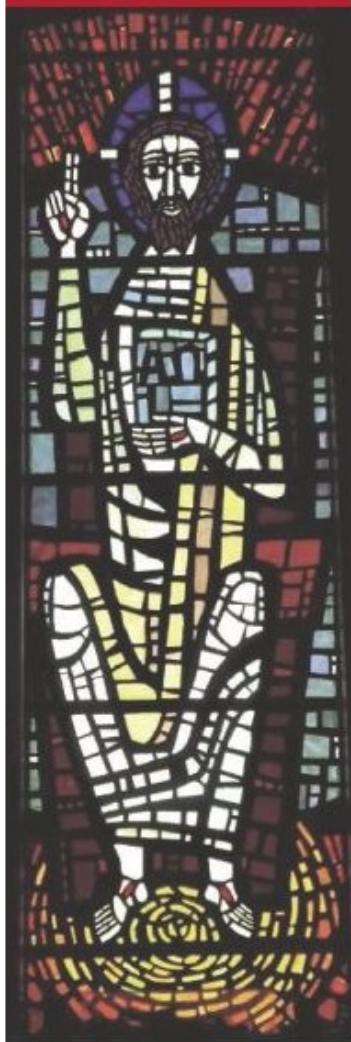


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The Epiphany

January 4, 2026



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:30AM*,
11:30AM & 7:00PM

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri: 8:00AM

Thurs: 6:00PM

Communion Service

Thurs: 8:00AM

Confessions

Thursday: 4:00PM—5:45PM

Saturday: 3:30PM—4:30PM

Monthly Adoration

First Fridays: 8:30AM—11:00AM

Third Thursdays: 4:00PM—5:45PM

Fourth Sundays: 8:00PM—9:00PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday

9:00AM—3:00PM

REGISTER TO BECOME A PARISHIONER

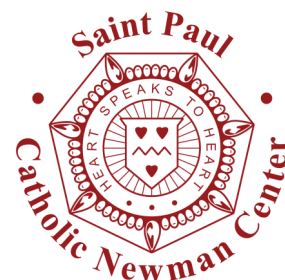
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*Mass will be live-streamed
All Masses are in English

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Gifted by God, called by Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit,
St. Paul Catholic Newman Center is a parish committed to serving
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CAMPUS MINISTRY

WEDNESDAY COLLEGE NIGHT

We will resume our Student Dinners on Wednesday, January 21st at 6:00pm. Join us in Cardinal Newman Hall for a free dinner followed by an activity. Our community is always looking to grow, and we hope that you can join us.



CAMPUS MINISTRY
STUDENT RETREAT

FEBRUARY 6 - 8TH

SCAN ME TO REGISTER
THROUGH FLOCKNOTE



Join us for our Spring Student Retreat in Wonder Valley from February 6th-8th.

Email campus.ministry@fresnewmancenter.org for more information!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join our Bible Study gathering **Monday, January 5th at 6:00pm** in the Student Lounge. We will continue to look at the Gospel of John. Come and learn alongside other young adults about how scripture is alive in our daily lives. Following bible study, we will gather around the bonfire and make s'mores in celebration of the Epiphany.

WOMENS GROUP

There will be no women's group this week as we celebrate the new year. We will meet again on January 15th. We pray that you have a safe and exciting start to the new year!

TRIVIA NIGHT

Good Trivia & Good Times! Join us on January 14th for trivia at Tioga Sequoia Brewing Co. Trivia begins at 7pm. All knowledge is welcome.




The Epiphany Chalk Blessing

On the weekend of January 4–5, we will bless chalk for families to take in celebration of the Epiphany on January 6.

The Epiphany chalk tradition, associated with the Three Magi (or Wise Men), is a simple way to ask God's blessing upon your home for the coming year. Using the blessed chalk, mark your doorway with 20 + C + M + B + 26, while reciting a short prayer.

The letters C + M + B represent the traditional names of the Magi —Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar—as well as the Latin phrase *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, meaning “May Christ bless this house.” The crosses symbolize Christ's presence and blessing.



