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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C | OCTOBER 16, 2022

This weekend's Gospel reading is one of those passages in Scripture that honestly shocks me, in spite of my long familiarity with the Bible. Jesus invites his followers to compare God to a "dishonest judge" who is harangued into acquiescence by a persistent widow. I can't help but hear the tone in which Jesus delivers these words as tinged with frustration. He knows that God delivers justice for the ones who call on him, but the question at the end of this discourse is rhetorical and sharp. God's justice is speedy, but do we bother to call out for deliverance in faith? The more I think about it, Jesus hits on something painfully familiar about my own quality of faith.

The Jewish listeners of Jesus' audience would have been reminded of the story of the Exodus, in which God enacts the formative liberation of the Hebrews as they are brought out of slavery into the Promised Land. This process brings the Torah down from Sinai and the Hebrews are made into the covenant people of Israel, all amidst miraculous signs and wonders. Time and again throughout the book of Exodus the people's faith are tested, and time and again God must extend grace and mercy to the people in spite of their lack of faith. The First Reading's story of violence and miraculous

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary.

Luke 18:1

perseverance against the Amalekites highlights this dynamic: the people needed to see that victory is not won by force of arms, but by God's power alone.

Before we rush to differentiate ourselves from those whose faith Jesus questions, we do well to examine the character of our own faith. Speaking for myself, I know that I too often compare the outcome of my prayers with the lives of others close to me. I find myself asking: God, you granted these friends freedom from this struggle, why could you not do the same to me? As I lift up the desires of my heart and the hearts of my peers, I ache with the sting of unfulfilled desires and unanswered petitions:

Lord, would you bring relief from this chronic illness?

Lord, would you grant us a safe pregnancy that comes to full term?

Lord, would you deliver me from substance addiction that I can't seem to shake?

Lord, would you mend the broken relationship between me and my parents?

Lord, would you help me forgive that person who abused their position of power over me?

In such prayers our helplessness is revealed, and we recognize our inability to truly satisfy ourselves and our hearts' desires. In such prayers we touch the tender places that are open to healing. In such prayers God carves open a space for himself. As our prayers are offered at the altar may we remember that even faith itself is a gift, one that God truly yearns to give us...should we but ask.

Karl A. Gurney, M.A. | Director of Liturgy

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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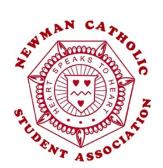
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Campus Ministry

WFFK OF OCTOBER 16-23

STUDY NIGHT

We could all use more productive study times, so let's make it happen together! You're invited to join other students for a Study Night where we can help one another focus and who knows, actually get stuff done! Thursday, October 20 at 6:30pm. in the Student Lounge.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

Having finished the Gospel Matthew we are joining our adult confirmation students in learning about our faith. Every Monday at 6:00pm, join us in the student lounge.

WEDNESDAY STUDENT NIGHT

Looking for a community to grow in your faith and meet other college students? Join us this week for mass and a dinner inside the Newman Hall, beginning at 6pm. Afterwards, we will have our Student Lounge opened to provide a space for studying or to pick up school materials!

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



Newman
Catholic
Student
Association
Booth at
2022
Diocesan
Congress

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PRAYERS:

† For those who died this week:

Ted Morris, Chris "Eddie" Popa

Please pray for those who have requested special intentions and prayers: 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, Monica Becerra, Alice Schultz, Dick and Jan White, Sr. Joanne Bauer, Jan Fusselman, JoAnn Myers, Monica Baker (Lucido), David Toll, Susan Olson, Mary Yoakum, Maria Coronel, Clara Marrone, Penny Mull, Judy Marchi, Raymond Ram, Nacho Flores, Walt Whelan, Martin Zapata, Carl Britto, Hannah York, Lexi Leon, Zenaida Billena, Sally Caglia, Camila Carousso, Michelle Coyle, Marian Martin, Fr. Kevin Bray, Diane Decker, Tommy Estep, Jeri Maxwell, Magdalena Lovejoy, Eugene Benavidez, Tatiana Tarazona, Peter Mai, Javier-Maria Alonso

To better serve our Faith Community we try to update our list of prayers regularly. Therefore, we have the following policy:

Names for the sick / special intentions will remain in the bulletin for one month then removed unless otherwise notified.

If deceased, names are only published the week they died.

If you have someone who is in need of prayers please contact the office at 559-436-3434 or go on our website and fill out the form under the "Prayer Requests" tab.

