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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

September 19, 2021

Readings: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37

THE DEACON'S SPEAKIN'

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Soon after the devastation of the Creek Fire, your generosity provided a donation of \$7,000 to the mountain community of Shaver Lake. In keeping with our desire to "Care for Creation", we now have the opportunity to volunteer and help clear debris/fuels from properties near Cressman Road where people are trying to rebuild. See below for more information:

WHEN: September 24th – 26th. Work begins at 8:00am each day WHERE: Cressman Road area (details provided upon RSVP) RSVP: Allyson Brooks, Sierra Foothill Conservancy allyson@sierrafoothill.org

Be prepared to work in the heat. Lunch will be provided.

I also want you to be aware of another special presentation.

Late-Night Hosts Join Forces for First Ever "Climate Night"

(CNN) Late night is stepping up for the planet.

Stephen Colbert, Samantha Bee, James Corden, Jimmy Fallon, Jimmy Kimmel, Seth Meyers and Trevor Noah will unite across networks on **Wednesday**, **September 22nd** for "Climate Night", focusing their programming on climate change.

Shows that will participate include TBS's "Full Frontal with Samantha Bee", ABC's "Jimmy Kimmel Live!", NBC's "Late Night with Seth Meyers", Comedy Central's "The Daily Show with Trevor Noah", CBS's "The Late Show with James Corden", CBS's "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert", and NBC's "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon".

Climate Night was created by former "Daily Show" and "Patriot Act" showrunner Steve Bodow. "Climate change has gone very fast from 'probably the future', 'actually, right now'--which means we all need to be talking and thinking about it much more," Bodow said.

Late-night hosts reflect our national conversation even more than Russian Twitter bots set it -- so this incredible group of shows coming together makes a statement about the scale and urgency of the world's hottest problem.

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.



Young Adult Mass

Every Sunday, we host a young adult Mass at 7:00pm. This is an opportunity for students, young adults, and young professionals to come together and be among others our age giving thanks to God. Join us before Mass at 6:00pm for a prayer activity followed by Mass at 7:00pm.

Faith, Family & Friends Teachers Needed

Faith, Family & Friends is looking for teachers and helpers to help on Tuesday nights. For one hour a week you can walk with our children on their journey of Faith. If you are interested in helping we have a survey available on our website to fill out. You can also contact the front desk or email Sister Kathleen, SSND at skd@csufnewman.com.

Adult Sacrament Prep

Our Adult Sacramental Preparation program prepares baptized Catholics for the sacraments of Confirmation, and/or Eucharist and Reconciliation. Classes begin October 4, 2021, and run through January 2022. For more information contact Deacon Bill Lucido at bill@csufnewman.com, Edgar Guzman at edgar@csufnewman.com, or call the office at 436-3434. Registration forms will be available in the office and on our website.

Faith, Family & Friends 2021-22

Faith, Family & Friends is the Newman Center's innovative approach to religious education for EVERYONE of all ages. Sacramental preparation programs for First Communion and Reconciliation are a part of FF&F. Please join us!

To register online, please go to our website by clicking this link: www.csufnewman.com. You will find registration forms for Families (Adults with children) and one for Adults (without children).

The first mandatory meeting for parents with children will be held on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at 6:30pm.

God has blessed us with many people wanting to become Catholic. We have three candidates and catechumens in the catechumenate and eight in Inquiry. Those eight will go through their Rite of Acceptance but we only have three sponsors. We desperately need another five sponsors. If you are a practicing Catholic and have received baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist, you qualify. If you are interested in serving as a sponsor and share your faith with these new candidates and catechumens, or if you have questions about sponsoring, please contact Charles Arokiasamy at Charles.arok@icloud.com or leave your contact information at the front office.

Newman Center is Hiring

Parish Life Coordinator

St. Paul Catholic Newman Center, a Vatican II oriented parish, seeks a replacement for Deacon John Supino after 12 years of successful leadership in his position as Parish Life Coordinator. He will be retiring once the position is filled. The Parish Life Coordinator role will administer to the business and managerial needs of the parish, lead the various parish functions and support the vision of outreach and ministering to college students, young adults and anyone choosing to be part of this parish family. Please access the Newman Center website by clicking this link www.csufnewman.com/parish-lifecoordinator. There you will find the job description and application process. For questions, please e-mail Dave Meyer at dmeyer@centralmedsolutions.com.

