



# Aquinas Newman Center

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THE CATHOLIC CAMPUS PARISH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*The Aquinas Newman Center is a permanent Community of the Catholic Faithful, established as a parish of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe at the University of New Mexico. While its primary mission is to the University Students, Faculty, Staff and Administrators, the parish community genuinely welcomes all who wish to participate in the work and worship of the parish. As a Newman Center, we have the mission of proclaiming the Word of God and presenting theology to an academic community that finds in our parish an intellectual and spiritual basis for becoming and remaining committed Roman Catholics.*

## NEWMAN CENTER STAFF

Thomas Jackson, O.P., Pastor	ext. 14
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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

<b>Parochial Councilors</b>	<b>Collegial Councilors</b>
Felix Caballero	Conor Gilliland
Tim Dubay	Rachel Hartert
Jan Hans	
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## PEER MINISTERS

Katie Carleo, Liturgy and Worship  
Josh Gallegos, Faith Formation  
Brittany Garcia, Campus Communications  
Alex Guimaraes, Community Life  
Alicia Sedillo, Gospel Justice

## DOMINICANS IN RESIDENCE

Fr. Joachim Culotta, O.P.	Fr. Michael Demkovich, O.P.
Fr. Gabe Hoff, O.P.	Fr. Thomas Jackson, O.P.
Fr. Kevin Niehoff, O.P..	

## SACRAMENTS and PRAYER

**ADULT INITIATION (RCIA)** - Process of initiation into the Catholic Church for non-baptized persons and Christians of other faiths.

**CONFIRMATION** - For adults and high school students.

**BAPTISM OF CHILDREN** - For registered parishioners only. Check with the office for scheduled dates. Two preparation sessions required. Parents and godparents should attend classes before the birth of the child to be baptized, if possible. Register in the office.

**RECONCILIATION** - By arrangement. Communal Service as announced. Also, on Saturdays: from 3:30 - 4:00pm.

**MARRIAGE** - For registered parishioners. Requires six (6) months preparation. Contact the office for details.

**PARTNERS IN PRAYER** - Prayer request line is 247-1094, x5. If you are interested in assisting with this ministry, call 247-1094, x10 and leave a message.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** - Contact Deacon Don Contreras at 247-1094, x39.

**ELIZABETH MINISTRY** - Contact Ellen Stotzer at 888-2429.

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Vigil Mass, 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	8:00, 9:30, 11:00a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

(The 5:00 p.m. Mass is celebrated when UNM is in session only. It will resume on September 7, 2008.)

## WEEKDAY MASSES - Dominican Chapel

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (Masses)	12:10 pm
Friday (Communion Service)	12:10 pm
Tuesday (Dominican Community Mass)	5:15 pm
*First Friday Mass for Lawyers	7:00 am
*Dominican Laity - First Saturday in July	9:00 am

*All are welcome to these celebrations. \*Unless otherwise noted.*

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday	8:30am—12pm and 1- 4:30pm
Sunday	8:30 am - 1:00 pm

**F**rom the desk of **Mary Ann Eklund, RN, PhD. . . .**

Recently my husband and I had the opportunity to train couples to use the Prepare/Enrich Inventory that we have engaged and married couples take prior to their meeting with a mentor couple. The most exciting aspect of the weekend conducted at the Catholic Center, was the fact that we had eight couples from an evangelical church, pastors and ministers from an Episcopalian church in Los Alamos, a Methodist minister, Catholic deacons and their wives, Baptist couples, and a priest. The reason for these couples attending was to learn how to work more effectively with engaged and married couples. Although our faith beliefs and philosophies are different, we worship the same God, and have the same burning desire to help couples before and after marriage. The sharing and bonding between these couples of different faith beliefs during the weekend revealed in action the reality of ecumenical sharing for a common goal – recognizing God’s place in marriage and the importance of helping couples realize how their married spirituality can nurture and sustain them during the good times and the difficult times. Isaiah’s reading today gives us the preliminary of what was to be the future, “catholic – universal,” mission of the Church. It took a leap of faith to work with couples from these different religious beliefs; however, for me this was what it means to be ecumenical and to see God’s house as a house of prayer for all peoples. Nevertheless, without faith and the ability to see God in the eyes of others, we often get caught up in our egocentric notion of what catholic means.

