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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.

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.



33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
"But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." - Mk 13:30-32

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"MY WAYS ARE NOT YOUR WAYS"



GENE KAZMIERCZAK

Deacon

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, and my ways are not your ways," says the Lord.

After spending four semesters at Loyola, Chicago, I still didn't know what to do. I came up with some ideas, but when I consulted the Lord, He just laughed. So I said to Him, "Why the laugh, this is not funny. I need to know what to do with my life. He then said "My thoughts etc..." That interaction took place in 1959.

I was drafted and after basic I was sent to Advanced Individual Training as a Medic.

After 16 weeks of schooling, I became a

hospital corpsman, I never ever considered this aspect of life. Then I remember what the Lord said "My thoughts..." At the completion of my service, I was asked by one of the nurses what I would do when I "got out." I didn't know. She said I should go into nursing. I replied "nursing is for girls" (Remember this is in the early 60s) I heard the Lord say, "My thoughts are not your thoughts."

So, after getting my RN I obtained a BSN and later a MA. After a successful 30-year career as an Army Nurse Corp officer, I heard the Lord say, "I told you 'My ways are not your ways.'" End career one.

I then accepted an administration position at a local hospital. I realized that direct patient care gave me greater satisfaction. I then worked in Outpatient Recovery and Skilled Nursing Unit. End Career 2.

My pastor at that time in my life asked if would consider becoming a Permanent Deacon. To make a long story short I was ordained in 1999 and became qualified to be a hospital chaplain for the Columbia Catholic Hospital Ministry. In 2021 due to my "Advanced Age" and Covid I retired as Coordinator of the ministry.

I believe that I was blessed because I was assigned to two parishes, Newman and being involved with the Catholic Hospital Ministry, the Dioceses became my second parish.

I been asked "how come only preach once a month?" I preach every day at the bedside and sometimes I used words. I am sure that when I preached at Newman some soul was released from Purgatory. End career 3.

Ginger and I came to Newman in 1992. It's time now to be close to the "kids." We will miss you all and you will be in our prayers. We will be living in Madison, Wisconsin where our daughter lives.

"My ways are not your ways" be careful what you ask for, you just may be surprised and love what you receive.

Deacon Gene

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FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Truth to Inspire: St. Francis Cabrini

Kids: The Book of Saints and Heroes

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

JOB OPENINGS AT NEWMAN

Newman is hiring! We are currently looking to fill two positions: Assistant Director for Campus Ministry and a Director of Adult Faith Formation Visit www.comonewman.org/job-openings for full job responsibilities

MARRIAGE RENEWAL NIGHT COMMITTEE

Newman is looking to have a Valentine's marriage renewal night and is looking to form a planning committee for this event. If you are interested in being involved in the planning and production process for this fun parish event, please reach out to rebecca@comonewman.org

NO PRIEST Q&A IN NOVEMBER

Due to a scheduling conflict, there will not be a Priest Q&A this month. The next Q&A will be December 16


INTER-FAITH DIALOGUE FEATURING FR. DAN

A panel discussion titled "Aristotle and the Abrahamic Religions" will take place on Monday, November 15 from 6-7:30 p.m. in Swallow Hall room 101 on Mizzou's campus. Dr. John Zemke, Dr. Nate Hofer and our own Fr. Dan Merz are the featured speakers. This event is free and open to the public (not just students!)

This event will bring together religious leaders in one room for a round table/panel discussion about the common Hellenic heritage, how it has changed over time and how it influences the interactions between them

CSA PARISH UPDATE

For the Catholic Stewardship Appeal, our Parish Goal is \$70,380. As of this past Sunday we have received \$29,845! Thank you for your continued generosity as we make progress towards our parish goal. If you have any questions about CSA, contact Fr. Dan!



Catholic
STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

For Catholic disciples, sacrificial giving is in our DNA. Other people's sacrifices, offered in love, have allowed the Good News to be preached and taught to us and those who went before us. We are people of gratitude and will only reach the fullness of our identity when we put our thanks into action. Your gift to God through the Catholic Stewardship Appeal helps ensure for the present and the future a vibrant Catholic community in which Gospel values are caught, taught and celebrated.

"Consider this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-7

COMO LIFE TEEN: HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

LIFE NIGHT SERIES CONTINUES THIS SUNDAY

Join us for Life Night tonight (Nov 14)! We're continuing our Mood series by talking about Happiness and what it really is. We're so excited for community, prayer and games! As always, we'll be starting the night with dinner. We meet at the Activity Building at Sacred Heart most Sundays from 6:45-8:30 p.m. All high school students are welcome. There will NOT be Life Night on November 21 - enjoy your Thanksgiving break!

