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## SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

YEAR A | JANUARY 1, 2023

Dear Newman Family,

Happy New Year! May 2023 be filled with choicest blessings upon you and your families.

I thank you for your faithfulness and commitment to the Church through 2022. Thank you for making room for God and Church in your life; that will never be in vain. Just look at the shepherds in the Gospel this Sunday! God meets them where they are and shares a message of hope to them. The shepherds embrace it and through their faith, they find Jesus. Then, they come back happy and filled with the blessings of God.



These shepherds were certainly simple people and did not hold the best of esteem in the society of their day. We could easily say that most of them considered them second-class citizens.

Nonetheless, in God there are no second-class citizens. In God, all of us have value, dignity and access to partake in God's promises.

With this in mind, I beg you to consider supporting a Dinner we will host next Saturday, January 7, 2023, to honor our Campesinos, the field workers who produce the food that comes to our tables. They are our modern-day shepherds – I know them because I minister to them and I hear how hard it is for them to sometimes be acknowledged as people.

That is why our Knights, along with the Claretian Priest, Al Vasquez, have prepared a Dinner to thank them for their work and to break bread together as one family in Christ.

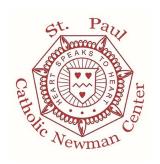
Please come to the dinner; please get to know these people. This is a great opportunity to be Christ to the ones in the margins. Let them bless you with their smile and good wishes. Be that message of hope to them.

Please talk to Bruce Meyers or Linda Ram if you would like to be part of this moment of grace not only to their lives but to yours. The Dinner will take place this Saturday, January 7. We will start with Mass with Bishop Joe, followed by dinner at the Parish Hall. I thank you for your kind consideration.

Peace, Fr. Byron

#### Mission Statement

Gifted by God, called by Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit, St. Paul Catholic Newman Center is a parish committed to serving the academic community and all those who choose to be part of our parish family. We dedicate ourselves to bringing the transformative power of Christ to the world through word and action.



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#### YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will continue Monday, January 9th at 6pm in the Student Lounge. Join us as we begin to discuss what our next study will be about. Please come if you have any suggestions!

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

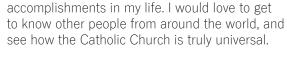
Best wishes to all as we start 2023. May Our Mother Mary guide us closer to Jesus.

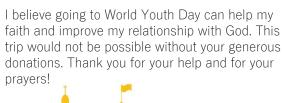
#### WORLD YOUTH DAY BAKED GOOD SALES

There will be a baked good sale on January 7 and 8 after all masses. Grab a treat in support of our young adults traveling to Portugal. A sweet way to begin the year!

## WORLD YOUTH DAY A WORD AS I PREPARE TO BE A PILGRIM

Hello, my name is Hector Rodriguez. I am currently a graduate student attending Fresno State, and I have been a parishioner at the Newman Center for 3 years. When I first heard about World Youth Day and how the Newman Center would be taking a group, I knew this was a beautiful opportunity to create more memories with this parish. Taking part in this trip would be one of the greatest







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## FR. BYRON MACIAS, CMF

No one goes to Jesus in vain; and no one, after encountering Jesus, leaves empty handed!

Last week in the Gospel of Luke, the Angel asked them to find Jesus and so they did. This week, they found Him. I guess they visited with the Holy Family, but it was time to go back home.

Yet. Something changed: "Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them." (Luke 2:16-21)

Therefore, go, find Jesus, find the manger, ask your guardian angel and Mary, Mother of God, to help you! It will never be in vain and you will not leave empty handed.

Happy New Year my Newman Family!!! No one goes to Jesus in vain; and no one, after encountering Jesus, leaves empty handed.

#### HONORING OUR CAMPESINOS

Please join us next Saturday, January 7 at 5pm for Mass with Bishop Joe, followed by dinner at the Parish Hall. This is an effort to thank the people who work the land and made it produce abundantly so we have food at the table. Please contact the Knights or me for more information.

