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Knowing Newman

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Faith, Family & Friends

I want to thank all of those who have participated in FF&F this year. I especially want to express my gratitude and admiration to all the parents and grandparents who made it a priority, after long days of work, to bring their children and themselves to FF&F in order to share and grow in their faith and pass it along to the next generation.

The most significant and long lasting faith formation experiences occur in the ordinary and special activities of family life. Faith, Family & Friends provides the opportunity to encourage and enhance faith development within the home and between family members. It is important to have a close partnership between the Newman Center and our families to build a vibrant parish, and that is what Faith, Family & Friends strives to accomplish.

As believers in Christ Jesus we gather together to learn from each other how Christ touches our lives. Tradition is the handing down of this lived and living experience of God's presence, from one generation to the next. In its own way Faith, Family & Friends is a continuation of that natural, age-old way that people of faith have handed on our beliefs for generations reaching back before written history. This is one of the many reasons why FF&F is an important part of our parish. FF&F allows us the opportunity as a parish to come together and share our individual experiences of God's presence in our lives with family members and with other members of our faith community. In this way each individual's faith is enhanced, as well as that of the entire community.

Faith, Family & Friends helps us not only grow in community and to form friendship bonds with others, but it helps to make God's presence more fully alive to us and more of a lived experience.

John Prandini, Director of Ministries

Welcome to the Newman Center!

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday

9:00am—5:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil:

5:00pm

Sunday:

7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

7:00pm

Weekdays:

Monday – Thursday: 7:00am

First Friday: 7:00am

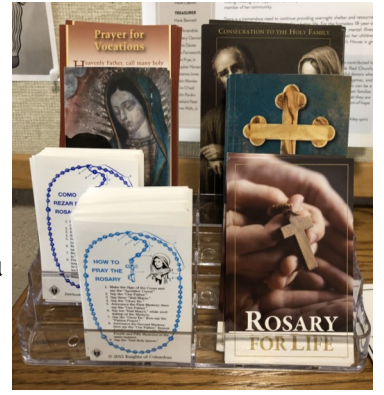
Communion Service:

Friday 7:00am

1572 E. Barstow Ave.

Prayer Cards

The Knights of Columbus are providing prayer cards for your use. They are in the hallway next to the water fountain. These cards include, How to Pray the Rosary (in English and Spanish), Rosary for Life, Celebrate the Gospel of Life, Prayer for Persecuted Christians, Consecration to the Holy Family, and a Prayer for Vocations. Please only take one each as there may be other parishioners who would like one. If you would like quantities of any particular one please see the front desk. Please provide your name and contact information, and the Knights will arrange the cards for you.



Catholic Charities Donation Truck

The Catholic Charities Truck and St. Paul Catholic Newman Center volunteers will be collecting donations in the church parking lot before and after all Masses the weekend of May 18 and 19. They are in need of food, clothing, furniture, household items and cash or check donations that will help support our neighbors in the greatest of need. **Please note: We cannot accept baby safety items such as cribs, car seats, and high chairs; appliances such as refrigerators, washers, or dryers; computers; mattresses; or exercise machinery.**



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CHARITIES

That same weekend, St. Paul Catholic Newman Center will offer a second collection at all Masses for the Catholic Charities Annual May Appeal. This annual appeal enables hope to be shared through their numerous programs including their food pantry, emergency housing support, job training and more, along with diocesan outreach to those living within our rural area.

The gifts from our generous parish community provide essential support to hundreds of thousands of people in the greatest of need.

There are so many throughout our community that live with a constant yearning to belong, in search of someone who will listen, someone who will care and someone who will make them feel as though they matter. For more than 238,000 people last year, they found that hope at Catholic Charities. Nearly half of those served were children under the age of 17.

We ask that you reach deep within your heart as we come together to bring the gift of hope to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

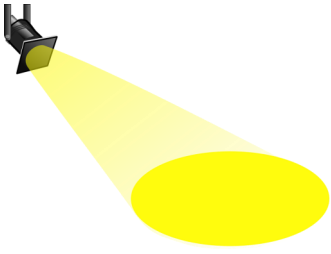
Don't forget to follow us to get the latest updates on the church and events!



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Parishioner Spotlight

San Joaquin Memorial Panther of the Week

Our Panther of the Week is Jake Negrete '19. Jake has completed several AP and Honors classes and has been named to the SJM Honor Roll every semester since his freshman year. He has earned a cumulative 3.93 GPA. Jake has taken on various leadership roles at SJM. In his freshman year he was Class Vice-President, a Class Representative during his sophomore year and Class President in his junior year. He has served as an SJM Student Ambassador, on the Campus Ministry Team, as a student representative for Celebration of Abilities Day and a student representative on the WCEA Accreditation Committee. Jake also participates in sports. He has played various positions for SJM Football and for the last four seasons has been the SJM Rugby Team Captain. Active in his community, Jake is a Lead Altar Server at St. Paul Catholic Newman Center. Jake also contributes to various programs for individuals with intellectual disabilities. He is a Junior Grizzlies Softball Coach, a TOPS Soccer Coach and a Certified Coach for the Special Olympics of Northern California. His leadership skills and contributions to his community have not gone unnoticed. Jake was a Boys State nominee, a Camp Royal Delegate and received the St. Michael Award from the California National Guard. The St. Michael Award is given to a student who demonstrates exemplary character in community service and self sacrifice.

When asked what an SJM education means to him, Jake stated "An SJM education means learning how to excel not only in the classroom but in life outside of it. We learn how to be respectable, dependable and trustworthy followers of Christ." Jake plans on attending St. Mary's College and majoring in Business Management. Congratulations on your success Jake. We know you'll continue to succeed both in the classroom and in all areas of your life! Your SJM family is proud of you!

Congratulations Jake on this achievement. All of us at St. Paul Catholic Newman Center are proud of you and all the great work you are doing.

This announcement comes from the San Joaquin Memorial Weekly Newsletter.

We would love to feature more of our parishioners and their achievements in our newsletter and bulletin. If you or someone you know receives an award or acknowledgement let us know! Please contact our Communication Coordinator Emily Roth at emily@csufnewman.com.

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Baptismal Font

With the start of the Easter season we see the return of the Baptismal font. The Baptismal font was added to Newman Center Chapel in 1983. While on a visit to Santa Cruz, California, Father Sergio Negro found the 15th Century font in an antique store. Through the generosity of Mary Kay Buckley-Hackett, the font was gifted to the parish. The pottery bowl was custom made for the font by Robert Schumacher.



May at the Newman Center

May 4 & 5: First Communions—Saturday, 5:00pm; Sunday, 11:30am

May 10: Mardi Gras Bunco Party

May 12: Mother's Day

May 18 & 19: Catholic Charities Truck Donations

Fair Trade Coffee Sales

May 19: Second Collection for Catholic Charities