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Readings: Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

The Deacon's Speakin'

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

As we celebrate Happy Earth Day, I wanted to share with you a message I received from Catholic Climate Covenant:

Dear Deacon John,

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth ... And God saw that it was good." [Gn 1:1,24]

Happy Earth Day! May we celebrate and protect God's creation today and every day! In honor of Earth Day, we have three quick announcements to share on how you can be part of the Catholic movement for our Common Home.

1. Today is the last day to join the [Encounter for Our Common Home Campaign](#) if you haven't done so already, particularly if you want to accompany other U.S. Catholics in virtual or in-person legislative encounters with our U.S. Senators to ask them for climate solutions!

Remember you don't need to be in DC or come to DC - you can be anywhere in the country for your virtual or in-state visits happening the week of May 2-6. So far we have over 750 folks in 47 states plus DC and Puerto Rico signed up! Join by tonight and we'll plug you in to a group, and give you any training resources you may have missed.

2. If you cannot join the virtual or in-person encounters, you can still [send a message](#) to your U.S. Senators as part of the Encounter Campaign, urging them to support \$555 billion in climate solutions that lower national greenhouse gas emissions and help communities build resilience against the impacts of climate change. [Learn more and send a message now!](#)

3. And finally, if you haven't heard: **The next campaign event is a [storytelling workshop](#) sponsored by our Young Adults leaders!** All ages are welcome. Please join us whether you are part of the campaign or not, as we learn how to share our stories to help spur climate action - a skill that has many useful purposes now and for all our future work.

[What is Your Why? Storytelling for Social Change](#) (Thursday, April 28 at 4:30pm Pacific / 7:30pm Eastern) -- This is an interactive storytelling workshop featuring Jessica Zimmerle of Earth Ministry/WAIPL. It will include the opportunity to practice honing your climate story to maximize your impact in legislative visits. [Register in advance.](#)

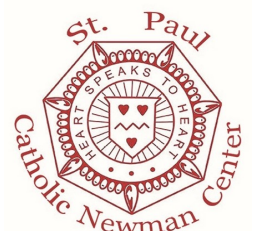
Have a blessed Earth Day, and if you have any questions, please reach out to us at info@catholicclimatecovenant.org - we look forward to hearing from you!

Peace and Love,

Deacon John

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.



Faith, Family & Friends

Faith, Family & Friends meets this Tuesday evening, April 26 from 6:00pm to 7:00 pm.

Faith, Family & Friends is the Newman Center's Religious Education and faith formation program for EVERYONE of all ages - Children, HS Youth & Adults. All FF&F groups and class sessions meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. All Children's classes meet in Cardinal Newman Hall, Claretian High School Youth Group meets in St. John XXIII, and the Adult Group Session will meet in the Chapel. No registration is required to attend the Adult Sessions. Adult Sessions: Our series exploring the *Sacraments of the Church - Past & Present* will be presented on Tuesday, April 26 at 6:00pm to 7:00pm in the Chapel.

Family Life Ministries

Adult Religious Education and Faith Formation

Our series exploring the *Sacraments of the Church - Past & Present* will be presented on Tuesday, April 26 from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in the Chapel. **No registration or fee is required.**

The Joy of Love Moms Group invites families to the west playground after 9:30am Mass for an opportunity for children and families to meet, socialize and play together. Please join us!

Men's Scripture Reflection and Discussion Group meets Monday mornings after Mass from 8:30am to 9:15am in the Library.

Prayer Ministries

Christian Meditation meets weekly on Tuesdays at noon in the Community Room, for 20 minutes of silent meditation followed by a brief lesson about this ancient Christian prayer tradition and discussion. Christian meditation utilizes the mantra, "Maranatha" (a word in Jesus' own Aramaic language meaning, "Come, Lord Jesus") in order to quiet the mind and come to silence, meeting Jesus in the depth of our own being, beyond words or images. The group is a member of the World Community for Christian Meditation. Meetings are facilitated by Benita Lankford. For information email John Prandini at prandinij@csufnewman.com.

Catholic Charities Truck This Weekend

The Catholic Charities Donation Truck will be at the Newman Center this weekend, April 23-24 to collect donation items after all Sunday morning Masses. Donations brought to the Saturday and Sunday evening Masses can be left in the white bin in the Chapel Courtyard. Thank you for your support.

Second Collection This Weekend

Many U.S. dioceses do not have enough priests to serve their parishes. Your support of the Catholic Home Missions Appeal helps provide seminary formation for the next generation of priests. We will have a second collection this weekend to support the Home Missions fund. For information visit this website: www.usccb.org/home-missions.



