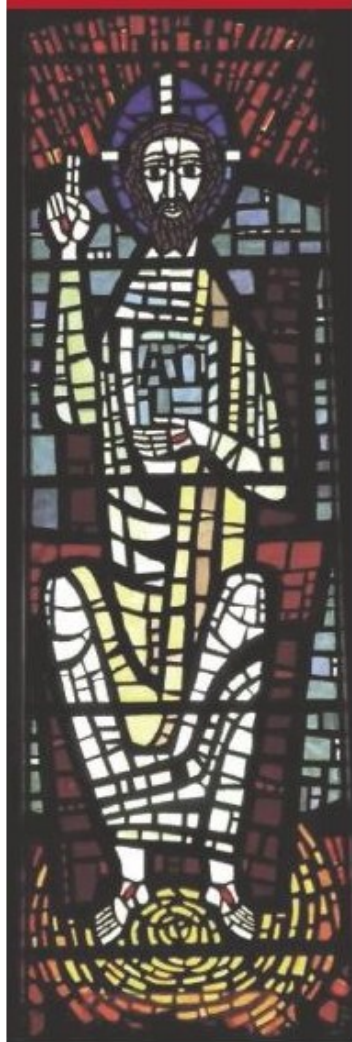


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## Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 14, 2025



Father Sergio Negro

### 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

Either Text SPCNC to 84576  
or scan the QR code



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

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## CAMPUS MINISTRY

### WEDNESDAY COLLEGE NIGHT

Join us on Wednesday, **September 17th** for our student dinner. We start with **dinner at 6pm inside Cardinal Newman Hall followed by Volleyball**. All students are welcome to join us.

### FRESNO STATE ON-CAMPUS GATHERINGS

All Fresno State students are welcome to join us for our on-campus gatherings this week. Bring lunch & bring a friend!



**Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup> @ 11:45am – RSU 209**

**Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> @ 10am–The Two Popes Film RSU 210**

**Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm - Saint Padre Pio RSU 208**

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

### YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join our Bible Study gathering Monday, September 15th at 6:00pm in the Lounge. We will continue to look at the Gospel of John.

### WOMENS GROUP GATHERING



### TRIVIA NIGHT





## MASS AND CONFESSION CANCELLATIONS

Due to conflicts with the Fresno State Football games, Confession and Mass will be cancelled on the following dates:

- **Saturday September 13, 2025**
- Saturday October 4, 2025
- Saturday October 25, 2025
- Saturday November 15, 2025
- Saturday November 22, 2025

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

## 2025/2026 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for our Religious Education classes is closed on Flocknote. Limited registrations will be done in person on Tuesday.

Classes begin on September 16th with a welcome Mass and a blessing of the teachers and students! Afterwards there will be an ice cream social in the courtyard.

If you have any additional questions please contact [religious.education@fresnonewmancenter.org](mailto:religious.education@fresnonewmancenter.org).



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September 2, 2025

Greetings Families,

In keeping with the USCCB's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and Diocesan policies, we will be providing faith-based safety lessons for all Pre-Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students enrolled in our Religious Education, Claretian Youth, and Family Ministry programs. These age level safety lessons will be presented to children attending our ministries on Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

Parents will be provided with a Compass Child Protection "Parent Handbook" which includes safety messages and information for parents to use at home with their children. The age level parent documents can be accessed through our [Safe Environment link](#) on the St Paul Catholic Newman Center webpage. If you would like a printed version, one can be obtained from our reception desk during business hours or before and after Mass.

We are grateful that you have entrusted your children to us and appreciate your partnership as we work to keep our youngest members of our parish community safe.

Sincerely,

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## INTERNATIONAL FOOD & CRAFT FESTIVAL SPONSORSHIP

Are you interested in sponsoring the International Food and Craft Festival? We have sponsorship opportunities available that will help our university parish and your business as well!

- \$100 – Social media recognition
- \$250 – Social media and website recognition
- \$500 – Social media, website, and event banner logo recognition

Contact [allyson.fansett@fresnonewmancenter.org](mailto:allyson.fansett@fresnonewmancenter.org) to sponsor our upcoming event.

## INTERNATIONAL FOOD & CRAFT FESTIVAL RAFFLE TICKETS

We are selling raffle tickets for the International Food and Craft Festival. Tickets come in bundles of ten and cost \$20.

First Prize: \$500 (2 winners)

Second Prize: \$250 (2 winners)

Third Prize: \$100 (5 winners)

The drawing will be on Sunday 10/19 at 1:00pm and you do not need to be present to win.



