

This Week at Newman

Sunday—November 1 All Saints Day

Liturgies: 8:30 am, 11:30 am, 8 pm
6:15 pm RCIA, Delta
9 pm Coffee House, Wil's Place
"Board Game Night!"

Monday—November 2 All Soul's Day

6 pm ACOA, Riverview
7 pm Church of the Week Training,
Terrace
8 pm Discipleship, Wil's Place

Tuesday—November 3

10 am Staff Meeting/Offices closed
9 pm Adoration, Chapel

Wednesday—November 4

9:15 am Cluster staff mtg, closed
7 pm 789, Terrace
8 pm Bible Study, Wil's Place
9 pm Student Mass, Chapel
10 pm Rosary, Chapel

Thursday—November 5

12 noon Mass, Prayer Room
5 pm Student Meal, Terrace
6-9 pm Vatican II Class, Miss. Room
8 pm Thursday Nite Live, Chapel

Friday—November 6

12 noon Mass, Atwood Alumni Room

Saturday—November 7

Sunday—November 8

- Renewal Sunday - Advent Sale

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• **Remembering Our Loved Ones** Students, please know you can bring in a photo of a loved one who has died and add it to the display in our chapel. We also have a Book of Remembrance where you can write the name of a loved one who has gone before us in faith. These rituals will be available to our community all through the month of November.

• **Pastor Says What?** Come join us on Sat. Nov. 14 at 7 pm in the Terrace to hear a lecture by Fr. Tony on power. Fr. Tony has been developing a theology of power... who has it, how it's used, and how it affects our relationships inside and outside the church. Join us!

• **Church of the Week is Back!** The weekly St. Cloud shelter program is back again this year and once again Newman Center is providing space for those who need it. It's coming up soon, November 9-15 and we are once again looking for both permanent members and students to help as volunteers. We are having a training for those who have never helped with Church of the Week tomorrow, November 2nd at 7 PM at Newman Center. If you haven't helped in the past, we need you to be trained. Please join us or call Ben at 251-3260 ext 20 if you are interested.

• **Advent Sale!** Want to bring a bit of Advent into your dorm or apartment? Check out the Advent sale in our lobby after Masses on Nov. 8 and 15. Perhaps you'll find a wreath or prayer book that may help you enter into this holy season. Be sure to bring money because all items ordered must be prepaid. Items will be ready for pick up at Newman on Nov. 22.

• **Calling All Women!** Hey, college women, come and meet other women of faith in a relaxed and prayerful setting. We'll eat a homecooked meal, reflect, share, pray and laugh. Bring a friend and/or your journal. Held once a month. Last chance of the semester will be Thursday, Nov. 12 at 5 pm. Questions? Contact Wendy.

• **Spring Registration** As you start arranging your class schedule for second semester, don't forget to save room for Newman's theology class offered on Monday nights on the topic of bioethics. You know, making moral decisions and figuring out the right and wrong regarding issues of life. Stem cell research, cloning, euthanasia, abortion and more! Taught by Fr. Tom Knoblach, a local pastor and consultant on bioethical issues for the diocese. Can be taken for 3 credits, granted by SJU and transferable, or audited for the joy of learning. The credits are cheap, the location is convenient, and the topic will engage. Don't miss it!

• **Calling all Musicians** Want to be a part of the music ministry at Newman? We welcome both singers and instrumentalists. As we approach Christ The King (11/22) and Advent, this is a perfect time to join us for "Thursday Nite Live" at 8 pm in the Chapel.

Heaven Help Us!

I am still recovering from the last few weeks. Working two jobs and going to school full time is the most time consuming and enduring stressor that I have encountered thus far. Based on conversations from the last few days, I've learned that many students are still recovering from the stresses of midterms. I've lately been having feelings of helplessness, hopelessness, and even fear. My Facebook status is always something like, "Jillian Mergen is wondering how to do it all." The only option seems to be taking control of my own life.

When humans encounter stressors, it is common to feel like we need to be in complete control. Lately, I've been trying to gain total control of all aspects of my life, including my own issues as well as others'. God knows of all our troubles and wants us to be happy. In a time when all hope was lost, Jesus looks to Heaven and says, "Father, I thank you for hearing. I know that you always hear me..." (John 11:42). In difficult and stressful times, I am now reminded that God always listens to us, and shows love and compassion in different ways to each person.

Prayers to God can be of great help physically, emotionally, and spiritually—especially in times when we are stressed, down, and helpless. As it is All Saints Day, it is appropriate to look to the saints in Heaven and their prayers to invoke their aid in our prayers to God. Saint Jude, apostle of Christ and patron saint of impossible causes, offers us a prayer for those who are under stress:

*Oh glorious apostle St. Jude,
faithful servant and friend of Jesus,
the name of the traitor who delivered thy beloved Master
into the hands of His enemies
has caused thee to be forgotten by many,
but the Church honors and invokes thee universally
as the patron of hopeless cases—of things despaired of.
Pray for me who am so miserable; make use, I implore thee,
of that particular privilege accorded thee of bringing
visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of.
Come to my assistance in this great need,
that I may receive the consolations and succor of heaven
in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings,
particularly (mention your request),
and that I may bless God with thee and all the elect
throughout eternity.
I promise thee, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful
of this great favor, and I will never cease to honor thee
as my special and powerful patron,
and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to thee.
Amen.*

November 1, 2009
31st Sunday
in Ordinary Time



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Monday-Friday
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Mass Schedule
Sundays: 8:30 am
11:30 am
8 pm

Wednesdays:
9 pm

Thursday 12 noon
Newman Prayer Room

Friday 12 noon
Atwood Center

Campus Ministry Team

Pastoral Associate:
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Fr. Tony Oelrich

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Fr. Aaron Kuhn

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Amber Christie

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Kevin Carlson

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Questions? Contact Kevin Carlson.

