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Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

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

Weekday Masses
Mon, Wed, Fri: 8:00AM
Thurs: 6:00PM

Communion Service **Tues & 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

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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

This past Wednesday was our final student dinner of the school year. Thank you for all your ongoing prayers and for the volunteers' meals that made those dinners possible. We hope to have your help for our Fall semester.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Young Adult Bible Study

Join our Bible Study gathering Monday, May 19th 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.



Tacos & Theology

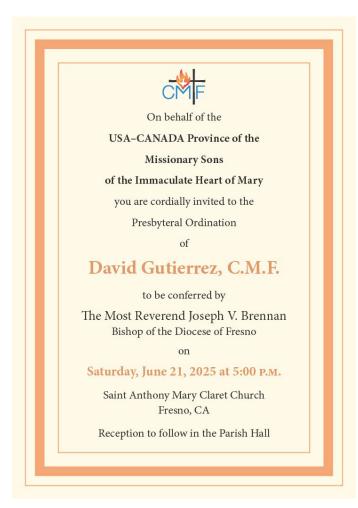
Join us on Thursday, May 22nd at 6:30pm in the Lounge/John 23rd for our monthly Tacos & Theology. This month's topic is The Papacy Explained: The Role and Relevance of the Pope in Our Faith. We'll have free tacos!

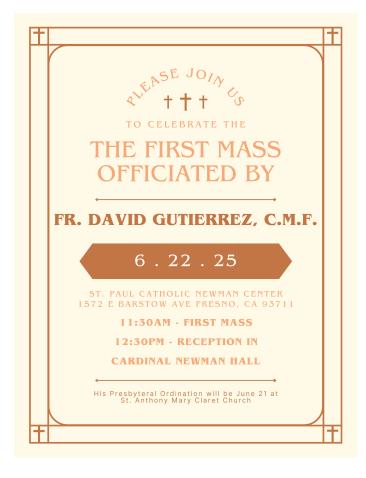
Summer Nights Gala

Young adults, get ready for a night of elegance under the stars! Join us for an unforgettable evening of music, dancing, and summer magic.

Dress to impress and bring your best—this is the night to shine!







VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration continues for our 2025 Vacation Bible School, True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World, which will take place from June 16-20, 2025 from 9 am - noon.



This is a fun faith-filled week with crafts, games, bible stories,

themed snacks, songs, and community. All are welcome to join. Please register your children from preschool through 5th grade as of Fall 2025 to participate! The cost is \$50/child with a family maximum of \$120 and scholarships are available if needed.

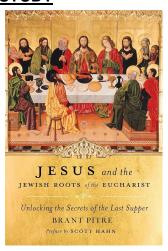
Tweens/teens going into 6th grade and up are encouraged to volunteer as crew leaders. We are forming a Youth Leadership Team of high schoolers to run the opening and closing presentations and help coordinate and inspire the younger crew leaders. We invite adults to volunteer as well and are looking for more help in the preschool. Participants and volunteers need to sign up at https://vbspro.events/p/1897b9 and complete two Diocesan forms that can be picked up at the front desk or found on our website on the VBS page.



BOOK STUDY

Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist: Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper.

"This is a revelatory exploration of the Jewish roots of the Last Supper, seeking to understand exactly what happened at Jesus' final Passover. "Clear, profound and practical—you do not want to miss this book."



—Dr. Scott Hahn, author of The Lamb's Supper and The Fourth Cup

Join us on Thursday evenings at 6 pm in the Community Room starting May 15th. The book can be purchased on Amazon. If you have any questions, you can contact Sonya at sidhusonyak418@gmail.com.

RECTORY RENOVATIONS

We are excited to announce that the home owned by St Paul Catholic Newman Center will soon be transitioned back into our rectory. This transition will provide our Claretian missionary team with a larger, more comfortable living space better suited to support 2 full-time members of our clergy. Moving into a larger space will also afford us the opportunity to host visiting priests onsite, as needed to help support our university parish.

