

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

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parochial Councilors	Collegial Councilors
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PEER CAMPUS MINISTERS

Brendan O'Leary, Liturgy and Worship
Alex Guimaraes, Campus Communications
Catherine Loweree, Faith Formation
Monique Rangel, Gospel Justice
Elizabeth Rodriguez, Community Life

DOMINICANS IN RESIDENCE

Br. Paul Byrd, O.P., Intern Fr. Matthew Strabala, 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. Contact Kyle Kemp at 247-1094 x. 226.

CONFIRMATION: For adults and high school students. Contact Kyle Kemp at 247-1094 x. 226.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: For registered parishioners only. Check with the office for scheduled dates. One preparation sessions required. Parents and godparents should attend classes *before* the birth of the child to be baptized, if possible. Register in the office. Contact Kyle Kemp at 247-1094 x. 226.

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays from 3:30-4:00pm or by appointment.

MARRIAGE: For registered parishioners. Six (6) months preparation. Contact Charisse DeFlice, 247-1094, x.222.

PARTNERS IN PRAYER: Prayer request line is 247-1094, x5. If you are interested in assisting with this ministry, call 247-1094, x221 and leave a message.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Sick? Homebound? Hospitalized? Contact Deacon Don Contreras at 247-1094, x243. Monthly Communal Celebrations of the Sacrament of the Sick within the Mass are also held in addition to the private celebrations.

ELIZABETH MINISTRY: Contact Ellen Stotzer at 888-2429.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil Mass)	4:30 pm
Sunday (Masses)	8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am and 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY LITURGIES—Dominican Chapel

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday - Mass	12:10pm
Tuesday - Mass	5:15pm
Friday - Communion Service	12:10pm
Prayer times: Monday-Friday (Lauds)	7:45 am
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday (Vespers)	5:45 pm
* First Friday Mass for Lawyers	7:00 am
* Dominican Laity - First Saturday of the month	9:00 am
<i>*All are welcome to these celebrations unless otherwise noted</i>	

OFFICE HOURS

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

From the desk of Alex Guimaraes, Peer Campus Minister for Campus Communication

Every semester I interact with different students in my classes, labs, and other student organizations. As I make new friendships with people they frequently ask me, "Where do you work?" I tell them that I am a Peer Campus Minister for the Newman Center. I then proceed to explain everything that the Campus Ministry program has to offer.

This is my second year as a Peer Campus Minister for the Aquinas Newman Center. During my first year as a PCM, I felt that it would have been so helpful to have a PCM with a year of experience as part of the team to help me with the transition to ministry. When I was asked to return, I was excited to engage in a new role as the Peer Campus Minister of Campus Communications and to help the 2009-2010 PCMs with the transition to ministry. I distinctly remember thinking that I would never want to be the Campus Communications minister during the discernment process a year ago. Ironically, throughout the first year it became clear that I was called to be involved with Campus Communications for my second year.

Throughout the summer, Rosie and I brainstormed new, creative ways to advertise and promote Campus Ministry. We met with all the new Resident Advisors for the dorms and gave them literature about Newman. Welcome Back Week, the first week of the Fall Semester, was very successful. We had a table staffed by students with generous amounts of promotional material and registrations forms. Besides tabling in the morning, we also had events in the evening at the Center including XLT Praise Band performance, ice cream social, faith sharing, and tours of the center. Welcome Back Week ended with the highly successful first student mass of the year, Mass on the Grass.

The fast pace and ever-changing lifestyle of the typical college student makes Campus Communications a very challenging role. I hope that I am able to transform the position and keep Campus Ministry up to date and even ahead of the curve with new methods in public relations. Our recent endeavors in promotion have included: ads in the Daily Lobo, chalking around campus, posters around campus, facebook events, student union building digital ads, and of course word of mouth.

My position as a Peer Campus minister is more than a position, it is a way of life. I eat, breathe, and sleep everything Newman. I wear Newman Center t-shirts to class a couple of times a week. Students recognize me from mass and from my t-shirts and approach me with questions about the Newman Center. Every time I explain my involvement with the center, I may sure to explain that it is not a "job" but a calling to be involved in ministry to serve the Newman Community.

RENATUM CAPITAL FUND DRIVE

Presentations: This weekend there will be a series of presentations in the Auditorium regarding the planned renovation projects that will affect the Newman House and the North Wing of this facility. Both of these major renovations are the reason behind the need for a capital fund drive. This is a good time to come and listen to the exciting things that are planned and an opportunity to ask questions. Another series of updates is planned after each Mass the weekend of December 12 – 13 and after the Student Mass on December 6.

Progress to Date: We appreciate those members of our community that have already stepped forward and made donations and pledges. You can see the results by checking the thermometers on display in the Gathering Space. Plans have been finalized for the renovation of the Newman House. The Archbishop and his College of Consulters have approved this first phase of our renovation project. The contract is presently being prepared and work is expected to begin in the next two-to-three weeks. This phase will take three months to complete.

