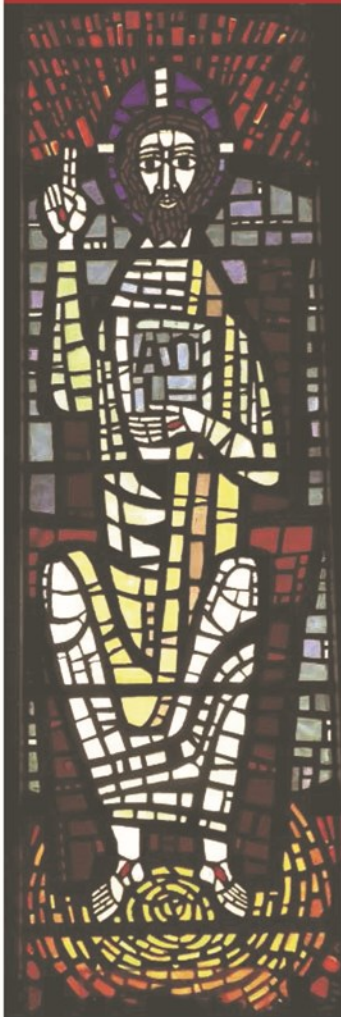


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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR B
SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

Dear Newman Center Community,

We are at the beginning of the fall season, which is a time of change and growth. It is a time to reflect, cry out to our Lord, and be joyful!

Ecclesiastes 3, 1-8

The word of God tells us that there is time for everything in life, but most importantly, the Lord tells us to get up and walk, continue to move forward, and not look to the past. Today, Jesus invites us to be open to the gates of mercy, to the gates of being vulnerable, and to trust in him. How many times have I trusted myself and not God? And how often do we make bigger mistakes because we trust ourselves more than God? Today, the Lord knocks on our doors and says, "Would you open the doors of your soul, body, and mind and allow me to dwell in your life?" (Revelation 3, 20) God wants to do marvelous things in our lives; why do you resist so much? Let Him take control of your life; allow him to be the center of your life, and you will taste the Goodness of the Lord.

As I have seen the Goodness of the Lord, I have seen many doors open, many good people, a community filled with faith and service, and always open doors to anybody who walks in.

This week, we have started our Faith, Family & Friends ongoing adult formation program, Children's Catechesis and Claretian Youth. This is just one branch of the many other ministries at the Newman Center. Today, I invite you to join us; I invite you to come and celebrate our faith together, whether you are a kid, a teenager who needs the sacraments, or a young adult or elder, retired, single, married, or whatever your situation is. Faith, Family & Friends is an excellent opportunity to learn, strengthen, and deeper into your faith.

Please do not walk into this life journey on your own. Join us at Faith, Family & Friends, or join a different group/ministry in our community. Check out our website, bulletin, and social media to learn about the various ministries and devotions at the Newman Center. Pope Francis said, "People must live the experience of the Christian community in order to have a "life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ." Our church is so broad that there are many different areas to learn about and to mature into our relationship with God. Join our Ministry today or join a different one, but most importantly, let's all walk together in this journey of faith. Let us trust in the Lord not just as individuals but as a community!

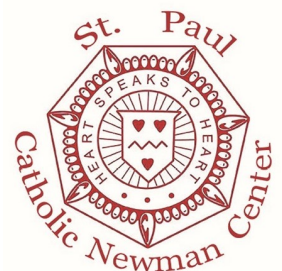
May God constantly enrich our spirits and continue guiding this amazing Newman Center community.

Alberto Navarro

Family Life Ministry and Liturgy Director

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 18th for our student dinner at 6 pm. After, join us for sports night in the courtyard at 7pm for volleyball. Wear sports jerseys/gear to represent your favorite sports team.

Student Lounge

Come over to the Student Lounge to see our free Student Pantry consisting of kitchen supplies, food/snacks, and some personal care products. All items that we have are available for free, all thanks to the generosity of our supporters!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Bible Study

Join our Bible Study gathering Monday, September 16th @6PM in the lounge. Before we kickoff the Gospel of John, we will be reading a Letter to Young People by Pope Francis.

Young Adult Confirmation

Do you want to complete the Sacrament of Confirmation? There's still time for you to register for our Fall session. We will be meeting weekly on Thursdays from 6:30pm to 8pm. Confirmation Mass will be in January. Register online and reach out to Edgar Guzmán with any questions.



JUBILEE 2025

Agua Frescas & Nachos

Catch the Jubilee Pilgrims before and after the Fresno State football games for Aguas Frescas and Nachos! Our after-mass fundraiser for this month will be Nachos and Aguas Frescas as well. Pilgrims will be outside after every mass September 21st-22nd. Stay tuned for our October fundraiser! Thank you for all your support!

