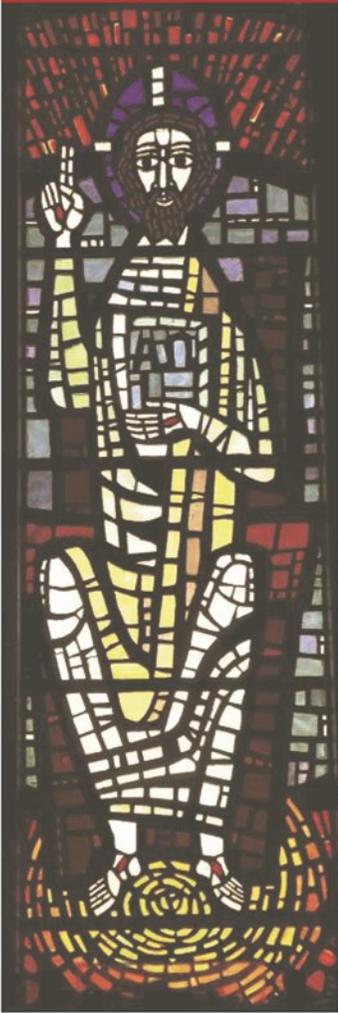


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Third Sunday of Easter, Year C

May 1, 2022

Readings: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

The Deacon's Speakin'

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

After a year-long quest for my successor as Parish Life Coordinator, the "search team" has found that person. For the past six or seven years I've been hinting at retiring from my post as the administrator of our parish. Well, come July 15th I'll be handing the "keys of our kingdom" to the first female Parish Life Coordinator in the history of the Diocese of Fresno. Ms. Linda Ram is currently the Vice Principal at St. Anthony's Elementary School here in Fresno and has been appointed by Bishop Brennan to lead us as we continue our journey as servants of the children of God. You'll learn more about Linda in the days and months ahead. Suffice it to say that once again the faith community of Newman Center is the leading example of the Catholic church of the future.

In November of 2008 I was asked to take my current position by Bishop John Steinbock. Little did I know that, what he called a "temporary situation" would last almost 14 years. It's been difficult to put into words my appreciation for the love and support that you have shown me over these 14 years. We have accomplished so much working together through "good times and bad". Yes, we've had some "weeping and gnashing of teeth", but the "marriage" was and is a success. When I've asked for your help, you've been there to do some "heavy lifting". At times you've carried me and other times you've pushed. But I always knew you were with me on the journey. The "heavy lifting" I spoke of earlier is particularly accurate in describing the work of the Newman Center Staff. We have all been blessed by them. Their support and dedication have been immeasurable.

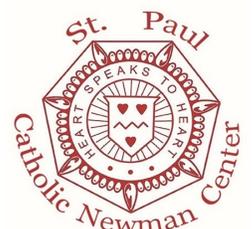
In closing, just know that you haven't gotten rid of me yet. The only thing moving is my office. I'll still be around and I look forward to continuing my duties as a deacon serving you as I have in the past.

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.



Faith, Family & Friends

Faith, Family & Friends meets this Tuesday evening, May 3 from 6:00pm to 7:00 pm for our end-of-the year Rosary, the crowning of our Blessed Mother as Queen of Heaven and our Mother, followed by pizza for all attending. Families are invited to bring a dessert to share.

We would like to thank all those who have participated this year in our parish's religious education and faith formation program for all ages. We celebrate our 15th year of FF&F which has looked and felt a little different during Covid, but has been a source of joy for our families to meet again in-person as a faith family!

Family Life Ministries

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 meets Monday mornings after Mass from 8:30am to 9:15am in the Library to reflect upon and discuss the previous Sunday's scripture readings.

Marriage Ministry

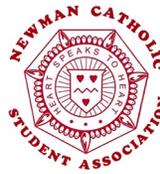
Any person or couples interested in being a part of a planning committee for Marriage Preparation and / or Marriage Enrichment programs for the 2022-23 year are invited to contact John Prandini at prandinij@csufnewman.com. This group will meet to discuss ideas and plan classes, activities, events and retreats.

Prayer Ministries

Christian Meditation meets weekly on Tuesdays at noon in the Community Room, for 20 minutes of silent meditation followed by a brief lesson about this ancient Christian prayer tradition and discussion. Christian meditation utilizes the mantra, "Maranatha" (a word in Jesus' own Aramaic language meaning, "Come, Lord Jesus") in order to quiet the mind and come to silence, meeting Jesus in the depth of our own being, beyond words or images. 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.

