## St. Paul Catholic Newman Center



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#### Season of Creation September 1- October 4, 2024

"It was 35 years ago that our venerable predecessor, the late Ecumenical Patriarch Demetrios, issued the very first encyclical inviting all people of goodwill to dedicate September 1 as a special day of prayer for the preservation of the natural environment,

(...) Today, across the planet, numerous Christian churches and faithful recognize this celebration as the World Day of prayer and action for Creation or the Feast of Creation.

This sense of ecumenical conviction and Christian unity is paramount not only because we have been commanded by Our Lord 'that we may be one' (John 17.21) but also because we cannot and should not hope to address climate change without working closely with one another. As we have repeatedly stated, 'we are all in the same boat'. Creation care is a collective mandate and responsibility."

His All- Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, Holy Orthodox Church

"Despite all attempts to deny, conceal, gloss over or relativize the issue, the signs of climate change are here and increasingly evident. No one can ignore the fact that in recent years we have witnessed extreme weather phenomena, frequent periods of unusual heat, drought and other cries of protest on the part of the earth that are only a few palpable expressions of a silent disease that affects everyone.(...) I ask everyone to accompany this pilgrimage of reconciliation with the world that is our home and to help make it more beautiful."

His holiness, Pope Francis, Bishop of Rome, Roman catholic Church

"In the face of the climate crisis, protecting God's Creation is a spiritual imperative for Christians throughout the global Church. The Season of Creation has inspired us to come together in prayer and action- to safeguard, sustain and renew the life of the earth. That is why, inspired by the Orthodox Church's leadership, the Anglican Communion enthusiastically supports this ecumenical season. I encourage Anglicans around the world to pray for the unity of the Church, as we follow Christ's call to protect and renew what God has entrusted to us"

Most Reverend Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, Anglican Communion

"Check out each week's Sunday Bulletin to find practical ways that St, Paul Catholic Newman Center community and all its members will be invited to personally and communally put into practice the Season of Creation's call 'To Hope and Act With Creation'. Let's get started today!"

Jim Grant, member, St. Paul Catholic Newman Center

### **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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### CAMPUS MINISTRY

### Wednesday Student Night

Join us on September 4th for our student dinner. We start with dinner at 6pm followed by Mass inside Newman Hall. Afterwards, we will have our Student Lounge opened to provide a space for studying or to pick up school materials and free food!

### Wednesday Student Dinner Volunteer Sign-Ups

We kickoff our Wednesday Student Dinners on August 28th. Campus Ministry is looking for volunteers to sign up. You can assist as: kitchen

help, providing a main or side dish, and desserts. Please scan the QR Code, stop at the front desk, or email catholicclub@csufnewman.com to sign up.



### Fresno State Campus Meeting

Fresno State students, we will be meeting Tuesday,

September 3rd, in the RSU room 215, located on the second floor. Join

us from 11:30am - 12:30pm.

### **Clovis Community College**

Be sure to swing by and say hello while we are at the club fair Wednesday and Thursday from 11am - 1pm. Let us know what you would like to see happen on campus this semester!

### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

### Young Adult Bible Study

Our session is canceled on Monday, September 2nd in honor of Labor day. We will resume on September 9th at 6:00PM inside the Student Lounge.

### Young Adult Trivia Night

The Newman Center Young Adults will be playing trivia at Tioga Sequoia Brewery in downtown on Wednesday, September 4th at 7:00pm. All trivia knowledge is always welcomed!

### National Eucharistic Congress

### **Congress Reflection from Jazmin**

I'm Jazmin and I am currently in my third year at Fresno State studying Entrepreneurship. I feel so blessed and grateful to have been a part of a public demonstration of this deep love for our faith and God with people closest to me. I truly learned so much about myself and what I wanted my relationship with God to look like. The experience that impacted my faith the most was the last adoration I attended in the chapel. It felt so intimate, I truly felt His presence. This trip showed me the importance of being more active with my faith. I find myself going to daily masses, praying the rosary and going to adoration a lot more often. I've truly never felt closer to God, and we couldn't have done it without the help of you guys. Thank you so much for this opportunity!

#### Founders Day Recalls College Community at the Heart of our Parish

Our parish was established to serve Fresno State's Catholic students, faculty and staff. Shortly after the St. Paul Catholic Newman Center began, those no longer part of the college community still wanted to belong. In response, Father Sergio P. Negro asked for diocesan permission to form a full-service parish without borders that ministered to college students. Father Negro directed the parish members to decide. After robust debate, we became (and remain) the only parish in our Diocese without borders while continuing our dedication to serve Catholic college students on all local campuses.

