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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)

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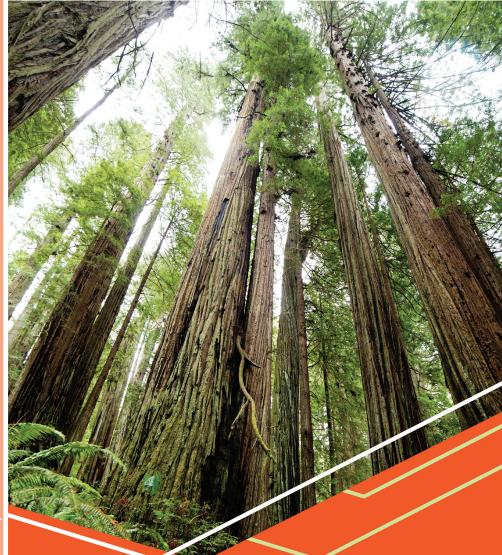
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OFFICE HOURS:

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.



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What kind of wisdom has been given him? What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

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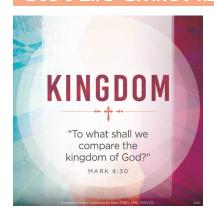
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God's Life-Giving Presence



t's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into

their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are so engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinary-ness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what he has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's

graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either.

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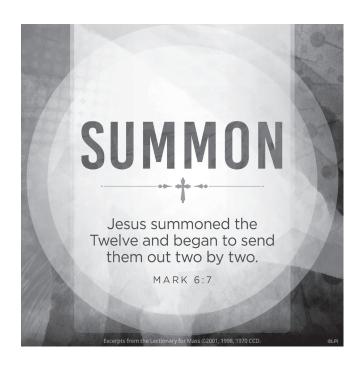
"It is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the living and the dead." 2 Maccabees 12:46

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

A Look at Next Sunday



July 11 | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 85 Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13

Mass Intentions

9 a.m.	† Sarah Hanson
Noon	Catherine Snedden
Noon	+ Kylie Triola
Noon	Communion Service
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5 p.m.	† Charles Wilson
8:30 a.m.	† Gary Winter
11 a.m.	All Parishioners
5 p.m.	+ Joseph Schulte
	Noon Noon Noon 5 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11 a.m.

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

Parish Finances	June 26/2
Offertory* Month-to-Date Budget for month	\$14,547.78 \$95,663.76 \$100,000.00
Variance	- \$10.336.24

*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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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.

MCC FROM THE CAPITOL

In the latest episode of MCC from the Capitol, MCC Executive Director Tyler McClay talks with Mary Hasson about the Equality Act and gender ideology. During this episode, Tyler and Mary discuss these very sensitive issues from a Catholic perspective, providing an understanding and a way forward for the faithful who may know someone struggling with gender confusion. Mary also weighs in on the Equality Act, and the impact it would have on religious organizations and individuals if it were to pass.

Visit mocatholic.org to listen to the podcast episodes!

MATH POSITION - JOB OPENING AT TOLTON CATHOLIC

Fr. Tolton Catholic High School currently has an opening for a full-time Math position teaching Advanced Algebra I, Algebra II, PreCalculus, and AP Calculus for the 2021-22 school year. Applicants should send a resume to Rose Lloyd at rlloyd@ toltoncatholic.org

TITHING REPORT

May 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

\$376.37	Columbia Meals on Wheels
\$313.65	Coyote Hill Children's Home
\$188.19	Day Dreams Foundation
\$439.10	Food Bank of Central/NE MO
\$125.46	Heart of Missouri Girls on the Run
\$250.92	Habitat for Humanity
\$250.92	Life Network of Central Missouri
\$313.65	Love, INC.
\$125.46	Spectrum Health Care
\$439.10	St. Francis House
\$125.46	Tiger Pantry
\$250.92	True North
\$376.37	Vitae Foundation
\$313.65	Voluntary Action Center
\$250.92	Welcome Home

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FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Saint Thomas More: The Age of the Author Kids: Look Again, Thomas (book)

See the 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.

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 websites.

SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE: JULY 25 AT NEWMAN

After two special Covid 19 blood drives at Newman, we hope to be more back to normal at this year's summer blood drive. We welcome all of our regular blood donors back and invite any 1st time donors to our summer blood drive. It will be held Sunday, July 25, from 8 am to 1 pm up in the MPR. The need for blood remains constant, but the supply often runs short in the "dog days of summer," because MU students are gone, folks are on vacation, and the heat and humidity keep donors away. The Red Cross also says that many of the elective surgeries, postponed because of Covid, are now taking place increasing the need for blood. Please mark your calendars for this important blood drive; our sisters and brothers in need of blood depend on you.

Visit our website to sign up and read about what the process of giving blood is like!

NEW NEWMAN WEBSITE

The next time you go to our website, it might look at little different! We've rolled out some changes to our website that will make it easier to find information and navigate. There's still small changes that will continue to be made but iff you have any questions about the website please contact troy@comonewman.org





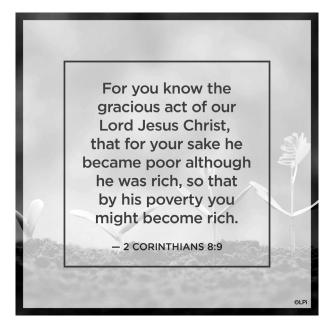
Como Life Teen

BIBLE & BREAKFAST JULY 9

Join CoMo Life Teen for Bible & Breakfast on July 9! We'll meet at Newman at 10 am for breakfast foods and a Bible study geared toward our high schoolers. Any teens incoming freshmen through outgoing seniors are invited to join. We can't wait to see you there!

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!





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. Masks will be optional but never discouraged. Contact for more details. Cost is \$40/child scholarships 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 website

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY JULY 4TH:

We're giving volunteers the day off in honor of the Independence Day holiday.

KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: We know Jesus is God's son, but we can't even understand what a great gift he is to us! Thank Jesus this week for his great love.

For Parents: Like those in Nazareth, it's easy for us to miss what's right in front of us. How is God present to you and your family in the small and large blessings you experience everyday? Take time to look back on your week and acknowledge those blessings.





Unscramble words from today's Gospel reading:

Jesus taught wisdom	power miracle town	prophet heal faith
Jseus	<u>J e s u</u>	<u>S</u>
pwero		_
phetrop		
fathi		_
tnow		
wisomd		
taghtu		
mirclea		
hale		

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.

HELP WANTED: LOAVES AND FISHES JULY 14

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 really need help!! Visit our website to sign up.

NEXT NEWMAN NIGHT @ THE FOOD BANK: JULY 13

Newman Night at the Food Bank is returning Tuesday, July 13th! 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. If you have questions, or need help setting up a profile, please call Gloria Young at 573-673-3070.







