

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
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Catherine Loweree, Faith Formation
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Elizabeth Rodriguez, Community Life

DOMINICANS IN RESIDENCE

Br. Paul Byrd, O.P., Intern	Fr. Thomas Noesen, O.P.
Fr. Kevin Niehoff, O.P.	Fr. Matthew Strabala, 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 Carlos Navarro, A member of the Peace and Social Justice Commission

The Peace and Social Justice Commission invites you to join us in writing letters to Congress about taxes this weekend. Huh? Taxes? Actually yes. But it's not about our own taxes but about efforts to make our tax code more responsive to low-income families. We are participating in Bread for the World's 2010 Offering of Letters, which asks Congress to protect and strengthen key tax credits (including the Earned Income Tax Credit) that can make a big difference for low-income workers and their families.

Here's a bit of background. This year, taxes will be near the top of the agenda in Congress because a series of tax cuts and tax credits enacted in recent years will expire. In the midst of the debate over which taxes to change and which to renew, the needs of low-income people could easily be lost.

The tax code has many incentives that encourage taxpayers to make certain fiscal choices, like saving for retirement, getting a college education, or owning a home. But many of those credits are out of reach for low-income earners who often do not have the same tools for those kinds of expenditures or long-term financial investments.

We write these letters not only as concerned citizens but as people of faith, knowing that Jesus never avoided uncomfortable subjects. Where polite society might frown on talking openly about money, Jesus confronted people's beliefs, both spoken and unspoken, regarding finances. He understood how much of human life is affected by our attitudes toward wealth, by the way workers are compensated, and especially by economic realities—including taxes—that affect everyone.

More than once, Jesus was questioned about the morality of paying taxes. In each case, he acknowledged the responsibility to pay taxes while drawing attention to the deeper questions about the place of economics in our lives. When asked to pay the temple tax, he directed his disciple to catch a fish, whose mouth held a coin worth enough to pay for both of their taxes (Matthew 17:24-27).

When asked about the lawfulness of paying taxes to the emperor, he reminded the Pharisees that their first loyalty is owed to God. Everything belongs to God, the first and greatest giver. Since we are made in God's image, we can follow that example and order our economic life, including our tax policies, accordingly (Matthew 22:15-22).

These stories affirm the central place of an economics of sharing in a life governed by love for neighbor.

The call to seek justice for hungry and poor people requires us to take such compassionate actions to another level, moving beyond simple acts of sharing with those in need to the more encompassing action of advocacy.

So please join us this weekend in writing a letter or two to Congress about this important issue. We will provide paper, pens, sample letters and we'll even mail your letters.

FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE CHILDREN OF EL SALVADOR (FOCES) . . . On March 24, close to 100 people attended a service at the Newman Center commemorating the 30th anniversary of the martyrdom of Monseñor Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, El Salvador from 1977-1980. Though he was considered a safe choice, someone who would not challenge the existing social and political structures of his society, Monseñor Romero's heart was broken open by the suffering he saw in a people living in one of the most inequitable and repressive societies in the hemisphere. He became a champion of the poor and oppressed of El Salvador and paid the price for his courage when he was assassinated while saying Mass on March 24, 1980, in the opening days of a civil war that would claim the lives of more than 70,000 Salvadorans between 1979 and 1992.

Since the end of that war, members of our community inspired by the life of Monseñor Romero have been holding annual commemorations of his death at the Newman Center. We have sent Prayer and Action delegations to El Salvador on an annual basis to learn from the prophetic experience of the Salvadoran church and to provide assistance to the people of El Salvador. Over nearly two decades, we have provided in excess of \$750,000 in financial support to APRODEHNI, the Association for the Promotion of the Human Rights of the Children of El Salvador, a Salvadoran non-governmental organization. Those funds have supported a wide range of rural community development programs, including most prominently a program designed to help students from poor rural families graduate from high school and in some cases move on to university studies. Several years ago, we created a new charitable non-profit organization, the Friends of the Children of El Salvador (FOCES), to carry on the important work of this ministry.

Seventeen families who are part of the Newman Center's El Salvador ministry have recently collectively pledged \$15,000 to the Renatum Building Campaign in order to name a room in the renovated north wing after Monseñor Romero. We have made this commitment in gratitude that we are part of a church community that has supported and nurtured this ministry for nearly two decades. It is easy to think of a building campaign in purely material terms, as somehow separate from the vital ministries of our parish community. By collecting money to name a room after Monseñor Oscar Romero, we hope to create an ongoing remembrance of one of the many vibrant ministries of our parish community, one that we hope will remain a central part of the Newman community for years to come.