To honor of Father Negro's substantial legacy and our parish's special dedication of the college community, ten years ago, upon conclusion of our 50th anniversary, the Sergio P. Negro Scholarship Endowment Fund was founded. With generous donations from you, our parishioners, our Endowment Fund has continued to prosper and provide scholarships to students who actively participate in our Parish life.

Next weekend, Sept. 7-8, we'll celebrate Founders Day. At that time, we will be introducing four Newman students who have been selected to be "Negro Scholars" for the coming Academic year. Not only have these students been active in parish life, they have committed themselves to utilize the knowledge and skills they are gaining to continue to minister to others.

#### The Challenges of Sound in Cinder Block Buildings

Our university parish has been challenged with creating sound in our Chapel for many years. Cinder block walls create a tremendous amount of reverberation, leading to feedback and other sound system challenges as sound bounces around the room. Despite our time and investments put into equipment and sound quality, issues persist. To help us with these issues, we have partnered with Sweetwater Sound. Sweetwater specializes in worship sound environments/spaces and is working to help us resolve many of the issues we are experiencing. This work is on-going and will continue as we diligently and intentionally focus on exceptional celebrations and wonderful worship experiences.

### AUGUST CONTRIBUTIONS

2023		2024	
August 6	\$14,351.52	August 4	\$12,658.40
August 13	\$18,229.10	August 11	\$19,404.62
August 20	\$9,925.65	August 18	\$26,480.41
August 27	\$11,394.86	August 25	\$10,827.11
AUGUST 2023 TOTAL	\$53,901.13	AUGUST 2024 TOTAL	\$69,370.54

#### **Claretian Youth Program**

We are pleased to announce that our Claretian Youth (high school students) will resume this school year during the Faith Family and Friends program. The meetings will be held in John 23 aka the Student Lounge on Tuesdays from 6:15 p.m. until 7:15 p.m. beginning Tuesday, September 10, 20224.

This program follows the four tenets of the Claret-Way::. to **Know**, to **Love**, to **Praise** and to **Serve God**. The evenings are led by Fr. Rubi and Br. David as well as a team of college students and adults. Each month we focus on a scripture passage from the perspective of each of the four tenets. The evenings include time for the students to listen, reflect and share their thoughts on the message being shared. Some evenings may include a Holy Hour or praying the rosary. We also allow time for some fun and games and no evening would be complete without a light snack!

If you would like to register or if you are a parent who would like to register your teen, you may do so by following the Faith Family and Friends registration links on the parish website.

For more information please contact Fr. Rubi at frrubi@csufnewman.com or Mary at clergyassistant@csufnewman.com

Hikes with Mary to Resume. Our monthly Hikes with Mary will resume on Saturday, September 7th from approximately 8:00 a.m. to noon. As a devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, members of the community meet up in nature to pray the Rosary while enjoying a gentle hike, celebrate Mass, and grow in knowledge of and love for our Blessed Virgin Mary. This month we will be meeting up in the Kings Canyon National Park. We will meet at 8:00 am at the parish cafeteria parking lot and will also identify another location for those who want to meet closer to the trailhead. To receive more details and to let us know you plan to meet up with us, please email Father Rubi at frrubi@csufnewman.com.

# LIFE MINISTRY

Alberto Navarro can be reached at:

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#### Faith, Family and Friends

Registration is now open for FFF! FFF resumes meeting on Tuesday, September 17th with an orientation for parents and children on September 10th.

**Prayer & Life Workshops** : Weekly Workshops Wednesday evenings August 14—November 20, 2024 from 6:00 to 8:00pm in the Library.

For more information or to register email Regina at rmflores39@icloud.com

**Bible Study:** Resumes Thursday, September 5th and runs through November 21st. We will be studying the Gospel of John, St. Ignatius Catholic Study Bible. Please purchase this workbook before our first meeting—available on Amazon for \$11.49. We're looking forward to growing closer to our Lord through His word!



### Newlywed Marriage

### **Enrichment Brunch**

All Couples who have been married five or fewer years are invited to join us for a light brunch

Sunday, September 8th following the 11:30 a.m. Mass

Cardinal Newman Hall

Please RSVP to Mary at clergyassistant@csufnewman.com

#### NEWMAN CENTER WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

We would like to invite the women of our parish to our first meeting of this academic year on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 6:00 in the cafeteria next to the church. The Faith Community Nurses appreciate your participation in the long awaited Health Assessment Surveys. Please complete the survey below that best represents you and your family. Use your phone's camera to select the desired survey.

