



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
Grace Faustino	Sarah Rose Cordero
Juanita Eileen Flores	Steve Cuevas, President
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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 Dominic Bernardi, Pastoral Associate for Development and Administration

As this bullet goes to press, thanks to the generosity of over 140 families, the Renatum Capital Fund Drive is fast approaching the \$140,000 mark. Pledges and cash are presently at \$135,478. Now in its fourth week, this puts the Campaign at about 27.0 % of our total goal of \$500,000. This is the total amount needed to complete both the conversion of the Newman House to the Aquinas Priory and the renovation of the North Wing of the Newman Center. The latter is into additional space for the expansion of our fledgling Youth ministry and more needed space for our other ministries and administrative offices of D+E+I. As the year draws to a close, it is not too late to make a 2009 contribution to the drive or to make a pledge to contribute in 2010 and 2011.

For those of you that have not had an opportunity to find out more about the planned renovations and the Renatum Capital Fund Drive, another series of presentations are scheduled this weekend immediately following each Mass in the Auditorium. In addition to hearing and seeing what is planned, these presentations are a wonderful opportunity for you to meet and dialogue with the Parish leadership. This is the final series of presentations in 2009.

In discussing development activities, we must note the continuing need for those who made pledges to the Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign to complete their pledges before year-end. It will not be too long before we hear from the Archdiocese about next year's campaign and our Parish goal.

Also, you will note in this bulletin under Stewardship that the Newman Center's appears to be operating in the black. However, this is as a result of the Renatum Campaign the funds for which are not earmarked for everyday operations but specifically designated for the renovations previously discussed. In truth, weekly contributions are not keeping abreast of the expenses that the Parish has incurred during this fiscal year. A more detailed method of reporting to you the Parish's financial condition is being developed for future bulletins. It is fair to say, however, that you weekly contributions to the Newman Center remain vitally important to the success of its missions and the level of spiritual services that it provides today and in the future.

All of that said, we continue to be thankful for the continuing giving spirit of the Newman Center community; for the Renatum Capital Fund Drive, the weekly collection and the Annual Catholic Appeal.

Finally, on a personal note, I wish each of you and your loved ones a safe, peaceful and blessed Christmas and sincerely thank you for your support.

RENATUM CAPITAL FUND DRIVE

Presentations: Recently there was a presentation by Dom Bernardi regarding the planned renovation projects that will affect the Newman House and the north wing of this facility. Another series of updates is planned after each Mass this weekend, **Dec. 12 – 13**.

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 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 arisen 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 (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.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS are as follows:

Thursday, December 24, Christmas Eve:

4:30pm Masses in main Chapel and Auditorium

10:00pm Mass in main Chapel

Friday, December 25, Christmas Day:

9:30am Mass in the main Chapel

11:00am Mass in the main Chapel

Thursday, December 31, New Year's Eve:

5:15pm (Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God), main Chapel

Friday, January 1, 2010:

10am, Mass for Mary, Mother of God, main Chapel

Note: The 12:10pm Mass will not be held on Thursday, Dec. 24, however daily Masses will be held as usual on Dec.28 (Monday) at 12:10pm, Dec.29 at 5:15pm (Tuesday), and Dec.30 (Wednesday) at 12:10pm. The Newman Center offices will close at noon on Dec.24 and will re-open on Monday, Jan.4, 2010.



CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY
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However high be your endeavors,
 Unless you renounce and subjugate your own will –
 Unless you forget yourself and all that pertains to yourself –

Not one step will you advance on the road to perfection.
 - *St. John of the Cross, Spanish mystic, friar, and priest*
 (1542-1591)

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

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

Open until 9PM until Wed., Dec. 16
With Snacks for All UNM & CNM Students
Studying for Finals.

The Last 5PM Mass is on Sun. Dec. 13. 5PM Mass
resumes on Sun. Jan. 24, 2010.

Sun. Dec. 13: **11:30AM** Feed People Who
 are Homeless
 (mrangell@unm.edu)
5PM Mass & 6PM Meal &
White Elephant Gift Exchange

Mon., Dec. 14: **7:30PM** Fondue Study Break

Wed., Dec. 16: **6PM** Bake Cookies & Deliver
 Them to People in Need

White Elephant Gift Exchange at Meal! Bring is a gift of \$5 or under and wrap it...but don't label it! We will exchange gifts at the 6PM meal on Sun. Dec. 13. Bring a gift and come ready to build community!!!

Finals Fondue Study Break! Join us on Mon., Dec. 14 at 7:30PM in the gathering space! It will be a great way to relax from studying. For more information email Liz at erodrig4@unm.edu.

Bake Cookies and Distribute to People Who are Homeless: Wed., Dec. 16 6PM come to Newman to bake cookies to be distributed to local homeless shelters. For more information email Monique at mrangell@unm.edu. Free coffee provided.

Capital Campaign at the Newman Center: How does this affect me, I am merely a college student? This is the question that might be resonating in your hearts and minds? Well it does affect you! Our ministry has been growing at a phenomenal rate. We currently have over 500 students registered at the Newman Center (*new number as of Dec. 3rd, 2009*). This is an increase from 250+ last year. What does this mean? It means that we need more space a center for our activities to suit your needs. What is Rosie, our Campus Minister, asking us to do? Simple...donate what you can to the Capital Campaign...even if what you can is only \$1. If you have

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any questions please feel free to talk to Rosie or email her at aquinasnewmancenter@gmail.com.