EPIPHANY CONVERSATIONS
JOURNEY OF THE MAGI
 A CONTINUATION OF OUR SERIES STARTED IN 2024
 ADVENT CONVERSATIONS: AN EVENING WITH MARY.
JANUARY 6, 2026 | 6:00 - 7:30PM
CARDINAL NEWMAN HALL
 HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED A DIFFICULT JOURNEY OR PART OF YOUR LIFE JOURNEY IN WHICH YOU WERE TRANSFORMED AND POSSIBLY COULD NOT RETURN TO YOUR PREVIOUS WORLD OR WAY OF BEING? WE WILL BE REFLECTING ON AND PRAYING ABOUT JOURNEYS IN OUR LIFE AND IN OUR WORLD.
 TO PREPARE PLEASE READ MATTHEW: 2:1-12



HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS TABLING

On January 10th and 11th after all masses we will be hosting a display of handmade olive wood religious carvings from Bethlehem and Jerusalem available for purchase. These carvings include olive wood nativity sets, crucifixes, rosaries, Christmas ornaments, candle holders, angels and many other religious crafts that make nice wedding, baptism, and Easter gifts.



These carvings are handmade by Catholic families in Bethlehem who rely on sales for their daily bread. For more than ten years Bethlehem Christians have been enduring many hardships as tourism in Bethlehem has plummeted and access to other sources of income has been sharply restricted due to the ongoing conflict.

Please help support our Catholic brothers and sisters in Bethlehem by purchasing their carvings. Jhon Ghanem and son Edmon, indigenous Christians from Bethlehem, will be standing by the carvings after all masses.

Proceeds go to support Christian artisans from Bethlehem. It is never too late to help. Thank you!

Come celebrate with us!

Feast of Santo Niño Celebration



JANUARY 11, 2026 (Sunday)

Rosary Procession @ 1:30 PM
Mass @ 2:00 PM

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Please bring your Sto. Nino images for a blessing after the mass

Followed by:
 Salo-Salo/Refreshment



December was a busy month, joyful month!

I'd like to say thanks to those who joined us at the Nazareth House on December 13. About 20 people showed up to make a "joyful noise unto the Lord."



I'd also like to thank those who helped with the luncheon for the priests and seminarians who were in town as part of their winter mission to work among the farmworkers in our surrounding communities. The luncheon was a joint venture with the Knights of Columbus; thank you Ken Barnes. Guild members who helped were Lucina Myers, Cathy Rodriguez, Joanna Chambers, Joanie Lum, Mickey Lord and Christine Williams.



Jakki Pucheu will be joining us January 8 to talk about Saint Therese of Lisieux.

Please mark your calendar for February 7-8, our Valentine Cookie Sale!

If you have any questions, please call me: Lucina Myers, 2025-2026 Guild President, at 559/824-9160.

NEXT GUILD MEETING: January 8, 2026

Please remember to wear your name tag to Mass!

HOME VEGETABLE GARDENING WORKSHOP

ALL PARISHIONERS WHO GARDEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

JANUARY

SATURDAY

10

9:00AM-10:30AM

CLASSROOM 3

Presenter – Mr. John Duran – University of California Master Gardener

Topics Covered

- Size of the garden
- Plant varieties appropriate for our climate
- Planting schedule and calendar
- Building healthy soil and watering
- Addressing problems and pests
- Herb production

SPONSORED BY THE COMMUNITY GARDEN COMMITTEE

COMMUNITY GARDEN WEEDING AND CLEAN UP DAY

SATURDAY JANUARY 17, 2026



We will hold a weeding outside our fence area and a general cleanup of our compost area at our Community Garden from 8:30 am to 11 am on Saturday, January 17th. We will provide all the necessary shovels, wheelbarrows and other tools. Please bring gloves and any hand weeding tools you need.

Our objective is to have our Community Garden be as welcoming as possible for our gardeners and parishioners. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

Sponsored by our
Community Garden and Meditation Area Committee

NEWMAN CENTER WISHLIST

If you're looking for a way to donate to the Newman Center, check out our wishlist located on our website.
<https://fresnonewmancenter.org/giving/newman-center-wishlist>

Thank you to those who have already donated!

WINTER '26

YOUNG ADULT CONFIRMATION

FOR AGES 18-39

January 22: Intro Class

January 29

February 5

February 12

February 19

February 26

March 5

March 12

March 19: Penance Service

March 26: Retreat/Rehearsal

April 9

Confirmation Ceremony

To register please have a copy of your Baptism and First Communion certificates. For those registered, Young Adult Confirmation meetings are from 6-7:15 PM in Cardinal Newman Hall Room 103.