When have we with our abundance and nourished by our faith failed to see god in the people around us? In the encounter the nameless Canaanite woman has with Jesus, it almost seems that Jesus is being rude to a woman who is deeply grieved. Even the disciples tell Jesus to send her away. Jesus tells her he has been sent only to the lost sheep of Israel. I’m afraid I would be the first to say, “Well I prayed and God did not answer my prayers. I would be the first to walk away in self-pity. I would see the silence as rejection when Jesus did not answer me. This is the temptation, to walk away, to not see the gifts and call of God as irrevocable. Yet, this outcast woman recognizes Jesus as Lord, which the members of the household had failed to acknowledge. It is in her boldness, in her recognizing Jesus as Lord that she reminds him even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table. She is willing to accept even the crumbs in her humility, knowing that she in the presence of God. And Jesus is moved by her faith, by her persistence and He is able to go against tradition. It is not her boasting of her faith, but rather it is Jesus who validates the faith of this Gentile woman in her belief and trust that He can do what she asks of Him, to heal her daughter. This faith is not about control, but of a letting go, of a child-like trust that “all will be well.” This woman gives us all hope.

**LITURGY**

- **WHAT A JOY!** What a joy to be a part of the community of Aquinas Newman Center! To share in the Eucharist, participate in communal prayer, and catch up with friends is what we’re all about. As we get caught up in our conversations, though, let’s not forget that others are coming into the Chapel to pray and prepare for the next Mass. So, after singing the last song, let’s move our fellowship to the gathering space as soon as possible so that others may be given the time they need in the sanctuary. Thank you!
- **SOUNDS OF JOY!** In the 18<sup>th</sup> century, it was written, “He who finds himself gifted with a tunable Voice, and yet neglects to cultivate it, not only hides in the Earth a Talent of the highest value, but robs himself of that peculiar Pleasure, of which they only are conscious who exercise that Faculty.” So . . . come on! Join a choir! Singers and instrumentalists! See the choir leader after Mass for more information, or contact Steve Herrera at 247-1094 x38 [steve@aquinasnm.org](mailto:steve@aquinasnm.org).
- **CONGRATULATIONS** to the following babies who will be baptized into the Catholic Church this weekend. May the babies and their families find support and inspiration in this parish community as they continue their journey of faith.
  - Emma Carol Neuschwanger** - parents: Ryan and Kelly Neuschwanger  
Sponsors: Reinhard and Ellen Stotzer
  - Alejandro Jonathan Atencio** - parents: Jonathan Atencio and Maya Rivera  
Sponsors: Felipe Rivera and Francine Atencio



**RCIA** is a process/journey by which unbaptized; members of other faith traditions or baptized but uncatechised Catholics are received into the Roman Catholic Church or complete their sacraments of initiation. If you know of anyone who is seeking to learn more about our Catholic faith, or who need to complete their sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) please contact **Kyle Kemp**, Director of Religious Education (247-1094 ext. 15) or **Raymond M. Jones**, Coordinator of Christian Initiation at (265-4019). RCIA meets each Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 P.M. in the “**Hangout**” once the process is underway.

+ WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS +		
August 16	4:30 pm	Juana Garcia
August 17	8:00 am	Pro Populo
	9:30 am	†Frank Csepregi
	11:00 am	†Denis Paul Alonzo
August 18	12:10 pm	Ted Espinosa—intentions
August 19	5:15 pm	Dominican Mass
August 20	12:10 pm	†Thomas Maloof
August 21	12:10 pm	Ted Espinosa—intentions
August 22	12:10 pm	Communion Service

**CAMPUS MINISTRY**

**Peer Campus Ministers:** The Aquinas Newman Center has its five Peer Campus Ministers (PCM) for the 2008-2009 academic year! Yay! Our PCM's are Katie Carleo (Liturgy & Worship), Brittany Garcia (Campus Communications), Alicia Sedillo (Gospel Justice), Josh Gallegos (Faith Formation), and Alex Guimaraes (Community Life). Please pray for them as they enter into ministry at Newman!