In order to make this transition possible, the new rectory will require significant upgrades and renovations to bring it up to date. We have opened an irrevocable charitable trust for the purposes of our needed rectory renovations. Donations to our irrevocable trust should be made by check payable to "Roman Catholic Charitable Trust" and must be accompanied by our St. Paul Catholic Newman Center Capital Improvement Project Donation Form. We anticipate needing to raise approximately \$50,000 and greatly appreciate your donations and generosity toward this capital improvement project. Our goal is to bring this transition to fruition this summer.

If you are unable to donate to the trust at this time, we ask that you please consider a future pledge toward this goal. For any questions or feedback, please contact our Parish Life Coordinator, Katie Fleener, Ph.D., at katie.fleener@fresnonewmancenter.org.

RECTORY RENOVATIONS FAQ

Why are we making this change to the rectory?

 The Claretian Missionaries are excited to provide us with 2 full-time clergy to support the needs of our very active university parish. This rectory transition will help us better support 2 full-time priests in residence while also allowing for additional space to support a visiting priest, when needed.

Where will the new rectory be located?

 The new rectory will be located in the neighborhood within walking distance to the Newman Center.

How do Fr. Rubi & Deacon David feel about moving?

 Both are very happy! The new rectory will provide more space inside and outside and will allow them to better support our university parish in a variety of ways.

How will the renovation funds be spent?

 The initial funding will allow for new flooring, paint, a new stove, plumbing/water leak repairs, and an upgraded shower in the primary bath. What if we don't raise enough funds?

 Our goal is to update flooring, paint, the kitchen stove, primary bathroom shower, and to repair some plumbing/water leaks and subsequent damage. If we do not raise sufficient funds for all of these items, we will adjust and reduce this goal. We can only support repairs and renovations through funding deposited to our newly established irrevocable trust.

What if we raise more funds than originally requested?

 If we raise additional funds beyond what are needed for the initial renovations, the funds will be retained in the trust and will be used for future rectory improvements.

Will the new rectory be located where Sr. Kathleen currently resides? Where is Sr. Kathleen going?

 The home currently occupied by Sr. Kathleen will be transitioned into our new rectory. Sr. Kathleen is excited to move to the university parish apartment where Fr. Rubi & Deacon David currently reside. This lovely apartment will enable Sr. Kathleen to remain close to the Newman Center.

What is happening with the roof?

 Two planned phases of roof repairs have been completed. The final phase is pending and will take place at a future date. Leading into spring we completed substantial repairs that we anticipate will prevent leaks through next winter.

What will happen after Deacon David is ordained to the priesthood?

 After Deacon David is ordained and becomes Father David, he will continue to serve our Newman community as a priest and Director of Religious Education for the next 3 years.

CENTRAL VALLEY IAF ACTION

Tired of asking, "What can I do about that?" We have an answer!

Our parish, a member of the Central Valley IAF, invites you to our Assembly with Bishop Brennan, Community Leaders, other churches and Central Valley organizations on May 19th.

Our assembly will focus on; How Immigration changes impact our brothers and sisters in our parishes; Housing Plans that impact local prices, availability and rent; and Rural Traffic Safety impacting our parishes like St. Anthony Mary Claret.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Dan Nickerson at danandada1982@yahoo.com.



COOKING CLASS FUNDRAISER In Nonna's Kitchen

Take a cooking class and support our parish!

During the month of May, 20% of the funds from classes taken with In Nonna's Kitchen will be donated to the Newman Center.





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KOC BURRITO BREAKFAST FOR FR. SERGIO NEGRO SCHOLARSHIP

On May 25 the members of Council 9445 will be making breakfast burritos and serving them after the 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30am masses. For \$7.00 you can get a breakfast burrito with your choice of either bacon, sausage or vegetarian with coffee and/or orange juice. A portion of the proceeds will help provide students with a good education though the Fr. Sergio Negro Scholarship Fund. You can stay and enjoy the company of your

fellow parishioners, or you can take them to go. The location will be in the Cafeteria of St. Paul Catholic Newman Center. We accept Cash, Checks and Credit Cards (Apple or Google Pay). So, let's come and support the Fr. Sergio Negro Scholarship fund.





ministries are invited to table at our Ministry Fair. Please sign-up to reserve your table today.