Campus Ministry News!

Week of April 24th - May 1st

Young Adults Bible Study

Every Monday at 6:00pm, we engage in biblical reflections and conversations to strengthen our identity as followers of Christ. It is a space where you will also find other young people who desire to learn and grow with you. Come join us! We will meet inside the Student Lounge.

Wednesday Student Night

Looking for a community to grow in your faith and meet other college students? Join us this week for Mass and a dinner inside Cardinal Newman Hall beginning at 6:00pm. Afterwards, we will have our Student Lounge open to provide a space for studying or to pick up school materials!

Campus Ministry Contacts

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Sergio P. Negro Scholar Applications

Applications for Sergio P. Negro Scholarships for the 2022 - 2023 academic year are now available on the [St. Paul Catholic Newman Center website](#). The Sergio P. Negro Endowment Fund was established in honor of our founding priest, who had a deep and abiding commitment to education. The Endowment Fund anticipates awarding a minimum of two, \$2,500 scholarships to deserving students for the academic year.

To be eligible, you must be either an upper division undergraduate or a graduate student preparing to use your knowledge and skills to witness and minister to others. This is meant to be inclusive of many vocations and forms of service, including education, medicine, social services, etc. A pre-condition is that you must have either been raised within or are currently affiliated and active with our St. Paul Catholic Newman Center parish beyond attending Mass. An overall GPA of 2.5 or greater is also required.

The deadline for applications to be received is Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 5:00pm.

They may be submitted electronically to Scholarship@csufnewman.com or mailed to St. Paul Catholic Newman Center, 1572 E. Barstow Ave., Fresno, CA 93710. In all cases, applications and accompanying documents must be typed. Final selection of awardees will be through an interview process.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, April 24 Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Catholic Charities Truck

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

Second Collection - Home Missions

7:30am Mass for Kirk England Chapel
 9:30am Mass for Jim Cook Chapel
 11:30am Mass for Ron Dodds Chapel
 12:30pm Divine Mercy Prayer Service Chapel
 3:00pm Igbo Mass Chapel
 7:00pm Young Adult Mass Chapel

Monday, April 25

1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

8:00am Mass for Mary Avila Chapel
 8:30am Men's Morning Scripture Study Chapel
 6:00pm Young Adult Bible Study St. John XXIII

Tuesday, April 26

Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15

8:00am Communion Service Chapel
 12:00pm Christian Meditation Community Room
 1:00pm Synod Listening Session Cafeteria
 6:00pm Faith, Family & Friends CNH and Chapel

Wednesday, April 27

Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21

8:00am Mass for Hope Pineda Chapel
 11:00am Murillo Funeral Chapel
 6:00pm College Night CNH 101

Thursday, April 28

Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36

8:00am Communion Service Chapel
 4:00pm Confessions Chapel
 6:00pm Mass for Florence Avila Diaz Chapel
 6:30pm Tacos and Theology St. John XXIII

Friday, April 29

Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15

8:00am Mass for John Murao Chapel
 5:30pm Renaissance Scholars CAMP Reception CNH 101-103

Saturday, April 30

Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

2:00pm Jasso - Flores Wedding Chapel
 5:00pm Mass for Alejandro Ramirez Chapel

Sunday, May 1 Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

7:30am Mass for Melecio Oida Chapel
 9:30am Mass for John Godburn Chapel
 11:30am Mass Eugene Donoghue, Jr. Chapel
 7:00pm Mass Chapel

April Contributions

2021		2022	
April 4	\$23,578.05	April 3	\$20,463.14
April 11 ACH	\$18,118.85	April 10 ACH	\$26,959.85
April 18 ACH	\$13,876.00	April 17 ACH	\$10,255.00
April 25	\$ 8,308.23	April 24	
April Total	\$127,762.26	April Total	\$57,677.99

Holy Thursday - Poverello House	\$2,185.00
Good Friday - Stewardship	\$1,744.35
Easter Sunday	\$13,650.39

Prayers:

- ◆ **For those who have died:** Julian Kaminski, Msgr. Leo Steinbock, Antoinette Bianco
- ◆ **Please pray for those who have requested special intentions and prayers:**
 Sr. Ana Rosa Guzman, Joan Renner, Margery Toll, Kristal Lowe Limon, Abigail Love, Gary Payne, Linda Alvarez, Marianne Coons, Julissa Mojarras, Estefania Medina, Laura Willers, Mary Garr, Kathy Papagni, Michael Vienna, John and Kathy Brechmann, Issac Orozco, Diana Mock, Fr. Kevin Bray, Msgr. Anthony Janelli, Sandra Barrie, Nettie Shute, Sandy Keith, Meghan Vasquez, Dan Dungy, Isabel Wiggins, Monica Becerra, Alice Schultz, Sr. Rosa Maria Branco FHIC, Dick and Jan White, Randy Trejold, Jose Guadalupe Solorio, Tommie Huettmann, Sr. Joanne Bauer, Deacon Steve and Angie Taylor, Deacon Jim Rooney, Jan Fusselman, Nyla Zender, Deacon Rick DeLeon and Family, JoAnn Myers, Monica Baker (Lucido), Deacon Kelly Canelo and Family, David Toll, Susan Olson, Ken Barnes and Family, Ramona Egan, Mary Yoakum, Olivia King, Esther Gutierrez, Joe Calandri, Jeff Janzen, Maria Coronel, Christina Jacquez, Clara Marrone, Susan Williams, Tim Brown, Karen Nyri, Penny Mull, Howard and Mary Ann Latimer, James Ball

To better serve our Faith Family we are updating our list of prayers. Names for the sick / special intentions will remain in the bulletin for one month. If deceased, names are only published the week they died. If you have someone who is in need of prayers please contact the office at 436-3434 or go on our website and fill out the form under the "Prayer Intentions" tab.

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College Pages



Newman Catholic Student Association (Fresno)



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Dear Newman Community,

If you are wanting to attend any of these proposed dates for Listening Sessions, please contact the Parish Office (559-436-3434) or Jim Grant (559-708-3530) and leave a message indicating your preferred dates! **If people register, the sessions will be held.** Hope you'll join the 80+ parishioners who participated in March!



Sunday (Tentative if people sign up)	Library May 1 8:30-10:00	
Tuesday (Scheduled)	Cafeteria April 26 1:00-2:30	Cafeteria May 3 1:00-2:30
Wednesday (Tentative if people sign up)	Community Room April 27 8:45-10:15	Community Room May 4 8:45-10:15
Thursday (Tentative if people sign up)	Library April 28 6:00-7:00 7:00-8:00	Library May 5 6:00-7:00 7:00-8:00

If you'd like a Zoom session please contact the Parish Office (559-436- 3434). Proposed dates are Mondays, April 25, May 2, and May 9 at 7:00pm if we have people sign up.

From Fr. Byron

The Gospel this weekend talks about the disciples cloistered in fear behind closed doors. Still, Jesus comes to them and wishes them peace. I believe we all know what it feels like to be behind closed heavy doors – the doors of pain, loneliness, anxiety... Yet, there is no door Jesus cannot open! Just like he did to the disciples, Jesus does to us: opens doors to what is true and meaningful in life; and he does it by first wishing us peace. There are doors and there are doors but there is no door Jesus cannot open! Happy Easter!

Run to the Empty Tomb! Thank you!

What an amazing time we had last Sunday at 5:00am. Thanks to the over 30 people (and the three dogs) who attended and ran / walked last Sunday. We kicked off Easter morning with Lauds (the Official morning prayer of the Church), followed by the 5K. Then we had a hearty breakfast at the priests' apartment. Thanks to all who made it possible, especially to Toni VanAnne, Jannetta Gutierrez, Minnie Garcia, Laurie, Brother Richard, Victoria and Joshua. Save the date and start training for next Easter Sunday.

Easter Eggs

Thanks to your generosity, we gave away about 800 Easter Eggs last week after Masses. Thank you for your generosity and for your "sweet" detail. Also thanks to siblings Kennedy and James Collins and Josh Zamora for being our Easter Bunnies this past weekend and adding to the joy of the Resurrection.

Claretian Youth

We will meet throughout the month of May and then we will go on Summer Break. Our last day will be May 24 with a service day. During the summer we will meet on the second Tuesday of June thru August for fun days. We will still have the Children's Mass on the first Tuesday of the Month.

Divine Mercy Sunday

We are having a special prayer of the Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 11:30am Mass in the church. We will offer this chaplet for all victims and survivors of Crime and Violence in our Diocese of Fresno. All are welcome to join us.

Latino Business Student Association

I was honored to offer the invocation at Fresno State's Latino Business Student Association Gathering last Friday. It was a joy to know that Fresno State can rely on us, the Catholic Newman Center, for religious accompaniment.

Hike with Mary

Please sign up for our next Hike with the Virgin Mary on Saturday, April 30 at 8:00am. Send me an email at: frbyron@csufnewman.com or scan the code at the Campus Ministry Bulletin Board.

