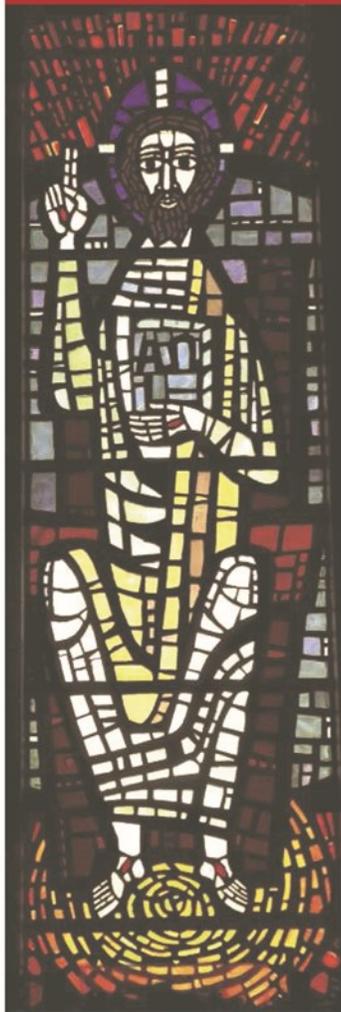


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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B | JANUARY 28, 2023

As this is Commitment Weekend for our Heart Speaks to Heart Stewardship program, I am wondering why it feels so hard to ask for money. I remember a mentor telling me to never ask somebody to do something you would not do yourself. With that in mind, I will share that I am also prayerfully discerning what I should be giving to our parish.

During my discernment, I am looking at three areas:

- What is our parish doing to support me on my faith journey?
- What is our parish doing to support our members on their many diverse faith journey paths?
- What is our parish doing to support our community through charity?

My experience over the past year has shown me that our parish is alive and so supportive in all of these areas. So, I ask myself what are my monetary and personal involvement commitments, beyond the PLC position, to support these important ministry areas?

As I consider my monetary commitment, I think about witnessing the Gospel story of the "Widow's mite" (Mark 12:42-44) recently.

A few weeks ago, our team was delivering warm meals and supplies to unhoused persons in Fresno. We asked if anyone needed a meal at a simple tarp draped over the sidewalk, and surprisingly a voice answered from inside, "Yes, please I need some food!"

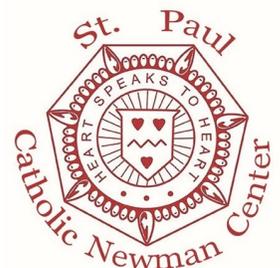
Our team handed a meal and a blanket through a small opening in the tarp where a hand stuck out. As we started to leave, the hand reappeared with a \$20 bill. We said we could not take the money, but the gentleman insisted: "Please take it. You serve people that need it more than me."

I would not ask you to be this gentleman or the widow in the Gospel, but I think we can all be humbled by the charity of people in need. I will keep you all in prayer, and I sincerely thank you for all you do for our parish and our "dear neighbors" in need of our prayers and gifts.

Blessings and Peace, Dan Nickerson Interim Parish Life Coordinator

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CAMPUS MINISTRY

Wednesday Student Night

We had a successful first student dinner of the semester and it was great to see all the students back! Join us for our next dinner this **Wednesday, January 31st at 6pm** in the Cardinal Newman Hall. We'll enjoy dinner followed by Mass with Fr. Byron.

Movie Night & Card Games

Join us for the first event of the semester this Friday at 6pm in the Student Lounge. We will be hosting a Movie & Card Games Night!

Student-Centric 7pm Mass

The 7pm Sunday Mass will move toward a **student-centric celebration** of the Eucharist.

Everyone is invited, but this will be an opportunity for all college students to find a Mass that speaks to them, and to **step into new positions of ministry and leadership**. We seek to have an intimate celebration of the Eucharist that is student focused and led by students.

Students are invited to serve as Eucharistic ministers, lectors, altar servers, ushers, music team, and more. You can email us at **CatholicClub@csufnewman.com** or speak to one of our student service leaders.



First Student Dinner of 2024

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Bible Study

Join our Bible Study gathering Monday, January 29th at 6:00pm in the Student Lounge. We will continue to look at the Gospel of Luke. Come and learn alongside other young adults about how scripture is alive in our daily lives.

Young Adult Trivia Night

Join our trivia team as we go to Tioga-Sequoia Beer Garden in downtown Fresno at 7:00 pm February 7th. We go together every first Wednesday of the month. All knowledge areas are welcome!