College Student Survey

General Health Survey





School Age Survey





### 10 Things You Can Do to Sow Climate Hope

- Calculate your carbon footprint and find ways to reduce it by at least 10% in the next year
- 2. Reduce food waste
- Cook for a climate-stable planet by eating more vegetables and reducing meat consumption
- Reduce fossil fuel use: switch to renewable energy, make your home energy efficient, green your transportation (walk/bike/carpool)
- 5. Reduce, reuse, repair and recycle
- 6. Use less water
- Petition lawmakers to take bold and ambitious climate action
- Speak up! Talk about climate change with friends and family and write to your local newspapers
- Join or form an action group at church or school
- Pray for our common home and all who defend it

Take the Laudate Deum Action Pledge (bit.ly/LDactionpledge) receive resources and information on these action ideas and others, as well as how you can "sow climate hope."

### PRAYERS

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

Luana Burton Kathy Robinson Dan Dungy cathie Louie Razo kaya Sandy Dami Rodolfo Ruiz Sarah Parkes Genny Luchessi Don Hall Victoria Hoff Ivan Guzman-Vital

#### ♥ And we pray for those who have died recently.

Teresa Garcia Serrano

Please contact the office or visit our website and fill out the form under the "<u>Prayer Requests</u>" tab to have a name included on this prayer list.

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.



Due to conflicts with the kick-off times of Fresno State Football, Confession & Mass will be canceled on the following dates:

- Saturday, October 26th
- Saturday, November 2nd

We appreciate your understanding as we err on the side of caution for safety and security of the community.

#### THIS WEEKEND'S SPECIAL COLLECTION IS FOR

**Domestic Needs** 

Thank you for your generosity

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### September 1—September 8, 2024

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1		XXII SUNDAY ORD. TIME	
	ollection: Domestic Needs		
7:30am	Mass for Sergio Negro		Chapel
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate	_	Library
9:30am	CLOW	Commun	ity Room
9:30am	Mass for Bob Serrano		Chapel
	Mass for Rosie Guerrero		Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Aranita Valledor Zam	nora	Chapel
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	, SEPTEMBER 3		Chanal
8:00am	Communion Service		Chapel
WEDNES	DAY, SEPTEMBER 4		
7:40am	Divine Office (Morning Prayer		Chapel
8:00am	Special Intention for John Sup		Chapel
10:00am		Commun	ity Room
6:00pm	Prayer & Life Workshop		Library
6:00pm	Marian Movement of Priests (	Cenacle	Chapel
6:00pm	College Night	_	CNH
6:30pm	RCIA Inquiry	Commun	ity Room
THURSD	AY, SEPTEMBER 5		
8:00am	Communion Service		Chapel
4:00pm	Confessions		Chapel
5:30pm	Fresno Catholic Singles		Cafeteria
6:00pm	Bible Study		ssroom 2
6:00pm	Special Intention for Jordan Joh	nson & Ivan Arias	Chapel
FRIDAY,	SEPTEMBER 6		
7:40am	Divine Office (Morning Prayer	)	Chapel
8:00am	Special Intention for the Raroque Family		Chapel
8:30am	Sacred Heart Devotion for Families Chape		Chapel
9:00am	Adoration		Chapel
5:30pm	Food Recovery Network		Cafeteria
SATURDA	AY, SEPTEMBER 7		
Special Co	ollection: Founder's Day	Fresno State Ho	me Game
No Confe	ssions		
5:00pm	Mass for Jan Fusselman		Chapel
SUNDAY,	SEPTEMBER 8	XXIII SUNDAY O	RD. TIME
Special Co	ollection: Founder's Day		
7:30am	Mass for Needs & Intentions of	of Parishioners	Chapel
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate		Library
9:30am	CLOW	Commun	ity Room
9:30am	Mass for Arturo Mejia		Chapel
10:30am	Newlywed Marriage Enrichme	ent Group	CNH 104
11:00am			CNH
	Mass for Maria Guadalupe Loera		Chapel
	2nd Year HS Confirmation		CNH
1:00pm	Baptism Prep Class		Library
2:00pm	Filipino Mass		Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Steve Rontell		Chapel



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