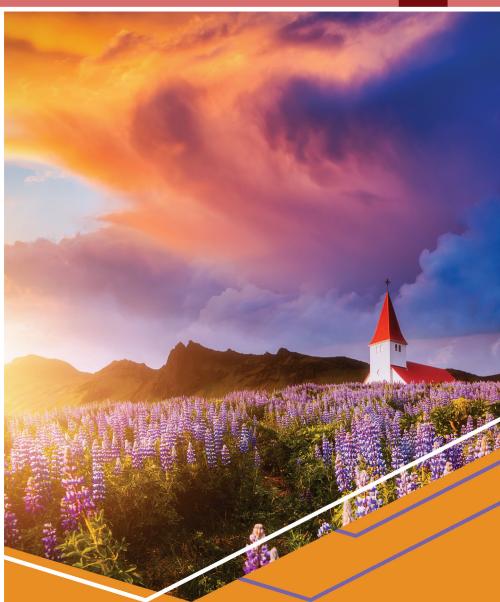
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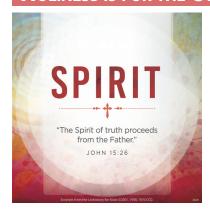
PENTECOST SUNDAY

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me." - Jn 15:26

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HOLINESS IS FOR THE ORDINARY



egin by taking a moment to calm yourself, focus on your breathing and become aware of the life force that flows through your veins. Center yourself in the words and affections of St. Augustine's Prayer to the Holy Spirit, "Breath in me, O Holy Spirit, that

my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy." Sanctifying, bringing things to wholeness, blessing, restoring and creating are just some of the fruits of the presence of the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit is not always about proclaiming loud cries of praise or singing alleluia from a roof top. It is about unfolding and encountering the ordinary in an extraordinary way. Being filled with the Holy Spirit means being filled with the fullness of God's life and in touch with the power and wonder of God's presence. It's about becoming holy.

It is not just for saints or people who have a religious vocation. Holiness is for the ordinary, simple run- of-the-mill person who desires to love God, others, and all of creation. When an ordinary, humble person becomes connected with life and the wondrous power of God's love, they begin to live life more deeply, a bit more reverently, desire a simple fare and find themselves relishing in ordinary beauty. Their senses become attuned to the Author of life and they realize that they are not alone. The Holy Spirit connects all of the dots of human experience and existence, bringing everyone to center on the Divine Presence. The Holy Spirit does not just breathe "on me" but "in me" and is the force behind every breath I take. Take a moment to soak that thought in. There is the Divine Presence of the Holy Spirit in me, right now. When a person becomes in touch with truth, they know that when inspired by the Holy Spirit, his or her actions are not solely their own. They realize that they are moved by Divine Grace and drawn to things not found in secular affairs.

We live in a world where it is hard to discover truth. Real truth is veiled by so many imposters that it is hard to find, especially for those who are young. It is easy to get fooled and duped and often, without full conscious awareness of doing so, we choose to walk down a path of self-absorption and destruction. It is only the Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the church most especially, who guides us to truth and shows us the way to be the graced and holy human beings God made us to be. The wonders and inspirations of today's Feast of Pentecost are necessary to share with both those we love and those who only casually cross our paths. The first disciples, touched by the Holy Spirit, brought the Gospel to the ends of the earth one step at a time. Is it unrealistic to ask that we assist in that same mission by helping people understand who they are and who God is one at a time? Ask the Holy Spirit to alleviate the fear in your heart that prevents you from doing so.

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AN UPDATE FROM BISHOP MCKNIGHT

From the Diocese of Jefferson City: "As more people become vaccinated and the number of COVID-19 cases decline in our area, Bishop W. Shawn McKnight has removed the general dispensation from attending Mass in person, as of June 1.

Please join us to worship together, in person, and to receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion, which nourishes our souls and heals us of our sins. We are indeed Better Together!" Below and on the next page is a copy of the official decree.



Diocese of Jefferson City

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

DECREE

Lifting the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on days of precept, and abrogating requirements, restrictions, and special allowances of previous DECREES for the COVID-19 pandemic

Whereas the number of COVID-19 positive cases has reportedly stabilized at low numbers throughout our region, and that there are reportedly sufficient medical resources to treat patients who become sick; and

Whereas the availability of government-approved vaccines for the novel coronavirus are reportedly sufficient to inoculate those desiring it; and

Whereas the State of Missouri and the officials of the various counties throughout the diocese have lifted or sharply reduced their requirements and restrictions with regard to the COVID-19

Whereas the importance of the celebration of the Eucharist, the source and summit of the Christian life, demands in-person attendance on days of precept whenever possible (cf. canon 1248 §1); and

Whereas having consulted the Bishops of the St. Louis Province on this matter at our meeting of 4 May 2021;

I therefore declare, as the Diocesan Bishop, the following:

- 1. The general dispensation of previous decrees from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and other days of precept is hereby abrogated. Individuals who are symptomatic, or who have been advised by medical doctors to avoid public gatherings, or who are otherwise ill or homebound, as well as their caregivers, are already dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass (cf. canon 1248 §2).
- 2. Those who are symptomatic for COVID-19 should not be permitted to enter church properties, in accordance with national, state and local health guidance









for our Newman Community

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

Pope Francis' May Prayer Intention: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Bishop McKnight's May Prayer Intention: May we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, our spiritual mother, this month by our support in charity for all mothers who struggle in poverty to raise their children.