Mark Peceny

Treasurer, Friends of the Children of El Salvador (FOCES)

REMINDER! Elections for the Parish Pastoral council will be held this weekend after all Masses. We are looking for 3 collegial councilors with 1 alternate and 1 resident councilor with one alternate.

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY—Spring 2010
Aquinas Newman Center

*If you really want to be powerful,
 If you really want to be influential,
 Then just serve.*

- Rev. Willie Barrow, civil rights activist

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

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

- Sun. April 25:** **Brick Fundraiser for the Capital Campaign**
Letters for Bread for the World
5PM Mass & 6PM Meal, Bdays
- Mon. April 26:** **6:45PM Divine Mercy Chaplet**
 (bropaulbyrd@yahoo.com)
7:15PM Bible Study in the Hang Out
 (bropaulbyrd@yahoo.com)
- Tues. April 27:** **6PM Faith Sharing Group**
 (lbalopez@unm.edu)
7PM Rosary in the Dominican Chapel
 (netforce@unm.edu)
- Wed. April 28:** **7PM Catholic Chat in the Hang Out**
 (cath08@unm.edu)
8:30PM Sacrament of Reconciliation
9PM Candlelight Mass
 (boleary@unm.edu)
- Sat. May 1:** **Justice Walking Closing Retreat at Newman** (*starts on Friday night*)
7PM Talent Show at Newman
 (erodrig4@unm.edu)
- Sun. May 2:** **Brick Fundraiser for the Capital Campaign**
Letters for Bread for the World
5PM Mass & 6PM Meal, B-days

Brick Fundraiser: The Newman Center has been embarking on a capital campaign. The student community at Newman is having a brick fundraiser. For each \$100 we fundraise we can purchase a brick towards the capital campaign! The weekend of April 25 we will have a collection outside in the gathering space after the 5PM liturgy to help in this effort. Questions? Contact Rosie at aquiansnewmancenter@gmail.com.

Graduating? Are you graduating this semester? If so please contact Brendan O'Leary boleary@unm.edu. We will be having a special Mass for all graduating students from UNM in May.

Coffee House, Talent Show. Do you have a talent you want to share with Newman? Do you play the piano? Sing? Juggle? If so share your talents with a community you love on Sat. May 1st! Contact Liz for more information at erodrig4@unm.edu.


Campus Ministry, continued . . .

Candlelight Mass: Our next Candlelight Mass is on Wed. April 28 at 9PM in the Dominican Chapel. We will also have the sacrament of reconciliation available at 8:30PM. Questions? Contact Brendan at boleary@unm.edu.

Thank you to everyone who brought snacks for the spring retreat and also for those who let us borrow the room dividers! The spring retreat, "Who Do You Say I Am?" was a huge success!

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

PARISHIONERS:

- **Fire of Love: A Celebration of St. Catherine of Siena:** The Friars, Sisters, Laity and Associates of the Dominican Order of Preachers invite you to attend two events in honor of St. Catherine of Siena who was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church 40 years ago this year. A Solemn Vespers will be celebrated on **Thursday, April 29 at 7pm** in Aquinas Newman Center Chapel at the University of New Mexico followed by a dessert social. On **Sunday, May 2 at 1pm**, Fr. Tom McDermott, OP, a Catherine scholar, will give a free lecture open to the public in the Newman Center auditorium on St. Catherine of Siena. Hors d'oeuvres and soft drinks will be served at 12:30 during which Fr. McDermott will greet those present.
- **Got Books? Sat., July 10 through Sun., July 18,** are the dates of the 2010 Newman Center Book Sale! Start saving your pre-read books and drop them off anytime in the library. Then in July you can purchase new pre-read books for a song and support a good cause! 

Haiti Update. Sincere thanks to the Newman Center Community for your prayerful and financial support given to the people of Haiti. Through your generosity we were able to send **over \$7,000** of aid through the Purdue Haiti Committee. In addition we were also able to send a substantial sum through Catholic Relief Services. May God bless your generosity. The "**Comfort for Haiti's Children**" project has reported that with the help of many Neman parishioners and family members they were able to send over 420 blankets, sleeping bags and teddy bears to the children in Haiti. Most of the items were sent via shipping container through *Food for the Poor* in Florida. The Purdue Haiti Committee and John Ginda will also carry more items with them on their next visit to Haiti. We thank Almighty God, Deborah Thomas, and members of the Newman Family for supporting this project—for without your support it never would have been as successful.