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, Friday | 8:00am Intergenerational Tuesday (TBA) | 6:00pm Thursday | 6:00pm

COMMUNION SERVICES:

Tuesday and Thursday at 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

Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

Exodus 17:8-13/2 Timothy 3:14-4:2/Luke 18:1-8

7:30am 9:30am Mass for Dimitri Kostiw Chapel 9:30am Mass for Lai Pham Chapel 11:30am Mass for Vicky Monzon Chapel RCIA Dismissal and Catechumentate Community Room 7:00pm Mass Chapel

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

Ephesians 2:1-10/Luke 12:13-21

8:00am Mass Intention of Peter Mai Chapel
8:30am Men's Morning Scripture Study Library
5:30pm Grief Support Ministry Community Room
6:00pm Young Adult Confirmation Class Cafeteria
6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study St. John XXIII Student Lounge

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

2 Timothy 4:10-17b/Luke 10:1-9

8:00am Communion Service Chapel
12:00pm Christian Meditation Community Room
6:00pm Faith, Family & Friends (K-8) Cardinal Newman Hall
(High School Claretian) St. John XXIII Student Lounge
(Adults) Community Room / Cafeteria / Library

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

Ephesians 3:2-12/Luke 12:39-48

8:00am	Mass for Anna Gach Thi Vu	Chapel
10:00am	Food Recovery Network Meeting	Cardinal Newman Hall 102
12:00pm	Universal Christ Book Study	Cafeteria
5:30pm	Ignatian Retreat for Busy People	Community Room
6:00pm	College Night	Cardinal Newman Hall 101
6:00pm	Prayer and Life Workshop	Cardinal Newman Hall 105
7:00pm	RCIA Inquiry	Library

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

Ephesians 3:14-21/Luke 12:49-53

8:00am Communion Service Chapel 11:30am Serra Club Mass Chapel 12:30pm Serra Club Luncheon Cafeteria 4:00pm Confessions Chapel Spirituality of the 12 Steps 5:30pm Cardinal Newman Hall 105 Mass for Ricardo and Carmelita Sunga 6:00pm Chapel

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

Ephesians 4:1-6/Luke 12:54-59

8:00am Mass Intention of Clara Marone Chapel 5:30pm Food Recovery Network Cafeteria

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

Ephesians 4:7-16/Luke 13:1-9

Second Collection - World Mission Sunday

5:00pm Mass for Paul Fedele Stanziale Chapel
Catholic Charities Truck (After All Masses) East Parking Lot

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18/2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18/Luke 18:9-14

Second Collection - World Mission Sunday

Mass for Virginia Grieco Holloway Chapel 7:30am 9:30am Mass for Dolores Monahan Chapel **Baptisms** Chapel 10:00am Confirmation Preparation Year One Cardinal Newman Hall 11:30am Mass for Marcela Leyva Chapel RCIA Dismissal and Catechumenate Community Room Confirmation Preparation Year Two Cardinal Newman Hall 7:00pm Mass Chapel

Catholic Charities Truck (After All Masses) East Parking Lot Knights Burrito Breakfast (After Morning Masses) Cafeteria

PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE UPDATE

Sunday October 16

Luke 18:1-8 Justice for the Widow.

What are we doing to hear the cry of the "widows", and with them all those on the margins demanding justice? Check out Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February 2021: Click Here: PopeFrancisPrayerIntentionFebruary2021

Feast of St. Margaret Mary Alocoque: Devotee to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Monday, October 17

Feast of St. Ignatius of Antioch: (50-140 CE) First to use the term "Catholic Church"

Watch the Pope Video for October 2022: "For a Church Open to Everyone"=

Pope Francis' prayer for a "Synodal Church": Click Here: PopeFrancisPrayer4SynodalChurch

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty: Click Here: InternationDay4EradicationofPoverty

Tuesday, October 18
 Feast of St. Luke

Faith Family & Friends: 6:00pm-7:00pm (Social Justice class not meeting this week.) Great opportunity to reflect on Luke's Gospel with Tina and Matt TeNyenhuis during Faith Family and Friends!

Friday, October 21

Food Recovery Program: 5:30pm to 6:30pm (SPCNC Cafeteria) 90 guests have joined us so far. Contact Jim Grant for more information.

 Saturday, October 22
 Feast of St. John Paul II

In 1962, President Kennedy orders the blockade of Cuba, beginning the Missile Crisis

Saturday-Sunday, October 22-23
 Catholic Charities Truck Weekend: Bring all of your gently used items to donate to Catholic Charities.

