

CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

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January 15th, 2023

Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Sunday Masses

9:15 am & 8:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday, 7:30 pm

This Week's Happenings

Tuesday (1/17):

College Students Bible Study

Wednesday (1/18):

Faith Formation: 6:30pm

Thursday (1/19):

College Student Community Night:
Paint and Sip

Sunday (1/22):

Mass: 9:15am & 8pm



I am writing this on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

"This is my beloved son. LISTEN to him." My 17: 5

I've been a friend of Fr. Joe for a long time. I see him as one of the best priests of our Diocese. He wanted to share this:

"Thanks for all the prayers, cards, gifts and support. I am very blessed. Fr Joe"

We continue to pray for him, as he will be in a program for 10 weeks. I know that Fr. Joe is going to take this time and allow himself to be transformed.

When I began the assignment of being your Canonical Administrator, I mentioned that this is a time for us also to be on "retreat" and ask God to transform us.

As I strive to LISTEN to the Holy Spirit, this is what is strongly coming to my heart:

I propose to you the possibility of our future Mass schedule looking as such:

One Saturday evening Mass:

4:30 PM at St. Anthony.

Two Sunday morning masses:

9:15 at Newman Center

10:30 at Holy Spirit.

and

8:00 PM Student Mass Newman Center

I did ask Bishop Kettler about this. He gave this proposal his blessing.

I ask you as Baptized children of God to first and foremost take this idea to prayer at least a couple of days. Please LISTEN to the Wisdom and Council of the Holy Spirit.

I strongly encourage you not to write letters to the Bishop. I also ask you not to use up the staff valuable time in discussing this proposal with them.

However, I would like to use the same technique as Pope Francis in the synodal process. I ask that you would utilize the tool in the Catholic Church, our Parish Councils. Please share your thoughts with those members as we will gather together this week and next week in the spirit of discernment.

I want to reassure you this is in no way moving towards closing any parish.

This could be seen as combining our resources and becoming more efficient. I have been informed that whatever collection basket your envelope falls into it goes to the correct Parish. We will live stream all Masses when possible.

This can be seen as temporary. We will reevaluate when Fr. Joe possibly returns.

This is not a decision that has been already made. This is a proposal out to all of you. In our time of discernment, if we discover a valid reason that a person would not be able to receive the Sacrament on a weekend Mass, that would be serious. We will take that into serious consideration.

I realize that this is asking a large adjustment for some of you. However, I know when we keep our eyes on Jesus we will see blessings in the midst of our challenges. I simply encourage us to LISTEN to the Holy Spirit.

I will keep you updated as soon as possible with the results of our discernment and any possible changes.

"LISTEN to Him"

Shalom in Christ

Fr. Mark Stang
Canonical Administrator

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Student Meal Volunteers

Please sign up to bring food or help serve at the student meal on Jan. 26th. Sign ups are in both lobbies.

Coffee and Rolls & Coffeehouse Sign Ups

There are new sign up opportunities posted for Sunday Coffee and Rolls and Student Coffee House. Please check your heart and your schedule and see if you can help with this important ministry! Send an email to the office or add your name and contact info to the forms in both gathering spaces.

“Martin Luther King - Others – and Us” (Sunday, Jan 15th, here at Newman)

For Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr, “the human community meeting the basic needs of every person becomes beloved. Comprehensive healthcare, sage streets, affordable housing, nutritious food, strong schools, access to jobs, and meaningful employment are necessary for the beloved community.” <https://www.r2hub.org/library/25-traits-of-the-beloved-community>

Join us in the Newman Terrace following the 9:15 liturgy, for a conversation—and brunch—about how the vision of the “Beloved Community” . . . A vision of economic and racial justice . . . relates to our understanding of, and practical responses to, the issues in our own community.

St. Cloud Area Celebration of Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Holiday Weekend

This year’s wider community celebration of the life and values of Dr King includes a “Family Day” (Sat, Jan 14th), a “Spirit Day” (Sun, Jan 15th), and a Breakfast and Speaker event (Mon, Jan 16th) which includes keynote speaker Dr Osheta Moore, an author, pastor, and public speaker.

For information about each of these events, which are free—and to register for any or all of them—see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-mlk-community-celebration-tickets-488134081177>

Additional information can be found at: <https://www.stcloudstate.edu/care/mlk-communitycelebration>

Catholic Charities of St. Cloud is hosting their annual fundraiser gala, Mardi Gras 2022, at the River Edge’s Convention Center, St. Cloud, Saturday, Jan. 28th. The proceeds go towards our emergency services (food shelf, transitional housing, and mental health support). We need a dozen or so volunteers to help set up Friday, Jan. 27th or assist with the gala on the 28th.

Is the Bible your “basic instruction before leaving earth?”

CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese and is designed to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for March 3-5, 2023, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

CentraCare St. Cloud Hospital is currently accepting applications for volunteers aged 14 and older. Volunteers serve as warm and friendly ambassadors for the Saint Cloud Hospital and all CentraCare by supporting staff and patients through a variety of tasks throughout our facilities. Please contact Volunteer Services at (320) 255-5638 for more information or apply online at www.centracare.com/volunteer.

Parish Prayers

Anne Fields	Millie Moran, sister of	† Deborah Rodriguez
Nancy Huber	Jay Schroeder	† Valerie Meinz
Penny Zook	Kelly Hoppe’s mother-in	† Bette Bartos
Waletzko’s grandson	-law	† Rich Theisen
Isaac	Helen Trisko	+Mike Schmiesing,
Kathy Williams	Carol Agnes	brother of Sharon
Kevin & Melissa Kruger’s brother Mark	Brett Wise, son-in-law	+Carol Reiter
Linda Urbik	of Kevin & Vickie	+Ed Schnettler
Dave & Caroline Williams’s son Jeff	Strobel	+Jim Pehler
Courtney Vorell’s father	Cathy Wieme’s mother,	+Denise Keller
Paul Snyder	+Carol Skoien	+Mary Kelley, sister of
Grace Bellicot	†Katie Waletzko	Barb Grachek
Doug Nieters	†Don Prom	+Jennifer Symalla
†Mil Voelker	†Renee Miller	+Elaine Quella
Tom Keaveny	†Will Ellenbecker	+Bob Huber
Isla Johns	†Stanley McElhone	+Dawn Newton
Aaron Volker	†Bill Schroeder	+Robert Surma
†Gene Hoelscher	†Vern Cronin	+Geneva Cameron
	† Donald Lardy	Kevin LaNave
	† Sallie Bellicot	

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Daily Readings are found at usccb.org

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