#### **CATHOLIC CONCERT**

Save the Date: <u>February 11; 6pm</u>. Catholic Singer will be performing here in our parish after the 5pm Mass. This is another effort by our high schoolers from the Claretian Youth as they raise funds for their World Youth Day Trip this coming summer.

#### **SAINTLY QUOTE**

"Faith lifts the soul, Hope supports it, Experience says it must and Love says...let it be!." -St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

#### **HAVE A LAUGH**

Youth is when you're allowed to stay up late on New Year's Eve. (New Year Jokes) Middle age is when you're forced to.



#### PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE

For the week of January 1-January 7, 2023

#### Sunday, January 1,

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

Pope Francis' 2022 Christmas Message: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/urbi/documents/20221225-urbi-et-orbi-natale.html

Pope Francis' 2023 World Day of Peace Message: https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/20221208-messaggio-56giornatamondiale-pace2023.html

1986 "Economic Justice for All"- U.S. Bishops' Pastoral on the Economy

#### • Wednesday, January 4

Feast of St. Élizabeth Ánn Seton Congratulate Monsignor Perry's Kavookjian at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Bakersfield. 661-587-3626

1964- St. Paul VI and Patriarch Athenagoras meet in the Holy Land

#### Friday, January 6

Epiphany of the Lord (traditional)

Food Recovery Program resumes this week 5:30pm to 6:30pm in the Newman Center Cafeteria

When you see what we do, you may want to volunteer monthly! (see Matt 25: 31-46)

#### Sunday, January 8

Epiphany of the Lord

#### Tuesday, January 10

6:00pm to 7:00pm

Faith, Family, & Friends resumes

Join us for the first session of 12 as we review together some of the greatest gifts the Second Vatican Council is still giving us.

#### January 16

Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

#### January 15

California Industrial Areas Foundation Statewide Session on the Politics of the California Economy at Fresno City College

#### January 22

Creation Care Lunch Meeting after the 11:30pm Mass: Important update on our Parish's "Community Garden" project! Let us know you're coming!

For so much more, visit the SPCNC website: CSUFnewman.com/ministries

and scroll down to "Peace and Social Justice"

Jim Grant, Volunteer, Social Justice Advocate jimgrantbc@gmail.com

### Parish Information

WEEKEND MASSES: **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00pm

**Sunday:** 7:30am | 9:30am | 11:30am | 7:00pm

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#### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday / Wednesday | 8:00am First Friday (of the month) | 8:00am Thursday | 6:00pm

#### COMMUNION SERVICES:

Tuesday / Thursday | 8:00am Friday (Except First Friday) | 8:00am

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Thursday | 4:00pm to 5:45pm or call for an appointment

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday through Thursday | 9:00am to 3:00pm CLOSED FRIDAY



## Marriage Enrichment Couple Communication

Couple Communication Classes for Marriage and Relationship Enrichment: The Newman Center is excited to announce that we are offering a highly acclaimed Marriage Enrichment / Couple Communication Series beginning on Tuesday evenings from February 7 through March 28, 2023 at 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Presented by Relationship Communication specialists, Dave and Cheryl Belden. These classes will teach vital communication skills to enhance your relationships.

#### **Prayer Ministry**

Prayer and Life Workshops: Weekly Prayer and Life Workshops begin Wednesday, January 11 through April 19. These weekly Workshops will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm to 8:00pm in Cardinal Newman Hall, Room 105.

Prayer and Life Workshops explore a variety of ways to pray. They will guide you to understanding how prayer can transform how you think, pray, and live. Workshop series include 15 sessions of various types of prayer traditions, therefore leading you into a deeper and more loving experience with God through Christ Jesus. Workshops are facilitated by Prayer and Life Workshop Guide, Regina Flores. For information email: Regina Flores at <a href="mmillores39@icloud.com">mmillores39@icloud.com</a>

#### Faith, Family & Friends

Faith, Family, and Friends is the Newman Center's Religious Education and faith formation program for all ages, Children, High School Youth and Adults. Faith, Family, and Friends will resume on Tuesday evening January 10 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.