Scan to Register

For more information contact adult.confirmation@fresnonewmancenter.org.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

Would you like to help create a welcoming environment at church and get a sweet treat?



Join the Sunday Hospitality team! We need volunteers to help with coffee and donuts after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses!

Please contact the office at 559-436-3434 or office@fresnonewmancenter.org if you would like to volunteer.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

The Catholic Charities Truck parks in our East Parking Lot to collect donations on the first weekend of the month.

Volunteers are needed before and after all Masses to help collect the donations.

Please contact the office or Brian Hall at bmhall446@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer.

FAITH, FAMILY & FRIENDS

SPRING 2026 ADULT SESSIONS

TUESDAY FROM 6-7:15 PM IN CARDINAL NEWMAN HALL



Date	1 st Session	2 nd Session	3 rd Session
1/13/26	Hope and Trust in God	Couples Loving in Faith	Catholic Social Teachings
1/20/26	Embrace a Patron Saint	SoulCore	Catholic Social Teachings
1/27/26	The Trinity	SoulCore	Catholic Social Teachings
2/6/26	Theology of Jesus	SoulCore	Catholic Social Teachings
2/10/26	Lent is a Time of Conversion and Penance	Couples Loving in Faith	Catholic Social Teachings
2/17/26	Intergenerational Night: Burning of the Palms		
2/24/26	A Journey Through Lent	SoulCore	Synodality
3/3/26	The Lord's Prayer	SoulCore	Synodality
3/10/26	The Significance of Fasting	Couples Loving in Faith	Synodality
3/17/26	Carry Your Cross	SoulCore	Synodality
3/24/26	Lenten Penance Service		
3/31/26 & 4/7/26	Easter Break		
4/14/26	The Three Theological Virtues: Faith, Hope & Charity	Couples Loving in Faith	Synodality
4/21/26	Discernment & Making Decisions: Ignatian Spirituality	The Bond of Authentic Friendship	SoulCore
4/28/26	The Four Marian Dogmas	Saint Damien of Molokai	SoulCore
5/5/26	Intergenerational Night: End of the Year Rosary		

For more information, contact Alberto Navarro Director of Family Life Ministries and Liturgy at alberto.navarro@fresnonewmancenter.org

SPECIAL COLLECTION: PLAYGROUND

This weekend's special collection will help support our needed playground renovations. The playground equipment was installed and maintained by our Fresno Montessori School partners. With the Montessori departure 2 years ago, the



maintenance and upkeep responsibilities have transferred to our university parish. Donations will be used to grade the area under the playground equipment, install playground wood mulch, and repair some sections of broken concrete. Once complete, the playground will be available for use by our family ministries and for special events such as our International Food Festival and Vacation Bible School. Additionally, we hope to have the playground available for family use on some Sundays after Mass.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

St. Paul Catholic Newman Center

January 3 & 4

January 31 & February 1

February 28 March 1

March 28 & 29

April (No Truck)

May 2 & 3

June 6 & 7

July (No Truck)

August 1 & 2

September 19 & 20

October 17 & 18

November (No Truck)

December 5 & 6

The Catholic Charities truck will be in the East parking lot on the days listed to the left. All donations to Catholic Charities are redistributed to those in need in our community. If you have any questions please contact the office at (559) 436-3434.

We also accept donations at any time if you would like to bring your items to our bin located on the outdoor patio behind our office.

Below is a list of items that we are unable to take for donations.

- Items that are dirty, broken, torn, stained, wet, molded or rusted.
- Bed Sets/Mattresses
- Refrigerator or Washer/Dryers (Unless approved by Operations Manager)
- Filling cabinets (Metal)
- Old Pianos
- Baby Cribs/Car Seats/Changing Tables/Mattresses/Bottles/Carriers/Boosters/Strollers/High Chairs/Playpens/Nursing Items
- Chemicals/Motor Oil
- Carpets/Area Rugs
- No medical supplies, unless adult diapers or walkers.
- Items with missing pieces
- Items requiring major assembly
- History/Encyclopedia Books as well VHS videos
- Computers/Laptops (Unless approved by Operations Manager)
- Items deemed unsaleable at thrift store

2026 SPECIAL COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Annually, the Diocese of Fresno sends every parish a list for Second Collections. The following is the annual schedule for 2026 which we are to participate in.