JANUARY CONTRIBUTIONS

| 2023 | | 2024 | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| January 1 | \$20,305.70 | January 7 | \$30,113.38 |
| January 8 | \$20,299.18 | January 14 | \$12,403.40 |
| January 15 | \$12,327.61 | January 21 | \$18,112.60 |
| January 22 | \$14,915.25 | January 28 | |
| January 29 | \$9,510.29 | | |
| JANUARY 2023 TOTAL | \$77,358.03 | JANUARY 2024 TOTAL | \$60,629.38 |

2023 Contribution Statements

Please keep an eye out for an email from us this week, check your spam. Beginning next weekend we will have hard copies for those of you who will not receive one via email. Thank you all for your Donations!

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much, Newman Family, for giving joy to 230 youth in Ecuador. I was able to deliver your stuffed animals this January, and people were grateful and asked me to tell you that they will say a prayer of thanksgiving for you! Please see some pictures of the event right on Father's Window!

Director of Family and Life Ministries Position

Looking for a wonderful opportunity to enrich the lives and well-being of the parishioners and families of our Newman Center parish?
Contact Dan Nickerson at plc@csufnewman.com for more information or to apply.

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Thank you from your parish staff!

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BLESSING OF THROATS

In honor of the tradition of the Feast of St. Blaise (February 3), we will have available the Blessing of Throats following each Mass the weekend of February 3-4. "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."



Parish Information

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am | 9:30am | 11:30am | 7:00pm



WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday (except First Monday) / Wednesday | 8:00am

First Friday (of the month) | 8:00am
Thursday | 6:00pm

COMMUNION SERVICES:

First Monday / Tuesday / Thursday | 8:00am
Friday (Except First Friday) | 8:00am

RECONCILIATION:

Thursday | 4:00pm to 5:45pm
Saturday | 3:30pm to 4:30pm
or call for an appointment

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday | 9:00am to 3:00pm

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**FOR ANY MEETINGS OR APPOINTMENTS,
PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE.**

For any after hour emergency, please listen for telephone prompts to leave a message.

PRAYERS:

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

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Candice Katie Jones - Anderson | Viola Cleo Bradshaw V L Patrick family |
| Jacob Pruse | Maryhelen Solorio |
| Tom Castellazo | Rod Mar |
| Dan Dungy | |
| Ben Novel | |

If you would like to include the name of someone on this list, please contact the office or visit our website and fill out the form under the "[Prayer Requests](#)" tab.

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.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Congress**

- **First Friday Adoration:** Join us for our First Friday Sacred Heart Devotion ([Friday, February 2](#)) followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. Adoration will conclude with Reposition at 12:00pm.
- **First Sunday Adoration:** Join us for First Sunday Holy Hour Adoration ([Sunday, February 4](#)) following the 7PM Mass. Spend an intimate evening encountering Christ himself with opportunities for confession, rosary, and solemn music.
- **No February Eucharistic Procession:** Due to the Blessings of the throats, our next procession will be in March. Stay tuned for details.

"Heart Speaks To Heart" Stewardship 2024

Our "Heart Speaks To Heart" Stewardship program is our call to parishioners to renew their intentional giving to keep the many ministries of your parish alive and active.

This weekend, you will hear a special message from parishioners on how the parish has impacted their life and faith journey.

Your support funds our many ministries and one-time gifts will support our Roof Repair (\$300,000) and church ADA Upgrades (\$90,000).

Questions? Please contact Dan Nickerson at plc@csufnewman.com or (559) 436-3434.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

JANUARY 28—FEBRUARY 4, 2024

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28 4TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

SPECIAL COLLECTION: CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

KNIGHTS BURRITO BREAKFAST (Morning Masses only)

| | | |
|---------|------------------------------------|---------|
| 7:30am | Mass for Michele Kilner | Chapel |
| 9:30am | Mass for Connie Gonzales | Chapel |
| 9:30am | RCIA Catechumenate | Library |
| 11:30am | Mass for Filomena Cerbo | Chapel |
| 1:00pm | Group Baptism | Chapel |
| 1:00pm | Baptism Prep Class | Library |
| 3:00pm | Igbo Mass | Chapel |
| 7:00pm | Mass for Needs of the Parishioners | Chapel |

