

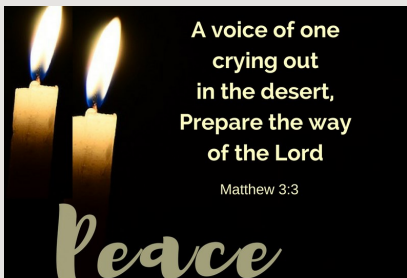
CHRIST CHURCH NEWMAN CENTER

OPENING HEARTS, CHANGING LIVES

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December 4th, 2022

2nd Sunday in Advent



Sunday Masses

9:15 am & 8:00 pm

Confessions

Sunday, 7:30 pm

This Week's Happenings

Tuesday (12/6):

College Student Bible Study: 6pm

Advent Reconciliation: 6pm

Music Rehearsal: 7pm

Wednesday (12/7)

IC Mass—CCNC: 5pm

Faith Formation: 7-10th grade

Thursday (12/8) Immaculate Conception

Mass—SA: 7:15am

Mass—HS: 4:30pm

College Student Community Night

Mass: 8pm

Saturday (12/10):

Community Meal: 11am

Sunday (12/11):

Mass: 9:15am & 8pm

El Paso Trip Breakfast: After Mass

Coffeehouse: 9pm

Peace – Theme of the Second Sunday of Advent

Peace is not simply the absence of conflict and violence; peace is the presence of “shalom” – a biblical concept in which Jesus was raised, and about which he spoke and acted.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, from South Africa, described “shalom” as “referring to wholeness, integrity; it means well-being, physical and spiritual . . . the abundance of life which Jesus Christ promised he had brought. It all has to do with a harmonious coexistence with one’s neighbors in a wholesome environment allowing persons to become more fully human.” (“The Quest for Peace” address; Johannesburg, August 1986)

His perspectives align with the vision of the “Beloved Community”. “We find that we are placed in a delicate network of vital relationships with the Divine, with my fellow human beings and with the rest of creation. . . . We are meant then to live as members of one family . . . made for interdependence”.

God is the source of this vision, and the central actor in its creation – most fully manifest in the Incarnation of Jesus.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are called to seek the common good . . . “to love and shalom, and in practicing extreme, radical, gracious love, we practice beckoning and living in the Reign of God as Jesus did. [In so doing], we apply the Gospel message as it was meant, . . . welcoming all people and all creation to a new reality of true and lasting wholeness.” <https://sojo.net/articles/how-practice-extreme-love>

Shalom-making is an active, deep process. Hafsat Abiola, a Nigerian human rights activist, puts it this way. “[Shalom] comes from being able to contribute the best that we have, and all that we are, toward creating a world that supports everyone. But it is also securing the space for others to contribute the best that they have, and all that they are.”

The 14th Dalai Lama shares that “[Peace] is not a passive state of being. We must wage peace”.

“Every day is an opportunity to wage peace, not war,” writes Jon Williams. “Peace is waged by acknowledging our fear of the ‘other’, listening to their stories and having them hear ours, and taking steps towards working alongside one another and affirming our common humanity, under God.” <https://cbminor.wordpress.com/2011/09/22/peace-like-war-is-waged/>

In a poem entitled, “Peace, Like War, is Waged”, journalist Walter Knight states that Jesus challenges all uses of violence, and reveals that “the weapons of peace are love, joy, goodness, long-suffering; the arms of peace are justice, truth, patience, prayer; the strategy of peace brings safety, welfare, happiness; the forces of peace are the children of God.”

“With peace as the beginning, middle, and end of life”, offers John Dear SJ, “life makes sense.”

Kevin LaNave, Peace and Social Justice Coordinator, Christ Church Newman Center

Thank you, Kevin, May we move forward in our retreat and Advent journey as an instrument of Peace.

Shalom

Fr. Mark Stang, Canonical Administrator

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Mark Your Calendar:

Advent Reconciliation:

Dec. 6—Newman Center at 6pm

Dec. 18—Holy Spirit at 1pm

Dec. 19—St. Anthony at 6:30pm



Immaculate Conception Masses:

Dec. 7—Newman Center at 5pm

Dec. 8—St. Anthony at 7:15am

Holy Spirit at 4:30pm



Christmas Masses:

Dec. 24—Holy Spirit at 4pm

St. Anthony at 4:30pm

Newman Center at 5:30pm

Dec. 25—St. Anthony at 8am

Newman Center at 9:15am

Holy Spirit at 10:30am



Christmas Giving Opportunities

Student Christmas Gift Bags

Please donate candy canes, hot coco or Christmas candy for the student gift bags by December 8th.

Christmas Giving Tree-Donations Needed

Gloves-Mittens-Hats-Socks and Long Underwear are needed for our community. The donations will be shared with our Community Meal attendees and other area caring organizations. Donations will be accepted Nov.16th– Dec.7th.

Any extra Coborn's turkeys can be donated to Newman

December 11th student gift bags will be handed out to all college students.

Redecorating the Church-Help Wanted

Monday December 19th at 4pm we will be redecorating the church for Christmas. This is a big project and we need a lot of help, please come if able!

Pancake Breakfast prepared by our El Paso Trip Members

All are welcome to a free-will breakfast prepared by our El Paso trip participants after the 9:15am Mass on Sunday, December 11th. Come learn about the upcoming trip, meet our participants, and enjoy donuts, pancakes, eggs and more prepared by our students and permanent members!

We hope all will offer prayers for our students and permanent members, but if you wish to make a financial contribution toward the trip, checks can be written to Christ Church Newman Center with "El Paso" in the memo. If you are unable to make the breakfast and want to support the trip, donations can be dropped off at the parish office or in the Sunday collection. There will be a return gathering in late January or February to hear about our experiences!

Parish Prayers

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

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