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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR B JUNE 23, 2024

Dear friends of the Newman Center,

When I flew to the U.S. eight months ago and was still in Chicago, I asked one of the brothers about the then-mysterious Fresno. I heard 'te va a gustar,' which means 'you'll like it.' I remember that moment very well because the place where I arrived in December indeed became my new home. And I don't mean just the place where I live, but especially you, who make up this home, who are part of the St. Paul Catholic Newman Center.

When I quickly realized upon my arrival that the Newman Center is actually a parish run by lay people I thought to myself that God really has a sense of humor. I didn't really know what I - a conservative priest from Poland - was doing here:-).

It turned out that the last six months in Fresno have been about learning many things anew for me and rediscovering what I thought I knew well. It's also been about getting to know all of you and witnessing how much you love this place where I had the privilege to serve for a while. I am honored to have been part of your community. Thank you for your faith, care, empathy, and kindness, as well as your patience—for instance, when I couldn't distinguish between 'Word' and 'World' and other words that, out of respect for you, I won't mention here:)

In less than two weeks I am going back to Poland for a month and I can't wait to tell my friends and relatives about you. I have been assigned as associate pastor at St. Mary Claret Church here in Fresno, effective August 1, 2024. You are most welcome to visit me any time. Please pray for me that I will be able to cooperate well with God's Grace in my life and be a good priest and Claretian.

I remember you, pray for you and thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Your brother, Fr. Robert

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 MINISTRY

Young Adult Bible Study

Join our Bible Study gathering this Monday, June 24th at 6:00 pm in the Student Lounge. We will continue to look at the Gospel of Luke. Come and join other young adults to learn about how scripture is alive in our daily lives.

Trivia

Join our young adults for trivia at Tioga Sequoia Brewery downtown on July 3rd. Trivia starts at 7pm. Help us claim victory number 3, all knowledge needed!

Summer Day Retreat

Save the date for our Young Adult summer retreat. July 20th from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm. We'll be focusing on "Praying As I Am" See flyers in the hallway to

"Thanks God!"

This past week our parish hosted its first Vacation Bible School (VBS) since 2019. Our theme, "SCUBA: Diving into friendship with God" provided our children with awesome Scripture-learning experiences to see, hear, and touch! The hands-on science experiments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats were just a few of the standout activities that helped faith flow into real life. We had 80 participants and 75 volunteers! Each day we learned a new Bible point such as "God is a friend who loves" to which we all responded "Thanks God!" (To be continued pg. 3)



Adult Retreat on Benedictine Balance in Family
Life. Please join us on June 27th with 6:00 pm Mass
followed by fellowship and then a 7:00 pm rosary prayed
through SoulCore reflecting on Benedictine balance in
family life. All are welcome to pray the rosary with us and
the movement is just an invitation. Bring water, a mat,
and comfortable clothing for the rosary. Chairs will be
available so please come sit and pray with us even if the
movement intimidates you or is not comfortable at this
time.

Kindly RSVP to joyoflovemoms@gmail.com

LAST WEEK'S SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR

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Knights of Columbus Breakfast Burrito Sister of Divine Master

On June 23rd, the members of Council 9445 will be making breakfast burritos and serving them after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am masses. For \$7.00 you can get a breakfast burrito with your choice of either bacon or sausage with coffee or orange juice. A portion of the proceeds will be going to help support the sisters of Divine Master. You can stay and enjoy the company of your fellow parishioners, or you can take them to go. The Location will be in the Cafeteria of St. Paul Catholic Newman Center. We accept Cash, Checks and Credit Cards (Apple or Google Pay). So, let's come out and support these wonderful ladies and their Vocation.

Vocation: Sister Disciples Of The Divine Master (pddm.us)

THE CRIME SURVIVORS MINISTRY

We invite you to a day of reflection and healing for all victims and survivors of violence and crime. Please come and join the Healing Retreat with a healing Mass to be celebrated by the Most Rev. Joseph V. Brennan, D.D. on Saturday, June 29th from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm to be held at St. Paul Catholic Newman Center. To register, contact Maciel Godburn.

rjmaciel2019@gmail.com

JUNE CONTRIBUTIONS			
2023		2024	
June 4	\$11,379.00	June 2	\$20,962.20
June 11	\$15,624.39	June 9	\$20,129.17
June 18	\$10,731.63	June 16	\$16,495.47
June 25	\$12,368.40	June 23	
		June 30	
MAY 2023 TOTAL	\$50,103.42	MAY 2024 TOTAL	\$57,586.84

From Fr. Byron

Your Boat!

In the Gospel today we see that many boats are shaken by the storm; in life the boats of our lives get also shaken by many things we don't even see coming. Yet, just as Jesus commanded the wind and the sea to be still, Jesus will come to your rescue and make sure your boat never sinks!

Anniversary

Please say a prayer for me this June 29th, my ordination anniversary number 7! Your prayers do really make a difference. Thanks for allowing me to serve you as a priest in our wonderful Newman Center!

Cancer Mass

Please join us tomorrow, June 24th (and every 24th of each month) to celebrate Mass for Cancer patients through the intercession of St. Anthony Claret. We will bless the attendants with the first class relic of the saint that we have here.

From VBS

It is only fitting that we thank God for all who made VBS possible. There are so many people to thank starting with our amazing adult volunteers who spent time planning and preparing lessons, snack ideas and other details as well as spending hours each day serving our children. We are grateful for the many tweens and teens who helped out with our crews of children and our stations! VBS wouldn't have been a success without them! Our pastoral team was on hand each day to lead us in prayer during opening and closing. And of course, our wonderful Newman Center staff were on campus early each day making sure things were ready to go to keep our days flowing smoothly and our children safe! And to those of you who supported us through prayer and donation - we are so very grateful. A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for preparing and serving a wonderful barbecue lunch on our final day. And, we can't forget our VBS'ers whose active engagement and sense of faith and wonder were such an important part of the week!