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



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COLLEGE MINISTRY

JOURNEY INTO PRAYER: NOVEMBER 15

Your personal prayer life is important. Whether you don't know how to start or dive deeper in your conversations with God, Journey into Prayer can help. We have designed fifteen-minute mini-workshops to help you explore a variety of prayer styles and find ones that suit you. The next session on the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be November 15 at 8:45 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FRIENDSGIVING

International students of Newman and their families are invited to a potluck dinner to celebrate friendship and faith. International Friendsgiving will take place on Thursday, November 18th from 7-9pm in the Multipurpose Room (MPR) at Newman. Come celebrate the love of Christ and fellowship of the universal Church as we say thanks for the many blessing we have been granted this year, including the presence of diverse individuals and cultures from around the world.

THANK A THON

Sign up to thank our donors who support Campus Ministry and students who benefit. We are asking all students, but particularly student leaders, to sign up for a half hour shift to call donors. Many times these will be voicemails or simple 1-2 minute calls. We have over 450 donors to call, so many hands make light work!



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CEP & EDGE

NAVIGATING LIFE IN THE DIGITAL AGE FOR PARENTS

Join the Our Lady of Lourdes Home and School Association Monday, November 15th at 6:30pm in the Church (903 Bernadette) for a presentation from Ben Tracy who speaks across the country to students and parents about the responsible use of social media. Find out more about this organization at safesocialnetwork.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS MOVING INDOORS WITH MASKS

We are following Columbia Public Schools guidelines for all events for kids and teens. It's too cold to be outside so kids who'd like to join us for Children's Liturgy will be asked to wear a mask and we'll have our sessions in the 2nd floor classrooms. Please contact Emily with any questions.

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR FORMS DUE NOV 14

Middle School students should be in touch with Confirmation sponsors now and Sponsor Eligibility forms will be due at the Nov 14th session.

1ST RECONCILIATION THIS WED NOV 17

Our celebration of 1st Reconciliation will begin at 6:30 on Wednesday. We encourage all parents and older siblings to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation as well.

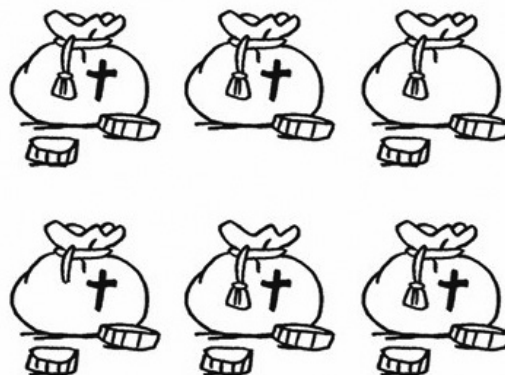


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KIDS CORNER

For Kids: Sometimes we will be afraid but Jesus tells us that God will always be with us.

For Parents: Some seasons of life will be overwhelming. How can you prepare your family to know that God is there through it all? Share a time that God cared for you. or about how you have stayed close to someone else in hard times.



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 church entryway of our parish. Last month, 136 pounds of food were taken over. Thank you for your generosity!

OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT REFUGEES

Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri has welcomed the first Afghan refugee right here in Columbia! As the only refugee resettlement organization in the area, they are in need of support.

Additionally, parishioners are indicating a desire for Newman to be more involved in welcoming and supporting the Afghan refugees coming to Columbia. In order to do this, parishioners are needed to lead and coordinate these efforts (either a leader or a co-leader). If you are interested in coordinating Newman's efforts and recruiting volunteers, please reach out to Emily Niehaus at nvc@comonewman.org. The need is great!

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a desire to serve, but don't have a lot of time to dedicate to ministry? Do you want to bring Jesus (literally!) to those who can't come to him? We are looking for new ministers who would be willing to visit and bring communion to the homebound. Your mission, should you choose to accept, would involve visiting one (or as many as you feel called to serve) homebound individual. These parishioners may be in their homes or in a nursing home and unable to attend Mass, either permanently or temporarily, due to things such as recent surgery. If you are interested, please reach out to rebecca@comonewman.org for more information.

NATIONAL DONOR SABBATH

Give the gift of life. November 14, 2021 is National Donor Sabbath. The Catholic Church and Newman Parish supports organ and tissue donation as the gift of life and the expression of highest humanitarian ideals. We ask that all members of congregation consider this gift in the name of Christ, who gave His life so that we might have life in its fullest.

