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SATURDAY MASS TIME

5 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

8:30 a.m.

11 a.m. (livestreamed)

5 p.m.

8 p.m. (Student Mass)

WEEKDAY MASSES (M-F)

Noon (livestreamed)

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Tu, Th, F: 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

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(Confession also offered)

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5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said,] "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer.
I give you a new commandment: love one another."

- Jn 13:33a, 34a

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NEWMAN NEWS/IN THE DIOCESE

FORMED PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Adults: Fatima: A Message of Hope
Kids: The Day the Sun Danced

ROOF REPAIRS AT NEWMAN CENTER

Weather permitting, work will begin on our new roof Tuesday, May 10, with hopes to finish in two weeks. They will need to use the pull out parking on Turner Ave. Please avoid parking there starting next week and the following week. Thank you for your patience.

DIOCESAN-WIDE WOMEN'S MINISTRY SURVEY

The diocese of Jefferson City Women's Office invites Catholic women, 18 years of age and over, throughout our diocese to take a few moments to complete an online survey. All information gathered will be used to discern proper resources, educational formation opportunities, programs, and events specifically targeted to women in your parish and throughout the diocese. The results of the survey will be shared with pastors and parish women's ministry representatives. To complete the survey online go to <https://diojeffcity.org/womensministrysurvey/>, or visit the women's ministry website page at <https://diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry/>. You can also contact LeAnn Korsmeyer, Director of Women's Ministry at lkorsmeyer@diojeffcity.org, or at (573) 635-9127

LOUIS H. RACKERS MEMORIAL PRO-LIFE GOLF CLASSIC & PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT BENEFITING VITAE FOUNDATION

Monday, June 13, 2022, Round-Robin Pickleball Tournament begins at 9:30 a.m. and play is in mixed doubles. The cost is \$50 per player. The tournament will be held at Jefferson City Country Club, 516 S. Country Club Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri. Tournament sponsorships are still available. Golf tee times are full, please call to be placed on waiting list.

Committee Co-Chairs: Heath Higgins & Jim Neuner. Hole in one sponsored by Rusty Drewing Chevrolet. Buick GMC Cadillac. Premium Gift Sponsored by Gassen Dentistry. Register today by calling 573.634.4316 or by visiting vitaefoundation.org/events.

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If you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please contact James Benson at (573) 449-5424 x204, or at james@comonewman.org.

SOUND BOARD OPERATORS NEEDED!

Newman is looking for sound board operators for the Masses on the weekend. It is very easy, and fulfilling service to the parish. Training will be provided. If interested, please contact Dr. Kevin Meyers at kevin.meyers@comonewman.org, or James Benson at james@comonewman.org.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

It's time for a fun lady's night out! Thursday, May 26, 6:00-9:00 PM In the Activity Building. Bring appetizer or dessert to share, beverages will be provided.

SERVICE AND JUSTICE

MYLIFE CLINIC DONATIONS NEEDED

MyLife Clinic has asked for help meeting their needs. They are asking for: Size 6 diapers, new breast pumps, nipple cream, and maternity bras (all sizes). Donations can be placed in the silver box in the entrance to the gathering space. For more information, contact Emily at nvc@comonewman.org.

My Life clinic is looking for two TVs that will play DVDs for their client services. If you are able to help, please contact Emily at NVC@comonewman.org or Melinda from My Life at melinda@lifefnetworkfriends.com

CEP & EDGE

CHILDREN'S LITURGY CONTINUES FOR SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We do plan to offer children's liturgy at 8:30 & 11am Masses but with students gone we are in need of new volunteers. We ask that you help at one Mass at least once a month and we provide the lesson plan and supplies. Contact emily.shull@comonewman.org for more info.

WATCH YOUR MAILBOX & INBOX FOR EDGE CHANGES:

We will be combining the Newman & Lourdes EDGE programs in the 2022-23 school year in the hopes of offering more opportunities for our 6th, 7th & 8th grade students. Contact emily.shull@comonewman.org or renee.molner@comonewman.org for more information.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

Save the date for our summer social, a kickoff to a summer of fun with EDGE Middle School Ministry! All incoming 6th graders through graduated 8th graders are welcome to join us from 6:00 - 8:30 PM in the courtyard at Newman for dinner and games. We hope to see you there!

KID'S CORNER:

How are you called to love your family this week even if it might be hard?

PARENT'S CORNER:

Families love each other but family life is also difficult. Talk as a family about how Jesus showed his love. How does your family show love for each other? What's difficult for you and how could you be called to change?



Contact - Emily Shull
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COMO LIFE TEEN: HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

LIFE TEEN SUMMER 2022

Life Nights might be over for the semester, but we've still got a summer of fun planned! Check out our summer schedule to join us for Bible study, camps, conferences, and more!