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

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| 8:00am | Communion Service | Chapel |
| 8:30am | Men's Morning Scripture Study | Library |
| 6:00pm | Young Adult Bible Study | Student Lounge |

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

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| 8:00am | Communion Service | Chapel |
| 5:00pm | Youth Choir Practice | Chapel |
| 6:15pm | Faith, Family & Friends | CNH |

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 ST. JOHN BOSCO

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| 8:00am | Mass for Michel Ford | Chapel |
| 10:00am | Marian Movement of Priests | CNH 103-4 |
| 5:30pm | Ignatian Wisdom for Couples | CNH 105 |
| 6:00pm | College Night | CNH 101 |
| 6:00pm | Marian Movement of Priests | Chapel |
| 6:00pm | Prayer & Life Workshop | Community Room |

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

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| 8:00am | Communion Service | Chapel |
| 12:00pm | Adult Faith Formation | CNH 105 |
| 4:00pm | Confessions | Chapel |
| 5:30pm | Fresno Catholic Singles | Cafeteria |
| 6:00pm | Mass for Janet Fusselman | Chapel |

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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| 8:00am | Mass for Monica Baker | Chapel |
| 8:30am | Sacred Heart Devotion for Families | Chapel |
| 9:00am | Adoration | Chapel |
| 12:00pm | Benediction | Chapel |
| 5:30pm | Food Recovery Network | Cafeteria |
| 6:00pm | Lay Claretian Evangelizers | Library |

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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| 7:30am | Men's Saturday Coffee and Scripture | Cafeteria |
| 3:30pm | Confessions | Chapel |
| 5:00pm | Mass for James Highsmith | Chapel |

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 5TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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| 7:30am | Mass for Kenneth Christiansen | Chapel |
| 9:30am | Mass for John Christopher Godburn | Chapel |
| 9:30am | RCIA Catechumenate | Library |
| 11:00am | 1st Year Confirmation Class | CNH |
| 11:30am | Mass for Ron & Barbara Barrows | Chapel |
| 12:30 | 2nd year Confirmation Class | CNH |
| 5:30pm | EM / Ash Minister Training | Chapel |
| 7:00pm | Mass for Needs of the Parishioners | Chapel |
| 8:00pm | 1st Sunday Adoration | Chapel |

PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

For the week of January 28 to February 3, 2024:

- **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January 2024:**
Gift of Diversity in the Church
- In February we celebrate Black & African American History Month!

Each week we will try to offer the parish a social justice action or a resource to help us all put into practice the principles of Catholic Social Teaching.

This week's resource comes from Boston College's The Church in the 21st Century Center:

Visit bc.edu/church21

—Jim Grant, Volunteer, Social Justice Advocate,
jim@csufnewman.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURRITO BREAKFAST

Obria Medical Clinic

The Knights of Columbus John Cardinal Newman Council 9445 are selling Breakfast Burritos this Sunday, January 28, after the 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:30am masses. Enjoy a breakfast burrito and coffee or orange juice for \$7.00. Half the proceeds will go to Obria Medical Clinic, which offers compassionate help to women and men through free pregnancy medical and support services; healthy relationship education; and healing resources for those who have experienced reproductive loss.

HIKES WITH MARY

Our February Rosary Hike will be at the San Joaquin River Gorge area nearby Auberry on Saturday, Feb 3rd. Meet us at the Newman Center parking lot by 8:10am. Otherwise if you want to meet us there, we will begin our rosary at the Ya-Gub-Weh-Tuh Parking Lot at 9:10am. Appropriate hiking attire is required. A \$5 day-use fee or annual pass per vehicle will be required for parking. Contact borunda.ryan@gmail.com or Fr. Byron, CMF for more information or RSVP.

The Caring for the Whole Person Initiative (CWPI)
The California bishops have endorsed this program to provide resources and knowledge to ensure that people know that they will be supported in health and serious illness through to the end of life. Several of our parishioners will integrate this initiative into our family ministries

Caring for the Whole Person Initiative (CWPI) CLASSES Tuesday, Feb 6, and Tuesday, Feb 20, 6:15– 7:15

Two classes will be offered in February during FF&F, open to all. Tuesday, Feb 6, will focus on an overview of CWPI with a focus on what is hospice and palliative care. Tuesday, Feb 20 will highlight Advance Care Planning topics. Presentations will be 30-40 minutes. Classes will be held at 6:15pm in Cardinal Newman Hall.

Current...