- **Long Range Planning Update**

As Parish Council, the Long Range Planning Committee, and staff work together to analyze the data from last spring's survey and use it to write goals for our parish community, we want you to be able to see the results from the survey. Please go to our website if you would like to see the statistical results of both questionnaires.

- **Gobble, Gobble!** Yep, our annual Thanksgiving Meal is getting quite a reputation around campus...and for good reason! Don't miss the meal on Thurs. Nov. 5 at 5 pm! Bring a friend and come hungry! We'll have turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, biscuits, sweet potatoes, green beans, need we say more? Oh, and don't forget the pumpkin and pecan pies to finish it off! These meals are free, and given to you once a month by Newman's permanent community.

- **H1N1 Flu** You may have noticed that worship at Newman feels a little different—refraining from holding hands during the Lord's Prayer, omitting the Sign of Peace, and only offering communion under one species—all in an effort to keep as many people as healthy as possible. We hope the common cup and the practices that involve touch will return as soon as the threat of H1N1 has passed through our area.

- **Remembering Our Loved Ones**

Today All Saints Day we encouraged everyone to bring a photo of a loved one who has died to the seasonal corner of the chapel. These photos will remain in our sanctuary throughout the month of November, reminding all of us to pray for those who have gone before to us. There will also be a Book of the Dead near the Baptismal font during November where names of loved ones can be entered. Please feel free to add a photo or a name.

- **Calling all Musicians** Would you like to be a part of the music ministry at Newman? We welcome both singers and instrumentalists, all ages. As we approach Christ The King (11/22) and Advent/ Christmas, this is a perfect time to join us for "Thursday Night Live" at 8-9pm in the Chapel. Questions? Contact Kevin Carlson.

All music for feast days will be coming now from parish musicians, so this is the time to come forward to share your gifts if you like to play or sing, or know someone who does. Contact Kevin or Jillian to find out more.

- **12 Spiritual Passions**

At last week's focus meeting, Wendy gave a presentation on the 12 Spiritual Passions of millennials today. The article that she drew from is now available in Newman's lobbies.

- **New Bible Study** It's not too late to join us! Gather with other college students on Wednesday nights at 8 pm in Wil's Place to look at a great new topic we're debuting. Getting national attention is this new series called, "Names of Jesus." Come, explore the many, many names we have for Jesus in Scripture and what these names teach us about who we follow.

- **Interested in Becoming Catholic?** Or were you raised Catholic but never confirmed? Then Newman's RCIA program may be for you! Sessions just began so there's still time to join in. Contact Wendy to learn more!

- **Long Range Planning** Newman Center has faithfully undertaken a long range planning process every 3-5 years that helps us assess our strengths as a faith community and the areas we need to grow. Last spring, we compiled a questionnaire and asked both students and permanent members to complete it. We are now in the process of analyzing that data and setting goals for our parish. When that process is completed, the information will be communicated to the community. If you would like to see the statistical results of the questions now, the information is posted on our website. Simply go to ScsuCatholic.org and look for file.

- **Noon Masses** Besides our Sunday Mass and our Late Night Mass on Wednesday, plan to join us for daily Mass on Thursdays at Noon in Newman's prayer room and on Fridays at Atwood. Plan to join the Newman community for a quick lunch on Fridays after Mass somewhere in Atwood as well

- **Thursday Nite Live** Do you play an instrument? Like to sing? Join us on Thursdays at 8 pm in the Chapel to rehearsal for our upcoming Sunday liturgies.

- **Bible Study** We have a group that meets weekly on Wednesday evenings at 8 pm. Questions? Talk to Ben.

- **Student Leaders** Questions, comments, ideas? Talk to any staff member, or our student leaders. Peer Ministers: Jillian Mergen, Michaela Barrett, or Andy Kummrow and Student Parish Council Members: Bryant Frie, Sam Harvey, Christie Trettel, Alicia Freihammer and Matt Kehrer are all great contact people. Go on up and introduce yourself!

- **Devotions, Devotions**

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• **Calling all Women!** We offer a monthly chance for women to gather for a home cooked meal, laughter, sharing, prayer, and some quiet time. Women's spirituality is a fantastic opportunity for you, one that can't be missed! Join us on Thursday, Sept. 24 from 5-7 pm in Wil's Place.

• **Need to Talk?** Know that we at Newman are here for you if you have spiritual questions, are feeling depressed, or are running into relationship roadblocks. Simply contact one of us in person or by email if you'd like to talk some things out loud or have the benefit of a listening ear

• **Me, a Disciple?** That's right, you are, but what does it mean to be a disciple of Christ? Come Monday nights at 8 pm in Wil's Place as we unpack how we can live our faith on (and off) campus!

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