Registration for our summer conference for high schoolers is open! Join us at BCYC Encounter June 17-19 at Benedictine College for a weekend spent praising God with hundreds of other Catholic teens. The cost to go is \$140, which covers transportation to and from Benedictine, lodging, meals, and a t-shirt. There are a lot of scholarships available, too! Any incoming freshmen through outgoing seniors can register for this incredible opportunity by clicking the link on our Facebook page, in our weekly email, in our GroupMe, or by emailing Renee at renee.molner@comonewman.org.

SUMMER SCHEDULE 2022

June 6 — Mini golf and Go Karts at 7 p.m. at Midway Golf & Games

June 17-19 — BCYC Encounter at Benedictine College

July 6 — A Night on Anxiety and Peace at 7 p.m. at Newman

July 17-21 — Totus Tuus at Newman

July 28 — Souls & Goals/Capture the Flag at 7 p.m. at Lourdes

August 10 — Bonfire + Movie Night at 7 p.m. at Newman's courtyard

September 11 — Fall Kick Off Party

BIBLE & BREAKFAST SCHEDULE

Newman courtyard, 10 a.m. Join us for Bible Study: Ignite (We'll provide breakfast and Bibles!)

June 10 — Nicodemus

June 24 — The Sower and the Seeds

July 8 — Following the Good Shepherd

July 22 — Rock and Sand



Contact - Renee Molner
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COLLEGE MINISTRY

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

We are proud of you and will be praying for you as you begin this new season of life! Email campus.ministry@comonewman.org so we can update your information!

STAYING FOR SUMMER?

Let's hang out in COMO and build friendships! Reach out to gina@comonewman.org to be added to GroupMe and Email.



Contact - Angelle Hall
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PARISH FINANCES

May 7/8

Offertory*	\$41,047.32
Month-to-Date	\$59,095.92
Budget for month	\$130,000.00
Variance	- \$70,904.08

*This includes EFT giving, mailed envelopes, and online donations through credit/debit cards and Venmo. Thank you for your continued support of the parish!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 16	Noon	Alana
Tuesday, May 17	Noon	Lisa Hoffmier
Wednesday, May 18	Noon	+ Joe Hartman
Thursday, May 19	Noon	+ Rose Ann Anderson
Friday, May 20	Noon	Robert Benac
Saturday, May 21	5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sunday, May 22	8:30 a.m.	+ Gerald Merz
Sunday, May 22	11 a.m.	+ Marlin Rogers
Sunday, May 22	5 p.m.	Everette Jenkins

Please call the Parish Office at (573) 449-5424 to request a Mass intention.

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Bishop McKnight's May prayer intention for our Local Church

For all expecting mothers, biological and adoptive; that through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, they may prepare for the new life in the womb and may receive the support of a nurturing community of faith in the raising of their children.



The Pope's Entention for May

Faith-Filled Young People:

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

TITHING REPORT MARCH 2022

Columbia Meals on Wheels	\$ 376.79
Coyote Hill Children's Home	\$ 251.19
Daydreams Foundation	\$ 188.39
Food Bank of Central/NE MO	\$ 313.99
Girls on the Run	\$ 125.60
Habitat for Humanity	\$ 251.19
Life Network of Central Missouri	\$ 251.19
Love Columbia	\$ 313.99
St. Francis House	\$ 439.58
St. Vincent De Paul Society	\$ 251.19
True North	\$ 251.19
Vitae Foundation	\$ 376.79
Voluntary Action	\$ 313.99
Welcome Home	\$ 188.39
Women & Infant Relief Fund	\$ 251.19
Total:	\$4,144.65
Annual Catholic Relief Services Collection	\$4,250.56

Easter Flower Offerings

Ed & Shawna Bier	Norbert Feddema
Rev. Charlie Pardee	Delia Feddema
Charles Schulz	Charles J. Feddema
Mabel Schulz	Taylor Sundet
Emil & Buela Elsenroot	Edward Kramer Family
Victims of Ukraine	Paul Kerpash
Harry Pritchzrd	Mary Ann Kerpash
Natalie Brishir	Don Schmit
Julia Darcy	Nancy Schmit
Chuck Farquhar	Edward & Ethel Boorady
Les & Rose Vomert	LG & Margaret Eddy
Philip Miller	Hilda & Fred Mann
Leona & Ansel Miller	Colette & Michael Wagner
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Our Grandparents	John & Helen Sheehan
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SERVING MOMS IN NEED LIVING THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

On March 25, 2020, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, the Church celebrated the 25th anniversary of the papal encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (*The Gospel of Life*). This prophetic document, written by a great saint of our time, Pope John Paul II, reaffirmed the Church's constant teaching on the value and inviolability of every human life.

In this encyclical, the Holy Father explains that the Gospel of Life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world. Through the Incarnation of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, reflecting his glory and his imprint. We are therefore called to "respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life."¹

Evangelium vitae highlights the special and particular role of women in bearing the gift of life to the world. Pope John Paul II offers heartfelt thanks to these "heroic mothers," who, placing their trust in God, "devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves."²

Pope John Paul II also outlines the many challenges that expectant mothers may face, including lack of support from the father, financial strains, concerns about her own health or that of her child, and pressures from family and friends. The Holy Father recognizes that an "unborn child is totally entrusted to the protection and care of the woman carrying him or her in the womb."³ For this reason,

it is particularly important that the Church come alongside mothers, offering them encouragement, assistance, and support.