For so much more, visit the SPCNC website: CSUFnewman.com/ministries and scroll down to "Peace and Social Justice" or Click Here: SPCNC/Peace&SocialJustice

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RED MASS

October 21, 2022 at 12:10pm St. John's Cathedral, Fresno

A Red Mass is celebrated annually in the Catholic Church for judges, attorneys, law school professors, students, and government officials. The Mass requests guidance from the Holy Spirit for all who seek justice.

This year's Red Mass will be presided over by Bishop Joseph V. Brennan and will begin promptly at 12:10pm and end no later than 12:45pm. A complimentary catered lunch will be provided at Singleton Hall.

Everyone is invited!



Would you like to help make the Church beautiful? Work with existing decorations and help us with flower orders/arrangements. Budget is provided!



Hospitality Team

Help prepare light refreshments (like donut holes and coffee) to serve after each Mass. This is a great way to get to know the community!

Mass Greeters

experience necessary!

Be the welcoming face of the parish as

you greet faces new and familiar

before each Mass, and helping give

basic directions to newcomers. No



Interested?

Email Karl Gurney, Director of Liturgy at karl@csufnewman.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 inserts for the bulletin must be submitted by 10:00am Wednesday to guarantee insertion for Sunday's bulletin.

Volunteers Needed:

Our Arts and Environment team is looking for a volunteer to help us with chapel flower arrangements around the altar. If you are interested in helping our worship space look beautiful, this is a ministry for you! You will work with a budget providing funds for each month's arrangements.

We are also in need of volunteers to serve as greeters for our various weekend Masses. Greeters offer a friendly smile and welcoming attitude to those who come through our doors.

For all of these opportunities and more, please contact Director of Liturgy Karl Gurney at: karl@csufnewman.com.

Faith, Family & Friends

Faith, Family & Friends is the Newman Center's Religious Education and faith formation program for EVERYONE of all ages - Children, High School Youth and Adults. Faith, Family & Friends meets this Tuesday evening October 18th, 6:00pm-7:00pm.

Individuals and families are invited to gather in the Grassy Courtyard from 5:00pm-5:45pm to bring and share a meal together. All are encouraged to gather by 5:45pm to pray before being released to attend classes. All Children's classes meet in Cardinal Newman Hall, Claretian High School Youth Group meets in St. John XXIII Student Lounge, and the Adult Group Sessions meet in the Main Building.

Adult Sessions offered this week for Family Life topic is Promoting Emotional Health in Our Children; and our Scripture topic will be to Read, Reflect and Discuss the Up-Coming Sunday Scripture Readings. (Our Catholic Faith Topic will not be meeting this week.)

Family Life Ministries

Joy of Love Moms: The Joy of Love Moms Group invites families to the west playground after 9:30am Mass for an opportunity for children and families to meet, socialize and play together. Please join us!

Men's Scripture Reflection and Discussion Group: This ministry meets on Monday mornings at 8:30am in the Library after our 8:00am morning Mass.

Prayer Ministry

Christian Meditation: This ministry meets on Tuesdays from 12:00 noon to 1:00pm in the Community Room. Sessions include 20 minutes of silent meditation followed by a brief lesson about this ancient Christian prayer tradition and discussion. The group is a member of the World Community for Christian Meditation. Meetings are facilitated by Benita Lankford. For information email contact John Prandini at prandinij@csufnewman.com.

OCTOBER CONTRIBUTIONS

2021		2022		
October 3	\$18,483.17	October 2	\$22,966.05	
October 10 ACH	\$25,503.80	October 9 ACH	\$20,752.07	
October 17 ACH	\$20,562.35	October 16 ACH		
October 24	\$ 9,997.54	October 23		
October 31	\$20,142.73	October 30		
OCTOBER 2021 TOTAL	\$94,689.59	OCTOBER 2022 TOTAL	\$43,718.12	

GRIEF SUPPORT MINISTRY:

The Grief Support Ministry offers spiritual and emotional support to those who are coping with the death of a loved one. There are support group sessions in the fall and spring.

The next series of Grief Support meetings begin on October 17 through November 28. The meetings are held from 5:30pm to 7:00pm on Monday evenings in the Newman Center Community Room. Advanced registration is required.

To Register: Email John Prandini at prandinij@csufnewman.com or call at 436-3434, x107.

St. Paul Catholic Newman Center
Staff and Parish Community would like to say

Thank You

to two of our treasured and devoted employees that are leaving the Newman Center to spend more time with family.

Jenna Sainz and Carol Kennedy

They have both been part of the Newman community for many years and will missed during our day to day activities of the Parish.

We all want to wish them the best and extend our gratitude and appreciation for all of their hard work and dedication over the years.