

# SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC NEWMAN CENTER

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OUR MISSION: TO BE TRANSFORMED THROUGH AN  
ENCOUNTER WITH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH & THE LOVE OF GOD

Yearly Theme: "Blessed" - Matthew 5:3-12



September 22, 2019

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## SUMMER SCHEDULES

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS**  
5:15 PM

**SUNDAY MASSES**  
9:00 AM, 11:00 AM,  
5:00PM, 7:00PM

**MONDAY through FRIDAY**  
Morning Prayer (Lauds): 8:30AM  
Evening Prayer (Vespers): 5:00PM  
Daily Mass: 5:15 PM

**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 4:00-5:00 PM  
Sunday 4:00-4:45 PM  
(or by appointment with a priest)

**ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
Wednesdays at 9PM  
2nd Thursdays at 7:30PM

**OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:00PM  
Sunday 8:30AM-12:30PM

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## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday Vigil—St. Matthew the Apostle  
9/21 5:15PM **Nicea Wilder+**

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9/22 9:00AM **Mary L. Fimbres**  
11:00AM **Stephen James Lovell+**  
5:00PM **Our Newman Community**  
7:00PM **Patricia O'Reilly Pettis+**

Monday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina  
9/23 **Gilbert & Irene Fimbres++**  
Tuesday: Weekday  
9/24 5:15PM **Monica & Robert Kirschmann**  
Wednesday: Weekday  
9/25 5:15PM **Mario Heredia**  
Thursday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian  
9/26 5:15PM **Bob Lycock**  
Friday: St. Vincent de Paul  
9/27 5:15PM **Angelique Budaya**

*Mass Intentions can be requested at the office for  
Memorials, Birthdays or Special Intentions.  
\$10 is the suggested donation*

## Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

**O**ur Gospel Reading invites us into deep reflection over the theme of personal priorities. What are the big things, and what are the small? Where do we put our energies, and does real life come from these places?

The Gospel is not saying that money is evil. It is encouraging us to have a healthy attitude towards its use, and to be good stewards of it. Does our use of our hard earned bounty bring our lives greater peace? Or, does it block the voice of the Holy Spirit - who invites us - into greater partnership with God?

I find for myself, that how I spend my resources reflects my priorities. It shows me WHAT ARE those "greater and smaller matters" in my life? To be open to God's call is to be willing to give where it is needed. How can I help to add my VOICE to the 'symphony of creation' that has begun to play the music.... of a new school year at the U of A?

I invite our whole community to listen to God's call, and to be courageous in responding to where.... the Holy Spirit.... is calling us.... to add our VOICE into that chorus.... where God's BLESSINGS - will shine forth.... To others.... throughout the year.

I want to thank all who have made the last few weeks of WELCOME so special! Our Welcome Mass & BBQ, (hosted by the Ladies of the Sustaining Board) was a wonderful event, and many stayed and were satisfied! Thank you Ladies for your ongoing support and love of the Newman Center and its mission.

Our Ministry Fair & Open House, Our Mass of the Holy Spirit, Music Ministry, and Student Retreat, have all been such a wonderful success!

I would like to commend our Student Ministry Team and Transformation Team for many hours of preparation, and joyful outreach - to both our incoming students as well as those returning for another year.

I wish to thank Margaret Kish and Patrick Martin for countless hours of generosity as they serve us on our Stewardship and Finance Committees.

To my colleagues on the Pastoral Staff.... thank you for beautiful and well-ministered music, office coverage and joyful hospitality, sacramental formation and social justice awareness, prayerful reminders and the call to always be sharing the heart of Christ, for stellar administration, and the joyful coordination of many things - both seen and unseen, and for the honor to serve as your Pastor.

Finally, to our loyal resident community, for your ongoing support and faithful stewardship of the Newman Center and its mission "to be transformed through an encounter with the Spirit of Truth and the Love of God"

May we continue to share God's Blessings.... that many may flourish... and experience..... the love and peace of Christ. Amen!

## THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

### **FALL UNDERGRAD RETREAT**

Friday 9/20 through Sunday 9/22 at La Purísima  
Keep the retreatants and team in your prayers

### **BECOMING CATHOLIC: RCIA**

Sundays after the 11AM Mass downstairs with lunch

### **YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY**

Mondays at 7PM in the Curry Classroom

### **ROSARY UNDER THE STARS**

Each Tuesday at 6:30PM—Highland Bowl on campus

### **NEWMAN BOOK CLUB**

Tuesday, 9/24 at 7PM discussing CS Lewis [The Great Divorce](#)

### **ADULT CONFIRMATION SESSIONS BEGIN**

Tuesdays from 7:30-9PM in the Curry Classroom

### **DOMINICAN LAITY INQUIRY SESSION**

Wednesday, 9/25 at 6PM in the Curry Classroom

### **NEWMAN NIGHT FOR UNDERGRADS**

Wednesdays at 7PM downstairs  
This week is hosted by the Social Justice Committee

### **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Wednesdays at 9PM in the church

### **GRAD STUDENTS/YOUNG PROFESSIONALS**

Thursdays at 7:30PM downstairs  
This week is a potluck social and games

### **View the full calendar at:**

[UACatholic.org/calendar](http://UACatholic.org/calendar)

### **UNDERGRAD SMALL GROUPS SIGN-UPS**

- Meet great people
- Read the Bible together
- Learn about yourself and others

Join us once a week for faith-based discussions and community! We'd love to have you. For more information contact Michael Nicholls at

michaelnicholls1@email.arizona.edu or sign-up at

[www.UACatholic.org/SmallGroups](http://www.UACatholic.org/SmallGroups)

### **PRAYER REQUEST**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Evangelina Plagman, mother to our hardworking Maintenance Tech Anthony Peña—may he be surrounded by the consolation and peace that comes from God and community in these times of grief.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO

Margaret Freeh, Kitana Gamez, Giulia Ghidoli, Erika Julian Nancy Kinerk, Margaret Lordon, Samir Madden, Jane Mather, Eric Noyes, Carmen Otero, Stephanie Peralta, Renessa Poirier, Lauren Renken, shua Rhynard, and Abby Sokol

## NEED TO BE CONFIRMED?

Email Fr. Emmanuel for more info about our Adult Confirmation Program at [FrEmmanuel@UACatholic.org](mailto:FrEmmanuel@UACatholic.org) or visit [www.uacatholic.org/confirmation](http://www.uacatholic.org/confirmation) Sessions begin Tues, 9/24 at 7:30PM in Curry Classroom

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Do you want, or do you know anyone who wants to explore being Catholic?

RCIA is kicking off for the Fall Semester.

RCIA is a great place for those curious about becoming Catholic. For those with questions about Catholic spirituality.

Sundays, Fall Semester

12 - 2 pm

Lunch is provided!

Newman Center

2nd and Cherry

Talk to Margaret for more info [mkishaz@aol.com](mailto:mkishaz@aol.com) or Fr. Emmanuel at [FrEmmanuel@UACatholic.org](mailto:FrEmmanuel@UACatholic.org)

## CHILDREN'S FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASS

The Religious Education class begins Sunday, September 22, 2019. The religious education is provided for registered parishioners whose children need preparation for First Holy Communion. We have a small group of children who have already received First Communion but whose parents wish further knowledge of catechism. We only offer preparation classes for children ages 6-11 or grades 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

Applications/calendar are available at the receptionist office.

For more information, email Sister Angelica at [sangelica@uacatholic.org](mailto:sangelica@uacatholic.org)

## NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

This month's title is C.S. Lewis's The Great Divorce  
Next mtg is on Tuesday, September 24th at 7PM

Please read the book beforehand. There will be snacks and good conversation. All are welcome—students and community members alike!

If you need help obtaining a copy of the book or have any questions, contact Kelly Kottmer at [kellyklovesbooks@gmail.com](mailto:kellyklovesbooks@gmail.com)

## POVERELLO HOUSE FUNDRAISER

Come celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (Oct. 4) in support of POVERELLO HOUSE as it moves into the second decade of serving our homeless brothers. The annual fundraising dinner will take place at Cabrini Parish Hall, 3201 E Presidio Rd, Tucson beginning at 6:00 pm with music, hors d'oeuvres, and a raffle, followed by a gourmet dinner (vegetarian option available). For more information and to pre-pay or register for the dinner visit [tucsonpoverello.com](http://tucsonpoverello.com)

September reflection on our theme for this year: "Blessed" taken from Matthew's Gospel account of the Beatitudes

**Blessed are the meek and humble,  
for they will inherit the earth.**

Those who are humble will have more opportunities. This might seem counterintuitive. Many think humility and meekness is downplaying oneself. For instance, if someone suggests to serve at Church by being a Eucharistic Minister (giving communion) or a Lector (reading) being humble is not saying, "Oh, no I'm not worthy." That's not humility--that's a good way of not taking responsibility. Rather, to accept such an invitation leads to growth. You might not know how to do it, but if you are humble, you can learn. And by learning you will open yourself up to God's grace and grow. Thus, humility is an attitude of growth.