- 3. The continuance of certain special protocols during the pandemic should be continued at the discretion of the pastor (the daily cleaning of high-contact surfaces and holy water fonts; the availability of hand sanitizer and use by ministers of Holy Communion; the observance of social distancing whenever possible; etc.). The wearing of facemasks is still encouraged, especially for those who have not been fully vaccinated.
- 4. Livestreaming of parish Masses and other important events has proven to be an effective pastoral means of keeping homebound and ill parishioners in contact with their parish community. Parishes are highly encouraged to continue this service in the future
- 5. The offertory procession, the taking up of the collection during Mass, the sign of peace, and the offering of the Precious Blood to the faithful may resume at the discretion of the pastor, administrator, or parish life collaborator, effective immediately
- 6. All legitimate national, state or local health directives must be observed. Parishes and Catholic institutions in the diocese must stand ready to adopt previous pandemic protocols in the event of a surge of infections
- 7. All other requirements, restrictions, or special allowances contained in previous decrees regarding the pandemic are hereby abrogated.

This decree is effective from 1 June 2021, unless otherwise indicated

Anything to the contrary notwithstanding

Given at the Chancery of the Diocese of Jefferson City on this 7th day of May 2021.



The Most Reverend W. Shawn McKnight, S.T.D

Constance Schepers

Mrs. Constance Schepers Chancellor

Bishop of Jefferson City

Mass Intentions

Monday, May 24	Noon	Luke Fick
Tuesday, May 25	Noon	† Antonio Lopez
Wednesday, May 26	Noon	† Pablo & Petra Dumlao
Thursday, May 27	Noon	+ Harold Hall
Friday, May 28	Noon	+ Mary Ellen Hughes
Saturday, May 29	5 p.m.	† Jerry Ray Nilges
Sunday, May 30	8:30 a.m.	Kathryn O. Roberts
Sunday, May 30	11 a.m.	† Clem Schulte
Sunday, May 30	5 p.m.	All Parishioners

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

Parish Finances

May 15/16

Offertory* \$16,366.56 \$90,514.34 Month-to-Date \$100,000.00 Budget for month

\$9,485.66 Variance

*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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Pastor | Fr. Dan Merz, S.L.D. | frdan Associate Pastor | Fr. Paul Clark | frclark Pastoral Associate | Sr. Karen Freund, O.P. | srkaren Deacon | Frank Ruggiero | frank.ruggiero Deacon | Gene Kazmierczak | deacon.gene

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In The Diocese

PROVIDE MEALS FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONARIES!

The Totus Tuus Missionaries, a group of college-aged students who are evangelizing to young people throughout the Diocese of Jefferson City this summer, are looking for generous volunteers to provide meals as we go about our ten-day training from May 27th-June 4th. All meals will be delivered to the Sacred Heart Education Building, and should be prepared for a group of 10-15 people. If you're able to provide a meal, please contact Joe at joepowers22@ gmail.com.

COLUMBIA AREA WHITE HOUSE MENS RETREAT

The men's retreat at the White House Jesuit Retreat Center in St. Louis for the Columbia area will be held June 10-13, 2021. In your silence, a hallmark of the St. Ignatius Spiritual Exercises, you will journey with the Lord in a renewal of mind, spirit and body. Covid-19 safety measures will be in place. For full details related to the safety measures or to register online, visit www. whitehouseretreat.org. If you register online the group is the Columbia Area Men's Retreat and the captain is Bill Busch. There are fewer spaces available due to COVID so register early to reserve your spot. For other retreat information and/or offline registration contact Bill Busch at 573-874-1212.

JOB OPENINGS AT TOLTON CATHOLIC

Fr. Tolton Catholic High School currently has openings for a part-time English and Yearbook instructor, as well as a part-time Spanish instructor. More information can be found online at https://toltoncatholic.org/job-openings. Applicants should send a resume to Rose Lloyd at rlloyd@toltoncatholic.org.



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FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: God's Love Poured Out (on the Holy Spirit) Kids: Break-In at the Basilica

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

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

The weekend of May 22/23, there will be baskets out for the annual Diocesan Communication & Education collection. Proceeds help with evangelization through media as well as funding scholarships for diocesan priests at the Catholic University of America in Washington DC.

GRATITUDE CELEBRATION FOR SR. KAREN FREUND

In gratitude for her service to the women of our Columbia Catholic parishes, the women are hosting an informal gathering for Sr. Karen on Monday, June 7 at Gordon Shelter House in Stephen's Lake Park (enter from Broadway).