National Eucharistic Congress

Congress Reflection from Ricardo

My name is Ricardo Mendoza. I have been involved at the Newman Center since 2022. During these two short years, I've been able to encounter God in diverse ways and through countless parishioners. Nothing could have prepared me for the transformation I experienced at the National Eucharistic Congress. Jesus made himself accessible through not only the Blessed Sacrament, but especially through the individuals we encountered while there. Daily adoration provided a wonderful space to be with the Lord, and I loved every second of it. But it was specifically the homeless people in and around Indianapolis that changed me so dramatically. To be able to pray with them, provide them with a meal, and share in conversations with them left me with an ardent desire to serve God's people even more! The fire that those experiences lit within me allowed me to walk away from the congress as a more joyful and dutiful servant of the Lord. For all of this, I want to thank the entire Newman Center for making this experience even possible.

COMMUNITY GARDEN AND MEDITATION MINISTRY

MISSION OF OUR MINISTRY

“For I was hungry and gave me food, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me” (Matthew 25: 35-36)

GOAL OF OUR MINISTRY

Outreach to those less fortunate by supplementing their meals with fruits and vegetables and enriching their lives and the lives of our parishioners who interact with them.

ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER

- Lay flagstone and stain **MEDITATION AREA**
- Plant 12 trees and 20 bushes on the outside of the fence.
- Construct decorative walkway from the gate to the **MEDITATION AREA**.



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.

Football Day of Parking Passes

Our first come first serve parking passes have increased to \$30.



SEPTEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

2023		2024	
September 3	\$13,358.60	September 1	\$15,387.89
September 10	\$19,153.91	September 8	\$23,170.71
September 17	\$11,932.84	September 15	
September 24	\$12,492.52	September 22	
SEPTEMBER 2023 TOTAL	\$56,937.87	SEPTEMBER 2024 TOTAL	\$38,558.60

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 frubi@csufnewman.com or Mary at clergyassistant@csufnewman.com

Looking to get involved during Mass on weekends? We are actively looking for volunteers to learn and help manage sound at every Mass! If this sounds interesting, please join us for a "show and tell" of our sound equipment and to answer any questions you may have after every Mass on September 28th & 29th. Once we have a full list of those ready to serve as our "**Newman Sound Technicians**", we will schedule a comprehensive hands on training.

Volunteer now to plan **Founder's Day Weekend 2025!**

For details on this newly forming working committee, please email plc@csufnewman.com

LIFE MINISTRY

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Faith, Family and Friends

Registration is now open for FFF! FFF resumes meeting on Tuesday, September 17th .

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!

Formation and Training for Current and New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Sept 28th at 10:00am:

If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, or want to learn what an EM is, this is a great opportunity for you to explore and serve God through our Church. For more information please email lifeministry@csufnewman.com, or to register please scan the QR code .



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



SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2024
10AM TO 12 NOON PDT

Pax Christi Southern California
Virtual Fall Assembly

Our Future is in Our Hands:
Understanding the Consequences of Nuclear Weapons

Keynote Speaker
Nick Mele- Senior Adviser to Pax Christi USA on Nuclear Disarmament
His Topic: The Federal Budget as a Moral Document

Panel Discussion:
Nick will be joined by:

Maylene Hughes- Physicians for Social Responsibility Los Angeles & Eddie Lachie- Students for Nuclear Disarmament, for a moderated discussion on actions we can take to mediate the consequences of nuclear weapons in the US.

ZOOM link upon registration

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Sarah Parkes	Elias Torrejon
Genny Luchessi	Dan Dungy
Don Hall	

♥ And we pray for those who have died recently.

Christine Harrison

Please contact the office or visit our website and fill out the form under the ["Prayer Requests"](#) 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.



SAVE THE DATE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 6:30-8:00 PM



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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 15—SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

XXIV SUNDAY ORD. TIME

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7:30am	Mass for Dixie Sutherland	Chapel
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate	Library
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	Mass for Pam Clark	Chapel
11:30am	Mass for Needs & Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Ferdinand Erese	Chapel

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
6:00pm	Faith, Family, & Friends	CNH
6:15pm	Claretian Youth	Student Lounge

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:40am	Divine Office (Morning Prayer)	Chapel
8:00am	Mass for Msgr. John Coelho-Harguindeguy	Chapel
10:00am	Marian Movement of Priests	Community Room
6:00pm	Prayer & Life Workshop	Library
6:00pm	Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle	Chapel
6:00pm	College Night	CNH
6:30pm	RCIA Inquiry	Community Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
4:00pm	Confessions	Chapel
6:00pm	Bible Study	Classroom 2
6:00pm	Young Adult Confirmation	???
6:00pm	Special Intention for Jimmy Zapata	Chapel

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:40am	Divine Office (Morning Prayer)	Chapel
8:00am	Mass for Kevin Harley	Chapel
5:30pm	Food Recovery Network	Cafeteria

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:00am	Secular Franciscans	Cafeteria
3:30pm	Confessions	Chapel
5:00pm	Mass for Louis Grieco	Chapel

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

XXV SUNDAY ORD. TIME

7:30am	Mass for Connie Loera-Lasoya	Chapel
9:30am	RCIA Catechumenate	Library
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	Mass for Needs & Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel
11:00am	1st Year HS Confirmation	CNH
11:30am	Mass for Felicia Montero-Westforth	Chapel
12:45pm	2nd Year HS Confirmation	CNH
7:00pm	Mass for Roberto Castaneda	Chapel

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