For more information contact: alberto.navarro@fresnonewmancenter.org



EM TRAINING

St. Paul Catholic Newman Center will be hosting an Extraordinary Minister training session on Friday, May 30th at 6pm in the chapel.

This ministry involves assisting the priest with the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass. Serving as an Extraordinary Minister is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your faith, serve your parish, and bring the Lord to others.

Interested parishioners can register for the upcoming training session by contacting the parish front desk before or after each Mass or via email at alberto.navarro@fresnonewmancenter.org

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PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

From the California Conference of Catholic Bishops

Ever-loving God, We thank You for guiding the Church and for the gift of our new Holy Father. With humility and trust, we lift him up to You in prayer

Fill his heart with the fire of the Holy Spirit, That he may lead Your people with truth, love, and mercy. Strengthen him in times of trial, And surround him with faithful servants and wise counsel.



May he be a shepherd after Your own heart— Guiding Your Church in unity, Upholding the dignity of every person, And bearing joyful witness to the Gospel in a world in need.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.





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Whether your parish is big or small, in one of our Valley cities or rural communities, you are part of something bigger: a Church that catches people when they fall. Your compassion stretches far beyond your pews. It reaches your neighbors - people you may never meet, but whose lives are forever changed because someone cared.

During this May Appeal, will you join us?

Pray for us.

Come volunteer with us.

Consider making a donation.

Together, we are the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

Together, we are mercy in motion.

Visit ccdof.org or email info@ccdof.org to learn more.

PRAYERS

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

Tim Camacho
Sarah Peterson
Steven Camacho
Danielle Prochnow
Barbara Meisch
Joanne Dowdall
Claire C
Peggy Grant
Mary Helen Diaz
Kristin Hinds
Shirley Gong Lee
Richard Aranas
Sofia Grace Zamora

▶ And we pray for those who have died recently.

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.

May Contributions				
2024		2025		
May 5	\$20,741.55	May 4	\$16,376.76	
May 12	\$17,616.66	May 11	\$20,928.91	
May 19	\$18,272.76	May 18		
May 26	\$11,764.02	May 25		
MAY 2024 TOTAL	\$68,394.99	MAY 2025 TOTAL	\$37,305.67	

BULLETIN INFORMATION

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.

BULLETIN EMAIL



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

May 18 — May 25, 2025

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SUNDAY, MAY 18 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER				
7:30am 9:30am 9:30am	Collection: Catholic Charities Mass CLOW Mass for Quasar Evano Mass for Stan Michael Cardenas Baptism Baptism Prep Class OCIA P&E Mass for Mounette Castro	Chapel Community Room Chapel Chapel Chapel Library Library Chapel		
MONDA' 8:00am 8:30am 8:30am 6:00pm	Y, MAY 19 Special Intention Suzanne Crossi Men's Morning Scripture Study Rosary for Mary Young Adult Bible Study	na Chapel Library Chapel Student Lounge		
	Y, MAY 20 Communion Service Rosary for Mary Familiastery SoulCore Women's Bible Study	Chapel Chapel Classrooms Courtyard CNH 103		
7:40am 8:00am 8:30am	DAY, MAY 21 Divine Office (Morning Prayer) Mass for Tom McFerson Rosary for Mary Marian Movement of Priests OCIA Inquiry	Chapel Chapel Chapel Community Room Community Room		
8:00am 8:30am 4:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 6:30pm	CAY, MAY 22 Communion Service Rosary for Mary Confessions Book Study Adult Confirmation Mass for Edward J. Boyle, III	Chapel Chapel Chapel Community Room CNH 103 Chapel		
FRIDAY, 7:40am 8:00am 8:30am 9:00am 5:30pm		Chapel Chapel Chapel Classrooms Cafeteria		
SATURD 3:30pm 5:00pm	AY, MAY 24 Confessions Mass for Monica Lucido Baker	Chapel Chapel		
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5:30pm OCIA P&E

7:00pm Mass for Tina Canales Onken

8:00pm Eucharistic Adoration

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