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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR B JULY 07, 2024

THE DEACON'S SPEAKIN'

Dear sisters and brothers,

This week's gospel presents a peculiar trait of human nature. Jesus has achieved fame as a teacher, healer, and prophet and is widely respected and admired. He then comes back to His home town, His own people, His own relatives. He wants to share the power of God with those He grew up with and with whom He is most familiar. He preaches and teaches, but to what result? We see that He isn't respected and admired by His own! The town's people took offense at Him, "Who does He think He is? Isn't He the carpenter?"

Jesus states, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house". It appears that familiarity does breed contempt. We seem to be able to honor distant heroes, but have difficulty accepting heroes among our relatives and friends. We can often take advice and criticism from strangers, but resent it from members of our own family. Even when comments from people who know us better are likely more on target, we're unimpressed.

However, often the people who can best help us change for the better are the very people who are closest to us and know us the best. It's foolish to discount their concerns and proposals. After all, they are the ones who love us! The best therapist in the world might be one's own spouse; the best counselor might be a sibling. The best spiritual advisor we might find could be a co-worker. There is wisdom in the following quote.

"Family and friends are hidden treasures; seek them and enjoy them".

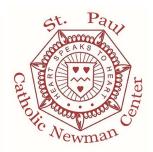
(Wanda Hope Carter)

Peace and love

Deacon John

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, July 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Lounge. We continue to look at the final chapters of Luke. Join us as we discover God in our daily lives through scripture.

Summer Day Retreat

Save the date for our Young Adult summer retreat. July 20 from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. We'll be focusing on "Praying As I Am".

Q&A w/Fr. Byron

Join us on Monday, July 15 at 6:00 p.m. Mass as we say goodbye to Fr. Byron. We will have pizza and a Q&A with Fr. Byron about the faith, but also what his next assignment looks like.

Eucharistic Revival Announcements

July 14, Eucharistic Procession: Our next Eucharistic Procession will be after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, July 14 to celebrate and bless the Pilgrims from Newman that will be attending the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis next week.

July 27, Eucharistic Revival: The Diocesan Experience Register Today!

Can't attend the Congress in Indianapolis? On Saturday July 27, the Diocese of Fresno is hosting a Eucharistic Revival experience for ages 18 and older at San Joaquin Memorial which will be a retreat and conference. At this one day experience you will have a life changing encounter with Christ in the Eucharist. You will have an opportunity to network, worship, pray and much more. Check in begins at 7:00 a.m. Cost is \$10.

For more information see the flyer posted on the Eucharistic Revival bulletin board in the hallway or call Ely Medina, Youth and Young Adult Ministries Coordinator 559-549-0012, emedina@diocesesoffresno.org Want to join our Flocknote email list?

Contact: eucharistic.revival@csufnewman.com to join.

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Farewell Potluck for Fr. Byron

Please join us on Friday, July 19 at 6:00 p.m. for a potluck celebration in honor of Fr. Byron. So as to maximize Fr. Byron's time with the community, we encourage participation in this event in lieu of individual invitations. The Knights of Columbus will be barbecuing hamburgers and hot dogs and we are asking people to bring side dishes to share.

People with last names beginning in the following letters are asked to bring the items noted:

A-I - Salads, Fruit

J-R - Chips, Vegetables, other sides

S-Z - Desserts

Please bring enough to share with 6-8 people.

The parish will provide the hot dogs, hamburgers and condiments as well as paper products, water and lemonade.

If you have any questions, please email. clergyassistant@csufnewman.com

We look forward to seeing you on July 19!

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	\$14,277.75	
		June 30	\$ 14,518.84	
MAY 2023 TOTAL	\$50,103.42	MAY 2024 TOTAL	\$86,383.43	

From Fr. Byron

Have you ever wondered what makes someone a saint? I think we can have a good indication in the Second Reading this Sunday. Saint Paul, one of the greatest apostolates of the Church, says: "Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.'" Being a saint is not a matter of being perfect, but to invite God to our imperfections. God's grace is like the harness that holds you in this unpredictable zip line of life!

Fr. Robert

Father Robert arrived in Poland safe and sound last Friday evening. He sends his regards and love; he asked me to say "hi" for him to you all. Father will return on July 28 to start his new assignment at Saint Anthony Claret Church here, in Fresno.

Did you Know?