Knights of Columbus

Once upon a time when I was a seminarian, I was broke (of course) and didn't know how to pay for my books for one semester. Then, out of the blue I received a Christmas monetary gift from the Knights of Columbus which helped me a lot. We are blessed indeed for having a Knights of Columbus Council here in our parish. There is a membership drive this weekend; Catholic men: I beg you to think about joining such a noble group. See a Knight after Mass today (or talk to me).

Confirmation

Join me in congratulating our sixty-four youth who received the Sacrament of Confirmation yesterday, Saturday, April 23! May the Holy Spirit guide, protect and empower them as they keep laying the foundations to the people God is calling them to be!

Saintly Quote

"Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again; for forgiveness has risen from the grave" - St. John Chrysostom

Have a Laugh

Q: Need an ark to save two of every animal?

A: I Noah guy.

Creation Care Tips

Depending on where you live, vegetable gardening season is upon us, or will be soon. Do you have a small patch of earth where you can grow some food? Some pots on a patio or a bright windowsill? What about a local community garden? It is a good and holy thing to work with the earth, to plant seeds, and to tend them while they grow into plants. Jesus told many stories of farmers in Scripture. Your challenge this week is to seek out a place to grow food in your community. If you don't have your own space to garden or you have space to share with others, sign onto SharedEarth.com a site which matches up those with garden space and those seeking it. Plant some seeds or volunteer to help weed or water and support those who are caring for God's creation and feeding those most in need.

"Peace Be With You"

This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ Acts 5:12-16 - Signs and wonders
- ▶ Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 - First vision
- ▶ John 20:19-31 - Appearance to the disciples; Thomas

So many times in Scripture when an angel or Jesus approach a person or a group with a task, we are told that they are afraid or are living in fear, as the disciples were in this reading. For example, it happened to Isaiah when an angel asked him to be a prophet. It happened to Mary when the angel Gabriel asked her to bear Jesus. It happened to Peter when Jesus asked him to follow and be a fisherman of people. Whether it is an angel or Jesus appearing, each begins their address with words of reassurance: "Do not be afraid," or in this case, "Peace be with you."

The ones being visited aren't shamed or reprimanded for being afraid. Only after their fear is acknowledged are they given their task. For the disciples who are still hiding out in fear for their lives, Jesus sends them to do exactly what they are afraid to do—leave their hiding place, go public, and do what God sent Jesus to do.

Maybe they are still afraid. Maybe their voices shake a bit when they first begin to proclaim Jesus' message. Maybe they don't feel worthy to still be a follower of Jesus. Maybe they doubt their ability to bring hope and healing to those who need it, but they still go. The first reading from the Acts of Apostles tells us some of what the apostles were able to accomplish once they left that locked room. They cured sick people and cast out demons, just as Jesus had promised them they would. To do that, they had to move way out of their comfort zone, but re-

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"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

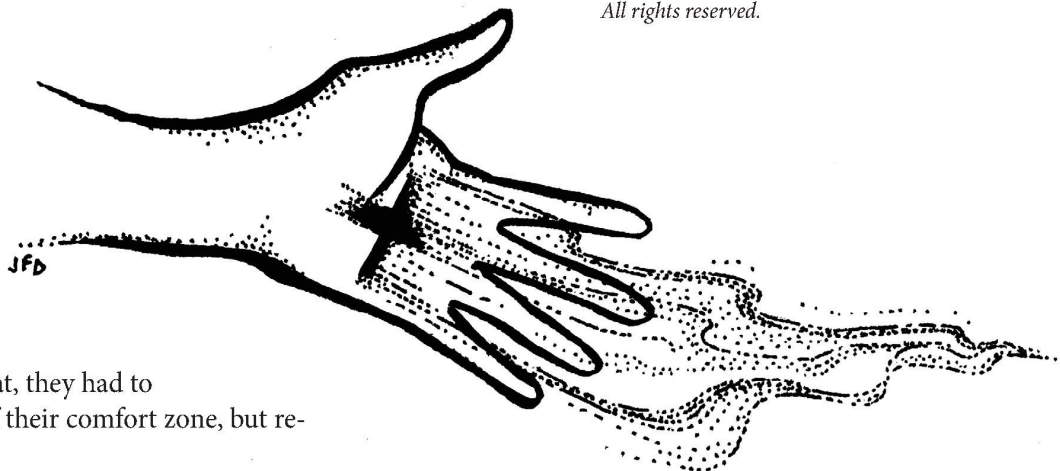
Sheepish Question:
Through which senses have I experienced the Holy Spirit this week?

membering Jesus' words "Peace be with you" helped them to do it.

Questions of the Week

- 1 When have you had an experience of being called to do something that scared you? What helped you to do it?
- 2 Is there an area of your life now in which God is inviting you to be more courageous and trusting?

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