

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.

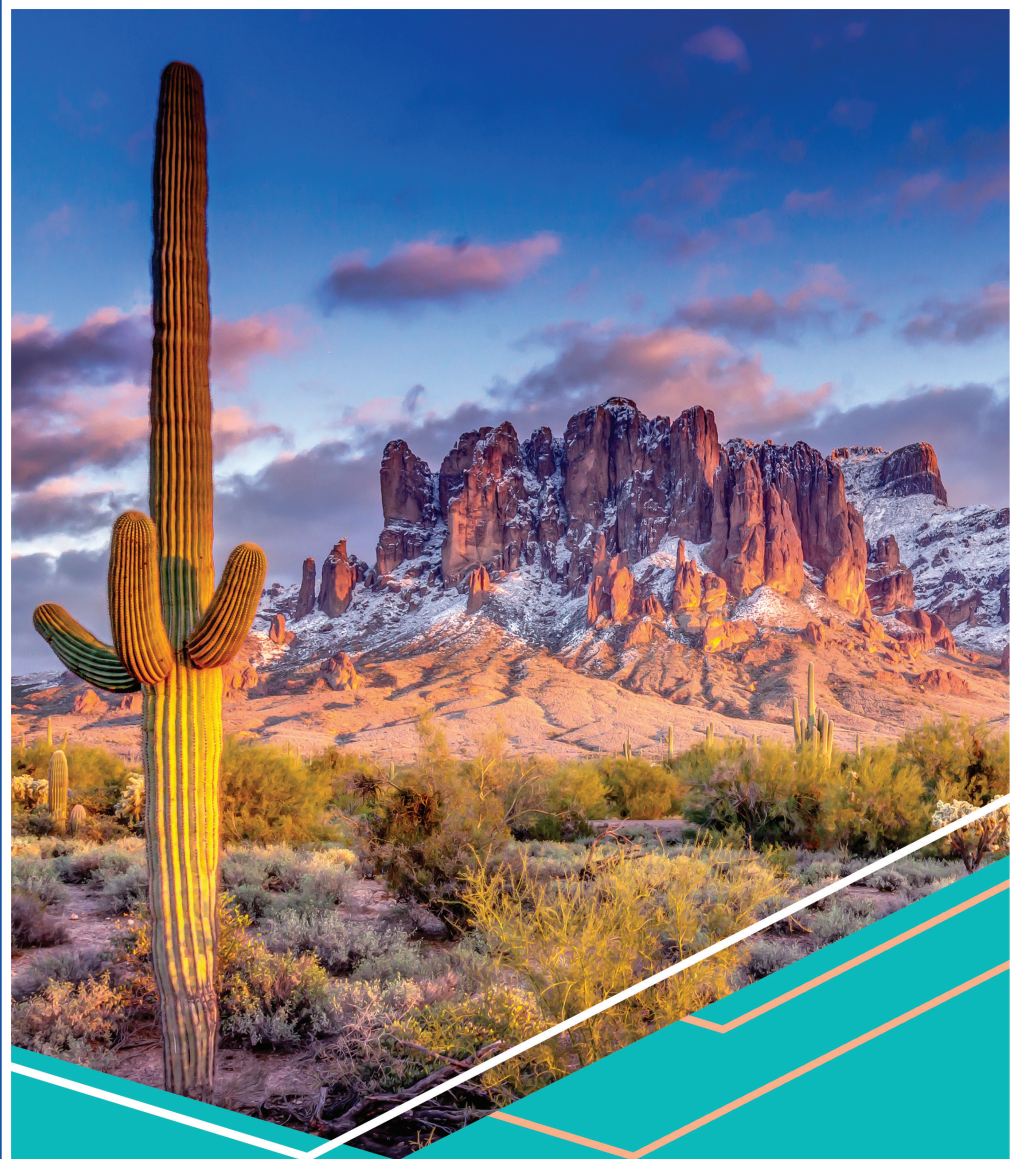
and 12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

KEMPER-JAMES LIBRARY:

Open daily (self-service)

Reference section open

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
from 10-12 a.m.



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die." - Jn 6:48-50

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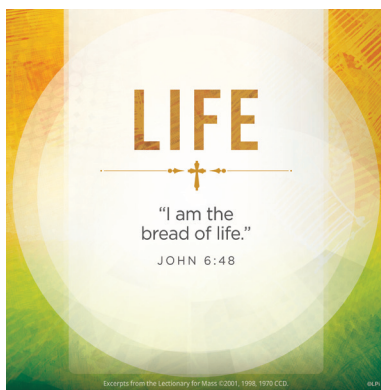
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SEEING THROUGH THE LENS OF FAITH



rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present.

To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth, and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent

unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

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NEW LOGO AND REVISED MISSION/VISION

THE MEANING BEHIND THE LOGO

Echoing Fr. Dan's sentiments from a couple weeks back, 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.



★ **NEWMAN** ★
— PARISH —

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.