Creation Care Tips

"When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.'" - John 21:9-10
Mmm! The enticing smell of a barbecue! This summer activity reminds us of how our ancestors cooked. Even though charcoal grills are not recommended for environmental reasons now, if you still want to cook out, its impact on the environment can be reduced. First, don't barbecue on days when there is a smog alert. Use a barbecue that suits your needs, buying a small one or lighting just one burner for smaller portions. One 20-liter bottle of propane emits about 25 kg of CO2. The type of fuel makes a big difference too. Avoid flammable liquids. Charcoal and wood create a lot of soot, and propane and natural gas aren't much better. Given the choices, an electric barbecue is the most ecological option.



Campus Ministry News!

Week of May 1st - 8th

Young Adults Bible Study

Every Monday at 6:00pm, we engage in biblical reflections and conversations to strengthen our identity as followers of Christ. It is a space where you will also find other young people who desire to learn and grow with you. Come join us! We meet inside 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 a reflection activity, followed by a dinner in Cardinal Newman Hall. The event begins at 6:00pm. Afterwards, we will have our Student Lounge open to provide a space for studying or to pick up school materials!

Job Opening - Administrative Assistant [Part-time]

We will begin accepting and reviewing applications this month. The full job description and application can be found on our website. If you have any questions, please reach out to Edgar or Stephanie.

NCSA Officer Team

As the school year is coming to an end, we are looking for a new service leader team! These positions include: President, Public Relations, Liturgy, and Event Coordinator. The link to the application can be found on our website or Instagram page [[@newmancenter_fresno](https://www.instagram.com/newmancenter_fresno)].

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Religious Education Update

As we are living into this Easter Season it is our hope that we are experiencing the Joy of the Risen Christ each and every day. Last week we confirmed sixty-three young men and women into full membership in the Catholic Church. It hasn't been easy to not meet every week for class but instead to meet virtually. All I can say we have some of the finest young people around and they were wonderfully flexible and truly welcomed the Spirit into their lives.

Also, this year we had to reform the weekly Religious Education classes to conform to mandates and a new structure. Again, your cooperation and the students' joy were present and we succeeded beyond all our imaginings. For all of this we are grateful and we never stop praying for you all. Because of all of this all of our programs have been pushed back and we have had to spend more time and work to make it happen.

After last week's meeting we have decided not to have Vacation Bible School this summer. There are not enough core leaders and time to put on a week-long program. In the past we began planning in December and were ready to hit the ground running in June. This year we do not have the time and energy to set it up and make it safe. We have discussed this with Deacon John and others and have decided that **we will NOT HAVE VBS THIS SUMMER.**

Please understand and look for some other events as we move through the summer.

God Bless you all!
Sr. Kathleen Drilling and Cristina Oseguera

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 1 Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

7:30am Mass for Melecio Oida Chapel
 9:30am Mass for John Godburn Chapel
 11:30am Mass Eugene Donoghue, Jr. Chapel
 7:00pm Mass Chapel

Monday, May 2

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

8:00am Mass for Bernadette Ngoc-Quyen Vu Chapel
 8:30am Men's Morning Scripture Study Chapel
 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study St. John XXIII

Tuesday, May 3

1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

8:00am Communion Service Chapel
 12:00pm Christian Meditation Community Room
 1:00pm Synod Listening Session Cafeteria
 6:00pm Faith, Family & Friends Rosary Chapel Courtyard

Wednesday, May 4

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

8:00am Mass Int. of Carolina Jimenez and Sr. Maria Rosa Guzman Chapel
 6:00pm College Night CNH 101

Thursday, May 5

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

8:00am Communion Service Chapel
 4:00pm Confessions Chapel
 6:00pm Mass for Barbara and Su Prandini Chapel

Friday, May 6

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

8:00am Mass for Frank Pantoya, Sr. Chapel
 8:30am Sacred Heart Devotion for Families Chapel

Saturday, May 7

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

7:30am Men's Saturday Coffee Group Cafeteria
 7:30am SoulCore Chapel Courtyard
 5:00pm Mass for Maria Carla Alessandri-Cook Chapel

Sunday, May 8

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rev 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

7:30am Mass for the Deceased Members of the Lopez Family Chapel
 9:30am Mass for Lai Pham Chapel
 11:30am Mass for Sandy Ullmann Chapel
 7:00pm Mass Chapel