LIFE MINISTRY

Charles Arokiasamy can be reached at:

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The Men's Spirituality Group also continues to meet every Monday after morning Mass to 9:15 am in the Library. All Catholic men of the parish are welcome to grab a cup of coffee and a muffin and join us.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Community Room, and Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm in the chapel. Please, join us.

Grief Support

We are in the process of reforming and restarting our grief support ministry. Look out for further announcements. In the meantime, if you are in need of grief support, Hinds Hospice offers year round grief support services or contact our Stephen Ministry through Neil Bianco at nbianco@biancoinvestigativegroup.com

Faith, Family and Friends

Stay Tuned for upcoming program information & registration.

We are excited to announce Alberto Navarro as our new Director of Family, Life, and Liturgical Ministries effective Monday, June 24th.

Alberto comes to us from the Cathedral of the Annunciation with the Diocese of Stockton. In addition to his time at the Cathedral, Alberto has served Catholic Charities in Stockton, Sacred Heart in Turlock, and St. Joseph's in Selma. Please join us in praying for and welcoming Alberto to our university parish.

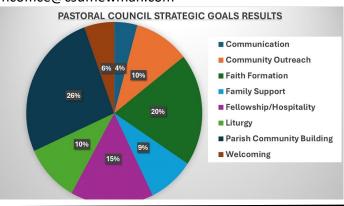


Pastoral Council

Our parish is restarting our Pastoral Council to provide Strategic Planning to help us better meet our Parish Mission Goals. They will work on 1 to 3 year goals to address the parish identified areas of: Faith Formation, Parish Community Building, and Fellowship & Hospitality.

You may self-nominate or nominate a person who you believe would be a great member of the Pastoral Council. Nominees will be invited to a discernment meeting to learn more about the role and responsibilities of the Council, so they may pray about, discern, and decide about this call to serve. You will find nomination slips in the church that you may put in the collection basket or turn into the office.

ncoffice@csufnewman.com



All Pastoral Council Nominees will be invited to attend an informational meeting on Monday, July 1st, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. More information will be provided.

Bulletin and Parish Media

TO SUBMIT ANNOUNCEMENTS, ARTICLES, OR FLYERS FOR THE BULLETIN, WEBSITE, OR SOCIAL MEDIA:
Email the Newman Communications Team at

communications@csufnewman.com

Submissions should be unformatted text, with pictures uploaded separately. They may be subject to editing and are not guaranteed for publication, so consider if the website or social media would be suitable alternatives versus the bulletin proper.

Submissions are accepted no later than 12:00 pm on Wednesday of the week prior to publishing.

PRAYERS

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

Aileen Gray Rev Raymond C. Dreiling

Dan Dungy Jack Moses
Zaire Woodruff Olivia King
Victoria Hoff Larry Williams
Kerr Family Joanie Lum
Lisa Odom Alan Demascus

Veronica Andrade

◆ And we pray for those who have died recently.

Please contact the office or visit our website and fill out the form under the "<u>Prayer Requests</u>" tab to have a name included on this prayer list.

Names of the sick / for special intentions will be published in the bulletin for four weeks, and then removed unless otherwise requested. Names of the deceased are published the week after death.

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for a Community Potluck Celebration in honor of Fr. Byron on July 19th at 6:00 pm. So as to maximize Fr. Byron's time with the community, we encourage participation in this event in lieu of individual invitations. More details coming soon!

We are planning to put together "Fotos with Father" slideshow and we invite you to share one or two of your favorite photos with Father. There are two ways you may get the photos to us.

- 1. If you have printed copies of photos, please mark your name on the back and place them in an envelope marked "Fotos with Father" and drop them at the front desk.
- 2. If you have digital photos, please upload them to Dropbox at the link in the QR Code below. When you connect through the QR code, it will take you to a Dropbox shared folder. To upload photos you must join the folder using one the options displayed. You should then be able to upload your photo(s).



For questions, contact:

clergyassistant@csufnewman.com

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

June 23 — June 30, 2024

SUNDAY, JUNE 23	XII SUNDAY ORD. TIME
Knights of Columbus Burrito Breakfo	ast after Morning Masses
THANK YOU FATHER ROBERT FOR S	ERVING OUR PARISH!

7:30am	Mass for Kenneth Christiansen	Chapel
9:30am	Mass for Needs and Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel
9:30am	CLOW Communi	ty Room
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate	Library
11:30am	Mass for Steve Rontell	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for John Godburn	Chapel

MONDAY, JUNE 24

8:00am	Mass for Juan Avila	Chapel
8:00am	Men's Morning Scripture Study	Library
6:00pm	Cancer Mass	Chapel

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

8:00am	Mass for Joe Coletti	Chapel
10:00am	Marian Movement of Priests	Community Room
6:00pm	Marian Movement of Priest Cenacle	Cafeteria
6:30pm	Bible Study Group	Library

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
4:00pm	Confessions (Call to confirm)	Chapel
6:00pm	Adult Confirmation	Library
6:30pm	RCIA Inquiry	Classroom 1

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

8:00am	Mass for Naomi and Jack Patrick	Chapel
5:30pm	Food Recovery Network	Cafeteria

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

3:30pm	Confessions	Chapel
5:00pm	Mass for Faustino Pineda	Chapel
6:00nm	Ica Cream Social for Er Robert	

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

XIII SUNDAY ORD. TIME

7:30am	Mass for Linda Caffejian	Chapel
9:30am	Mass for Sonda Scheidt	Chapel
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate	Library
11:30am	Mass for Paul Gennaro	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Adam Marquez and	
	Needs and Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel

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