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Thank you for your participation and generosity throughout the year.

- Church in Latin America (CLA) — January 25, 2026
- Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe — February 18, 2026
- Home Missions: Catholic Home Missions and Black and Native American Missions — February 22, 2026
- Catholic Relief Services (CRS) — March 15, 2026
- Good Friday – Holy Land — April 3, 2026
- Catholic Communications — April 26, 2026
- Catholic Charities — May 17, 2026
- Priests' Retirement / Father's Day — June 21, 2026
- Peter's Pence — June 28, 2026
- Cathedral Maintenance — August 16, 2026
- Campaign for Human Development (CHD) — September 6, 2026
- World Mission Sunday / Propagation of the Faith — October 18, 2026
- Seminarians — November 15, 2026
- Retired Religious — December 13, 2026

PRAYER LIFE WORKSHOP

You are invited to Attend a Life Changing PRAYER and LIFE WORKSHOP

In this 16 session Workshop you will learn different methods of prayer that will help you develop a closer walk with our Lord Jesus Christ. Come and experience how prayer can change your life and give you the peace of mind and heart that can only come from God. Class meets every Wednesday beginning Jan 14, 2026 to April 22, 2026, 6:00-8:00pm in the Library. All are welcomed to the introductory class on Jan 14, 2026 for more detailed information or contact Regina Flores at rmflores39@icloud.com.

PRAYERS

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

Peggy Grant	Catherine Caton
Benita Lankford	Lucyna Dinces
Toni Rudd	David Chavarria

♥ And we pray for those who have died recently.

Joseph Koontz	Magdalene Oloowere
Jun Abenoja	

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 1-4 weeks, and then removed unless otherwise requested.

Names of the deceased are published the week after death.

DECEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

2024		2025	
December 1	\$14,368.04	December 7	\$23,911.93
December 8	\$33,365.21	December 14	\$28,819.59
December 15	\$22,101.01	December 21	\$31,633.85
December 22	\$17,513.02	December 28	\$18,134.02
December 29	\$25,193.77		
DECEMBER 2024 TOTAL	\$112,541.05	DECEMBER 2025 TOTAL	\$102,499.39

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To submit announcements, articles, or flyers for the bulletin, website, or social media please fill out the form on our parish website: www.fresnonewmancenter.org/content-submission

Submissions are accepted no later than Monday 12:00pm the week of publication.



We have transitioned to using Flocknote to email the bulletin. If you would like the bulletin emailed to you every week, please join the Weekly Bulletin group on Flocknote! Thank you!

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

JANUARY 4 — JANUARY 11, 2026

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

THE EPIPHANY

Special Collection: Playground
Catholic Charities Truck

7:30am	Mass for Needs & Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	Mass for David Souza	Chapel
11:30am	Mass for Javier & Jacob Castillo	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Dennis Jennings	Chapel

MONDAY, JANUARY 5

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Mass for Joseph Pranzo	Chapel
8:30am	Men's Morning Scripture Study	Library
6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study	Student Lounge

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Mass for Fran Brennan	Chapel
6:00pm	Claretian Youth	Student Lounge
6:00pm	Epiphany Conversations	CNH

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7

8:00am	Mass for Anna Pitta	Chapel
10:00am	Marian Movement of Priests	Community Room
6:00pm	Marian Movement of Priests	Community Room
6:30pm	Bible Study	Classrooms

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8

8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
4:00pm	Confessions	Chapel
6:00pm	Mass for Sarah Beckstrom	Chapel
6:00pm	Women's Guild	CNH 101

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9

8:00am	Mass for Al Bianco	Chapel
5:30pm	Food Recovery	Cafeteria

SATURDAY, JANUARY 10

Holy Land Christians Tabling

10:00am	Italian Catholic Federation	Cafeteria
3:30pm	Confessions	Chapel
5:00pm	Mass for Needs & Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 11

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Holy Land Christians Tabling

7:30am	Mass for Nyla Zender	Chapel
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	Mass for Terry & Shirley Jesse	Chapel
10:45am	1st Year HS Confirmation	CNH
11:30am	Mass for Carol Lerro	Chapel
11:30am	Baptism	Chapel
12:30pm	2nd Year HS Confirmation	CNH
1:00pm	Baptism Prep Class	Library
2:00pm	Filipino Mass	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Evelyn Ramirez De Las Alas	Chapel

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