

ST. THOMAS MORE NEWMAN CENTER

NEWMAN NEWS

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SATURDAY MASS TIME

5 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

8:30 a.m.

11 a.m. (livestreamed)

5 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES (M-F)

Noon (livestreamed)

ADORATION

Wednesdays: 12:30-1:30 p.m.

(Confession also offered)

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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Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." - Jn 6:32-33

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COME, FOLLOW ME



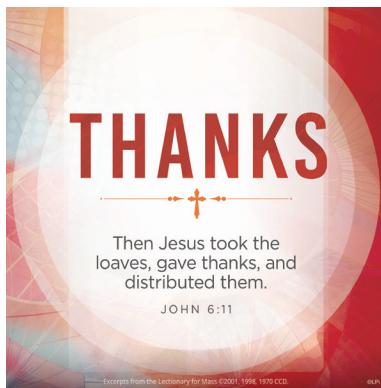
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“You cannot see the forest for the trees” is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope

for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don't like, want, and don't want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don't move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before.

We like it when the “now” time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled

with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

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NEW LOGO AND REVISED MISSION/VISION

THE MEANING BEHIND THE LOGO

Echoing Fr. Dan's sentiments from last weekend's bulletin, you will start seeing a new logo and colors throughout our parish communications. Here's a little more about the logo:

St. Thomas More Newman Center Parish has been known as “Newman” for many years, which is why the word Newman is so prominent.

Though our formal name currently still reflects the word “center,” Fr. Dan and all of us at Newman are placing a stronger emphasis on unity as one **parish family**.

The building face is the tower on the main entrance to our building on Turner Avenue and is unique to our community.

Our motto remains Cor ad Cor Loquitur - “heart speaks to heart.”

Whether that's with God, another parishioner or through Catholic tradition, we believe in the importance of speaking from the heart.



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT AS A COMMUNITY OF FAITH

With the help of grace, to form a Catholic community of faith who cultivates beauty, truth, goodness, communion, and justice.

THE VISION FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

A people in right relationship with God and their community.





WE PRAY

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

Pope Francis' August Prayer Intention: Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Bishop McKnight's August Prayer Intention: As we begin this school year, may all recognize our shared mission to hand on our Catholic faith to the next generation.

TITHING REPORT

June 2021

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

\$304.93	Columbia Meals on Wheels
\$254.11	Coyote Hill Children's Home
\$152.47	Day Dreams Foundation
\$355.75	Food Bank of Central/NE MO
\$101.64	Heart of Missouri Girls on the Run
\$203.29	Habitat for Humanity
\$203.29	Life Network of Central Missouri
\$254.11	Love, INC.
\$101.64	Spectrum Health Care
\$355.75	St. Francis House
\$101.64	Tiger Pantry
\$203.29	True North
\$304.93	Vitae Foundation
\$254.11	Voluntary Action Center
\$203.29	Welcome Home

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 2	Noon	<i>Communion Service</i>
Tuesday, August 3	Noon	+ Jerry Ray Nilges
Wednesday, August 4	Noon	+ Timothea Mengwasser-Boes
Thursday, August 5	Noon	+ Theresa Titus
Friday, August 6	Noon	+ Karl Artinger
Saturday, August 7	5 p.m.	+ Walter Artinger
Sunday, August 8	8:30 a.m.	+ Theresa Titus
Sunday, August 8	11 a.m.	+ Loretta Kempf
Sunday, August 8	5 p.m.	All Parishioners

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

PARISH FINANCES

July 24/25

Offertory*	\$11,907.24
Month-to-Date	\$95,393.97
Budget for month	\$100,000.00
Variance	- \$4,606.03

**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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IN THE DIOCESE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AS MENTORS FOR REFUGEES

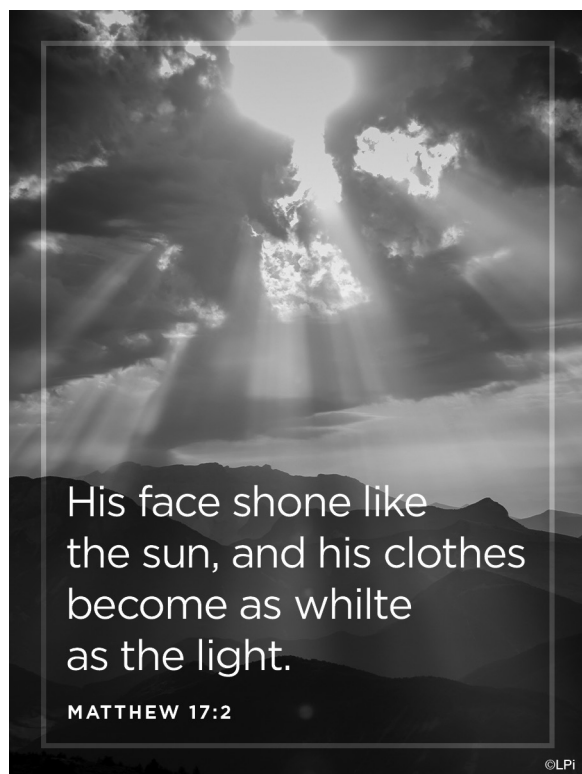
Mentors for refugee youth and young adults will meet weekly with their mentee (aged 15-24) during the ten weeks of summer between July-September, exact start date to be determined. Mentors will provide friendship and support to the mentee, doing activities of their choosing together, for example: visiting local parks, walking on trails, bike riding, visiting the library, and providing tutoring. Interested? Contact Amber Kemp at akemp@cccnmo.org or (573) 540-1122.