MINISTRY PROGRAMS

Email John Prandini for information on these ministries and more: prandinij@csufnewman.com

Faith, Family & Friends

Faith, Family & Friends is for everyone! So please join us in the New Year to grow in your faith and your relationship with God. You will meet many wonderful people from our parish community.

We all gather - parents, youth and children - at 6:00pm in Cardinal Newman Hall. **Individual class sessions will begin at 6:15pm and end at 7:15pm.**

Adult Topics:

This Tuesday, January 30th is an ALL ADULTS session where all the adult participants will gather together for a presentation on "Defining Moments" in our spiritual lives facilitated by John Prandini, MA. Please join us for the spiritually powerful event.

Family Life

Joy of Love Moms—Rooting Your Teen in the Faith—Moms Book Club

Some of the Joy of Love families have teens going through the Confirmation program and are looking for ways to connect their teens to other participants as well as come together for support in raising faith-filled teens through the high school years. Those interested are invited to join the book club as they read through *Rooting Your Teen in the Faith: A Field Guide for Catholic Parents* by Kim Cameron-Smith. If you are interested in this or future meetings, please email joyoflovemoms@gmail.com

Men's Ministry

Men's Weekly Scripture Reflection and Discussion Group: meets on Monday mornings, 8:30am-9:15am after morning Mass in the Library. Prayer Ministry

Prayer Ministry

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle meets on Wednesday mornings at 10:00am in Cardinal Newman Hall, room 104, and Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm in the chapel. Please join us at the time most convenient for you!

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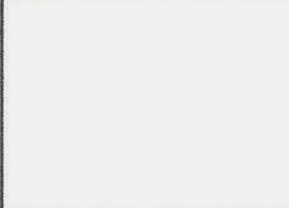
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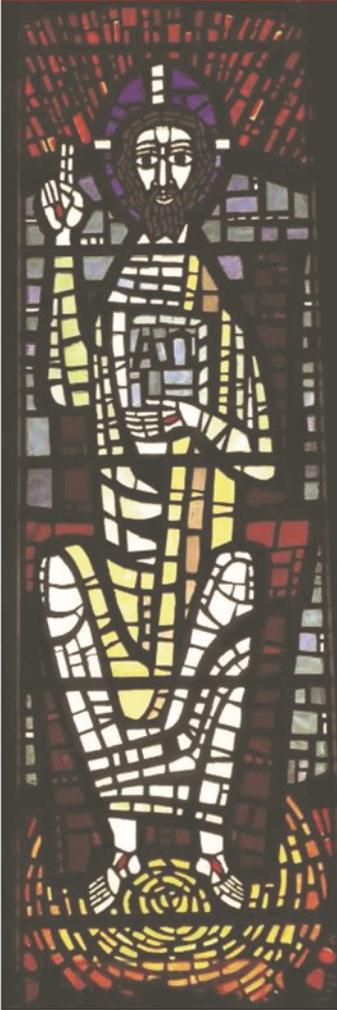
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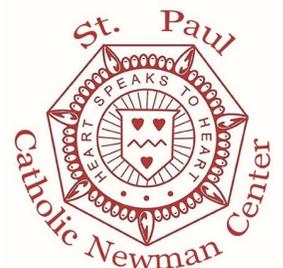
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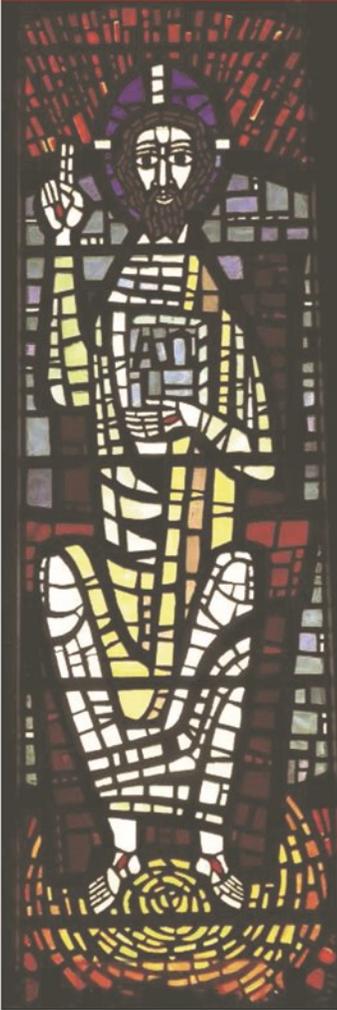
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