Have you seen our Corner of Hope? It is located in the back of the church. There is a statue of Saint Anthony Claret, along with his relic (an actual part of his body). There is also a book for patients and people affected by cancer. Saint Anthony Claret's first miracle was the complete healing of a religious sister with stage four cancer. Please stop by to say a prayer for people written on the book and bless yourself with the relic of our saint.

Car Blessing

To celebrate Saint Christopher and as a farewell gift, Father Byron will be blessing your cars on the weekend of July 20-21 after all Masses. Father will be at the solar panels parking lot. If you park in the other parking lots, please make your way towards the parking lot by Newman Hall. We will have more details next weekend.

LIFE MINISTRY

Alberto Navarro can be reached at:

lifeministry@csufnewman.com

The Men's Spirituality Group meetings that were held every first Saturday of the month will be discontinued indefinitely.

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle will be taking a break for the month of July. Both 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. rosary shall resume August 7.

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.

Stress in Your Marriage?

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness.

Others experience conflict in their relationship.

Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it.

This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program in Fresno from July 12 through the 14 please call us at (559) 862-6765 or email:

Fresno@RetroCA.com

Community Garden Update!



Our **St. Paul Catholic Newman Center Community** Garden Ministry will serve an estimated 385 parishioners and community residents by providing 70 raised, and irrigated garden plots (20 feet by 4 feet) on a half-acre of parish land just west of the Cardinal Newman Hall.

Our ministry's vision is to enrich the lives of those in most need of assistance – "for I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger, and you welcomed me."

Our ministry is designed to supplement the meals of low-income families in Fresno and Clovis and is a partnership of our St. Paul Catholic Newman Center Young Adult Program and 4 community organizations - (1) California State University, Fresno, (2) Stone Soup Fresno, (3) Fresno Metro Ministry's Community Gardens Program, and (4) the Master Gardeners of Fresno County.

Construction has started and will be completed by this September. All costs for the Community Garden construction were raised from donations and will not require any financial commitment from our parish. Our parishioners involved in starting this Community Garden Ministry are Jim Nelson, Jim Grant, Paul Stommel, Dr. Jesus Larralde Muro, and Dr. Dan Griffin.

PRAYERS

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

Larry Williams Joanie Lum

Frank Esquivel

Virginia and Sam Champion

Alan Demascus **Nicole Davis** Steven Camacho **Emily Bunting** Dan Dungy

- **♥** And we pray for those who have died recently.
- ♥ Patty Orlando

Please contact the office or visit our website and fill out the form under the "Prayer Requests" 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.

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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.

Deacon John in Italy

Want to keep up with the ins and outs of Deacon's trip to Italy. Follow his blog.

ljsupino.blogspot.com

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

JULY 7 — JULY 14, 2024

SUNDAY,	JULY 7	KIV SUNDAY ORD. TIME		
7:30am	Mass for Needs and Int. of Paris	hioners Chapel		
9:30am	Mass for August Short	Chapel		
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room		
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate	Library		
11:30am	Mass for Edward J. Donoghue, S	Sr. Chapel		
7:00pm	Mass for Arthur Hermosillo	Chapel		
MONDAY, JULY 8				
8:00am	Mass for Mike Reidy	Chapel		
TUESDAY, JULY 9				
8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel		
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10				
8:00am	Mass for Linda Quinn	Chapel		
6:00pm	Bible Study Group	Library		
7:00pm	Knights of Columbus	Cafeteria		
THURSDAY, JULY 11				
8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel		
4:00pm	Confessions	Chapel		
6:00pm	Int. for Jimmy Zapata	Chapel		
6:00pm	Adult Confirmation	Library		
6:30pm	RCIA Inquiry	Classroom 1		
FRIDAY, J	ULY 12			
8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel		
5:30pm	Food Recovery Network	Cafeteria		
SATURDA	NY, JULY 13			
Special Collection: Bishop's Annual Appeal				
3:30pm	Confessions	Chapel		
5:00pm	Mass for Virginia Holloway	Chapel		
SUNDAY, JULY 14 XV SUNDAY ORD. TIME Special Collection: Bishop's Annual Appeal				

7:30am Mass for Steve Rontell Chapel 9:30am Mass for Sebastian Tyburski Chapel 9:30am **CLOW** Community Room 9:30am RCIA Catechumenate Library 11:30am Mass for Needs & Int. of Parishioners Chapel 2: 00pm Filipino Mass Chapel

7:00pm Mass for Jackie Hernandez Chapel 8:00pm Congress Pilgrims Procession Front of Church

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