## SHARE YOUR FAMILY'S FAVORITE DESSERT!

Women's Guild is inviting the parish to take part in their bake sale happening at the International Food and Craft Festival!

### Donation Drop Off

October 18, 2025 from 4-7pm.

### International Food & Craft Festival

October 19, 2025 from 8-2pm.

Donated baked goods can be dropped off at the courtyard near the Hall on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Please label them if they are gluten free or contain nuts. Women's Guild will price the goods to sell on the 19<sup>th</sup>.





**Filipino Mass**



SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 @1:45 PM  
CELEBRANT: FR. CARLO BALAGUER, RCJ



Come and Celebrate  
with Us!



**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF  
PENAFRANCIA**  
(Procession starts at 1:45 PM)

Followed by  
Salo-Salo/Refreshments

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**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF  
PENAFRANCIA**





**VIVA LA  
VIRGEN!!!**

**VIVA EL  
DIVINO  
ROSTRO!!!**

Come and Celebrate with Us  
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**Sunday/Domingo**  
**September 28, 2025**  
Food-Live Music Kid's Games-Vendors  
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2494 S. Chestnut Ave Fresno, CA 93725  
9am-8pm  
For more information contact the parish office (559) 255-4260






## ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Help us add to the beauty of our chapel with a flower donation for the altar. We invite families and individuals to contribute to the sanctuary's floral arrangements to honor a loved one or commemorate a special occasion.

Donations can be made:

- In memory of a deceased loved one
- In celebration of a wedding anniversary or birthday
- In thanksgiving for a life accomplishment

### How to Donate

**Cost:** A donation of \$60 covers the cost of one floral arrangement, plus the delivery fee and taxes.

**Placement:** The two arrangements will be placed at the main altar and the ambo each weekend.

**Sign-Up Period:** Donations can be scheduled from the last week of June through the last week of July. Two donors are needed each weekend.

### Recognition

Your name and intention will be posted in the weekly Sunday bulletin. If you prefer to remain anonymous, please indicate this when you sign up.

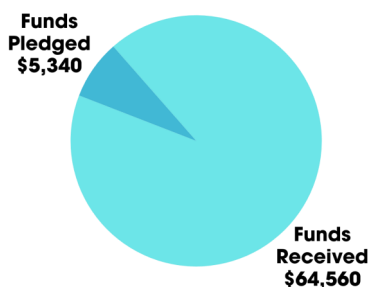
### How to Sign Up

To reserve your weekend, please scan the QR code or sign up through Flocknote. For assistance with sign-up or with any questions, please contact the front office or email us at [alberto.navarro@fresnonewmancenter.org](mailto:alberto.navarro@fresnonewmancenter.org).



## RECTORY RENOVATIONS

Thank you to those that have pledged funds to our rectory renovation project. If you have pledged funds but have not yet fulfilled the pledge, we kindly ask that you provide the funds as soon as you are able. We are reviewing available funds in hopes of beginning the landscape phase of the renovation very soon.



## DEACON JOHN ITALY BLOG

If you would like to follow along as Deacon John and Luci travel around Italy, you can read their blog at [ljsupino.blogspot.com](http://ljsupino.blogspot.com).

## THE GOSPEL BOOK DISPLAY

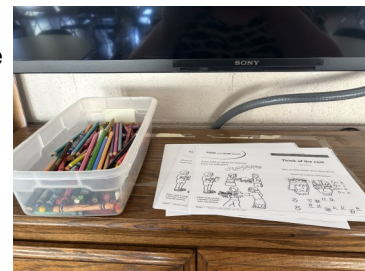
Starting this Sunday, the Book of the Gospels will be displayed next to the Ambo after the Gospel is proclaimed. This practice, guided by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (No. 175), highlights the Gospels as the inspired Word of God and a central part of our worship. By giving the book a place of prominence, we are reminded of our call to live and share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We hope this new movement in our Eucharistic Service helps us in our own faith journey!

## FOOTBALL PARKING PASSES

We still have a few parking passes available for the Fresno State football games. After Saturday passes will be \$180 for the remaining 4 games.

## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES DURING MASS

We have some coloring pages with crayons and colored pencils available in the Cafeteria during Mass for kids to use. When you are done please return the crayons or colored pencils back where you found them. Thank you!



