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**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.



**16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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## WELCOME TO OUR STAFF: REBECCA SLOAN!



**REBECCA SLOAN**  
*Director of Pastoral  
Counseling & Adult  
Faith Formation*

So often in life we are confronted with difficult circumstances and are wondering why on earth a loving God would allow things to happen the way they do. It may be in big ways or small things, but we are left scratching our heads as to what His plan might be. Then, as we take a moment to look back on our lives, it is possible to see how God has brought so much good out of these head scratchers.

I once heard the analogy of God being like a weaver and our lives like a rug He is creating. To an untrained eye, as the Weaver works on the back side of a carpet, it looks like just a huge mess of knots and tangles. It would be easy to discard it, because it looks so chaotic. But when the Weaver is finished and turns it over, we can see an amazingly intricate creation, full of amazing detail and beauty. This side of heaven we rarely get these glimpses of the partially finished front side of the rug; but as I settle in as the new Director of Pastoral Counseling here at Newman, I feel like I have been able to have one of those rare glimpses.

There are so many circumstances that seem to have been divinely inspired to lead me to this place and time, to work with this incredible team. I have so much hope and excitement to see what He is going to do next. If I know one thing for sure though, it will not be easy. I mean seriously, look at Mary. She said yes to being the Mother of God, and within the first 9 months she was coping with being an unwed teenage mother, had to go on a road trip, either walking or riding a donkey (not sure which would be worse) while super pregnant and then gave birth in a stable. Whew! So much for faithful followers getting special treatment. While what she was called to was far from easy, God gave her incredible grace to accomplish what he was calling her to do. And if he wasn't cutting his mama any slack, I would be crazy to expect anything different, right?

This said, as I work to serve all of you, I ask for your prayers. I fully recognize the work here is His work, not mine. Please offer prayers for wisdom and openness to the Spirit for me, prayers for the staff and priests here, prayers for the parish and our unity and spiritual growth. There are great things that God can and will do when we have hearts open and willing to receive, and I want to make sure we are focusing on Him through prayer, to be aware of the blessings he is offering us. If we are rooted in prayer, we will be living with open hands and hearts, and our eyes fixed on Him. Then we can be ready to receive whatever He gives us with trust, knowing he has a plan...even if it looks like pure chaos to our eyes.

In this new position I will be wearing several hats. I will be working from my counseling background in a variety of capacities, both individually and in other settings. I will also be coordinating adult faith formation and services to the homebound, taking on some of Sr. Karen's former duties. So, I am sure I will cross paths with many of you on a regular basis. When that happens, please come up and introduce yourself! I look forward to meeting you and getting to know your stories and working with you to see the beautiful patterns of the rugs that are your lives.

Peace in Christ,

*Rebecca Sloan*

## COMING UP AT NEWMAN...

### STUDENTS: HELP OUT WITH FALL OUTREACH

Ignite: Lite is a new, one-night retreat for incoming freshmen and we need current students to serve on staff.

**Freshmen are coming,  
and we need your help!**

Staff applications are available now for Ignite: Lite,  
a new, one-night retreat for incoming freshmen  
to be held August 20!

Use the QR code or  
**bit.ly/ignitelite**  
for more info!

Ignite: Lite  
Friday August 20  
5-11 PM  
Newman Parish

**ignite**



## WE PRAY

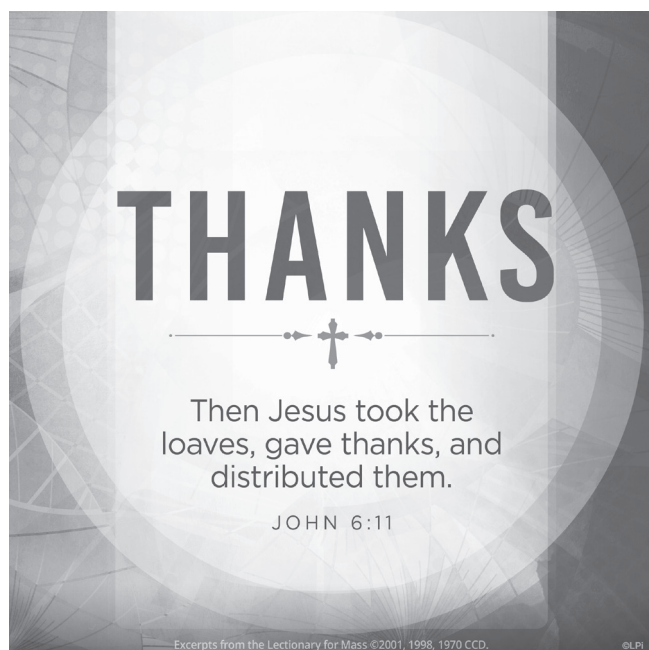
*"It is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the living and the dead." 2 Maccabees 12:46*