Through Christ, we have received the gift of the Gospel of Life in its fullness. As members of the Church, we are the *people of life and for life*. It is our duty to proclaim the truth of the Gospel of Life to the world, for "to proclaim Jesus is itself to proclaim life."⁴ Pope John Paul II tasked us with building a culture of life to combat the forces at work in the culture of death. He challenged us:

With great openness and courage, we need to question how widespread is the culture of life today among individual Christians, families, groups and communities in our Dioceses. With equal clarity and determination we must identify the steps we are called to take in order to serve life in all its truth.⁵

In honor of *Evangelium vitae*'s 25th anniversary and in answer to Pope John Paul II's call, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities launched a nationwide effort entitled, ***Walking with Moms in Need***. Parishes, through the support of their bishops and pastors, are invited to join this effort to increase the Church's outreach and support to pregnant women facing difficult or unexpected pregnancies. This special anniversary has provided the Church with an opportunity to assess, expand, and better communicate resources to pregnant moms and families in need.

Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods, but in

desperation, they are turning to other places for help. We know the needs and challenges can be immense for women in difficult pregnancies, especially women in poverty, and the sources for help may not be apparent to those most needing support. Women facing challenging pregnancies should see the Church as a place where they can find help, especially with its extensive social services dedicated to meeting the needs of people in crisis.

Through *Walking with Moms in Need* the Church is being asked to respond to Pope John Paul II's call and honestly assess the pastoral and practical assistance that it currently provides to pregnant moms and families in need and how effective it is in communicating such help.

Pope John Paul II wrote that,

"gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of man impel us to share [the Gospel of Life] with everyone."⁶

He said we need to bring this message "to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."⁷ By reaching out to lovingly support and care for pregnant women and their children, we witness to the sanctity of every human person, in every stage and every circumstance.

Evangelium vitae emphasizes that, "where

life is involved, the service of charity must be profoundly consistent. It cannot tolerate bias and discrimination, for human life is sacred and inviolable... We need then to 'show care' for all life and for the life of everyone."⁸ Pope John Paul II highlights the incredible history of service and charity that the Church has provided throughout the centuries to those abandoned and forgotten by society. He urges that "every Christian community, with a renewed sense of responsibility, must continue to write this history."⁹

We are called to reverence and love every human person as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us. *Evangelium vitae* teaches us that "the task of accepting and serving life involves everyone; and this task must be fulfilled above all towards life when it is at its weakest."¹⁰

Pope John Paul II wrote, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel."¹¹ The Gospel of Jesus is the Gospel of Life, and to love Jesus is to love and serve life. As followers of Christ, may we strive to continually respond to the needs of the poor and vulnerable entrusted to us by God.

As part of *Walking with Moms in Need*, the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities is providing educational, pastoral, and action-oriented resources to help parishes go to the peripheries and bring hope and help to mothers in need. Through the combined efforts of parishes nationwide, we hope to move closer to the day when every pregnant mother in need knows where to turn for help, and abortion is unthinkable. Visit WalkingWithMoms.com to learn more and to pledge to prayerfully walk with mothers in need.

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1 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1995), 81.

2 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 86.

3 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 58.

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5 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 95.

6 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 80.

7 *Ibid.*

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9 *Ibid.*

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11 Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 2.



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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

They called the church together and reported what God had done with them. (Acts 14:27)

PSALM:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 146)
Or Alleluia.

SECOND READING:

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away." (Rev 21:4)

GOSPEL:

I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. (Jn 13:34)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 15, 2022

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter; St. Isidore
Wednesday: St. John I, Pope and Martyr
Friday: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
Saturday: St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs; Armed Forces Day
Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious



Saint of the Week

Though St. Margaret of Cortona (1247 – 1297) is today known as being an incredibly pious Catholic, she didn't start out that way. Born into a farming family in Laviano, Tuscany, her mother died when St. Margaret was seven. Her father remarried, but life with her stepmother was so difficult that St. Margaret moved out of the home and instead chose to live with a man named Arsenio, though they weren't married. They had been living together for nine years when she gave birth to a son. Knowing in her heart that this wasn't the life that God intended for her to have, she prayed for purity.


One day while waiting for Arsenio, his dog led her into the forest where she found Arsenio murdered. So shocked was St. Margaret that she fell into a life of penance. She and her son returned to Laviano, but still found her stepmother to be as unwelcoming as ever. They then went to Cortona, and eventually her son became a friar.

Three years after her conversion, St. Margaret followed in her son's footsteps and became a Franciscan tertiary. During her life, St. Margaret established a hospital and founded a congregation of tertiary sisters. She was canonized in 1728.

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