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

Yearly Theme: "Fear is useless, what is needed is trust" - Mark 5:36



February 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass Online
11AM Mountain
Live-Stream through [Facebook Live](#),
and our [YouTube Channel](#)

In-Person Masses
[reservations required](#) weekly
Saturday 5:15PM
Sunday 9AM, 11AM & 5PM

Weekday Masses Online Only
Tuesday through Friday
11:30AM Mountain Live-Stream
through [Facebook Live](#) and our
[YouTube Channel](#)

Reconciliation: by appointment only.
Priest email addresses are listed in
the next column

NEWMAN CENTER STAFF



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MASS INTENTIONS

First Sunday of Lent
2/20 5:15PM **Bernice Caponetto**
2/21 9AM **Rita Abate+**
11AM **Theresa Mathieu+**
5PM **Our Newman Community**

Monday: Weekday
2/22 11:30AM **NO DAILY MASS**
Tuesday: Weekday
2/23 11:30AM **Stephanie Davila**
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday
2/24 11:30AM **Margaret Collaco**
Thursday: Thursday after Ash Wednesday
2/25 11:30AM **Dolores Mirabelli+**
Jeanette & Jerod
Friday: Friday after Ash Wednesday
2/26 11:30AM **Sylvia, Phil, Caridad & Sarah**

*Mass Intentions can be requested by calling the
office for Memorials, Birthdays, Anniversaries,
Healing/Recovery or Special Intentions.
\$10 is the suggested donation*

[Link to the Readings at Mass](#)
[Guide to the responses during Mass](#)

Liturgy of the Hours via the [iBreviary App](#)

Fr. John Paul's Spiritual Brew

Another Lenten Season begins. We've received our ashes; struggled to embrace some practice directing us towards some greater freedom in our lives; and plan to commit ourselves to growing in the areas of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving through greater generosity towards others.

These are all 'good things' designed to help us to create more space in ourselves for listening, learning, and living more freely and fully.

Prayer invites us to be driven into the desert as Jesus was.... There to be confronted with ourselves... the strong and weak; the grounded and messy; and, our good behavior, as well, as our most unhealthy.

Prayer... is what teaches us to listen.. attend... and to simply.... breathe. It shows us that cultivating a deep relationship with Christ, in God.... through the Holy Spirit... is a gift that is both lasting and truly beneficial.

Fasting... is so much more than refraining from alcohol, chocolate, or social media.... Yes, this can be a start... but it is so much more... Fasting invites us reflect 'deeply' upon what might be an unhealthy attachment in our lives that is leading us to us to ruin.... and not to flourish. What habit, attitude, or material attachment.... is stunting our spiritual, physical, intellectual, or personal growth? What needs deletion or movement.. in order to remain rooted in God? Healthy fasting can produce a clearer focus, and a more balanced life.

Almsgiving...is the fruit of having more space in our lives for generosity. Jesus emerges from his time in the desert... not simply challenged and hungry... but grounded in the Father's love from prayer; cleansed of useless distractions from fasting; and focused because he is filled with the Spirit.... and, only has the space to be generous in his dispensing of the spiritual "Alms" needed for others to rise!

How are we called to 'rise' over these precious days of Lent? How are we invited to put away useless fears, and to work towards a better approach to living out our days? However that is.... May we be full of faith, encouraged by hope, and grounded in charity.

Amen!

PRAY FOR OUR RCIA CANDIDATES

Please keep Danielle, Corey, and Jenny in your prayers as they continue their formation to be fully-initiated in the Church at the Easter Vigil

Next weekend they will participate in the Rite of Election at the 11AM Mass where they will begin the final phase of RCIA: Purification & Enlightenment

NEWMAN NIGHT FOR UNDERGRADS

Wednesdays at 7PM via Zoom

Zoom Mtg ID: 832 5719 9770

Password: uacatholic

Come meet fellow Catholic undergraduate students

UNDERGRAD STUDENT MINISTRY COMMITTEES

Led by our Student Ministry Team, these four committees help carry out the ministries of the Newman Center

for our undergrad student community

Community Life: Thursdays at 1PM

Liturgy: Wednesdays at 10AM

Outreach: Wednesdays at 9AM

Social Justice: Thursdays at 6PM

All meet via Zoom. For more info or to sign up [click here](#)