Clarification: Questions have come up regarding the difference between the **Building Fund** and the **Renatum Capital Fund Drive**. In the past, the Building Fund was for future capital expenditures relating to the Newman Center's physical plant. The Renatum Capital Fund money is for a specific two-phased project. It will be used to pay for the renovation of the Newman House and the North Wing, the present residence of the Dominican community. The policy of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe directs that there can be but one Building fund. As a result, the Building Fund and the Renatum Capital Campaign funds will be combined and used for this project. Before combining these funds, neither fund Building Fund and the Renatum Capital Fund were subject to the Archdiocesan assessment (tax).

Stewardship: While we are working hard to raise additional funds for the aforementioned expansion of our ministries through capital improvements, we need to remain conscious of the fact that the everyday operation of the parish and the support of the ministries' activities comes from our weekly collections. We continue to appreciate the giving spirit of this community and ask for your continuing support.

PARISHIONERS!

- **The Albuquerque Interfaith 2nd Annual Fundraising Dinner** will be held on **Sunday, Dec. 6, 6pm- 8pm** at Holy Rosary Catholic Church. The Newman Center participates in Albuquerque Interfaith and several members enjoyed last year's program and meal. This year's program is "Education & the Economy." A single ticket is \$125; a table is \$1,000 (table seats 8 plus 2 single tickets). For more info, call Bill Hossley at 268-6145 or the AI office at 268-3991.
- **Spiritual Direction.** Sr. Geneal Kramer is available at the Newman Center every Tuesday from 3-5pm at no charge to you. Call 247-1094 ext.221 to schedule an appointment.

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY

Aquinas Newman Center

The Christian faith for most people is not communicated
by doctrinal pronouncements ...
But by what goes on in the church in its most local setting.
It is here, in the church down the street,
That people are caught up in the Gospel promise -- or are
turned away.

- James C. Fenhagen, from his book *Mutual Ministry*

Pictures: <http://picasaweb.google.com/rosiechina>

Events Calendar: <http://www.localendar.com/public/aquinasnewmancenter>

Sun. Nov. 29: No 5PM Mass, No 6PM Meal
Mon., Nov. 30: 6:30PM Catholic Chat in the Hang Out
7:30PM Rosary in the Dominican Chapel
Wed., Dec. 2: 7PM Spring Break Service Project Meeting
7PM Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Dominican Chapel
7:30PM Bible Study in the Hang Out
Thurs., Dec. 3: 7PM Community Life Meeting in the Gathering Space
7:30PM Faith Sharing Group in the Hang Out
Fri., Dec. 4: 7PM Advent Reconciliation Service
Sat. Dec. 5: Sledding in Santa Fe (erodrig4@unm.edu)
Sun. Dec. 6: 5PM Mass & 6PM Meal & 7PM Nativity, the movie

The first Saturday in December, the 5th, we will be **sledding in Santa Fe!** There is a sign up sheet on the campus ministry wall. Please sign up if you want to go. Lunch is provided! Please talk to Liz if you have any questions (erodrig4@unm.edu).

On Sunday, December 6th after the meal we will be showing the **movie the Nativity** and then having a discussion. If you are interested talk to Rosie (aquinasnewmancenter@gmail.com).

Praise Band. The student Praise Band is growing deeper into worship! But we still need you! Even though you see someone already playing or singing, it doesn't mean there's no room for more. Pianist, guitarist, vocalist, drummer, percussionist – we need them all! Join us for rehearsals at 3pm Sundays before the 5PM Mass .

Questions on Campus Ministry activities? Contact the campus minister Rosie Chinaea at aquinasnewmancenter@gmail.com or 247-1094 x.241.

LITURGY

- The **Advent Reconciliation Service** will be held on **Friday, December 4 at 7pm** in the main chapel.
- **Anointing of the Sick Masses will be held on the following dates:** December 12, 2009, 4:30 Mass; February 13, 2010, 4:30 Mass; and April 10, 2010, 4:30 Mass
- **Christmas “Nativity” Choir**—Rehearsals will be from 1-3pm: Dec 6, 13, and 20. Come on! Join us! Steve 247-1094 x242 or steve@aquinasnm.org.
- **Children’s Christmas Choir.** Due to unforeseen circumstances, there will not be an official Children’s Christmas Choir. However, plan on being early at the 4:30 Christmas Eve Mass in the auditorium for a Christmas Carol Sing-a-Long and Stories! Steve 247-1094 x242 Steve@aquinasnm.org.
- **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!

An Advent Wreath Blessing

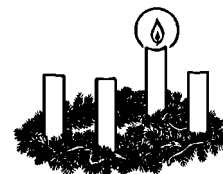
The Advent wreath is made from a circle of evergreen (signifying God’s everlasting love for us) and four candles. As we move towards the darkest days of the year, candles are lit (one initially, and then one additional candle each week) to provide light for the world. Various prayers and blessings can be included in the lighting ritual depending on the family’s tradition.