Plan to stop by anytime between 4 and 6 pm. All are welcome, men too! Bring a snack to share. Due to Covid precautions, please bring easy-to-serve individual portions of food, i.e. bananas instead of a fruit salad; cookies or pre-cut bars instead of a pie--that sort of

Drinks and table service will be provided. There are no plans for a "group gift". Masks and social distancing encouraged.

Need more information? Contact Susan Devaney at devaney. susan@gmail.com

CONFIRMATION CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all who received the Sacramant of Confirmation last weekend! Thank you to all who helped prepare our students for this beautiful Sacrament. Please continue to pray for them!





Como Life Teen

SUMMER LIFE NIGHTS COMING SOON!

Life Nights have ended for the semester, but that doesn't mean the fun has stopped! Join us for our summer activities over the next few months. We're so excited to meet our incoming freshmen and celebrate our seniors!

Check out our social media for our summer schedule and more info! You can find us on Facebook and Instagram at @ comolifeteen. If you're looking to join our email list or GroupMe, email Renee!

Summer Schedule 2021

June 10 — Midway Mini Golf at 7 p.m. June 20-25 — Totus Tuus in the evenings at Newman

July 1 — Service Project: Litter Team Cleanup at 7 p.m. **July 16-18** — Steubenville (or substitute) July 27 — Souls & Goals at Lourdes at 7 p.m. (Other yard games will be available if soccer isn't your thing!)

August 12 — Bonfire + Movie Night at 7 p.m. at Newman's courtyard

September 12 — Fall Kick Off Party

Bible & Breakfast Schedule

Newman Courtvard, 10 a.m. Join us for Bible Study: Living Out the Gospel (Bring your own Bible; we'll provide breakfast)!

June 4 — The Word of God

June 18 - Daily Prayer

July 9 — The Sacraments

July 23 — The Holy Spirit



CEP & EDGE

1ST COMMUNION FAMILIES PLEASE FINISH ASAP!

Today, May 23rd from Noon-2 p.m. we'll have our last family event. If you still need a 1st Communion interview, banner materials, etc. please get back in touch! Mass information for June 13th is in your inbox, so please check your email for further details.

CEP & EDGE FINISHED CHECK EMAIL FOR SUMMER INFO

We're planning events now but waiting on some info about CPS summer school covid guidelines to finalize things. The most up to date information is available by email. Contact Emily if you are NOT recieving emails.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY BACK JUNE 13TH

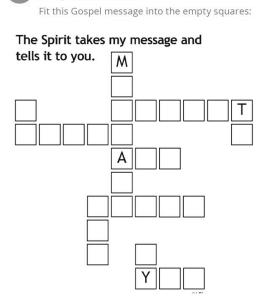
Kids ages 3 up to rising 5th graders are welcome to join us at Children's Liturgy at the 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses! We are also in need of volunteers. Please contact Emily for information about covid policies or to volunteer!



KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: The Holy Spirit is always with us. You can always pray, "Come Holy Spirit" when you are afraid or worried and when you are happy too!

For Parents: We have a role in bringing the love and joy of God to others. It's important to notice God at work, but also to plan together how you will join God in the great work of building the Kingdom!



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.

VITAE PRO-LIFE DINNER IN COLUMBIA

Join the Vitae Foundation's Annual Pro-Life Dinner on Tuesday, June 29th in Columbia! It will be held at the Hampton Inn and Suites at the University, 1225 Fellows Boulevard. The Luncheon is from 12:00-1:30PM and the dinner is from 7:00-9:00PM! The keynote speaker will be Mia Love. If anyone is interested in attending or sponsoring a table of 10 (for students, young adults, staff, or others who may not otherwise be able to afford it), reach out to Fr. Dan at frdan@comonewman.org. The dinner will be following Columbia health guidelines. You can register on the parish sign ups page

NEWMAN NIGHT AT THE FOOD BACK RETURNS!

Newman Night at the Food Bank is returning Tuesday, June 8th! Instead of Monday's, The Food Bank for Central & Northeast MO is asking we volunteer on the second Tuesday of each month. The hours are from 5:30-7:30. The Food Bank requires all volunteers to set up a profile.

Please follow these instructions to register online for your reserved event(s):

- 1. Visit the The Food Bank for Central & Northeast MO event registration page: http://cerv.is/m?0248rNEWMANCENTER (This link will only display the events specifically reserved for our group).
- 2. Select your desired event and follow the on screen instructions to access the CERVIS registration system. If this is your first time using the CERVIS online registration system, you will be prompted to create a Volunteer Profile.

Event Reservation Code: NEWMANCENTER

The Food Bank requires that volunteers NOT wear open toed shoes, such as flip-flops, as a safety concern. The Food Bank's address is 2101 Vandiver Drive. If you have questions, please call Gloria Young at 573-673-3070.



Contact - Angelle Hall nvc@comonewman.org