NEWMAN BOOK CLUB

Meets monthly via Zoom

Next Book: [The Second Mountain](#) by David Brooks

Tuesday, February 23rd at 7PM

Contact Kelly for login info or to get a copy of the book:

kellyklovesbooks@gmail.com

View previous titles discussed by the Book Club [here](#)

ROSARY UNDER THE (DIGITAL) STARS

Tuesdays at 7PM via Zoom

Zoom Mtg ID: 996 023 6892

Password: uarosary

All are welcome

LENTEN RETREAT SERIES WITH FR. NATHAN

"Darkest Before the Dawn: Mark's Gospel for 2021"

Cost is \$40, contact Fr.Nathan to sign up

frnathan@uacatholic.org

Scholarships available

VIRTUAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 2PM Mountain livestreamed through our YouTube Channel & Facebook Live Recordings will be available after to use for prayer

CLICK FOR OUR LENT RESOURCE PAGE



RESERVATIONS REQUIRED WEEKLY FOR IN-PERSON MASSES

Reservations will be open through Fridays at Noon, confirmation emails sent no later than 8PM on Friday.

www.UACatholic.org/mass-reservations

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION ON SUNDAYS

12:15PM to 12:45PM on the north side of the church near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel Door

YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY

meets weekly on Thursdays at 7:30PM via Zoom Graduate Students and Young Professionals between the ages of 22-35, email the co-leaders Joe and Edith to get connected: YoungAdultLeaders@UACatholic.org

SMALL GROUP SIGNUPS

These small faith sharing groups are led by members of the Transformation Team and meet weekly via Zoom

For more info or to sign up [click here](#)

JORDAN MINISTRY TEAM FEBRUARY EVENTS

February 23: Online Retreat "[Making Sense of Suffering](#)" presented by Peggy Guerrero, MPM, MED

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress as of 2/17/21

18 donors - \$8,440 pledged of \$46,640 goal - 18%
Fulfilled to date: \$6,545 or 14% of total goal

Donate Online at:

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

Select "St. Thomas More" as your parish



Last year we received a \$10,000 grant used to do a number of facility updates including new water fountains in the lobby and student lounge; hand sanitizer stations and other public health elements needed to keep our community safe.

Funds raised by this campaign go to support Diocesan Seminarians, Jordan Ministry Team, Youth & Young Adult Ministries, and several Catholic Community Services programs such as the Kolbe Society prison outreach and St. Jeanne Jugan Ministry With Elders.

If you are financially able, please donate and list **St. Thomas More** as your parish so we can reach our annual goal

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The readings today remind us that during this season of Lent, we too are called endure 40 days "in the desert", and commit ourselves to prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths, Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior. Ps 25: 4-5

As faithful Stewards we find ourselves on the Lenten journey — to prepare our hearts for the resurrection of Christ on the glorious Easter morning.

TAX CREDIT DONATION STATEMENTS

If you would like a 2020 Donation Statement, please email Manny@UACatholic.org or call the office and an electronic version can be sent to you. WeShare sent out automated statements but that only included donations made online.

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT

February Online as of 2/20: \$5,618.00

February 14th Envelopes: \$1,345.00; Venmo: \$1893

February 7th Envelopes: \$1,575; Venmo: \$851

January ACH: \$3,627; January Online \$9,583.75

January 31st Envelopes: \$1885.19; Venmo: \$724

January 24th Envelopes: \$1062.19; Venmo: \$776

January 17th Envelopes: \$295; Venmo: \$1350

January 10th Envelopes: \$2325; Venmo: \$398

Jan 3rd Envelopes: \$14,925; Venmo: \$511

Dominican Common Room Project: \$2100

December ACH: \$6852; December Online : \$22,428.75

Christmas Envelopes: \$1103; Venmo: \$3547.35

Extraordinary Gift from HSL Properties: \$25,000

December 13th Envelopes: \$2759; Venmo: \$610

December 6th Envelopes: \$2834; Venmo: \$354

Thank you for your generosity each week. Your contribution during the Offertory goes towards utilities, ministries, staff and residences for the Dominican Friars & Sisters so we can carry out our shared mission.

We invite you to prayerfully consider setting up one-time or recurring donations through our Online Giving Program or through ACH with your bank. It provides an easy way to track your contributions for tax credit purposes.

Text **UACatholic** to 800-950-9952 for a link on your mobile phone or download an ACH form: UACatholic.org/donate

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