SAVE THE DATE! Vacation Bible School will be held June 7–11, for children ages 4 through 5th grade! Contact Kyle Kemp at 247-1094 ext.226 if you are interested.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- **Monday, April 26**
- **Tuesday, April 27**
Campus Ministry Faith Sharing, 5:30pm, lib.
RCIA, 6pm, hangout
- **Wednesday, April 28**
Dancing Group, 7pm auditorium
8:30pm, Confessions (Campus Ministry)
9:00pm, Candlelight Mass (Campus Ministry)
6pm, 11am Choir Rehearsal, library/rehearsal sp.
- **Thursday, April 29**
**Feast Day of Catherine of Siena, Potluck
Dinner at 4:30pm followed by Vespers
at 7pm**
Quilters group, 6:30pm, auditorium
- **Friday, April 30**
- **Saturday, May 1**
- **Sunday, May 2**
Ben Baran, Scripture Study, 9:30 am, classroom
**Catherine of Siena lecture with Fr. Tom
McDermott O.P., 1:00pm, auditorium**
5:00 pm UNM Student Mass followed by a meal
at 6:00 pm

†WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS †

April 24	4:30 pm	
April 25	8:00 am	
	9:30 am	
	11:00 am	†Stanley and Irene Flack
	5:00 pm	
April 26	12:10 pm	Coffey Family—special intentions
April 27	5:15 pm	Dominican Mass
April 28	12:10 pm	†Thomas Maloof
April 29	12:10 pm	
April 30	12:10 pm	Communion Service

Prayers for the Sick - Remember and pray for them:

<i>Mary Lou Blea</i>	<i>Jack Gallagher</i>	<i>Marjorie</i>
<i>David Byers</i>	<i>Mary Hodock</i>	<i>Pickering</i>
<i>Sean Cole</i>	<i>Cheryl Holcomb</i>	<i>Mary Jane</i>
<i>Rita Conlon</i>	<i>Diana Huntress</i>	<i>Reardon</i>
<i>Bob Connell</i>	<i>Reneé Klunck</i>	<i>Jo Renn</i>
<i>Barbara Duran</i>	<i>John Konitzer, Jr.</i>	<i>Helen</i>
<i>Frances Eckert</i>	<i>Rose E. Lopez</i>	<i>Washington</i>
<i>Serafina Fellin</i>	<i>Mary Helen</i>	
	<i>Martinez</i>	

The Central Council of the Society of St.

Vincent de Paul will celebrate the grand opening of their new Thrift Store at 4301 4th St. NW in Albuquerque from 10:00am to 3:00pm on Saturday May 15. The store will be blessed and dedicated by Archbishop Michael Sheehan at 10:30am. We will have music by a youth group-food-and events including a silent auction. Questions? Call Richard Baumann at 294-6048.

Renatum Capital Fund Drive Update

Report Date 2010	TOTAL \$	Out-standing Pledges	Cash
April 7	218,976	106,842	112,134
February 28	196,017	93,100	102,917
Change	22,959	13,742	4,573

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE SPIRITUAL RENEWAL CENTER:

- **April 25: Noon to 5:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe & the Black Madonna Exploring Cross Cultural Spiritual Beliefs and Traditions.** PLEASE BRING: Crayons, paints or colored markers, and a statue, symbol, or picture of the Holy Mother of your heart. Workshop Facilitator: Joanne Rossi, MA LPCC (lunch Included) \$30.
- **7-8:30pm April, 27, May 11, 25. St. Therese of Lisieux Series & Dessert.** Speaker: Wardene Crowley. Come and explore Theresa's biography, her prayer life and the gift of self knowledge. Cost is \$10 per session at door or \$25 for all three if prepaid.
- **May 13: 9:30 am to 3:00pm. Marian Retreat: Honoring our Blessed Mother.** Through music, scripture, the rosary, a Holy Hour and communion service, spend a day honoring this most holy woman. Presenter: Sharon Pikula. Cost \$30.
- **May 14-16: Serenity Retreat** with Fr. Tom Weston SJ. Join us for 12-Step Meetings, discussion and private talks with Fr. Weston as we explore ways to sustain the serenity that is the cornerstone of recovery. \$195, \$98 for commuters.
- *All events will be held at the Spiritual Renewal Center 6400 Coors Blvd, NW Albuquerque, NM (505) 877-4211. Please call for more information.*

Readings for the Week of April 25, 2010

Sunday:	Acts 13:14, 43-52/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24---13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

There will be a Second Collection this weekend for **The Brothers of the Good Shepherd**. Please look for the collection box on the table in the Gathering Space.