SERVICE AND JUSTICE MAILING LIST

There is an email list for Service and Justice opportunities through Newman. If you are interested in doing more service or learning about opportunities, please contact Emily at nvc@comonewman.org



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IN THE DIOCESE / AROUND TOWN

SACRED HEART PARISH MISSION

Sacred Heart Church in Columbia is having a Parish Mission the first weekend of Advent. All are welcome
Schedule:

Sunday Nov. 28th – Monday Nov. 29th

Mission Service at 7 p.m.

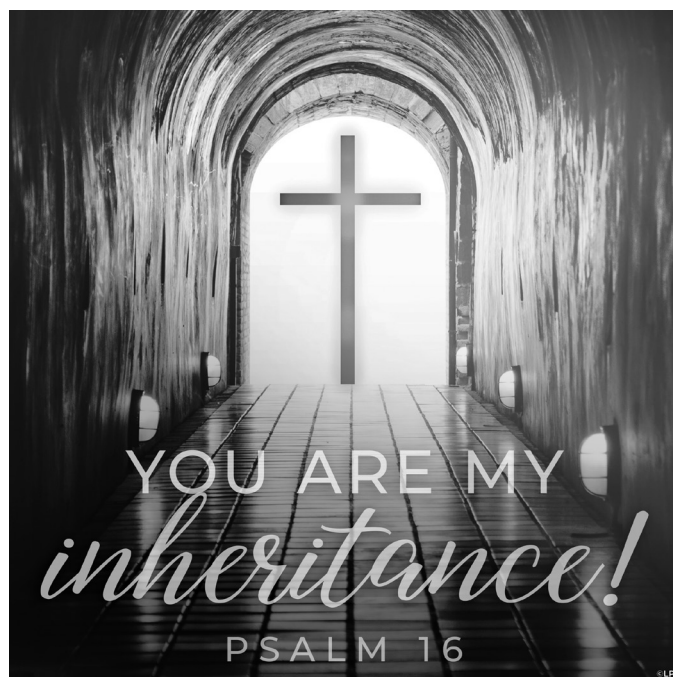
Tuesday Nov. 30th

Mass & Conclusion of Mission at 7 p.m.

Fellowship & refreshments follow each Service

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ADVENT SALE

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Advent Wreaths, Candles, and Calendars in the Gathering Space after all Masses on the weekends of Nov 20/21 and 27/28. There is an assortment of real and electric candles and wreaths available. All proceeds benefit the council's charitable activities.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 15	Noon	+ John Sheehan
Tuesday, November 16	Noon	+ Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday, November 17	Noon	Everett Jenkins
Thursday, November 18	Noon	+ Rocco Lupo
Friday, November 19	Noon	Everett Jenkins
Saturday, November 20	5 p.m.	Betty McAleer
Sunday, November 21	8:30 a.m.	Everett Jenkins
Sunday, November 21	11 a.m.	Special intention for Alana
Sunday, November 21	5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, November 21	8 p.m.	(No 8pm Mass this week)

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

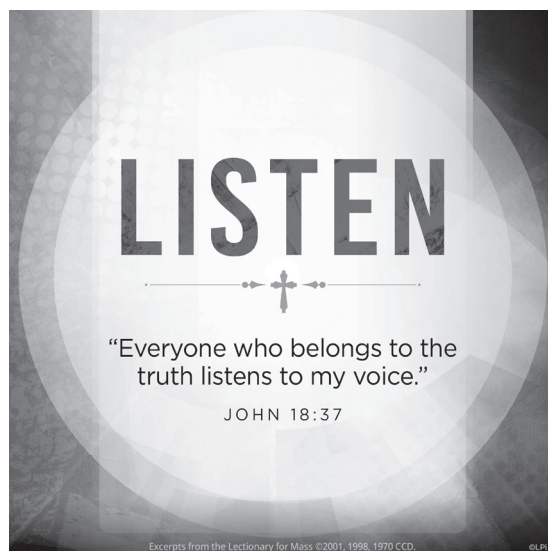
Pope Francis' November Prayer Intention: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Bishop McKnight's November Prayer Intention: For a deeper spirituality of stewardship among all the baptized: That from our gratitude for God's many blessings we may offer our personal gifts and talents in service to the evangelizing mission of the Church.

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.

We pray for Margie Diggs and her recovery from a medical procedure.

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 inquire 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

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

November 6/7

Offertory*	\$48,529.94
Month-to-Date	\$48,529.94
Budget for month	\$96,000.00
Variance	- \$20,557.04

**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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