**The Catholic Foundation Grant:** We have been granted \$7,000 from *The Catholic Foundation* for the funding of our Peer Campus Ministry program at the Aquinas Newman Center! Thank you to the foundation and its trustees.

**Peer Campus Ministry Orientation Retreat:** The Peer Campus Ministers will be on an orientation retreat August 19<sup>th</sup> to August 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Norbertine Retreat Center. Please pray for all of the Peer Campus Ministers on retreat! Yay!

**Justice Walking** is a journey into "engaged spirituality" for college age students. This small-group process involves twelve sessions, two retreats, a justice pilgrimage, and a public dialogue session. Through prayer, ritual, dialogue, and relationships, J-Walkers are empowered to broaden the circle of their awareness, exposed to Gospel justice, and invited to make compassionate life choices. If you are a UNM student and desiring to get involved in this group contact Christine Karver (ckarver@unm.edu). The group will meet on Wednesdays at 6:15PM.

**Faith Sharing Groups** will begin on Thursday, September 11 at 5:30PM in the Hang Out. For more information contact Jonathan Baca (netforce@unm.edu), Tommy McGuire (tommy3584@aim.com), or Lucy Long (llong@unm.edu).

Every Monday of the academic year beginning September 8 at 6PM Campus Ministry will have a time for *fun and relaxation* with **Chillin' Catholic Style**. This will be a time for all involved in campus ministry to *hang and chill out* providing all involved with a community of friends in Christ. September 8 we will begin this fun with a movie and food night!

If you have any questions on any Campus Ministry activities please contact the Director of Campus Ministry, Rosie China at aquinasnewmancenter@gmail.com or at 247-1094 x.11.

**Readings for the Week of August 17, 2008**

- Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28
- Monday: Ez 24:15-24/Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14
- Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Mt 23:1-12
- Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

**PARISHIONERS**

- **ST. MARTIN'S HOSPITALITY CENTER.** The Newman Center will again be serving a meal to the homeless at St. Martin's Hospitality Center on Sunday, August 24. Sign up sheets for donations of food and volunteers to serve will be available in the gathering space after Mass this weekend.
- **THE EL SALVADOR PRAYER AND ACTION DELEGATION** will be visiting El Salvador once again in January of 2009. The delegation offers a wonderful opportunity for us to accompany our fellow brothers and sisters in their struggle against poverty and to further explore our call o social justice a Catholics. An **INFORMATIVE MEETING** will be held on **Sunday, September 7**, between the 9:30 and 11:00 am Masses, as well as 15 minutes after the 5:00 pm Mass in the classroom. Please join us if you are interested in participating or finding out more information about the next delegation and the El Salvador Ministry. Applications will be made available at the meetings and can also be found in the main office.
- **CALLING ALL YOUTH!** There will be a special Mass for all mid-school and high school students and their families on August 24 at 5:00 pm followed by a communal meal. For more information, call Kyle Kemp at 247-1094, ext 15.
- **A BIG THANK YOU** to Newman librarian Pat Weiler and to all for helping to make our book sale a resounding success! We collected \$2200 which will support our ministry for *El Salvador* children.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

- **Monday, August 18**
- **Tuesday, August 19**
- **Wednesday, August 21**  
Choir Practice, 5:45pm (11 am choir), rehearsal space
- **Thursday, August 22**  
Choir Practices, pm (9:30am choir)  
Quilters, 6pm classroom
- **Friday, August 23**
- **Saturday, August 24**  
Choir Practice, 3pm (4:30pm choir), rehearsal space  
Reconciliation, 3:30 pm with Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm
- **Sunday, August 25**  
Choir Rehearsals, 8-11am, rehearsal space  
Ben Baran, Scripture Study, 9:30 am, library

**STEWARDSHIP: Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure**

<b>Year to Date Revenue:</b>	<b>Year to Date Expenses:</b>
July 2007: \$54,751.77	July 2007: \$60,217.82
July 2008: \$48,972.65	July 2008: \$76,423.04

**Annual Catholic Appeal update:** We have received a total of \$57,776 with an overall goal for ACA contributions of \$52,000! To date, we have received two rebate checks from the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.