*Pope Francis' July Prayer Intention: We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.*

*Bishop McKnight's July Prayer Intention: We pray for our country at this moment in history, that the dreams of life, liberty and happiness remain in our hearts as well as the desire that we will always be one nation under God.*

For healing and good health  
*Marlene Duffield, Bobby Pezold & Betty Weisel*

## A LOOK AT NEXT SUNDAY



**July 25 | 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 145  
Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 19	Noon	<i>Communion service</i>
Tuesday, July 20	Noon	+ Jose Occeña
Wednesday, July 21	Noon	+ Mary Weable
Thursday, July 22	Noon	+ Paul Meyer
Friday, July 23	Noon	+ Thomas McCain
Saturday, July 24	5 p.m.	+ Marge Green
Sunday, July 25	8:30 a.m.	+ All Parishioners
Sunday, July 25	11 a.m.	Bau Huynh
Sunday, July 25	5 p.m.	Max Lewis

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

## PARISH FINANCES

July 2021

July 3/4 Offertory	\$45,376.03
July 10/11 Offertory	\$6,629.70
July to Date	\$52,005.73
Budget for June	\$100,000.00
Variance for March	- 47,994.27

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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www.comonewman.org | All emails end in: @comonewman.org

### Pastoral Staff

Pastor | Fr. Dan Merz, S.L.D. | *frdan*  
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### Campus Ministry

Director | Angelle Hall | *angelle.hall*  
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Director | Kevin Myers, DWS | *kevin.myers*  
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RCIA Coordinator | Lisa Rose | *lisa.rose*

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Receptionist | Janet Kelly | *reception*  
Accounts Manager | Angie Claas | *angie*  
Communications Coordinator | Troy D'Souza | *troy*

## 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](mailto:akemp@cccnmo.org) or (573) 540-1122.

### STRESS-FREE RETIREMENT PLANNING WEBINAR

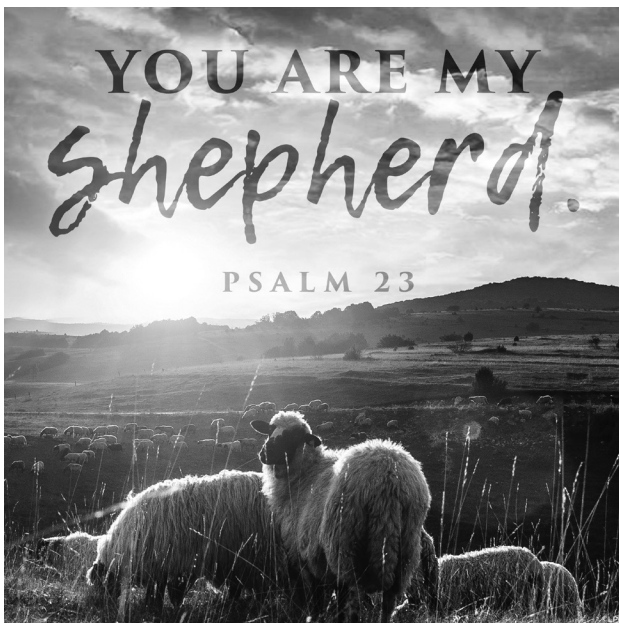
Join us on July 28 at 7 p.m. for an informative online presentation by inspirational speaker and behavioral finance expert Joe Jordan. Joe will discuss "Stress-Free Retirement Planning," including how to plan for your financial future and secure retirement. Joe believes in the mission of the Knights to protect families by providing economic security and stability. Only by helping others can we truly "Live a Significant Life."

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

For more information or to register, please visit [MizzouKnights.org](http://MizzouKnights.org)

### 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. 4 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](http://cocemo.org/fall-intensive-retreat).



## NEWMAN NEWS

### FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Easter in Art Mary Magdalene

Kids: Lucas Storyteller: Saints Anne and Joachim

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.