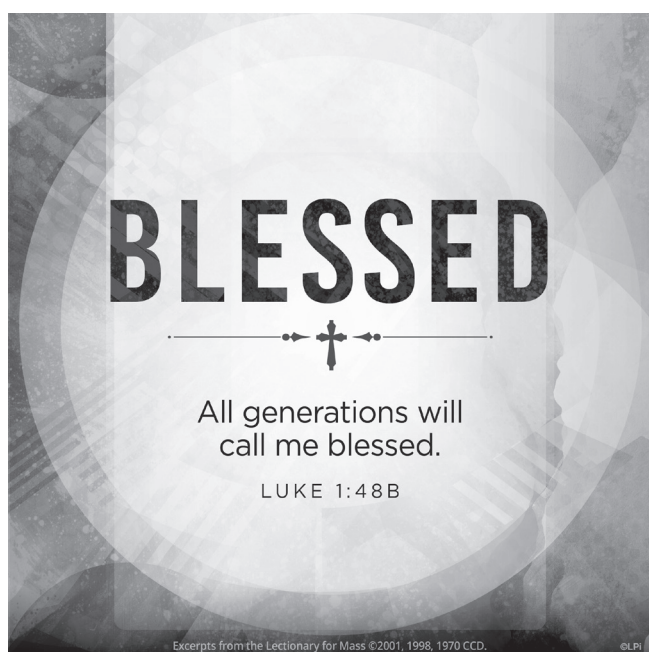
WE PRAY

"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.

A LOOK AT NEXT SUNDAY



August 15 | The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1 Chronicles 15; Psalm 132
1 Corinthians 15:54b-57; Luke 11:27-28

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 9	Noon	+ Jose Occeña
Tuesday, August 10	Noon	+ Charles Wilson
Wednesday, August 11	Noon	+ McCaine Zimmer
Thursday, August 12	Noon	Communion Service
Friday, August 13	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday, August 14	5 p.m.	+ Jean Artinger
Sunday, August 15	8:30 a.m.	+ All Parishioners
Sunday, August 15	11 a.m.	+ James & Nora Concannon
Sunday, August 15	5 p.m.	Everett Jenkins

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

PARISH FINANCES

July 31/Aug 1

Offertory*	\$7,396.33
Month-to-Date	\$7,396.33
Budget for month	\$115,000.00
Variance	- \$107,603.67

**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.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Members of the Knights of Columbus will be collecting donations for Missouri Meet Life campaign the weekend of August 14-15. You can also donate now at MizzouKnights.org! The campaign completed its goal of halving the number of abortions in Missouri over a 5-year period. In 2016 the campaign replaced the ultrasound machine at the My Life Clinic in Columbia. Collections this year will go towards the maintenance and eventual replacement of this machine and others like it statewide. The council will be matching the first \$500 donated to the weekend's collection. Your generosity is appreciated.



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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

ADULT FAITH FORMATION LISTENING SESSION: AUG 14

Building on the feedback received in the survey, we will be holding listening sessions to discuss the trends from the survey and take time to get more specific feedback about the responses. The first listening session will be Saturday August 14th from 9-10am in the MPR followed by a Holy Hour in the chapel. This will allow us time to discuss ideas and then take some time to pray and listen to the Holy Spirit's prompting regarding what programs would be best for our parish.

Finally, Monday the 16th from 6-7pm we will have a zoom meeting to discuss what came up in the prayer time and how we can all work together to implement it in our parish.

Please join us for a light breakfast, fellowship, brainstorming and prayer on Saturday the 14th, as well as sharing the fruits of those prayers on Monday the 16th! Your feedback is important and appreciated!

INTERESTED IN A CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP?

From a fellow parishioner: "Fr. Dan asked me if I would be interested in starting a Charismatic prayer group at Newman. I am very interested and would like to know if there are other people in the parish or Columbia that are interested. If you are interested, please contact me via email at mtbonderer3@gmail.com

GROUP TICKETS FOR MU HOMECOMING GAME FOR SALE!

Newman is coordinating group seating at the MU Homecoming football game on October 9. Tickets are \$45 each for the lower bowl. Don't delay - the earlier we have a number for tickets, the better seats we'll get! Alumni are also invited to register for the alumni tailgate.

For more information, visit www.comonewman.org/homecoming

COMO LIFE TEEN

SUMMER BONFIRE AND MOVIE: AUGUST 12

Join us for our last event of the summer on August 12 - 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., and all high schoolers are welcome!

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

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
renee.molner@comonewman.org



CEP & EDGE

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. Click "parish family" on the website or contact Emily for more information and to get registered.

7TH & 8TH GRADES ARE INVITED TO PREPARE FOR CONFIRMATION

This year our first group of middle school students are invited to prepare for Confirmation. Regular sessions will be second Sundays from 2:30-4:30p.m. beginning September 12th. 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.



Contact - Emily Shull
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KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: Jesus promises us eternal life! This week even if you're sad, know that Jesus promises so much joy!

For Parents: Jesus promises eternal life. As we experience the ups and downs of life, we can always have hope for the future. What will your family do to share that hope this week?



PUZZLE

Find and circle eight things that are different.



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

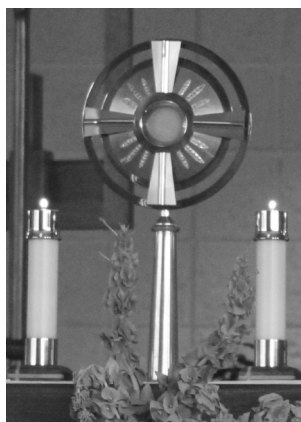
Visit www.comonewman.org/view-newmans-livestream-mass (or click the "Livestream Mass" button on our website) to watch our livestream Masses.

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:

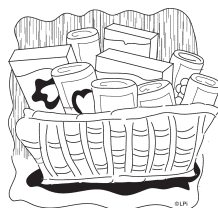
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- Credit/Debit Card or Bank Account through online giving
- Venmo — a PayPal app
- Mail Your Gift through USPS

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.



FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Total: 257 pounds

Thank you for your donations! Donate at the bin in the Turner Street entrance.

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!



Contact - Angelle Hall

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