

# The Newman Center

**Third Sunday of Advent**

**December 16, 2018**

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**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm (student mass)  
Monday Eucharistic Service: 12:10 pm  
Tuesday through Friday: 12:10 pm

**Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday 11:00 am to 3:00 pm (except Holidays)  
Newman Center opens at 11:00 am and remains open until evening programs conclude.  
Saturday and Sunday, Newman Center is open during Mass times and for activities as needed.

**Sacraments** – Please call Fr. Jack Ryan for an appointment. We are glad to meet with you at your convenience.

**Baptisms** – Call or speak with Fr. Jack Ryan at least one month before the date desired for the baptism.

**Confirmation** – Programs for teens and adults, please contact Anna Viggiano.

**Weddings** – Couples need to contact Fr. Jack Ryan at least 8 months before the desired date of the ceremony.

**Anointing of the Sick** – Offered to anyone who is seriously ill; one does not need to be in danger of death. Call Fr. Jack Ryan for anointing at any time. We are happy to come to your home or hospital.

**Funerals** – Please call Fr. Jack Ryan. We will work with you to make arrangements for services and care for your needs.

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**Community Notices**

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| ♦ RCIA Sessions               | Sundays         | 12:30 - 2:00 pm |
| ♦ Contemplative Prayer        | Mondays         | 6:30 pm         |
| ♦ Religious Education classes | after 9 am Mass |                 |
| ♦ Anointing of the Sick       | 12/22-23        | All Masses      |
| ♦ Christmas Eve Masses        | 12/24           | 5:00 & 10:00 pm |
| ♦ Christmas Day Mass          | 12/25           | 10:00 am        |

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**CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES—STEPHANIE BALLESTEROS, ROCHELLE COLOMA, FRANKIE EMPENO. MAY GOD BE WITH YOU AS YOU CONTINUE YOUR LIFE GOALS!



**Anointing of the Sick 12/22-23**



Our Catholic tradition has two sacraments of healing: Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick. Both sacraments are concerned with restoring a person to health - reconciliation with spiritual health and the anointing with physical health.

Who can be anointed? Usually persons who are seriously ill, undergoing medical treatment, have chronic conditions, anticipating or recovering from surgery, or 65 plus.

The essence of the sacrament lies in the actual anointing and the short prayer which accompanies the anointing. In giving the sacrament, the priest anoints each person on the forehead and hands. During this anointing, the priest says:  
"Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up."

The Anointing of the Sick, a remarkable sign of God's great love for us, will be celebrated at all Masses December 22-23.

### Study Haven Food Thank You

Thank you to Evie Char, Russell Uyeno, Rose Anne Petro, Sharon Chiarucci, and all who generously supplied our students with wonderful meals during exam week.



Living Catholic in the 808

Rejoice in the Lord Always

Very Rev. Msgr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.

Rector, Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace



Today we light the rose colored candle on the Advent wreath to symbolize the joyful anticipation of the coming of Christ. As we give thanks for his coming at Bethlehem, we joyfully await his coming at the end of time and we pray that we will welcome him as he comes into our lives today. This 3rd Sunday of Advent is traditionally known as Gaudete Sunday; "gaudete" is the Latin word for "rejoice". We know that this is a season of joy, but we also know that, for some, it is a time of sadness. When everyone else appears to be happy, it is difficult to admit that you are not. We also know that sometimes we settle for superficial happiness and fail to desire the deeper joy that God is offering to us. God's Word today gives us some hints about how we can "guard our hearts" so that we can experience the unshakeable happiness and peace that God offers to us.

First of all, we should do good and avoid evil. In the gospel, John the Baptist gives concrete examples of what can be done to prepare for the coming of Christ. Paul, in the second reading, reminds us that our "kindness should be known to all". All of this tells us that real joy is found when we take the focus off ourselves and put it on others and their needs. By helping others to be happy, we experience happiness.

Secondly, we need to face our fears and not hold on to anxiety. The first and second readings clearly remind us that we don't have to remain fearful and anxious. This only leads to discouragement and robs us of joy. While we will always have things that concern us, we can face those concerns with faith and bring them to God in prayer. We can admit them to ourselves and others. With God's help, we can confront them. This is the way to know "the peace of God that surpasses all understanding".

Thirdly, we can preach the good news by being good news! For those who believe that Christ has come and that he will come again, "the glass is always half full". Pessimism and negativity ought to be foreign concepts for the followers of Christ. While we need to be realistic and truthful about ourselves, others, and life's situations, we must constantly be expecting the best. Then, as Mary did, our being will "proclaim the greatness of the Lord" and our spirits will "rejoice in God" our savior.

Today, God challenges us to "rejoice in the Lord always".

### IMPORTANT AED UPDATE

"Dear fellow Newmanite" is how the letter began back in June 2018. And with those words, Max Higa, Roosevelt HS junior, Newman summer intern and part of the well-loved Higa-Tellei family, launched his campaign to replace our outdated AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and fire extinguishers.

**Thanks to Max's vision and hard work (as a volunteer), together with the generosity of many contributors, our new AED is scheduled to arrive here at Newman Center this coming Wednesday, 12/19/18.** The AED Institute is delivering it at **3 pm** and at that time will hold a free class with hands-on training in the use of the AED.

**ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE FREE AED TRAINING CLASS**

As Max wrote: "Every minute someone goes into a sudden cardiac arrest. One day, it could be one of us. Given the older demographic of our parish, we find it necessary to have a functional AED that we are capable of using."

Thank you Max, for your effort that benefits our whole Newman community and everyone who comes to visit. We are so proud of you and grateful. Thank you to all who supported Max with donations and prayers. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are appreciated very much.

May God bless you!

**BE PREPARED TO SAVE SOMEONE'S LIFE.**

**PLEASE ATTEND THE AED CLASS AT  
3 PM, WEDNESDAY, 12/19/18**

### Advent Wreath Prayer for Week 3

Three candles are lit. Two purple and one pink celebrating Gaudete Sunday.

Let us pray. We humbly beg Thee, O Lord, to listen to our prayers; and by the grace of Thy coming bring light into our darkened minds. Who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen

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### Campus Ministry Events

Campus Ministry takes a break during the Christmas break. There will still be the Sunday 5 PM Mass, but no dinners. All programming starts up again with the Spring 2019 semester. Thank you!



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