Faith and Blue

The Fresno Police Department would like to partner with the parishioners of St. Paul Catholic Newman Center by having a community donation drive benefiting Catholic Charities. The Fresno Police Department is participating in the national Faith and Blue event where law enforcement partners with faith-based organizations from all walks of life to promote positive community interactions to all faiths. Fresno Police Officers will be in the Chapel Courtyard on October 10th between 10:00am to 12:00pm between Masses to have a cup of coffee, answer questions, and to help Catholic Charities gather donations from the community.

Any questions please contact Detective Miriam Rose at 559-621-6434.

Good News—Women's Guild is Back!

I am pleased to announce that the St. Paul's Catholic Newman Center Women's Guild will resume monthly meetings in October. It has been a very long hiatus due to Covid-19 and look forward to being together with past members and reach out to attract new members. Throughout the month of September I encourage members to renew their membership; dues continue to be \$20.00 for the year. For those interested in becoming members I direct you to the Newman Center website to learn more about the Guild, its purpose, mission and accomplishments. You may send in your dues directly to the office via mail or drop off in person. Please write in the memo section of the check "Women's Guild" to ensure proper allocation. The office will have membership forms that we request to be completed for contact information. Forms can also be emailed to you for your convenience by contacting the office at 436-3434.

We are very excited to resume the Guild and extend a very warm invitation to all the women of the parish to consider joining.

JoAnn LoForti

Second Collection This Weekend

This weekend we will have a second collection for the Newman Center Stewardship Fund. Your generosity helps aid parishioners and those in our community. Thank you for your generosity.

Second Collection Next Weekend

The USCCB is asking that all dioceses in the USA consider a special collection for the needs of the Church in Haiti. The recent earthquake followed by further devastation by a hurricane has resulted in great hardship and loss of life in Haiti. Our second collection will be held next weekend, September 25-26. We thank you in advance for your generosity in responding to the needs of our brothers and sisters in Haiti.

Covid-19 Memo from the Diocese

Due to the recent spike in COVID-19 and COVID-19 Delta variant cases in the State of California the Department of Public Health, CDC, and with Bishop Brennan's approval, face masks are strongly recommended to be worn at all indoor Masses and/or events, regardless if you have been vaccinated or not.

CAUTION WITH GATHERING OF EVENTS: Encourage all events to take place outdoors and to limit duration to 1 hour. Masks are strongly recommended to be worn by all participants.

No outside organizations are allowed to fundraise on Church property (until further notice).

Only Church or school sponsored events will be allowed under specific conditions at this time. We discourage any large gatherings for fund raising unless approved by the Diocese and encourage all parishioners and participants to always wear masks.

The COVID-19 Delta variant is extremely contagious and large gatherings are discouraged. On-line tapings or online meetings should be utilized as much as possible at this time.

Thank you for your co-operation and abundance of caution and care for people within our Diocese of Fresno. We are still navigating our way through this COVID-19 pandemic, and we want to make sure everyone stays safe.

AUGUST PROFIT & LOSS REPORT

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4001 · Sunday Collections	72,721
4040 · Baptism & Wedding Offerings	400
4062 · Art & Environment Collection	150
4067 · Scholarship Collection	1,400
4069.1 · Stewardship	350
4101.1 · Rel. Ed. FFF Fees	1,200
4101.2 · Adult FFF Fees	480
4103.85 · RCIA Program Fees	20
4104.31 · H.S. Confirmation Fees	7,475
4104.81 · Baptism Prep Fees	50
4301 · Facility Lease Income	2,400
4302 · Facility Rental Income (Football Parking)	12,430
4405.2 · AmazonSmile	217
4501 · Interest-Diocese Operating Savings	375
4601 · Women's Guild	30
4604 · Youth Groups (CSA)	255
4701.1 · Funeral Offerings	500
4702 · Mass Offerings	435
4705 · Catholic Publication Sales	30
4707 · Special Gifts	3,150
4708.2 · Family Life MinisTemp. Rest.	250

