THOMAS MORE NEWMAN CENTER

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time | September 19, 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 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10-12 a.m.

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the

servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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COME, FOLLOW ME





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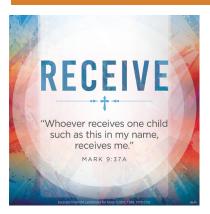
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CREATE A SPACE OF SACRED SILENCE



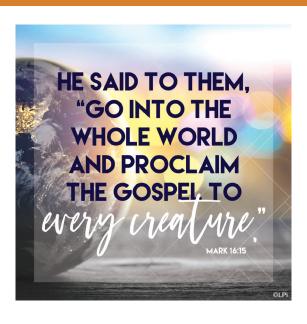
There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in

our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

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Newman News

FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Padre Pio: Between Heaven and Earth Kids: Lucas Storyteller: Padre Pio

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

NEWMAN YOUNG ADULT CORN MAZE OUTING

Join the Young Adults at Newman for a night at Shryock's Corn Maze on Saturday, Sept. 25! We'll meet up at 7 p.m. RSVP through the link in our email or GroupMe. To receive more information, email Renee at renee.molner@comonewman.org. Can't wait to see you all there!

LECTOR AND EMHC TRAININGS

If you would like to become a Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC), there will be trainings this Wednesday, September 22. Lector training will be from 6-7 and EMHC training will be from 7-8; you do not need to sign up to attend

ALL PARISH SPAGHETTI DINNER RETURNS!

All are welcome to join us for a meal and fellowship at our all parish spaghetti dinner. The event will be on September 29 from 5-6:15pm in the MPR upstairs at Newman. Come hungry!

LANGUAGE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

We have visiting Korean parishioners who are often in the parish for only a year or two who would like to meet one on one with an English speaker. We're asking volunteers to meet once a week for at least six weeks beginning in late September or early October. You can meet in-person or on Zoom. No Korean or teaching experience required! Contact Emily at emily.shull@comonewman. org or Eunsook at esbkwon@gmail.com for more information!

Como Life Teen

LIFE TEEN SERIES: GOD'S WILL IN OUR LIVES

Join us for Life Night tonight (Sept 19)! We'll be meeting from 6:45-8:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart's Activity building and starting our first series of the fall, talking about God's will in our own lives. We're so excited for community, prayer and games! 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 the night with dinner! Next week, we'll be continuing our new series. Hope you're ready for a great fall!

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

BUSY PERSON'S RETREAT

All juniors, seniors, and grad students are invited to retreat dailyon yohr schedule. At Busy person retreat you commit to meet for 45 mins daily with a spiritual director, plus 30 minutes of personal prayer. The beauty of this retreat is that you fit this events around your day-to-day schedule. Space is limited so do not wait to register. The cost is \$15, but financial aid is available for those who need it. Contact Yvonne Chamberlain for more information and scholarships.

DISCERNMENT NIGHT - SEPTEMBER 29

Come meet men and women living out their call to religious life, in a fun and carefree setting. The goal of Dicernemnt Nights is NOT excelusively to learn about Vocations, but rather to get to know men and women who have discerned a variety of calls from God in their lives, so that you might be better prepared to listen and respond to His call in yours.

SAVE THE DATE: AWAKENINGS RETREAT OCTOBER 29-31

Awakenings is a retreat held for students and run by students. It's for students of all ages, levels of faith, majors, personalities, and backgrounds. You'll hear talks from other students, spend time in small groups, have personal reflection time, and of course a lot of fun! More to come soon!

CEP & EDGE

RELIGIOUS ED/CEP CLASSES FOR KIDS PREK-5TH STARTED

Religious Ed classes for kids age 3 to 5th grade have begun on Wednesday and our first Sunday session is today, September 12th. We will require masks while kids are indoors. Click "parish family" on the website or contact Emily for more information and to get registered.

EDGE LIFE IS BETTER WITH FRIENDS

All 6th, 7th & 8th graders are invited to join us at EDGE Sunday, September 19th at 6-7:30 p.m. It will be a night of games, food and a little bible study with friends new and old. Contact emily.shull@ comonewman.org for more info.

1ST RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETINGS

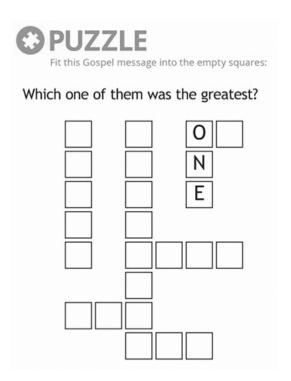
Families with a child who is at least in 2nd grade and interested in preparing for 1st Communion are invited to join us either Wednesday, September 22nd at 6:15pm or Sunday, October 3rd at 12:30pm. Childcare available October 3rd only. Contact Emily for more information.



