

CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

OPENING HEARTS, CHANGING LIVES

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July 14, 2019

Fifteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time



Sunday Masses

9:30 am & 8:00 pm

Weekday Mass

Tues., Wed., & Fri. 12:00 pm
Thurs. 7:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday 7:30 pm
Friday 12:30 pm

Upcoming

Sunday, July 28

Parent's Day
9:30 am †Katie Waletzko

Thursday, August 1

7:00 pm Men's Group

Sunday, August 2

12:00 pm Anointing of the Sick
following Noon Mass

Sunday, August 4

9:30 am †Katie Waletzko

The Challenge of the Gospel

Today's Gospel is one of the most difficult Gospel's for me, and precisely because of its difficulty, it is a favorite. The Good Samaritan parable is rich in meaning and so accessible. For me, it remains challenging in day-to-day life to be attentive to Christ's call to "Go, and Do Likewise".

This past week I was invited into a discussion about Christian Persecution. The conversation turned from a commentary on the need to pray for those Christians experiencing persecution to the "threat" presented to our "Christian culture" by the growing population of Somali residents in Central MN. I found myself searching for a safe entrance into the conversation. I was invited to speak about my own experience with members of the Somali community and to keep lines of communication open with my conversation partners. I was challenged by my hesitation—how many opportunities in the past year have I kept silent when people are voicing an opinion contrary to the mercy and love Christ calls us to in this parable?

In the same week, I read a column from Newman Member Patrick Henry on social media. Below it I saw all types of ugly comments. What struck me was the negative tenor of the discourse, the personal attacks, the hurtful and many times inappropriate language— from people who supported the presence of the Somali in St. Cloud and from those who did not. Here again, the Gospel is a challenge! Jesus wants us to show mercy! In this parable you may notice the identity (race, class, religion etc) of the victim is never mentioned. Instead, Jesus asks us (regardless of who we are) to show mercy to those who are in need (regardless of who they are).

May the Gospel continue to be a challenging word to all of us!

-Joan

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Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

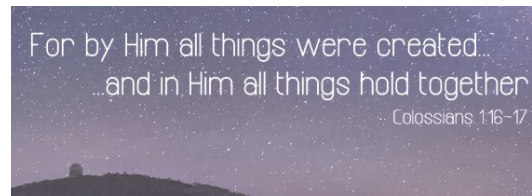
Thursday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12:00 pm Mass in the Chapel
5:30 pm Triple Play
Evening Mass will be followed by a potluck
and a featured speaker

Sunday, August 18

Academic Year Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses: 9:00 am, 11:15 am, 8:00 pm



Love working with kids?

Consider Catholic Charities' Foster Grandparent Program!

Volunteers help our growing children with activities, reinforce learning, and help with art projects. Share your knowledge and life

faith formation registration open now!

FOLLOW THE LINK ON THE
NEWMAN WEBSITE TO REGISTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a private weekend for married couple to grow in their love. Next weekend is Sept 20-22 in Alexandria. Register early: 888-455-3496, or email applications@northmnwwme.org

Daily Readings

Sun: Dt 30:10-14, Col 1:15-20, Lk 10:25-37
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22, Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a, Mt 11:20-24
Wed.: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12, Mt 11:25-27
Thurs.: Ex 3:13-20, Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10-12:14, Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42, Mt 12:14-21
Next Sun.: Gn18:1-10a, Col 1:24-28, Lk10:38-42

Congratulations-Kateri Mancini

Please extend a congratulations to Newman Member, Kateri Manicini, on earning her Certification in Social Ministry. This program, one of only two in the nation, is a collaboration between Bishop Kettler and Catholic Charities of the St. Cloud Diocese. Kateri is one of 15 leaders that will be involved in community input sessions, facilitated by Catholic Charities social concerns staff, to identify the needs they see in their area; this will be followed by strategic planning sessions to determine initiatives to help address those needs. For more on this great achievement, see the article in Central MN Catholic (thecentralminnesotacatholic.org)



NOW HIRING!

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We are now accepting applications for the part-time Coordinator of the Religious Education Program (Pre-6th grade) and Children's Liturgy at Newman Center. Complete the first part of the application by following the link on our website homepage.

Food Shelf Volunteers Needed

Every year, volunteers from the Newman Center assist at the Catholic Charities Food Shelf during August. As the numbers of people needing to use the Food Shelf has risen, the number of people willing and available to assist has dropped. Sign up sheets are in the office lobby. This is the last Sunday to sign up! Questions: Jo Hennen 320-250-0456

Parish Prayers

Anne Fields—Nancy Huber—Renee Miller—Waletzko's grandson Isaac—Kathy Williams—Penny Zook—Kevin & Melissa Kruger's brother Mark—Peg Obremskis sister Joanne Lauzon—Sharon Schmiesing's brother Mike—Jill Schultz's brother Jay Baune—Dave & Caroline Williams's son Jeff—Courtney Vorell's father Paul Snyder—Betsy Reese's friend Sallie Bellicot (and child Grace)—†Katie Waletzko—†Don Prom—Danny Heck's father Allen—Amy Laumeier & Katie Hagen's dad †Al Hofferth

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