## CEAC PANTRY COLLECTION

Newman Center's **Community Engagement and Action Committee, CEAC**, is continuing our "Be the Light" project. This time, we would like to bless the MEMI Sisters in their critical work of supporting our neighbors in need who work the farmlands surrounding us. **We are asking for donations of pinto beans (8 to 10 lb. bag), white rice (10 lb.), Canola oil (32 to 48 oz.), Maseca [corn flour] (16 to 22 lb.), adult-size work socks and baby diapers.** If you are unable to purchase any of these items, gift cards of \$25 would be greatly appreciated from these stores: Walmart, FoodMaxx or Costco (and we would go make the purchases for you). Please take a ray off of the paper suns in the entryway and return the items listed to the "Be the Light" bins **by SEPTEMBER 26**. Alternatively, please place any grocery gift card or cash donations into the box at the front desk. We look forward to working with you in support of our brothers and sisters whose labor helps provide the food on your table.



*Founders Day!*  
*Celebrating*  
*Sergio P. Negro*  
*Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>*

Father Sergio P. Negro, our founding pastor, had a tremendous impact and influence on our Newman Center's growth and development. When established, the Center's main purpose was to serve students of Fresno State along with the faculty and staff of the college who chose to associate with it. However, Father Negro always envisioned the Center as "having a responsibility to serve the entire Catholic community as well as the entire human community."

An early question for the Newman Community was whether to be a collegiate parish, a traditional territorial parish, or an "experimental" open parish – a mix of collegiate and traditional, but without a defined territory. Father Negro left it to the people to decide and they chose the latter option, which received diocesan approval.

We continue as a parish without borders, open to all families, but with a special emphasis on serving the students, faculty and staff of the area's universities and community colleges. As parishioners, each of us has made a conscious choice to attend St. Paul Catholic Newman Center, based on what our church has to offer to us, and in turn, what we can offer to the community we serve.

Father Negro believed that the Newman Community had a special place in Fresno. He wrote: "I feel very strongly that there is a need for such an option in these days of turmoil, uncertainty and confusion. By its very nature and way it operates, we continue to meet the needs of many which could not have found satisfaction elsewhere." Today the needs may be different, but our mission of service hasn't changed.

We celebrate that we are an open and progressive parish; a personal parish for the college community and for those who freely choose to associate themselves with the Newman Apostolate and support its programs."

Join us in celebration on September 14<sup>h</sup> as we remember and give thanks for Father Negro's enduring gift to the entire Newman Community, past and present!

# MEET OUR NEWEST SERGIO NEGRO SCHOLARS

Our Sergio Negro Scholars for the 2025-26 academic year have all been actively involved in the life of our parish community. You may have seen them serve as a lecturer and/or as a Eucharistic Minister, sing in a choir or serve as a cantor. They have assisted with OCIA, vacation bible school and Friday Night dinners. All are preparing for a vocation that will allow them to minister and assist others, each in his or her own way. Each will receive a \$3,000 scholarship from the Sergio P. Negro Scholarship Endowment Fund.



## **Desi Salazar**

Desi, whose home town is Visalia, sought out and immediately became active in the life of our Newman Center as soon as she enrolled at CSUF as a junior. Based on her involvement and vocational goal, she was selected as a Sergio Negro Scholar for her Senior year. Having now graduated with a B.A. this past spring, she will be pursuing an E.D.S degree in School Psychology with renewed support from the Sergio Negro Scholarship Fund. Desi intends to utilize her knowledge and training in support of children with disabilities and those facing emotional and behavioral challenges within K-12 schools.

## **Grace Meyer**

Grace grew up attending the Newman Center with her active family. She's served as a alter server, attended confirmation and became leader of that program, leading small groups, meetings, and retreats. Most recently, she's been involved with the creation of our Community Garden and a volunteer for our Vacation Bible School. Having already entered the health field as a Registered Nurse, Grace is now pursuing education to become a Family Nurse Practitioner with a foundation in functional medicine. She expressed that her deepest desire is to use her vocation as a ministry – one that brings healing to bodies, souls and communities.



## **Aiden Purtell**

Aiden is the third generation of an extended family that has attended and actively supported our Newman Center since its formation. Like many who've grown up in our parish, Aiden attended VBS as a camper and later, returning to serve as a counselor. While in high school, he attended and became Confirmed here at St. Paul's, a program that he believes has been a huge part of his development as a Catholic. Aiden is entering his senior year at the prestigious Cleveland Institute of Music majoring in Piano Performance. He reminds us that the beauty in music and the arts, renews and replenishes our souls.