Individuals and families are invited to gather in the Grassy Courtyard from 5:00pm to 5:45pm and are invited to bring and share a meal together. Everyone is encouraged to gather by 5:45pm for community prayer before beginning their sessions.

All children and adolescent classes meet in Cardinal Newman Hall, Claretian High School Youth Group meets in St. John XXIII, and the Adult Group Sessions meet in the Main Building.

#### Adult Session Topics:

Family Life Topic: Parent Effectiveness Training with John Prandini

Scripture Topic: Read, Reflect and Discuss the Up-Coming Sunday Scripture Readings with Tina and Matt teNyenhuis

Catholic Faith Topic: The Story and Promise of Vatican II with Deacon John Supino.

#### Men's Ministry

Men's Monthly Saturday Coffee Group: This group meets monthly on the first Saturday of each month. Men gather together to reflect on scripture, share spiritual wisdom, and to form friendship connections with other men. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, January 7 from 7:30am to 9:00am in the Cafeteria.

Men's Scripture Reflection and Discussion Group: This ministry meets on Monday mornings at 8:30am in the Library after our morning Mass.

For information contact me, John Prandini, at prandinij@csufnewman.com



Annually, the Diocese of Fresno sends every parish a list for Second Collections. The following is the annual schedule for 2023 which we are to participate in.



Thank you for your participation and generosity throughout the year.

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January 15	Seminarians			
February 19	<b>Catholic Communications</b>			
March 12	International Needs			
April 7	Good Friday (Holy Land)			
April 23	Home Missions			
May 14	<b>Catholic Charities</b>			
June 18 (Father's D	Day) Priests' Retirement			
July 16	Peter's Pence			
August 20	Cathedral Maintenance			
September 17	Archdiocese for the Military Services			
To Be Determined	d Bishop's Annual Appeal			
October 22	World Mission Sunday / Propagation of the Faith			
November 19	Domestic Needs			
December 10	Retired Religious			



# THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**INVITE YOU TO** 

# Mass and Dinner with Fresno-Area Farmworkers

Saturday, January 7, 2023 5:00pm Mass 6:30pm Dinner

> St. Paul Catholic Newman Center

Please join the Knights of Columbus for a "Día de los Reyes Magos" (Feast of the Epiphany) celebration as Councils from the Fresno area, and as far as Southern California, join efforts to thank our local farmworkers for the hard work they do every day to bring food to our tables.

Please contact Council 9445
Grand Knight: Bruce Myers
at 559-286-8712 or BruceEMyers@gmail.com

Please note: Donations made to Council 9445 are NOT considered tax deductible.

Special thanks to Jen Norton for the use of her artwork. www.jennortonartstudio.com

#### POLICY FOR ALL PARISH COMMUNICATION

The Newman Center's Communication's Team is in the process of reviewing policy and procedure for all communications (i.e. print, web, social media, etc.) within the Newman Center community. In order to ensure continuity of our mission, Catholic identity, Newman Center brand, grammar, content, standard of quality, etc. it is important to establish guidelines and best practices. Therefore, all information associated with St. Paul Catholic Newman Center must reviewed by a member of the Communications Team prior to being printed, posted, or distributed. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

All bulletin information must be submitted by 10:00am Wednesday to guarantee insertion in Sunday's bulletin. Email to Communications@csufnewman.com.

### **PRAYERS:**

**†** For those who died this week: Melanie Rubalcaba and Don Giusti

#### ♥ Please pray for those who have requested special intentions and prayers:

Roxanne Castillo Joan Renner Margery Toll Kristal Lowe Limon Abigail Love Linda Alvarez

Julissa Mojarras Estefania Medina Mary Garr Kathy Papagni

Michael Vienna Issac Orozco Diana Mock Sandra Barrie **Nettie Shute** Sandy Keith Dan Dungy Isabel Wiggins

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Eugene Benavidez

Peter Mai

Javier-Maria Alonso Teresa Sandoval M.J. Abella Marilyn Schutt Chris Wicklund.

