# St. Paul Catholic Newman Center



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### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

July 18, 2021 Readings: Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

#### The Deacon's Speakin'

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Achieving a balance between the work of discipleship or any type of work and the need to rest is no easy task. Like Jesus and His apostles, we are called to shepherd - to care, teach, heal, and listen. At the same time, we've got to know when it's time to be on the receiving end, to balance our work, with time to replenish both body and spirit with energy.

As Jesus' disciples, we are both shepherds and sheep: like Jesus we respond to those in need, as well as receive care when we are the ones in need. In this exchange of giving and receiving we are no longer just part of a crowd, but a caring community of God's people. This mutual relationship expands who we are into being the Body of Christ.

All of us sheep have a role to play in the shepherding of the flock. It's never safe to say, "I'm just a plain sheep - whatever happens to all the other sheep isn't my concern." Each of us, by our actions, either helps to scatter or helps to gather the flock. We can help our straggling neighbors catch up, or we can drive them further away by turning our backs on them. We're bound to get lost ourselves if we do nothing but sit around complaining that we don't have enough shepherds, enough priests - or we can do our own part through prayer and encouragement to call forth the shepherds of tomorrow from our own community. So, like it or not, we all play a part in shepherding the flock.

There are no excuses for shepherds who scatter the flock and drive people away. It's not that there is no forgiveness from God for all those who repent, because sin follows all of us. They will be forgiven once they truly repent. Still even with forgiveness, they must never be allowed to guard the sheep any longer. It's for this reason that Pope Francis has established tribunals to deliberate on the negligence among bishops.

All of us stumble, but true shepherds do not repeatedly put the sheep, especially the little ones, in harm's way, time after time year after year, and then claim to be doing the Lord's work. The Good Shepherd gave Himself up for the sheep; woe to those shepherds who give up the sheep to protect themselves.

Peace and love,

Dereon John

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.



## Young Adult Ministries

#### Young Adult Mass

Are you a young adult Catholic or have a young mindset? We invite you to join us for our Young Adult Mass Sundays at 7:00pm.

#### What makes this Mass different?

As a Newman Center we want to create opportunities for young people to be leaders in the Church. One way is by participating in Mass as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and other roles. Tell a friend, bring them along, and we'll see you soon!

#### Donations

Many of you have contributed to our food pantry for students -- Thank You! These items are made available to our student community for anyone who can benefit from your generosity. Even though things have slowed down during summer we still have students who can continue to benefit from your kindness. You can bring items to the front desk when you go to Mass or arrange a drop off with Edgar or Fr. Byron.

#### **Campus Ministry**

Are you a student at Fresno Pacific University? Do you know someone who is a Catholic student at Fresno Pacific? We have a great opportunity for two students to work for FPU in helping serve the Catholic population. Please reach out to Edgar for more exciting information!

#### **Campus Ministry Contacts**

Edgar Guzman, Director edgar@csufnewman.com

Fr. Byron Macias, Chaplain frbyron@csufnewman.com

## Second Collection This Weekend

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the activities of the Holy See through which Pope Francis governs the Church and exercises his charitable works. When used for charitable outreach, funds from this collection help those most in need. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy. Please be generous today. Donations can still be made online or mailed in. For more information, visit <u>http://www.peterspence.va/en.html</u>.

## High School Confirmation

Students from St. Paul Catholic Newman Center need to contact Cristina Oseguera now. Registration for first year Confirmation will fill up very fast, and we don't want you to miss it! Email: cristina@csufnewman.com

## Live Streaming Volunteers Needed

As many of you know, the livestream Masses have enabled us to connect with so many people otherwise unable to join us in person. To meet this ministry need, we are still looking for volunteers to serve on our live-streaming team. Experience with smartphones and the Facebook app helps, but is not required. We will train you and you will be a blessing for our online audiences! Email our Liturgy Director Karl Gurney at karl@csufnewman.com to let us know you are interested!