# MEET OUR NEWEST SERGIO NEGRO SCHOLARS



## **Leilani Castillo**

Upon graduation from Lemoore High School, Leilani enrolled at CSUF and quickly found her way to St. Paul Catholic Newman Center. She will now be entering her junior year, majoring in Liberal Studies. Upon obtaining her degree, she intends to help young children grow academically through teaching. Her volunteer work with children in the Fresno County Migrant Program was “highly influential in my choosing to become a teacher”. She is currently part of our Campus Ministry Leadership team, had the honor of being confirmed here at Newman, and serves as a Eucharistic Minister, among other activities.

## **Jenna Sainz**

Jenna shared that being part of the Newman Center is what sparked her passion for social justice. She found fulfillment in helping others, especially those who are in need. A 2010 graduate of UC Davis, having worked at the Newman Center and then becoming a mom, she decided to return to school with the goal of earning a Masters in Social Work. Her intent is to become a medical social worker. While her duties as a mom and student have recently usurped her time, Jenna has volunteered as a Stephen Minister, served as a Eucharistic Minister and assisted with Young Adult Ministries.



## **Brianna Vazquez**

Brianna first started attending Newman while in high school and completing confirmation training. After attending UCSB, returning to Fresno and marrying, she and her husband “reconnected” with the Newman Center in 2019. She has been an active team member of the OCIA team for the past four years. Work experience as a teacher’s aide has led her to return to school to obtain a Master’s of Education in Early Childhood Education and Early Childhood Special Education. She is passionate about serving the preschool special needs population and helping those with autism or other disabilities succeed.





# PRAYERS

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

Peggy Grant	Dominic Yingyos
Lina Gee	Teapthong
Benita Lankford	Mary Beth Hall
Claudia Gonzalez Garcia	Beverly Garcia
Darane Teapthong	Erica Lopez Garcia

♥ 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.

## SEPTEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

2024		2025	
<b>September 3</b>	\$13,358.60	<b>September 7</b>	\$21,792.74
<b>September 10</b>	\$19,153.91	<b>September 14</b>	
<b>September 17</b>	\$11,932.84	<b>September 21</b>	
<b>September 24</b>	\$12,492.52	<b>September 28</b>	
<b>SEPTEMBER 2024 TOTAL</b>	<b>\$56,937.87</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 2025 TOTAL</b>	<b>\$21,792.74</b>

This weekend's special collection is for

**Sergio P/ Negro Scholarship Fund**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## BULLETIN INFORMATION

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# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 14 — SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

### FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

*Special Collection: Sergio P. Negro Scholarship Fund*

*Founder's Day*

7:30am	Mass for Ronald Gendron	Chapel
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	Mass for Marianne Angelillo	Chapel
10:45am	1st Year HS Confirmation	CNH 101-102
11:30am	Mass for Needs & Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel
11:30am	OCIA Catechumenate	Community Room
12:30pm	2nd Year HS Confirmation	CNH 101-102
1:00pm	Baptism Prep Class	Library
2:00pm	Filipino Mass	Chapel
7:00pm	Mass for Dr. Willie Clifford "Doc" Armstrong	Chapel

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Mass	Chapel
8:30am	Men's Morning Scripture Study	Library
6:00pm	Young Adult Bible Study	Student Lounge
6:30pm	OCIA Inquiry	Community Room

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Mass	Chapel
5:00pm	Youth Choir Practice	Chapel
6:00pm	Faith, Family & Friends	CNH/Classrooms
6:00pm	Claretian Youth	Student Lounge

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Mass	Chapel
10:00am	Marian Movement of Priests	Community Room
11:30am	Book Study	Library
6:00pm	Wednesday Student Dinner	CNH
6:00pm	Prayer Life Workshop	Library
6:00pm	Marian Movement of Priests	Chapel
6:30pm	Bible Study	Classrooms 2&3

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Communion Service	Chapel
4:00pm	Confessions	Chapel
4:00pm	Adoration	Chapel
6:00pm	Book Study	Community Room
6:00pm	Young Adult Confirmation	CNH 103
6:00pm	Mass	Chapel

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:40am	Liturgy of the Hours	Chapel
8:00am	Special Intention for Francesca Peterson	Chapel
5:30pm	Food Recovery	Cafeteria

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

3:30pm	Confession	Chapel
5:00pm	Mass	Chapel

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am	Mass	Chapel
9:30am	CLOW	Community Room
9:30am	Mass for Pam Maul Clark	Chapel
11:30am	Mass for Terry and Shirley Jesse	Chapel
11:30am	OCIA Catechumenate	Community Room
12:30pm	Caring for the Whole Person Presentation	Library
1:00pm	Group Baptism	Library
7:00pm	Mass for Needs & Intentions of Parishioners	Chapel

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