April Contributions

2021		2022	
April 4	\$23,578.05	April 3	\$20,463.14
April 11 ACH	\$18,118.85	April 10 ACH	\$26,959.85
April 18 ACH	\$13,876.00	April 17 ACH	\$10,255.00
April 25	\$ 8,308.23	April 24	\$12,880.58
April Total	\$63,881.13	April Total	\$70,558.57

Prayers:

- ♦ **For those who have died:** Jim Dick, Raul Rico
- ♦ **Please pray for those who have requested special intentions and prayers:**
 Sr. Ana Rosa Guzman, Joan Renner, Margery Toll, Kristal Lowe Limon, Abigail Love, Gary Payne, Linda Alvarez, Marianne Coons, Julissa Mojarras, Estefania Medina, Mary Garr, Kathy Papagni, Michael Vienna, John and Kathy BrechACHmann, Issac OrAozco, Diana Mock, Fr. Kevin Bray, Msgr. Anthony Janelli, Sandra Barrie, Nettie Shute, Sandy Keith, Meghan Vasquez, Dan Dungy, Isabel Wiggins, Monica Becerra, Alice Schultz, Sr. Rosa Maria Branco FHIC, Dick and Jan White, Randy Trejold, Jose Guadalupe Solorio, Sr. Joanne Bauer, Deacon Steve and Angie Taylor, Deacon Jim Rooney, Jan Fusselman, Nyla Zender, Deacon Rick DeLeon and Family, JoAnn Myers, Monica Baker (Lucido), Deacon Kelly Canelo and Family, David Toll, Susan Olson, Ken Barnes and Family, Ramona Egan, Mary Yoakum, Olivia King, Esther Gutierrez, Joe Calandri, Jeff Janzen, Maria Coronel, Christina Jacquez, Clara Marrone, Susan Williams, Tim Brown, Karen Nyri, Penny Mull, Howard and Mary Ann Latimer, James Ball, Judy Marchi, Raymond Ram, Nacho Flores, William Rogal, Donna Garcia

To better serve our Faith Family we are updating our list of prayers. Names for the sick / special intentions will remain in the bulletin for one month. 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 436-3434 or go on our website and fill out the form under the "Prayer Intentions" tab.

Parish Information

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am & 7:00pm

Weekday Masses: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:00am

First Tuesday 6:00pm, Thursday at 6:00pm

Communion Services: Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00am

Reconciliation: Thursday 4:00pm to 5:45pm or call the office for an appointment.

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00am to 3:00pm
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Newman Catholic Student Association (Fresno)



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Dear Newman Community,
If you are wanting to attend any of these proposed dates for Listening Sessions, please contact the Parish Office (559-436-3434) or Jim Grant (559-708-3530) and leave a message indicating your preferred dates! **If people register, the sessions will be held.** Hope you'll join the parishioners who participated in March and April!

Sunday
(Tentative if people sign up)

Library
May 1
8:30-10:00

Tuesday
(Scheduled)

Cafeteria
May 3
1:00-2:30

Wednesday
(Tentative if people sign up)

Community Room
May 4
8:45-10:15

Thursday
(Tentative if people sign up)

Library
May 5
6:00-7:00
7:00-8:00

Name Tags

Ever see a familiar face at church and just can't remember their name? It happens to all of us! That is why starting this weekend and continuing weekly, we would ask everyone in attendance to wear a name tag. Name tags are available at a table in the hallway. Help us to get to know you!



Mother's Day Cookie Sale!

The Women's Guild is sponsoring a Mother's Day Cookie Sale on May 7 and 8 after the 5:00pm and the 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:30am Masses with the proceeds going to the Newman Center.

Beautifully decorated boxes of homemade cookies, fudge, brownies and candy with a beautiful card will be available for \$15.00 each.

Give your Mom, Grandmother, Aunt or any Special Lady a tasty treat!

Sergio P. Negro Scholar Applications

Applications for Sergio P. Negro Scholarships for the 2022 - 2023 academic year are now available on the St. Paul Catholic Newman Center website. The Sergio P. Negro Endowment Fund was established in honor of our founding priest, who had a deep and abiding commitment to education. The Endowment Fund anticipates awarding a minimum of two, \$2,500 scholarships to deserving students for the academic year.

To be eligible, you must be either an upper division undergraduate or a graduate student preparing to use your knowledge and skills to witness and minister to others. This is meant to be inclusive of many vocations and forms of service, including education, medicine, social services, etc. A pre-condition is that you must have either been raised within or are currently affiliated and active with our St. Paul Catholic Newman Center parish beyond attending Mass. An overall GPA of 2.5 or greater is also required.