KIDS' CORNER

For Kids: You may be small in size but you matter as much to Jesus as any adult.

For Parents: The child represents those with no status. During National Migration Week, do something as a family to care for someone in need either close by or far away.



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.

SERVICE & JUSTICE ENDOWMENT

The new Social Justice Endowment was officially established on July 1 of this year. We are now seeking applicants who wish to serve on the board. In this first year, we are looking for individuals who will help to establish the committee and plan our first educational event. If you are interested in more information, contact Kate Trauth at trauthk@missouri.edu.

LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE REFUGEES

Catholic Charities hosts English classes for adults every Monday evening in the Sacred Heart Education Building from 5:30 - 7 pm. Childcare and transportation providers are needed to shuttle families to and from class. If you have some time to give, please contact Pat Gerke at patgerke@gmail.com.

Additionally, Columbia Public Schools hosts a Wednesday morning class at City of Refuge and are in need of childcare providers as well. If a Wednesday morning would work for you, please contact Elaine Bryan at elainembryan0@gmail.com. Prior to volunteering with Catholic Charities, all interested individuals must complete proper workshops for VIRTUS compliance. Thank you!





In The Diocese

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SEC MUFFIN SALE: SEPT 26

Your Knights of Columbus council has a different special for you! On Sunday, September 26, we will be selling our famous SEC (Sausage, Egg, and Cheese) muffins after the 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses while supplies last. All proceeds will benefit Knights of Columbus charitable activities. Pre-order your sandwiches through Friday, Sept 24 at MizzouKnights.org.

USCCB "CIVILIZE IT!"

The U.S. bishops began a campaign leading into the 2020 election to restore civility to our public and political discourse called Civilize It: Dignity Beyond the Debate. The Missouri Catholic Conference highlighted the campaign last year with a special episode of MCC from the Capitol with Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski. This year, the U.S. bishops are again challenging the faithful to answer Pope Francis' call to seek "a better kind of politics, one truly at the service of the common good." Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics encourages individuals and families to commit to seeking the truth, building bridges, and finding solutions together that promote the common good. Individuals can sign the pledge, and sign up to receive additional materials, by visiting the USCCB Civilize It webpage: www.usccb.org.civilizeit





Mass Intentions

Monday, September 20	Noon	† Jose Dino
Tuesday, September 21	Noon	† Fred Springsteel
Wednesday, September 22	Noon	Everett Jenkins
Thursday, September 23	Noon	† Maria Berry
Friday, September 24	Noon	† Cesar Gorit
Saturday, September 25	5 p.m.	† Barbara Jean Clark
Sunday, September 26	8:30 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, September 26	11 a.m.	† Carol Strauss
Sunday, September 26	5 p.m.	
Sunday, September 26	8 p.m.	CM Benefactors

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



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

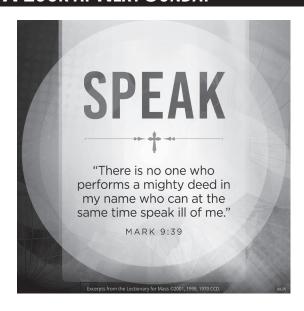
Pope Francis' September Prayer Intention: We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Bishop McKnight's September Prayer Intention: For a greater appreciation for the gift of friendship; that bonds of friendship may strengthen our resolve to be a people of communion in divisive times.

Submit a prayer request by filling out a prayer card (found at the entrances to the church) and placing it in the offertory basket or going to our website and click the button under "Needing Prayers?" near the bottom of our home page.

> For those who are ill: Cy Harbourt Mary Wulff

A LOOK AT NEXT SUNDAY



HOSPITALIZED OR IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you or a loved one becomes hospitalized, please notify the Parish Office to inqure about possible services. Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals cannot provide information for patients. A Catholic hospital chaplain is also available by request at our local hospitals.

Prayer requests have the option of being listed in the bulletin for two weeks, or you may choose to be shared only with the prayer ministry group. You may also indicate if you want the request to be part of the prayers of the church at Mass.

If you desire to be part of the Newman Prayer Ministry Group, please email Sandy Dirks at sandydirks@gmail.com to be added to the group.

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 September September 3/4 Offertory \$40,622.53 September 11/12 Offertory \$15,394.43 September to Date \$56,016.96 **Budget for September** \$115,000.00

*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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