May this Advent Wreath and its ever-greenness be a sign of God’s everlasting love. May its candles which burn brightly remind us of Jesus who was light for the world.

Grant, Lord, that this Advent wreath may be for us and for all who visit our home a sign of faith, a symbol of hope, and a flaming image of your love.

May all who look upon this symbol of Advent be encouraged to prepare their hearts for the coming of our savior, Jesus Christ and for the real Christmas which happens within our hearts.

May your blessing—God of Light, Christ of Glory and Spirit of Love—be upon this Advent wreath and upon our home.



THE WEEK AHEAD

- **Monday, November 30**
Catholic Chat, 7pm, hangout
Rosary, 7:30pm, Dominican chapel
- **Tuesday, December 1**
RCIA, 6:30pm, hangout
- **Wednesday, December 2**
Divine Mercy Chaplet, 7pm, Dominican chapel
Bible Study, 7:30pm, hangout
Candlelight Mass, 8:30pm, chapel
11am Choir, 6:00 pm, rehearsal space & library
- **Thursday, December 3**
Faith sharing group, 7:30pm, hangout
Quilting Group, 6:30pm, classroom
9:30am Choir, 6:00 pm, rehearsal space & library
- **Friday, December 4**
Thomas More Society, 7am, Dominican chapel
Advent Reconciliation Service, 7pm, main chapel
- **Saturday, December 5**
Dominican Laity, 9am, Dominican chapel
- **Sunday, December 6**
Ben Baran, Scripture Study, 9:15 am, auditorium
Christmas Choir, 1pm, main chapel
UNM Student Mass 5pm followed by meal at 6pm

†WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS †

November 28	4:30 pm	†Mary Amberg
November 29	8:00 am	†Ines Coset Nus
	9:30 am	†Oscar Garcia
	11:00 am	Pro Populo
	5:00 pm	No Mass
November 30	12:10 pm	
December 1	5:15 pm	Dominican Mass
December 2	12:10 pm	
December 3	12:10 pm	†Luz Trujillo
December 4	12:10 pm	Communion Service

Prayers for the Sick - Remember and pray for them:

*Mary Lou Blea Cheryl Holcomb Marlene Torres-
Bob Connell Diana Huntress Parker
Barbara Duran Jean Keim Mary Jane
Serafina Fellin Renee Klunck Reardon
Irene Flack John Konitzer Jr.
Jack Gallagher Rose E. Lopez.
Mary Hodock Mary Helen Martinez
Doreen Brostrom Marjorie Pickering*

Project Linus Albuquerque is a 100% volunteer organization that provides handmade blankets for children in crisis. We are currently looking for "blanketeers" to make and donate new, washable blankets, quilts and afghans to our local chapter. These blankets will be given to children who are seriously ill, traumatized and otherwise in need to provide them a sense of security and comfort. If you would like more information, please contact Gail Doherty at 299-7570 or Deborah Garvey-Milford at 890-4247.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

"Re-membering and Relating: The Soul's Attic and Living Room" a retreat day with Fr. Francis Dorff, O.Praem., Saturday, December 5, 2009, 9a.m.-4p.m. at the Norbertine Hermitage Retreat, 5825 Coors Blvd. SW, Abq. Have you ever thought of your soul's dwelling place as a magnificent mansion that is all ready and waiting for you to make yourself at home? This retreat day will let you meditatively explore the different rooms of this mansion and discover what's going on there for yourself. The cost is \$45.00 which includes lunch. Call 873-4399 to register or for more information.

STEWARDSHIP:

- **Sharing Time, Talent & Treasure.** Stewardship gives us the power to change how we live our lives. How we use our time can change our life. Stewards can use time to further the kingdom of God by worshiping and praying together as a family, studying Scripture, or simply spending time with family.

Fiscal Year to Date Revenue Fiscal Year to Date Expenses:
 October 2009: \$227,865 October 2009: \$236,144
 October 2008: \$220,029 October 2008: \$226,830

Readings for the Week of November 29, 2009

Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12---4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Monday:	Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22
Tuesday:	Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday:	Bar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR ACA PLEDGE? The Newman Center would like to personally thank each family that made a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal. We have been advised there are currently \$12,236.68 in unpaid pledges. If you have not had a chance to do so please make sure to pay your entire pledge amount by December 15, 2009. The Newman Center is required to pay any amount short of our goal. Thank you for your support. Questions? Contact Daniel L. Rogers, Business Administrator, 247-1094, ext. 223 or email dan@aquinasnm.org.

SUPPORT DISMAS HOUSE MISSION by shopping at St. Dismas Thrift and Treasure or by donating unneeded items to St. Dismas Thrift and Treasure. You may also support Dismas House by attending their Annual Gala on Saturday, December 5, at Hotel Albuquerque. Call 343-0746 for more information.