CENTERING PRAYER RETREAT

If you regularly practice Centering Prayer, you may be interested in a 6-day intensive prayer retreat sponsored by Contemplative Outreach of Central MO. It will be held from Saturday, Aug. 29 through Friday, Sept. 3 at King's House retreat center in Belleville, IL. This retreat director is Fr. Matthew Flatley. For more information and to register go to cocemo.org/fall-intensive-retreat.

MEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND #69

Men's Cursillo weekend #69 is scheduled for September 30 - October 3, 2021, subject to Coronavirus cancellations. This 4-day retreat begins on Thursday at 6:30 pm, and concludes on Sunday at 5:00 pm. It will be conducted in Moberly at St. Pius X parish. Cost to attend is a recommendation. Sponsors are encouraged to plan now and submit your candidate's applications. Forms are available on the diocesan website. Contact Bill Busch at 573-874-1212 for information.



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FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Lectio Eucharist

Kids: The Bread of Life: Celebrating the Eucharist

See the parish website to get your account set up or contact emily.shull@comonewman.org

AT-HOME OR CARE CENTER COMMUNION

Our parish has Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who bring the Eucharist to those unable to come to Church. We also have a Meal Ministry that provides food for short-term needs. Please call the church office to make arrangements.

NEWMAN NEEDLEWORKS RESUMES IN PERSON TUESDAY

Newman Needleworks will begin meeting in-person again in August! Please join us on the first and third Tuesdays of each month beginning on Tuesday, August 3, 2021. Newman Needleworks meets from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Romero Room. All crafters and anyone who would like to learn to knit or crochet are welcome to join us. If you have questions, please e-mail Jan Pritchard at: jpritchard@socket.net.

NEWMAN SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU!

Many thanks to those who braved the triple digit heat index to donate blood for our sisters and brothers in need. Though our initial donor sign-ups were way down, the example and encouragement from Frs. Dan and Paul brought many walk-ins up after Mass. Thus, Newman produced 51 units of urgently needed blood. Thank you, donors! We also thank the volunteers who worked the drive, and those who made sweets for the canteen. Finally, we thank Hy-Vee for the orange juice and fruit.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION SURVEY

Rebecca Sloan serves as our new Director of Pastoral Counseling and Adult Faith Formation. See the weekly parish email to fill out a brief survey so she can best serve the needs of our community with lectures, studies, discussions and more.

If you are not receiving the weekly parish emails, contact the communications coordinator at troy@comonewman.org

COMO LIFE TEEN

SUMMER BONFIRE AND MOVIE: AUGUST 12

Join us for our last event of the summer - a bonfire and movie night at Newman! We'll be out in the courtyard making s'mores, playing with chalk and yard games, and hanging out. Once it's dark, we'll project a movie. This event will run from 7-10 p.m. on Aug. 12, and all high schoolers are welcome!

FALL SCHEDULE AND EVENTS COMING SOON!

Check out our social media for our fall 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

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR 7TH - 12TH GRADERS

All 7th graders through 12th graders who have not yet been confirmed should sign up. High schoolers - this is your last chance to be confirmed with other high schoolers before the typical diocesan age level of 7th grade for Confirmation is enacted. Registration links can be found on the parish website.



Contact - Renee Molner
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CEP & EDGE

EDGE FREEZER MEALS FOR RONALD MCDONALD PREP

Please join us August 8th from 3-5 p.m. in the MPR kitchen. Ronald McDonald House provides meals to families with kids who are in the hospital but in summer, many evening cooking slots are unfilled and our freezer meals fill the gap. Contact emily to get signed up.



Contact - Emily Shull
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KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: Sometimes we care about things like what others think but only what God thinks of us matters.

For Parents: Jesus tells us to work for food that perishes but the demands of life often seem so overwhelming. Ask God for help keeping our priorities straight and helping us show our kids how to do the same.



PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

FOOD	MANNA	LIFE
THIRSTY	FAITH	HUNGRY
MIRACLE	BREAD	COMES

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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.

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.

SERVICE AND JUSTICE

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.

NEXT NEWMAN NIGHT @ THE FOOD BANK: AUGUST 10

Newman Night at the Food Bank is returning August 20! 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. If you have questions, or need help setting up a profile, please call Gloria Young at 573-673-3070.

LOAVES AND FISHES AUGUST 11

Thinking of doing more service? Loaves & Fishes is perfect for you! On the 2nd Wednesday of each month, Newman cooks and serves at Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen here in Columbia. The meal for Loaves and Fishes will be cooked at the Loaves and Fishes site (702 Wilkes Blvd). Masks and gloves will be required for both cooking and serving. Please bring your own mask if possible; if not, masks will be available. Gloves will be available, and do not be afraid to change gloves when needed. Wash hands thoroughly before using gloves.

We will definitely need help! Early August can be tough to get volunteers! Visit our website "ministries" page to sign up!

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Refugee and Immigration Services of Catholic Charities settles refugees in Columbia who don't know English. Additionally, they have many others in the community who have varying language skills. They need your help to learn English, become integrated in their new home, and simply to have a friend.

Won't you help? If you can speak English, you can do this; no specialized skill is necessary. Training will be provided.

Prayerfully consider volunteering with the Sacred Heart Church Language Program. Classes are starting in the fall. Email shclanguage@gmail.com or contact Pat Gerke @ 573-356-1049 or Louise Ochoa @ 828-729-3340. Thank you!



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