Spring 2010 Semester: We have a lot of events in the making...another Lock-In, Salsa Dancing Night, our Spring Retreat: Who Do You Say I Am?...for more information on these or any other future events please contact Rosie at aquinasnewmancenter@gmail.com.

If you have any questions on any Campus Ministry activities please contact the campus minister Rosie Chinaea at aquinasnewmancenter@gmail.com or at 247-1094 x.241.

PARISHIONERS!

- **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS.** You are invited to assist with the purchase of Christmas poinsettias by making a donation to the Flower Fund in memory of a loved one. Forms are available on the table in the gathering space and must be turned in to the parish office **by Friday, December 18.**
- **CONGRATULATIONS** to Donna Hannon and Nancy Cook, the winners of the Get Up and Go Vacation Giveaway. Sponsored by the 2010 Prayer and Action Delegation to El Salvador. We appreciate the continued support from everyone at the Newman Center.
- **Set Up for the CHRISTMAS Environment.** The transition from Advent to Christmas will take place on **Dec. 20 immediately following the 11:00 Mass.** If you would like to be part of the 'magic' please show up about noon to help us. All are welcome!
- **NEWMAN CENTER PARISHIONER KIM KLOEPEL** was recently named a 2009 recipient of the Gerald W. May Award for distinguished service and dedication to the University of New Mexico. She was recognized at an award ceremony and reception on Thursday, Dec. 3rd. Congratulations, Kim!
- **SPIRITUAL DIRECTION.** Sr. Geneal Kramer is available at the Newman Center every Tuesday from 3 to 5pm at no charge to you. Call 247-1094 ext.221 to schedule an appointment.



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.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- **Monday, December 14**
- **Tuesday, December 15**
Finance Council, 12noon, auditorium
RCIA, 6:30pm, hangout
- **Wednesday, December 16**
UMAC Meeting, 3pm, hangout
Friends of Catherine meeting, 3:30pm, classroom
11am Choir, 6:00 pm, rehearsal space & library
- **Thursday, December 17**
Quilting Group, 6:30pm, classroom
9:30am Choir, 6:00 pm, rehearsal space & library
- **Friday, December 18**
- **Saturday, December 19 - Baptism Weekend**
- **Sunday, December 20-Baptism Weekend**
Ben Baran, Scripture Study, 9:15 am, auditorium
Faith in Life, 1pm, auditorium
Environment Set-up, 12noon
Christmas Choir, 1pm, main chapel
5:00pm Mass will resume on January 24, 2010

†WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS †

December 12	4:30 pm	†Bernardo DeLaCalle
December 13	8:00 am	†Gladis Maresma
	9:30 am	†Mary Amberg
	11:00 am	†Bernardo De La Calle
	5:00 pm	Pro Populo
December 14	12:10 pm	Judy Putnam-intentions
December 15	5:15 pm	Dominican Mass
December 16	12:10 pm	†George Sandoval
December 17	12:10 pm	†Thomas Maloof
December 18	12:10 pm	Communion Service

Prayers for the Sick - Remember and pray for them:

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

Exploring the Underground Stream: Toward Sharing Universal Wisdom. For centuries, mystics and masters from every religion and philosophical tradition have been telling us that there is a place deep within our soul where each of us can experience a Wisdom that unites all of us. We will spend this morning seeking this universal Wisdom by meditatively opening ourselves to experiencing, exploring, and beginning to express it in the hope that all may be one. Norbertine Fr. Francis Dorff will lead this presentation on Sat., Jan. 16, 2010 at The Norbertine Library, 5825 Coors Blvd. SW, Abq. from 9:30am to noon. The presentation is open to all—reservations are not required. Questions? Call Meg Ashcroft, Library Director, at 873-4399.

LITURGY

- **Christmas “Nativity” Choir**—Rehearsals will be from 1-3pm: Dec. 13 and 20. Come on! Join us!
- **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.
- **Environment Set Up** will held up for Dec. 20, 2009.
- **What a Joy** to be a part of the Newman Center community! As we engage 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!

STEWARDSHIP:

- **Sharing Time, Talent & Treasure.** This season celebrates the coming of our Savior. Stewards wait in joyful anticipation for God’s Word to continue to change the world. Stewards share this joy as they work as disciples in support of the church’s mission of proclaiming, teaching, serving, and sanctifying.
- **Second Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious this weekend.** Your donation to this collection provides critical support to religious institutes in meeting the escalating costs of eldercare. Please pray for all religious and give generously to today’s second collection.

Fiscal Year to Date Revenue Fiscal Year to Date Expenses:

November 2009: \$319,983	November 2009: \$319,889
November 2009: \$278,667	November 2008: \$313,010

Readings for the Week of December 13, 2009

Sunday:	Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18
Monday:	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17
Friday:	Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25
Saturday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25
Next Sunday:	Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

A Workshop on End of Life Legal Issues will discuss the Medical Directives, Living Wills, Power of Attorney and the importance of having a will. The attorney facilitating this workshop will be Tom Macken. The workshop will be held at San Jose Mission in Duranes, 2110 Los Luceros Rd. NW, on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 from 9am to 1pm, Lunch will be served therefore it is important to call to register. Call Rosalie at 831-8179 by Friday, January 8, 2010. This workshop is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Santa Fe and the Office of Pastoral Outreach.