

FROM OUR POPE

"I am continuing to follow the war in Israel and in Palestine, with great concern. I renew my appeal for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire. There is much suffering there. I encourage all the parties involved to resume negotiations, and I ask everyone to make an urgent commitment to ensure that humanitarian aid will reach the people of Gaza, who are at the end of their tether and in great need of it. May all the hostages be freed. They had seen some hope in the recent truce. May the enormous suffering of the Israelis and the Palestinians end. Please: no to weapons, yes to peace!"



Pope Francis, General Audience 13 Dec., 2023

May God bless Pope Francis who celebrates his 87th birthday on December 17th.

STEWARDSHIP: TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

WAYS TO GIVE FINANCIALLY



Venmo

Drop-off or Mail to
**Newman Hall-
 Holy Spirit Parish
 2700 Dwight Way,
 Berkeley, CA 94704**
 Checks/Cash



FaithDirect

We are grateful to you, our parishioners and visitors, who give generously and help us keep our programs running and aging building standing.

WAYS TO GIVE OF YOUR TIME & TALENT

If you'll be in town for the Christmas holiday....



Help us **decorate the chapel** for Christmas on Saturday, December 23rd. We'll start at 9 and finish before the noon Mass. Sign up in the lobby.

- Serve as a **Eucharistic Minister** at a Christmas Eve or Christmas morning Mass. Sign up sheets are in the lobby.
- if you're a **sacristan**, we're looking for two sacristans to serve at each of the Christmas Masses. Please sign up in the lobby.
- Take 10 - 15 minutes to help us clean up the chapel after the Christmas eve Masses. Sign up sheets are in the lobby.



Check out the volunteer opportunities at the Berkeley social justice non profit organization **Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)** <http://www.self-sufficiency.org>

UPDATES

Winter Break Dec. 17 - Jan. 14



BUILDING HOURS
MONDAY - SATURDAY
9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

SUNDAY
7:30 AM - 12:15 PM
4:30 - 6:30 PM
8:30 - 10 PM

But for our Christmas Masses, winter break is generally a quiet time at Newman. This weekend we go on 'break hours'. We'll be open mornings from 9:30 a.m. until the end of the noon Mass Monday - Saturday and then around Mass times on Sundays. Confessions are available Saturdays from 11 a.m. until noon. And, one or more of our priests will be around for the duration, so if you'd like to schedule confession or talk with a priest, don't hesitate to reach out via email or leave a message on our main phone line (see contact information in this bulletin).

UPCOMING & ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Catholicism Wow! <https://www.calnewman.org/catholicism-wow>

Catholicism **Wow!** meets via Zoom for an hour **each Wednesday at 7 p.m.** For more about the upcoming topic and to get the Zoom link contact Ned & Yvette Niccolls at niccolls@comcast.net or visit the website above.

Emmaus Group <https://www.calnewman.org/emmaus-group>

Join the Emmaus group **every Thursday at 7 p.m.** via Zoom to reflection on and discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings. Use the link above or scan the QR code for details & contact information.



Newman Hiking Group



Observe Bay Area nature in the final days autumn. Join the Newman Hiking group as it wanders the trails in the East Bay with Bob Gannon as your guide. **Fridays (and some Saturdays) 2:45 PM - 5:00 PM** (rain cancels). To find out where we'll be hiking each week, contact rmgannon@pacbell.net



The next Loaves & Fishes dinner is January 6, 2024. If you'd like to volunteer please contact Joe Burns on his landline (510) 665-5680 or sign up using the volunteer form (scan this QR Form)



MISCELLANEOUS

If you use **Donation Envelopes**, please pick up your box of 2024 Envelopes at the front desk.

Building Repairs and Upgrades

A note about the heat: Repairs to the boiler are scheduled for this Wednesday (12/20). We are hopeful that this will fix the problem and make our building reasonably warm for the Christmas Masses.

FAITH FORMATION

LITTLE CHURCH

For pre-school children with Grace Shannon. The group meets at 10 a.m. in the multiversity room to pray and learn some prayers.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Our Family Faith program next meets in the new year on January 28th from 11 am until 1 pm in the Multiversity Room.

TEEN CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Sundays, 9:00 -11:00 a.m. The 1st and 2nd year students in this 2-year program meet weekly with Cal student, Camilla San Juan. Sugarcookiecamilla@gmail.com or text 650-773-5989.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

Meets on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm. For more information and/or to join, please **contact Fr. Ivan:** itou@calnewman.org or 510-848-7812.



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday	1216	5 pm	Patrick Quigley (+)
Sunday	12/17	8 am	
		10 am	For the People
		5 pm	
		9 pm	
Monday	12/18	12:10 pm	John Kopko (+)
Tuesday	12/19	12:10 pm	
Wednesday	12/20	12:10 pm	
Thursday	12/21	12:10 pm	Megan Arquette, for support and an easing of difficulties
Friday	12/22	12:10 pm	
Saturday	12/23	12:10 pm	

To have a Mass said (i.e., request a Mass Intention) please stop by the front desk to check on availability and fill out a Mass Request Form. We ask for a donation of \$10 for each Mass. (Checks may be made out to the Paulist Fathers)

OUR DEARLY DEPARTED

We pray for the repose of the souls of our recently departed including...

