

# CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

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**Aug. 6th, 2023**

*The Transfiguration of the Lord*  
**Sunday Masses**



10am & 8:00pm  
**Confessions**  
Sunday, 7:30pm

## This Week's Happenings

### **Tuesday (8/8)**

Staff Meeting: 10:30  
Community Meeting: 4pm

### **Thursday (8/10)**

Peer Ministry Retreat

### **Friday (8/11)**

Peer Ministry Retreat

### **Sunday (8/6):**

Mass: 10am & 8pm  
Food Shelf Sunday

We need you! The Community Focus group invites you to be a part of our event planning session on Tuesday August 8th at 4:00pm in the Newman Center Terrace. We will spend 2 hours plotting and scheming many joyful Newman Parish events. Please join us if you wish to be a part of this important ministry. If you have questions, please call, text, or email Pam Weber at 320-252-1974, [weberpj@charter.net](mailto:weberpj@charter.net).

## **Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments** **Transfigured**

We have all had moments when we seem to get a glimpse of Heaven.

For me, they come with the sacraments: in the pew following my First Communion, kneeling before the bishop as he sealed my forehead with oil at my Confirmation, Standing opposite my husband on our wedding day, cradling my newborns as the priest poured holy water over their little foreheads, claiming them for Christ.

Moments when the veil between this world and the one to come is pulled away, and our hearts cry out: "Lord, it is good we are here."

Like Peter at the Transfiguration, we desperately wish the feeling would last forever. We want to hang onto the certainty, the confidence and the joy that radiates from our souls. We want to spend forever looking upon the transfigured face of Christ.

But we are not in heaven yet. We raise our eyes, seeing only this world before us, the words of Jesus ringing in our ears: "Raise, and do not be afraid."

"His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not be taken away, his kingship shall not be destroyed." — Daniel 7:14 *Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman* ©LPI

## **Gospel Meditation -- The Transfiguration of the Lord (August 6th)**

What is Christianity finally about? These days if you ask almost anyone who doesn't know the Bible, you'll probably hear an answer like this: "Being a good person" or "following the golden rule." No offense to the golden rule, but our faith is simply much stranger than that.

This week's feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord is a luminous example of this. Jesus becomes radiantly and overwhelmingly beautiful. The glory of God literally shines forth from his body and even his clothes. Here we see that Christianity is not mainly a moral system, but a relationship with God in Christ, one that finally makes human beings gloriously beautiful.

Now we can see our good and bad deeds in a new and de-centered way. Our morality isn't about a heaven or hell scorecard. It's about lives open (or closed) to transfiguration, lives capable of revealing the glory of God in Christ to the world. Spouses, children, friends, coworkers, priests, consecrated women and men, and so on — we are all called to let the beauty of Jesus make our lives beautiful, little by little. His beauty in us is the center of our faith. *Father John Muir* ©LPI

## **Father Derek's Installation Mass**

All are invited to the Installation of Father Derek as the new Pastor of our three-parish cluster. Bishop Patrick Neary will preside at 9am on Saturday, August 12 at Saint Anthony's Church. Everyone is invited to stay and attend a social, celebrating Father Derek in the Gathering Space immediately following Mass.

### **Pastor:**

**Father Derek Wiechmann**

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\*In case of immediate need, call your parish office to reach a priest directly.

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**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!**

Join us after the 10am Mass on August 13 for coffee and cookies as we say farewell to our good friend and parishioner Vern Bartos. He will be moving to live with family near Seattle and we will miss him for at least 6 months each year! (He claims he will be coming back occasionally for a Newman fix!) Please come to wish him well and share stories from his 60+ years of helping make our Newman community the welcoming place it is today!

**Celebrate MN -- some opportunities for volunteers and donations**

"Celebrate MN", which is taking place on Fri, Aug 11th, and Sat, Aug 12th, at Whitney Park in St Cloud, includes a "Community Resources" dimension, for which Pastor Carol, from Place of Hope, is the Committee Chair.

40+ different "organizations/vendors" will be present, including those focusing on dimensions of "public health" (Stearns County human services, mental health services, addiction services, foster care services).

Backpacks will be available for students who need them; and they can pick out school supplies (To donate items or funds, see: <https://celebratemn.org/serve>)

There will also be a semi-truck with food to give away.

Volunteers are needed to help with the backpack and food giveaways -- Fri, Aug 11th (from 2-6 pm), and Sat, Aug 12th (from 11 am - 6 pm)

To sign up, go to <Celebrate Mn.org/serve>; enter your name, and put in the "notes" you want to be on Pastor Carol's team. She'll then get you connected.

**Notice Regarding Items at Assumption, Calvary, and Sacred Heart Cemeteries**

This is a reminder that all one-legged pot stands, related flowerpots, flowers, and any other temporary grave decorations must be removed from these cemeteries by August 25, 2023. This is necessary to allow a more complete Fall grounds cleaning to keep the cemeteries attractive and worthy places to honor our loved ones who have died. For a complete set of rules, please go to the website of the Diocese of St. Cloud ([www.stcldio.org/diocesan\\_cemeteries\\_office/](http://www.stcldio.org/diocesan_cemeteries_office/)). For specific questions not covered in these rules, please call the main cemetery office at 320-251-5511. Thank you for your cooperation -- all those who remember their loved ones will benefit from your help.

**Parish Prayers**

†Anne Fields	Kelly Hoppe's mother-in-law	†Mike Schmiesing, brother of Sharon
Nancy Huber	Helen Trisko	†Carol Reiter
Penny Zook	Carol Agnes	†Ed Schnettler
Waletzko's grandson Isaac	Cathy Wieme's mother, †	†Jim Pehler
Kathy Williams	Carol Skoien	†Denise Keller
Kevin & Melissa Kruger's brother Mark	†Katie Waletzko	†Jennifer Symalla
Linda Urbik	†Don Prom	†Elaine Quella
Courtney Vorell's father	†Renee Miller	†Bob Huber
Paul Snyder	†Will Ellenbecker	†Dawn Newton
Grace Bellicot	†Stanley McElhone	†Robert Surma
Doug Nieters	†Bill Schroeder	†Geneva Cameron
†Mil Voelker	†Vern Cronin	†William Luketich
Tom Keaveny	†Donald Lardy	†Michael Garrity
Isla Johns	†Sallie Bellicot	†Gary Killmer
Aaron Volker	†Deborah Rodriguez	†Sarah Mcfadden
†Gene Hoelscher	†Valerie Meinz	†Mike Strobel
Millie Moran, sister of Jay Schroeder	†Bette Bartos	†Jacob Olson
	†Rich Theisen	†Carrie Ahrens

**Assumption Mass Times**

**Monday the 14th:**

Newman 6pm

**Tuesday the 15th**

Saint Anthony's 8am

Holy Spirit 6pm



*As I Have Done for You.*

**A Day of Service**  
 Thursday, August 10th, 8:30 AM—7:30 PM  
 Sacred Heart Parish, Sauk Rapids MN  
 For: High School & Middle School

Day will include:  
 \* Service in St. Cloud Metro Area \* Mass  
 \* 2 Hour Pass to Summerland \* Breakfast & Supper  
 Cost is \$25 per participant.  
 Questions or to Register, contact Philip Shefveld

Daily Readings are found at [uscbb.org](http://uscbb.org)



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