THOMAS MORE NEWMAN CENTER

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 29, 2021 | www.comonewman.org



### SATURDAY MASS TIME 5 p.m.

### **SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

8:30 a.m.

11 a.m. (livestreamed)

5 p.m.

8 p.m. (Student Mass)

### **WEEKDAY MASSES (M-F)**

Noon (livestreamed)

### **ADORATION**

Tu, Th, F: 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. 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 from 10-12 a.m.

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22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me,

all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from

outside can defile that person; but the things that come out

from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

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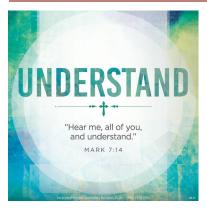
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

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## He Meets Us Where We Are



lbert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to

put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and selfpreservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling.

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#### MARK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: STUDENTS AND RESIDENTS

at 918-999-3061 or maw2mt@umsystem.edu

College Ministry at Newman Parish is partnering with Catholic Charities Refugee and Immigration Services to provide after school tutors and mentors for refugee families new to Columbia.

**Students:** MARK is in need of college student mentors! Columbia Residents: We are looking for adult volunteers willing to help support college-student mentors during the MARK nights.

Contact Yvonne Chamberlain to learn more.

### **N**EWMAN **N**EWS

### FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Formed Now: Pope St. Gregory the Great Kids: The Slugs & Bugs Show

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

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION HOLY SPIRIT DISCUSSION

Join the Newman Adult Faith Formation on Thursdays starting September 2nd from 10-11am to learn more about the Holy Spirit. We will journey through the 12 part Wild Goose series and engage in discussions about them. If you are interested in attending please email rebecca@comonewman.org so we can arrange for sufficient, socially distanced seating. Look forward to seeing you there!

### **MORNING HOLY HOURS ARE BACK!**

Eucharistic Adoration holy hours are taking place Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:30 - 9:30 am in addition to the regularly scheduled Wednesday time!

## Como Life Teen

### FIRST FALL LIFE NIGHT: SEPTEMBER 12

Join us for our first Life Night of the semester on Sept 12! We'll be meeting from 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart's Activity building for a fall kick-off party. In following CPS guidelines, we'll require masks indoors regardless of vaccination status. We'll do as much outdoors as possible. We're excited to have our food ministry back - we'll be starting each Life Night with dinner!

#### **FALL SCHEDULE AND EVENTS**

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



## College Ministry

### **IGNITE FRESHMAN RETREAT SEPTEMBER 10-11**

Jf you're a freshman college student, we invite you to join us for a two day retreat on September 10 & 11! You will hear talks about the importance of faith, friendship, and community in college and have lots of time to get to know others who are also new to campus.

### **BIBLE STUDY LAUNCH PARTIES**

Small group Bible studies are a great way to make a large campus community feel smaller, get to know people and dive deeper into faith. If you're interested in learning more / joining one, stop by Newman on August 31 or September 1! Meet some of the leaders and find a study that fits your schedule!

### **E3 FELLOWSHIP NIGHTS - WEDNESDAYS AT 9 PM**

Ephesians 3 (E3) is a weekly worship night with a talk, prayer, music and fellowship! Join us every Wednesday at 9 p.m.



### **REGISTER FOR CEP CLASSES FOR KIDS PREK-5TH**

Religious Ed classes for kids age 3 to 5th grade will begin Wednesday, September 8th & Sunday, September 12th. We will require masks while kids are indoors. Click "parish family" on the website or contact emily.shull@comonewman.org for more information and to get registered.

### **CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETINGS AUG 29 & SEP 7**

This year our first group of middle school students are invited to prepare for Confirmation. Please join us for a parent meeting to explain requirements either August 29th at 3:30 in the MPR or September 7th at 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart. Regular sessions will be second Sundays from 2:30-4:30p.m. beginning September 12th. Masks will be required while indoors but we'll be outdoors as much as possible. Click "parish family" on the website or contact Emily for more information and to get registered.

### **EDGE RESUMES SEPTEMBER 12TH**

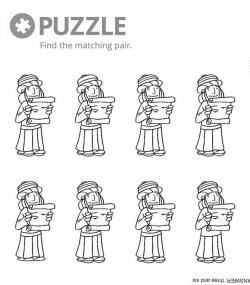
All 6th, 7th & 8th graders are invited to join us at EDGE Sunday, September 12th at 6-7:30 p.m. Middle School families are invited to register on the parish sign-ups page but sign-ups are not required. Masks will be required while indoors but we'll be outdoors as much as possible.