## Weekly Justice Challenge

Justice Challenge: On July 26 we celebrate the feast day of Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary. Anne is the patron saint of grandmothers, since she herself was Jesus' grandma. While many cultures around the world honor the elderly and give them the highest respect, in our own country we have witnessed the neglect and sometimes even the abuse of our elders. Your challenge this week is to be an advocate for the "wisdom people" in your life. How can you show respect for the older people in your own family, or on your block, or in a nursing home in your community? How can you support the needs of the elderly through legislation? Can you offer a smile, a greeting, and perhaps even a visit with an elder who is lonely and gets few visitors?



CATHOLIC Volunteers Needed Discrete of Freque CHARITIES "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" – John 13:34. At Catholic

Charities, we are committed to never sending any person away empty handed, without food to nourish their bodies or a smile to comfort them in their most vulnerable times of need. Last year, we served over 250,000 clients throughout the Dioceses - a 43% increase over the year prior. Of those walking through our doors, 29% had never been to Catholic Charities before to seek out services or ask for help. With the summer months upon us, the Catholic Charities buildings are abuzz with loving moms and restless children, elderly and heat exhausted clients who have walked from several blocks away, and so many more facing their own life circumstances. Our Rural Outreach events are packed with hundreds of farm workers and their families waiting in their cars in line for hours - all in need of someone to trust and a box of food just to get them through the next week. As these needs continue to rise, we are in great need of volunteers willing to help us serve those in need. Students on summer break, retirees who have extra time to spare, service groups, and all who have a heart for serving those less fortunate - we need you. If you'd like to help, please contact us at (559) 237-0851 or email info@ccdof.org. May peace and blessings be with you always.

### Holy Cross Ministries Retreat:

August 13-15, 2021 "Conversations of Jesus" Retreat Master: Fr Dennis Mcmanus St. Anthony Retreat Center \$250 / person double occupancy Contact Person: Christy (559) 457-8800

## Faith, Family & Friends

Faith, Family & Friends is our parish religious education and faith formation program for EVERYONE - Single adults, couples, and families! We invite those of you who wish to receive Religious Education & Faith Formation resources for adults and/or children to register.



Adults: Register for our FF&F **Adult** Religious Education series by emailing John Prandini, Director of Ministries, at <u>prandinij@csufnewman.com</u> with your name, primary email address, and cell phone number. You will then be placed on the list to receive these free resources.

For **Children and Youth** materials, contact Sr. Kathleen Drilling at <u>skd@csufnewman.com</u>.

**Recommendation:** All families with children join the Joy of Love Moms - Family Ministry led by Jakki Pucheu.

## Family Life Ministry

**FF&F Adult Religious Education and Faith Formation Ministry** will send adult religious education and faith formation videos and resources to adults wishing to receive them. If you wish to be on the list of recipients, register for our FF&F Adult Religious Education Series by emailing John Prandini

at <u>prandinij@csufnewman.com</u> with your primary email address and cell phone contact number. You will be placed on the list to receive these free resources. You can also register by texting the message: SPCNC to 84576 and following the prompts you receive.

The Joy of Love Moms Group is sending out weekly emails that provide great ideas and information on fun faith formation activities for children and parenting suggestions to help you reduce stress and improve family communication. You can sign up by sending an email to joyoflovemoms@gmail.com requesting to be put on their email mail list.

**Men's Scripture Study Group** If you'd like to receive weekly emails with Scripture Reflections and Commentaries, and other Faith Formation materials, please send an email to John Prandini at prandinij@csufnewman.com to enroll.

**Christian Meditation** If you'd like to receive weekly emails from our Newman Center's Christian Meditation Group, member of the World Community of Christian Meditation, email <u>christianmeditation@csufnewman.com</u>. The group is facilitated by Benita Lankford.

## **Spiritual Direction**

The Pandemic for many people has become a spiritual crisis. Spiritual Direction offers a way to process the isolation, losses, and turmoil in the world. Spiritual Directors help you find deeper meaning beyond the crisis while growing in greater intimacy with God and one another. For more information contact the office at ncoffice@csufnewman.com or 436-3434.