The deadline for applications to be received is Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 5:00pm.

They may be submitted electronically to Scholarship@csufnewman.com or mailed to St. Paul Catholic Newman Center, 1572 E. Barstow Ave., Fresno, CA 93710. In all cases, applications and accompanying documents must be typed. Final selection of awardees will be through an interview process.

Weekly Justice Challenge

Justice Challenge: It was a huge catch of fish... "so many fish they could not haul the net in.... In spite of the great number, the net was not torn." Yes, there is room for more. The net represents the Church. Our churches need to be full, but they often are not. Why? There are certainly plenty of people populating the areas around most churches, yet the people aren't joining. Perhaps we are only casting our nets in familiar waters. Jesus suggests casting the net elsewhere. The challenge is to expand our vision of who should belong. Are there people living in your community who might not be desirable members of your church? Start talking to other parishioners about how to reach out to them. The net is strong enough to hold all of you together.

From Fr. Byron

In the Gospel today, Peter goes back fishing! It seems as he just gave up and wanted to go back to what he used to do for a living before Jesus called him to be a disciple. We, too, so many times can be tempted to go back to our old ways, our sins or bad habits. Yet, Jesus appears to Peter and feeds him with a fish and bread breakfast. In the same way, whenever we may feel like giving up on the good fights, striving for what is important or walking through the narrow path, Jesus will also come to us and feed us with his own being so that we can refocus, be brought back to track and keep on living a life that mirrors God's loving vision for us!

May 1st is the Feast of St Joseph the Worker.

We pray through his intercession for all workers, their safety and their progress.

Mateo Nunez

Thank you so much for your kind response to support Mateo and his mom as he heals from his fractured femur surgery. Mateo moved to an ADA accessible room in his dorm at Fresno State. Luckily, his mom is staying with him on campus for the time being. Still we can use some hot meals for two people. Please contact Espie at 661-865-4302 if you can help us in this way. Please continue praying for Mateo's prompt recovery.

Pentecost

Please save the date: Sunday, June 5, 2022. We will celebrate Pentecost with a special parish-wide Mass followed by a picnic to honor Earth Day. Dust off your picnic baskets, call your friends and plan on having a good time 9:00am to 1:00pm. Also, please consider volunteering (we will need a lot of help). I will be posting more information next week.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Thanks to all who attended the prayer of the Divine Mercy Chaplet last Sunday after the 11:30am Mass. We offered our prayers for all crime victims and survivors in our Diocese. If you would like to be part of ministering to crime survivors, please contact Michelle Godburn at 559-325-6888

Thank you College Students

Our awesome Newman Students hosted an Easter Egg Hunt last Sunday after the 9:30am Mass. Thanks to Lupita, Hector and Espie for bringing joy and "sweetness" to our children. We gave away over 1,000 Easter eggs during the past two Sundays to our children. Thanks for your uncanny support and for sharing your gifts.

Thank you Hikes with Mary

We had another memorable Hike with the Blessed Virgin Mary last Saturday. We went to Friant at the Wellbarn Road trailhead. Save the date for the next Hike with Mary: Saturday, May 14. That will be our last hike since we will take a summer break! Thanks to Ryan and Jess Borunda from our Campus Ministry, for leading this ministerial effort.

Saintly Quote

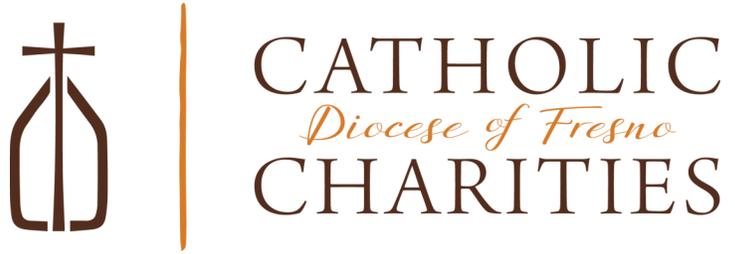
"We always find that those who walked closest to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest trials." - St. Teresa of Avila

Have a Laugh

Bill is trying to find a parking space outside his local pub on a busy evening, but cannot find a single one.

He looks skyward and says, "Lord, if you grant me this space, I'll come to Church every Sunday like a good Catholic should."

Low and behold, a space opens up right in front of him at which time, he looks skyward again and says, "Never mind, I found one."