## Kids' Corner

For Kids: Do you ever tattle when it won't help? Can you try to be kind this week when someone is bugging you?

For Parents: Sometimes as in today's gospel we get caught up in the small stuff and fail to see the larger point of family rules. Talk as a family about how rules can help if we can try to be kind and commit to focusing on the big stuff and try to let go of things that just get on our nerves.



### 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.

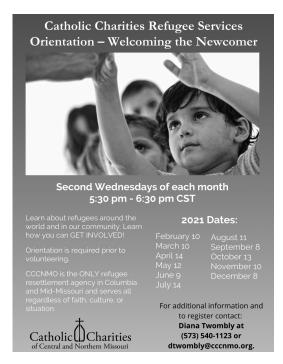
#### **NEXT NEWMAN NIGHT @ THE FOOD BANK: SEPTEMBER 14**

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 SEPTEMBER 8**

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.

Visit our website "ministries" page to sign up!





## 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.

### **OLLIS AFTER CARE WORKERS NEEDED**

Our Lady of Lourdes Interparish School (OLLIS) is looking for employees to work in the after care program. The duties include supervising and interacting with the students. The hours are 2:30-5:30 pm Monday - Friday, with every 2nd Wednesday starting at 1:30pm. If you are interested, please let me know your consistent day(s) of availability each week. You can reach Lisa, Director of Tiger's Den at tigersden@ollisk8.org. Thank you for your interest!

### **AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRL INFO SESSION AUGUST 30**

American Heritage Girls (AHG) is a Christ-centered, character development program for girls ages 5-18 years. AHG focuses on six Program Emphases: Faith, Leadership, Citizenship, Social, Emotional, and Life Skills. The AHG troop at Our Lady of Lourdes invites interested families to attend our Fall Kickoff and Information Session on August 30th. Please contact Barb Kasper @ mo0211ahg@gmail.com for details and to RSVP.



## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, August 30	Noon	† Corazon Occeña	
Tuesday, August 31	Noon	† Chuck Jira	
Wednesday, September 1	Noon	† Jeffrey Barker	
Thursday, September 2	Noon	† Alexander Lising	
Friday, September 3	Noon	† Marge Green	
Saturday, September 4	5 p.m.	† Fred Boeckmann	
Sunday, September 5	8:30 a.m.	† Theresa Titus	
Sunday, September 5	11 a.m.	All Parishioners	
Sunday, September 5	5 p.m.	<b>Everett Jenkins</b>	
Sunday, September 5	8 p.m.	+ Josh Antongiovani	

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



## 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.

For healing and recovery to good health: Marilyn Wooldridge Bob Lerch Margie Diggs

For those who have died: Gale Lansman

# A LOOK AT NEXT SUNDAY



## TITHING REPORT

**July 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

\$318.35	Columbia Meals on Wheels
\$212.23	Coyote Hill Children's Home
\$159.17	Daydreams Foundation
\$265.29	Food Bank of Central/NE MO
\$106.12	Girls on the Run
\$212.23	Habitat for Humanity
\$212.23	Life Network of Central Missouri
\$265.29	Love Columbia
\$371.40	St Francis House
\$212.23	St Vincent de Paul Society
\$212.23	True North
\$318.35	Vitae Foundation
\$265.29	Voluntary Action
\$159.17	Welcome Home
\$212.23	Women & Infant Relief Fund

### 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.

### Parish Finances

\$26,698.23

August 21/22

Offertory\* \$86,170.86 Month-to-Date \$115,000.00 Budget for month

\$28,829.14 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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#### Pastoral Staff

Pastor | Fr. Dan Merz, S.L.D. | frdan Associate Pastor | Fr. Paul Clark | frclark Deacon | Frank Ruggiero | frank.ruggiero Deacon | Gene Kazmierczak | deacon.gene Director of Pastoral Counseling | Rebecca Sloan | rebecca

### **Campus Ministry**

Director | Angelle Hall | angelle.hall Assistant Director | Yvonne Chamberlain | yvonne Resident Campus Minister | Ryan Schnitker | ryan Development Director | JoAnn Shull | *joann.shull* 

### Worship

Director | Kevin Myers, DWS | kevin.myers Assistant Director | Joe Kouba | joe.kouba

#### **Faith Formation**

Director of Religious Education | Emily Shull | emily.shull Director of Youth Ministry | Renee Molner | renee.molner RCIA Coordinator | Lisa Rose | lisa.rose

### Office

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