Remembering our friend

OLIVIA PATLA

July 20, 2020 / 8PM St. Paul Catholic Newman Center, Inner Courtyard Please bring your lawn chair or blankets

SEE YOU THERE.

Diocese of Fresno Self-Care Retreat August 20-22, 2021 St. Anthony Retreat Center <u>"As</u> One Body"



For more information: hernandez@dioceseoffresno.org

## Volunteers Needed

We need help with Sunday hospitality after Sunday morning Masses. We need volunteers to serve donuts and coffee after each Mass following Covid-19 guidelines. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jenna at jenna@csufnewman.com.

## Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday, July 18

7:30am Mass for Tim England9:30am Mass for Matthew Briam11:30am Mass for Rodolfo Batoon7:00pm Young Adult Mass

Monday, July 19 8:00am Mass Int. of Mary Garr

Tuesday, July 206:00pmLiturgy of the Word8:00pmPatla Memorial Service

Wednesday, July 21 8:00am Mass Int. of Irma Lopez

Thursday, July 225:00pmConfessions6:00pmMass Int. of Deborah Arzaga

Friday, July 23 8:00am Mass

Saturday, July 24 5:00pm Mass

#### Sunday, July 25

7:30am Mass9:30am Mass for Lai Pham11:30am Mass for Olivia Patla7:00pm Young Adult Mass

#### Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

Chapel Chapel Chapel CNH 102-103

Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42 Chapel

Ex 14:21—15:1; Mt 12:46-50 Chapel Chapel Courtyard

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9 Chapel

Sgs 3:1-4b; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 Chapel Chapel

> Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23 Chapel

> Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30 Chapel

2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15 Chapel Chapel Chapel CNH 102-103

## July Contributions

2020		2021	
July 5 ACH	\$14,648.01	July 4	\$17,450.17
July 12	\$12,879.50	July 11 ACH	\$19,343.33
July 19 ACH	\$12,920.50	July 18 ACH	
June 28	\$5,805.00	July 25	
July Total	\$46,253.01	July Total	\$36,793.50

## Liturgical Ministers Needed

If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister at one of our Masses (Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, Greeter, Lector) please contact Karl at karl@csufnewman.com or by calling the office at 436-3434.

## Weekend Masses

All Masses are indoors at full capacity. <u>Reservations</u> <u>are not required to attend Mass</u>. <u>Please note that the</u> <u>dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday</u> <u>Mass is rescinded</u>. All the Catholic faithful of the Diocese of Fresno will be obliged to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation. For any questions, please contact the office at 436-3434 or ncoffice@csufnewman.com.

## Homebound Eucharistic Ministry

We are happy to announce the Diocese has reopened our Ministry to the Homebound. We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers to visit and take communion to the sick and homebound. This is a rewarding and gracefilled ministry. We will train you and you can visit the sick and homebound during the week or on the weekend. If this sounds like a ministry for you please contact Deacon Bill at bill@csufnewman.com or 436-3434.

## Prayers:

- For those who have died this week: James Vas Dias, Fr. James Kudilil
- Please pray for those who have requested special intentions and prayers: John Schutt, Laurence, Laura Willers, Olivia Arriaga, Joe Calandri, Servando Tovar, Rylee McQuay, Susan Jones, Rene and Paul Patla and Family, Fr. David Enriquez, Mary Garr, Jennifer Hidalgo, Elijah Del Prado, Christopher Evans, Kathy Papagni, Michael Vienna, John and Kathy Brechmann, JoAnn Myers, Issac Orozco, Diana Mock, Fr. Kevin Bray, Deacon Mike Avila, Msgr. Anthony Janelli, Fr. John Schmoll, Sandra Barrie, Deacon Joe Parugrug, Tom Lucas, Kristal Lowe Limon, Nettie Shute, Sandy Keith, Meghan Vasquez, Jacob Blake, Dan Dungy, Isabel Wiggins, Rose Derby, Monica Becerra, Alice Schultz, Nancy Martin, Sr. Rosa Maria Branco FHIC



## Vocation Discernment Retreat



YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN A RETREAT FOR MEN (17-45 years of age) WHO ARE DISCERNING A CALL TO THE PRIESTHOOD.