### YOUNG ADULT HAPPY HOUR

The Young Adults at Newman group is going to enjoy a happy hour on Wednesday, July 14, and we want you there! This group for those post-undergrad to 35 years old has monthly events and weekly bible studies. We'll grab drinks on the 14th at 7 p.m. - we'll choose where we want to go in our GroupMe. To join the GroupMe or get emails, email Renee at [renee.molner@comonewman.org](mailto:renee.molner@comonewman.org).

### NEWMAN NEEDLEWORKS RESUMES IN PERSON

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: [jpritcha@socket.net](mailto:jpritcha@socket.net).

### NEWMAN BLOOD DRIVE NEXT SUNDAY!

Newman's annual summer blood drive will be Next Sunday, July 25, from 8 am to 1 pm upstairs in the MPR. You can sign up to donate blood by going on line at [Redcrossblood.org](http://Redcrossblood.org) and use the sponsor keyword: "NewmanCenterMo," or use the link on Newman's web site (go to: "for parish" and then "Sunday News"). You can also do your Health History questions online on the day of the drive, before arriving, saving 10 to 20 minutes in the donor room. Just go to [redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://redcrossblood.org/rapidpass). Walk-ins are also welcome next Sunday on the day of the drive.

You can donate if you:

- Are at least 17 years old. (16 with signed parental form).
- Weigh at least 110 lbs.
- Haven't donated since May 30th.
- Have an ID (driver's license, donor card, etc.)
- Are in good health. (Please eat a good breakfast on the morning of the drive.)



# COMO LIFE TEEN

## STEUBENVILLE THIS WEEKEND: PRAY FOR OUR TEENS!

Please pray for our teens as we go to Steubenville Mid-America July 16-18!

## UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

Our next high school events will be Bible & Breakfast (the final one of the summer!) on July 23 at 10 a.m. at Newman and Souls & Goals at 7 p.m. at Lourdes on July 27. Whether it's over breakfast while studying the Bible or playing games outside with friends, we're excited to see you and keep enjoying summer with you all!

## CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR 7TH - 12TH GRADERS

Confirmation registration has opened for the 2021-2022 year! All 7th graders through 12th graders who have not yet been confirmed should sign up. Registration links can be found on the parish website.



Contact - Renee Molner  
renee.molner@comonewman.org



# CEP & EDGE

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JULY 26-30

Join the Circus of Stars 9a.m. to Noon daily. We'll be focusing on God Our Father all of us, the stars in his show! Music, skits, crafts, games and more! We will have some modifications to this year's program. Contact for more details. Cost is \$40/child and scholarships are available.

## SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR VBS

We're looking for volunteers for Vacation Bible School. Adults, college, high school and middle school volunteers welcome. See the parish sign-ups page for details.

## DINNER AT RONALD MCDONALD JULY 20

Help us prepare dinner for families with kids in the hospital. Masks and closed toed shoes required for this event. Contact Emily to get signed up.



Contact - Emily Shull  
emily.shull@comonewman.org

# KIDS' CORNER

**For Kids:** We need time to rest just like Jesus and his followers. Take time to rest this week.

**For Parents:** As life gets back to the busy normal, look at your family calendar and make sure there is time for rest and time together. Jesus wanted rest for his closest followers.

## PUZZLE

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

PLACE  
APOSTLES  
ALONE

GOING  
BOAT  
CROWD

SHEPHERD  
PEOPLE  
TEACHING

F T G E R T H A O S P  
E A L O N E L R T U E  
R P N D I T O J S H O  
B O A T O N L D I M P  
E S V R T I G T H Y L  
P T H A D O N G A C E  
N L U G T B U T S R M  
T E A C H I N G Y O A  
P S O C L W C O I W N  
G A S H E P H E R D T

## HELPFUL LINKS

### INFORMATION ON ATTENDING MASSES

Visit [www.comonewman.org/attend-mass](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.comonewman.org/parish/support/offertory). If you have any questions, please contact Angie Claas at [angie@comonewman.org](mailto: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.

### Catholic Charities Refugee Services Orientation – Welcoming the Newcomer



Second Wednesdays of each month  
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm CST

Learn about refugees around the world and in our community. Learn how you can GET INVOLVED!

Orientation is required prior to volunteering.

CCCNMO is the ONLY refugee resettlement agency in Columbia and Mid-Missouri and serves all regardless of faith, culture, or situation.

#### 2021 Dates:

February 10	August 11
March 10	September 8
April 14	October 13
May 12	November 10
June 9	December 8
July 14	

For additional information and to register contact:  
**Diana Twombly at**  
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