John Piercy (d. 12/09/23); **Rosary, Wednesday, December 27th at 7 p.m**
Kathryn Buford, (d. 01/29/22) **Funeral postponed until January**

Kathryn is the sister of parishioner, Roberta Gannon.

Mary Luersen (d. 10/29/23): **Funeral, Sat., January 20th** (time not yet set)
 Ron McCullough (d. 10/23/23): Funeral was Sat., December 9th at 1:30 pm
 Carmen Neafsey (d. 11/4/23): Funeral was Tues., Nov. 28th, 10:30 am



WE PRAY FOR PEACE!



MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Sunday: Saturday Vigil, 5 pm

Sun. 8 am, 10 am*, 5 pm, 9 pm

*livestreamed. Find the link at our website, calnewman.org, or use the QR code below.

Daily: Mon- Sat at 12:10 pm

Adoration/Holy Hour

Morning adoration and Thursday Night adoration, confession & Mass are on hiatus until mid January

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 11-12 noon, by appointment (510) 848-7812



Please see the bulletin insert for Christmas Mass times

Newman Mass Live Stream

Join our live stream Mass, Sunday at 10 AM via Youtube Live, or check out our previously recorded Sunday Masses.

To receive communion at home, please call the office (510) 848-7812 and let us know. The Homebound Ministry team will contact you to set up a visit.

Daily Mass Readings

Have access to the Mass readings right on your phone! Scan this QR code to follow along with the Mass readings, during, before, and after Masses.



BUILDING HOURS THIS WEEK

Sunday 7:30 am -12:15 pm, 4:30 - 6:30, 8:30 - 10 pm

Monday - Friday 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

Saturday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm, 4:30 - 6:15 pm

CONTACT INFORMATION

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THIS WEEK AT NEWMAN

Visit the website for more information about these events

Sunday, Dec. 17th - Masses 8 am, 10 am, 5 pm, 9 pm

- First Communion Class 9-10 am. Hecker Room
- Teen Confirmation Class -9 am Upstairs, Lounge
- Little Church -10 am, Multiversity Room
- Coffee & Donuts Hour- 11 am Plaza

Monday, Dec. 18th - Mass 12:10 pm

- Food not Bombs - 9am -6 pm Multiversity

Tuesday, Dec. 19th - Daily Mass 12:10 pm

- Tuesday Theology - 2 pm online
- Choir Rehearsal - 7 pm Multiversity
- OCIA -7:30 pm Gallery/ZOOM

Wednesday, Dec. 20th - Daily Mass 12:10 pm

- Catholicism WOW! - 7 pm on-line

Thursday, Dec. 21st - Daily Mass 12:10 pm

- Emmaus Group - 7 pm. ZOOM!
- College Bay AA Meeting - 8:00 pm Multiversity Room

Friday, Dec. 22nd - Daily Mass 12:10 pm

- Hiking the East Bay Trails -2:45 pm Various Trails
- Open Door AA Meeting -7:30 pm Multiversity Room

Saturday, Dec. 23rd- Daily Mass 12:10 pm, 4th Sunday of Advent Vigil, 5 pm

- Christmas Decorating - 9 am Chapel/Lobby
- Confession - 11 am-noon Gallery/Emmaus room

Sunday, Dec. 24 - 4th Sunday of Advent Masses 8 am & 10 am

- Christmas Eve Family Mass - 5 pm

- Christmas Eve night Mass - 9 pm



In 2023, **Loaves and Fishes** continued offering take-away meals on the first Saturday of each month. They also opened the outdoor patio to people who wanted to stay on the premises to enjoy the meal with friends and acquaintances.

Over those 12 First Saturdays, Loaves & Fishes provided meals to 975 guests at Newman and sent an additional 47 meals to Night on the Street for distribution to the hungry. (Total meals provided = 1022). About one fifth of those who came to Newman for the 1st Saturday dinner this year were women, slightly fewer than in 2022.

Loaves and Fishes is grateful to Newman parishioners, whose generosity allowed them to provide these healthy meals. Over the year, Loaves & Fishes spent \$11,089.29, or \$10.85 per meal on average.

Guests not only received a meal, but every month a few left with a gift card. With the abundance of gift cards donated by parishioners in the 2022 GivingTree campaign, Loaves and Fishes was able to raffle off 12 gift cards at each of the monthly dinners in 2023.

Parishioners donated 182 gift cards for this year's Christmas Meal on Dec. 2nd. After distributing the \$25 gift cards to our 130 guests, we'll have a number to raffle off in 2024.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS AND ON-GOING SUPPORT OF THE LOAVES & FISHES MINISTRY.



Welcome to Newman Hall-Holy Spirit Parish

a ministry of the Paulist Fathers

We gather...

To hear God's word,

To taste Jesus' life in the Eucharist,

To be a community of God's love for one another and for all.

We are sent...

To relish learning that enriches all lives,

To heal divisions in our church and world,

To participate in the world's quest for justice and peace.



December 17th, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

Wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here!