Total Income 106,028

EXPENSE

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5000 · Salaries & Wages	44,441
5010 · Health Insurance	4,328
5020 · Employer Social Security & Medicare	2,479
5030 · Fringe Benefits	3,605
5050 · Diocesan Assessments	11,275
5062 · Charity Contr to Individuals	1,000
5080 · Altar & Liturgical Supplies	426
5104.65 · Adult Ed Instructional Material	243
5152 · Office Equip-Maintenance	533
5156 · Professional Accounting Fees (Diocesan)	42
5158 · Temporary Help (Musicians)	1,000
5160 · Computer Equip-Maintenance	69
5162 · Bank Fees	11
5163 · Credit Card Fees	349
5250 · Annex Expense	500
5300 · Utilities	5491
5350 · Maintenance & Building Repairs	3555
5406.7 · Football Fundraiser Expense	1,029
5701 · Property Insurance (Diocese)	948
5702 · General Liability Insurance (Diocese)	560
5706 · Auto Insurance- Priest	100
5802 · Meeting Expense (HS Confirmation)	70
5804 · Hospitality & Entertainment	252
5805 · Public Relations & Advertising	400
5806 · Dues/Subscriptions (CSA)	250
Payment to Endowment Fund	1,000

Total Expense 83,958
Net Ordinary Income 22,070

Extraordinary Income

6103 · Memorial Gifts	100

Net Other Income 100 Net Income 22,170

From Fr. Byron



Fr. Paul is back!

After seven weeks, our very own, Father Paul, has returned from Rome! Please say "hi" and "welcome back" when you see him. We are all happy he has returned safe and sound.

Pictures (left to right): Fr. Paul; Fr. Beauplan (Formator); Fr. Rosendo (Provincial Superior); Fr. Rohan (United Nations Ministry) on the way to meet Pope Francis in Rome.

Season of Creation

"And it was good" is what God declares about his creation; and it is good, because, as the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, "The existence of God the Creator can be known with certainty through his works(.)" (CCC #286).

Please pray and put that prayer into action as we honor God's creation during this month of September. Next week we will be announcing the local initiative we will be taking as a church family and I hope you join us in this missionary endeavor.



Have a Laugh

Why did the priest giggle during his homily? He had Mass hysteria!

Claretian Youth

There are many things that we are planning for our Claretian Youth ministry. We see local mission, service opportunities, World Youth Day, and more. Yet, because of the pandemic, the question is not if it will happen but when it will happen. Thanks for your patience and understanding. We will keep you posted as soon as we learn any developments.





Finally, this Tuesday will be the Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist. He is the patron saint of: accountants; Salerno, Italy; bankers; tax collectors; perfumers; and civil servants! May you all be blessed through his intercession and may we all grow to also be apostles through our very daily lives!

Picture credit: Calling of Saint Matthew by Michael Oliphant

Peace,

Fr. Byron

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 19 Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37

Second Collection - Stewardship Catholic Charities Truck

7:30amMass for Maria Carla Alessandri-CookChapel9:30amMass for Jim CookChapel11:30amMass for Steve RuleChapel5:00pmBilingual MassChapel6:00pmPrayer ActivityChapel7:00pmYoung Adult MassChapel

Monday, September 20 Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

8:00am Mass for Jim Vas Dias Chapel 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study St. John XXIII

Tuesday, September 21 Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

10:00amCruz Diaz FuneralChapel6:00pmMassChapel7:00pmBusy People RetreatChapel

Wednesday, September 22 Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

8:00am Mass for Hope Pineda Chapel 6:00pm College Night CNH 101 6:30pm PAIN Cafeteria

Thursday, September 23 Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

11:00amCarrillo FuneralChapel4:00pmConfessionsChapel5:30pmIgnation SpiritualityCNH Patio6:00pmMass for Gary Holt, Jr.Chapel6:30pmTacos and TheologySt. John XXIII

Friday, September 24 Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22

Football Parking UNLV v. Fresno State - 7:00pm

8:00am Mass for Living and Deceased Members of Chapel

the Lopez Family

Saturday, September 25 Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

Second Collection - Haiti

5:00pm Mass for Rick Sanchez Chapel

Sunday, September 26 Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48 Second Collection - Haiti