# FRI. July 30<sup>th</sup> to SUN. Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> 2021

## ST ANTHONY RETREAT CENTER THREE RIVERS, CA

Please return this registration form with all your Information via fax, email or regular mail. Must be pre-registered by + <u>JULY 23, 2021</u> + to participate.

**Fr. Dan Avila, Director of Vocations** 1550 N. Fresno St., Fresno, CA 93703 559-488-7424

Email:vocations@dioceseoffresno.orgFAX:559-488-7475

# Candidate Registration Form FULL NAME: BIRTHDATE: EMAIL: ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: ZIP: Cell #: Home #: Your Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ Will you need a ride to the retreat? yes no Pastor's Signature: Comments:

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. (Jn. 15:16)

## Preseminario de Discernimiento



ESTA INVITADO A PARTICIPAR EN UN PRESEMINARIO PARA HOMBRES (17-45 años de edad) QUE ESTAN DISCERNIENDO UNA LLAMADA AL SACERDOCIO CATOLICO.

VIERNES a DOMINGO 20 de julio al 1 de Agosto 2021

### ST ANTHONY RETREAT CENTER THREE RIVERS, CA

Favor de regresar esta inscripción completada por FAX, EMAIL o CORREO NORMAL antes del + 23 de julio + para asegurar su participación.

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Email:vocations@dioceseoffresno.orgFAX:559-488-7475

## Inscripción del Candidato

Nombre Completo:
Fecha de nacimiento:
Email:
Dirección:
Ciudad:
Código Postal:
# del celular:
Teléfono de Casa:
Nombre de su Parroquia:
Firma de su Párroco:
¿Necesitará transporte al retiro?sino
Comentario:
No fuis tú quien me escogió, sino yo quien te elegí
y te designé para ir y dar fruto que quedará.
para que todo lo que le pidas al Padre en mi nombre te dé. (Jn. 15:16)

July 18, 2021 • 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year B

## **Come and Rest**

This Week's Readings at Mass

- Jeremiah 23:1-6 Messianic reign
- ► Ephesians 2:13-18 All united in Christ
- Mark 6:30-34 Return of the disciples

This Gospel reading is a fantastic antidote to burnout in the life of Christian discipleship. It challenges any of us who have adopted an ethic of busyness, productivity, and efficiency, whether we have meant to or not. It is a reminder that Jesus wants us to remain human beings and not "human doings" when it comes to following him. Yes, we are called to feed the hungry, care for the sick, visit the lonely, etc., but we MUST stop working sometimes and go away "to a deserted place and rest a while." Dental hygienists are invited to do this. So are third-grade teachers, truck drivers, video game developers, and retired folks. Jesus needed to get away sometimes, and he recognized his apostles did too, so why wouldn't we?

This doesn't mean we have to go off to a retreat center in a desert and remain in silence for a week at a time. Our deserted place may be the corner of our bedroom with a candle where we can sit down once a day for a few minutes before the kids are awake. It might mean a stoop downtown near our office where we rest for five minutes at lunchtime (even though the city is bustling around us). It might be a coffee shop we visit on the weekend where we can read a book, write in a journal, or talk to a trusted friend. Wherever we find a place that feeds our soul, that is a place where we can rest, tell Jesus "all that we have done and taught," and allow God to refresh and restore us so that we can go out and continue our work.

As fully human himself, Jesus respected the rhythms



So why might this "vacuum" be a looming concern for me—or my loved ones?

of the human body. There are times to eat and sleep, and there are times of work and rest. There are times when we are called to feed others (physically or otherwise), and there are times when we need to be fed. Jesus showed us that it is not selfish to take the time for it.

### **Questions of the Week**

Can you imagine the apostles' reaction to Jesus' invitation to get away and rest awhile while they were in the midst of so much human need? What do you think they thought and felt?

> Do you take regular time to go "away" and rest and talk to Jesus? Where do you go and what do you do? If you don't, what might you like to try to build up this practice?

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