Catholic Charities May Appeal

Those who are in need are never strangers. They are family. Jesus taught us this important virtue through the parable of the lost sheep. If someone in His flock is in peril, then we cannot rest until they are safe. When anyone suffers, our whole family suffers with them. It is our joyful duty as Catholics to seek them out and surround them with God's compassion and love.

The Annual May Appeal Collection for Catholic Charities will take place the weekend of May 14th and 15th. During this second collection, we are asking parishioners to reflect on their personal ability to make a difference for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

This appeal brings hope where hope is needed most. From the metropolitan areas surrounding our three brick-and-mortar sites to the rural, most impoverished and underserved areas in every corner of our Diocese. It brings hope to those who are hungry, homeless, seeking refuge, disaster-stricken, out-of-work and suffering.

As Catholic Charities continues to serve more people than ever before, we continue to pray that we are able to be a source of comfort and relief to all who suffer as we help them build a bridge of hope over troubled waters. Please consider a generous gift that will bring hope to those in the greatest of need. Every dollar donated during this second collection makes a difference.

For more information or to learn more about how you can help, please contact Ashlee Wolf at (559) 237-0851 or email awolf@ccdof.org.

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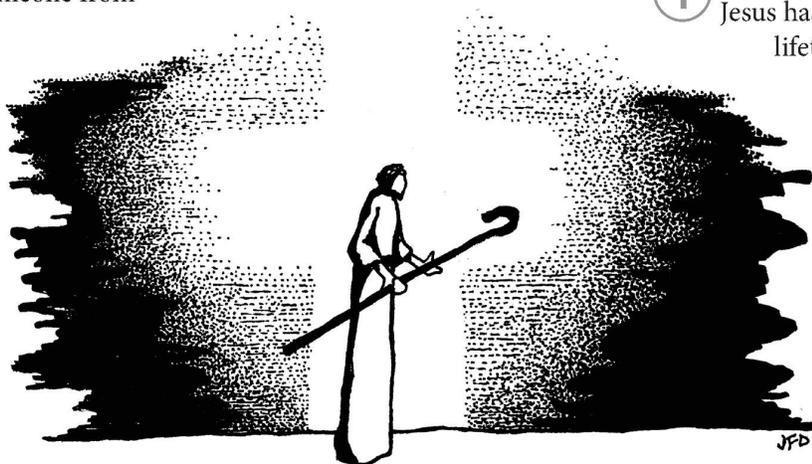
Feast on the Beach

This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 - Disciples' second trial before the Sanhedrin
- ▶ Revelation 5:11-14 - Praise to the lamb
- ▶ John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14 - Appearance at the Sea of Tiberias

As usual in the Gospel stories, Jesus meets people where they are at, busily going about their daily lives. In this story, sometime after Jesus' resurrection, the disciples are back working at their profession—fishing. They have a rough night and come up empty, without any fish to eat or sell for their living. Then, as in a previous story in the Gospel of Luke, Jesus asks them to try again, and suddenly their catch is so big they can barely bring it all to shore. At that point, the beloved disciple recognizes it is Jesus on the shore, and he has a breakfast feast ready for them. Interestingly, even though Jesus could have provided everything for this wonderful meal on the beach after a long, hard night of work, he asks them to contribute to the meal by sharing some of the fish they just caught.

Jesus doesn't just give in one direction. He wants the relationship to go both ways—with each party sharing something with the others. How many times have we given something to a friend or loved one only to have them give us something in return? Or perhaps when we thought we were “serving” the less fortunate, we discovered their desire to serve us or give something to us in return. We can probably all recognize the uncomfortable feeling of inequality or a power differential when someone from “above” gives something to someone “below” who can't return the favor. Jesus seems to understand this. We will never be equal to him, but he still wants us



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“Do you love me?...Feed my lambs.”

Sheepish Question:
What am I doing that truly shows my love for God?

to contribute what we can in the relationship so that there is some mutuality.

So it was with the disciples that morning when they had breakfast together on the beach. Jesus provided some of the food, and they provided some of it. Later, the conversation turned to what Jesus asked Peter to do for him. After all that time of Jesus doing things for the apostles, now comes the time when Jesus wants Peter to rise to the occasion and start doing the same for others by feeding and tending his sheep.

Questions of the Week

- 1 What are some of the ways Jesus has “fed you” in your lifetime?
- 2 In what way(s) are you being called to feed and tend Jesus' sheep now?

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