Hillary Lockard and baby

Susan Yokum Clemente Eustaquio Mary Peterson Grace Peterson Andres Silva Haro Magdalena Lovejoy Roxanne (Roxy) Castillo

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Joe Koontz Luz Capalad Marchiones

Ricardo Magdaleno Charlie Prasad Alan Demascus Antonia Cobarrubias

Mary Fasi Anita Torre Theresa Wilson Lorraine Chavez Clem Louie Mary Peterson Jeff and Mari Millar Casey McKee Jane Worsley Benita Lankford Patty Russell Janet Fusselman Antonia Cobarrubias Benita Lankford **Doris Ceballos** Barbara Barrows Luz Maria Guaman

If you have someone who is in need of prayers please contact the office at 559-436-3434 or go on our website.

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023**

Numbers 6:22-27/Galatians 4:4-7/Luke 2:16-21

7:30am Mass for Pacencia Miclat Chapel 9:30am Mass for John Godburn Chapel Chapel and Community Room RCIA Dismissal Mass for Javier Castillo Chapel

Chapel

7:00pm Mass for the Needs and Intention of our Parishioners

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023**

#### **Parish Office Closed**

No Mass or Communion Service

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023**

1 John 2:29-3:6/John 1:29-34

8:00am Communion Service Chapel 12:00pm Christian Meditation Community Room

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023**

1 John 3:7-10/John 1:35-42 Chapel 8:00am Communion Service Ignatian Retreat for Busy People 5:30pm Community Room 7:00pm **RCIA** Inquiry Library

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023**

1 John 3:11-21/John 1:43-51

8:00am Communion Service Chapel Funeral Mass for Melanie Ruvalcaba 12:00pm Chapel 4:00pm Confessions Chapel 6:00pm Mass Joe Dunbar Chapel

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023

1 John 5:5-13/Mark 1:7-11 or Luke 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Mass for Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tang. 8:00am

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Hinh

Mr. Tao and Vivian Chho Chapel Adoration following Mass (ends at 12:00 noon) Chapel 5:30pm Food Recovery Network Cafeteria

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023**

1 John 5:14-21/John 2:1-11 (Weekday)

7:30am Men's Saturday Coffee Group Cafeteria 8:30am Adult Confirmation Retreat St. John XXIII Isaiah 60:1-6/Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6/Matthew 2:1-12 (Sunday Vigil) 5:00pm Mass for Dolores Monahan Chapel Knights of Columbus 6:30pm

Migrant Farm Worker Dinner Cardinal Newman Hall

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023

Isaiah 60:1-6/Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6/Matthew 2:1-12

9:30 Confirmation Preparation Year One Cardinal Newman Hall 7:30am Mass for David Hooker Chapel 9:30am Mass for Dolores Monahan Chapel 11:30am Confirmation Preparation Year Two Cardinal Newman Hall Mass for Gelacio Delizo Jr. Chapel **RCIA Dismissal** Community Room

7:00pm Mass for the Needs and

Intention of our Parishioners Chapel

## DECEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

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2019	2020		2021		2022			
Sorry, the information for December 2019 Contributions not available was not printed in Bulletin dated January 5, 2020.	December 6 ACH	\$17,435.05	December 5	\$43,245.07	December 4	\$32,925.03		
	December 13	\$16,236.00	December 12 <b>ACH</b>	\$13,586.45	December 11	\$8,571.19		
	December 20	\$15,701.50	December 19 <b>ACH</b>	\$20,108.88	December 18 <b>ACH</b>	\$13,492.37		
	December 27	\$9,652.15	December 26	\$21,906.15	December 25	\$25,569.42		
	DECEMBER 2020 TOTAL	\$58,706.55	DECEMBER 2021 TOTAL	\$98,846.55	DECEMBER 2022 TOTAL	\$80,558.01		

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