-Fr. Emmanuel

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sept 14th/15th Collection: \$4578.27; Venmo \$18.00

Sept 7th/8th Collection: \$2044.93; Venmo \$31.00

Aug 31st/Sept 1st Collection: \$3722.23; Venmo \$72.56

August 24th and 25th Collection: \$3571.78; Venmo \$21

Thank you for your generosity each week! Your contribution during the Offertory provides the funding for us to carry out the mission of the Newman Center.

Parents of our college students: please consider financially supporting your Wildcat son or daughter's parish-away-from-home

An alternative to bringing cash or a check to Mass is to set up one-time or recurring donations through our Online Giving Program. It also provides an easy way to track your contributions for tax credit purposes.

Text **UACatholic** to **555888** for a link on your mobile phone or to download an ACH form visit [UACatholic.org/donate](http://UACatholic.org/donate)

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## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

In our Gospel passage from Luke, the Lord shows us how to bridge the gap between worldly thinking and priorities, and eternal thinking and priorities. Jesus tells the parable of the corrupt but clever steward who is about to get fired when the master discovers the steward has been squandering his property. Realizing his imminent unemployed status, the clever steward reaches out to the various debtors of his master to wheel and deal with them, making friends who would look out for him when he became jobless.

What if we put that kind of effort into our own tasks as good stewards of all God's gifts to us? Into our ministries, into the ways we could make more time for prayer as individuals, as couples, as families and as a parish? What if we got as creative as the "bad steward" in the use of our finances so that we could give more generously to the poor and to the advancement of God's kingdom on the earth?

That's our lesson and our challenge.

—[www.CatholicSteward.com](http://www.CatholicSteward.com)

## ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS

Bishop Edward J. Weisenburger invites you to a special Mass for couples who have received the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony and that are celebrating their 1st, 10th, 25th, 50th, 60th or longer wedding anniversaries in 2019. The Mass will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Augustine Cathedral 192 South Stone Avenue, Tucson. Registration Form available in the parish office and is due by September 27, 2019.

For more information, please contact: Isabel Madrid [imadrid@diocesetucson.org](mailto:imadrid@diocesetucson.org) (520) 838-2544 or Ofelia James [ojames@diocesetucson.org](mailto:ojames@diocesetucson.org) (520) 838-2545.

## 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal

### Progress as of 9/19/19

47 donors - \$43,685 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 94%  
Fulfilled to date: \$39,985 or 86% of total goal

Donate Online at:

<https://support.cathfnd.org/donate>

Select "St. Thomas More" as your parish



We are pleased to announce that we were awarded a \$10,000 grant for 2019 that went towards the replacement of the very-leaky roof over the main lobby & offices.

Work finished in April.

## SAVE THE DATES

### KINO BORDER INITIATIVE

Saturday, 10/12 - contact Sr. Angelica for more info

### FAMILY WEEKEND BRUNCHES

Sunday, 10/13 after the 9AM & 11AM Masses  
Hosted by the Newman Sustaining Board

### CANONIZATION OF CARDINAL NEWMAN

Sunday, October 13th

### HOMECOMING ALUMNI RECEPTION

Friday, 11/1 from 6PM-9PM

### STUDENT MINISTRY TEAM COMMITTEES

Community Life  
Liturgy  
Outreach  
Social Justice

### GROUP MINISTRIES

Dominican Laity  
Faith & Science Forum  
Knights of Columbus Council #16061  
Newman Book Club  
Transformation Team leading small groups  
Young Adult Group for  
Grad Students/Young Professionals

### FAITH FORMATION/SACRAMENTAL PREP

Becoming Catholic: RCIA  
(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)  
Adult Confirmation  
Marriage Preparation for Engaged Couples  
First Holy Communion for children  
Infant Baptisms

### PARISH COMMITTEES

Finance Council  
Stewardship Council  
Grounds Committee  
Art/Environment Committee

### COMMUNITY-BASED ADVOCACY GROUPS

Newman Foundation  
Newman Sustaining Board

Register online to get linked up with our ministries and programs: [UACatholic.org/Registration](http://UACatholic.org/Registration)