7:30am Mass for Josephine Esquivel Chapel
9:30am Mass for Micaela Avila Chapel
11:30am Mass for Mary Bejarano Chapel
3:00pm Igbo Mass Chapel
6:00pm Prayer Activity Chapel
7:00pm Young Adult Mass Chapel

Prayers:

♦ For those who died this week: Carmen Barrera

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

intentions and prayers:
Rick Lang, Jan Fusselman, Deacon Ed Valdez & Family,
Gary Payne, Willie Jacques, Ted & Marcia Falk, Linda
Alvarez, Marianne Coons, Tom Kane, Julissa Mojarras,
Estefania Medina, Laura Willers, Fr. David Enriquez, Mary
Garr, Kathy Papagni, Michael Vienna, John and Kathy
Brechmann, JoAnn Myers, Issac Orozco, Diana Mock, Fr.
Kevin Bray, Msgr. Anthony Janelli, Fr. John Schmoll,
Sandra Barrie, Deacon Joe Parugrug, Tom Lucas, Kristal
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September Contributions

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Sept. 6 ACH	\$22,274.43	Sept. 5 ACH	\$26,023.55
Sept. 13	\$8,995.00	Sept. 12	\$15,563.44
Sept. 20 ACH	\$19,901.98	Sept. 19 ACH	
Sept. 27	\$9,578.52	Sept. 26	
Sept. Total	\$60,749.93	Sept. Total	\$41,586.99

Increased Offertory Program

Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about our upcoming renewal program *Heart Speaks to Heart*. This effort continues to be very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of St. Paul Catholic Newman Center. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do. Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on October 9 and 10. If you have any questions regarding the *Heart Speaks to Heart* Program, please feel free to contact the parish office at 436-3434.

Weekly Justice Challenge

Justice Challenge: The Sunday Gospel has the apostles arguing about which one of them was the greatest. In response, Jesus taught them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mark 9:30-37) Jesus told his followers to be like little children in order to get to heaven. Your challenge this week is to look at how important being first, being recognized, or being the "greatest" is to you. How competitive are you? Do you win at the expense of others? Do you expect others to serve you? Or are you a missionary disciple, as Pope Francis has challenged all of us to be? Instead of focusing on winning, do you go to the periphery, to the margins, and reach out to those most in need of God's love? Take some time to reflect on which is more important to you—being first or being one who serves others. Do you need to make a change?

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Are You First?

This Week's Readings at Mass

- ► Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 The wicked speak
- ► James 3:16–4:3 True wisdom and worldly desires
- ► Mark 9:30-37 Who is the greatest?

At times, the twelve apostles displayed great faith; some left their jobs immediately to follow Jesus, and at other times they healed the sick, cast out demons, and preached with the same power as Jesus. However, in Mark's Gospel today, Jesus catches them arguing about who was the greatest.

We may think we are above that kind of squabbling, but how often do we make comparisons to others in our own lives? It may take the form of thinking to ourselves "I'm a better, faster, and more productive software engineer than him" or "I'm a more pa-

tient parent than her," or even "My child is smarter, kinder, or more talented than hers." It is then that we need to remember Jesus' counter-cultural lesson to the disciples.

In our society, children are

honored, cherished, and valued for their own sake, but it wasn't the same in Jesus' time. Children were seen as little more than slaves then. They were primarily valued because they were another set of hands to help on the farm but they were also burdensome because they were an extra mouth to feed. So when Jesus tenderly put his arms around a child and instructed the apostles to welcome a child as if it was him, the observers would have been shocked. It would have been unheard of to put children—who were little more than servants—first,



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"The wicked say: Let us beset the just one... let us put the just one to the test."

Sheepish Question:

In my own surroundings, where ARE the "grapes of wrath" stored and how can I avoid them?

> even ahead of Jesus' closest companions. No wonder the apostles were silenced.

Questions of the Week

What form does social comparison take in your personal and professional circles? Are there particular ways

Jesus is inviting you to let go of concerns about your social or professional standing? How so?

Who in particular is Jesus asking you to receive with more respect and openness in your life now? How might you do that?

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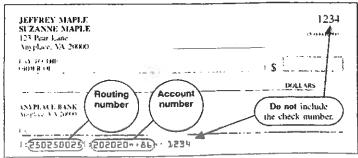
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