# NEWMAN CENTER SPRING SCHEDULE

Building Hours: Sun. – Thurs. 7 am to 10:30 pm, Fri. 7 am to 5 pm, Sat. 8 am to 5 pm

Café Hours: Mon.—Fri. 7 am—3pm Sat./Sun. 8 am—2 pm

Mass Times: Mon.— Fri. 12:15 pm; Wed. 12:15pm is in Latin (Novus Ordo)

**Sat.** 9 am, 4:30 pm, **Sun.** 8 am, 10:30 am, 7 pm & 9:30 pm

Confessions: Sat. 3:30pm or by appt.

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays from 1 –5 pm, Wednesday 8—9 pm

# **SUPPORT MEETINGS - Classroom 1**

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Mon - Fri 10:00 am and Sun 1 - 2:30pm/Open Meetings: Cheryl S 413-406-6841

Young People's Group (AA): Thu 7:30 - 8:30pm at Mercy House

Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous, (FA): Sun 4 - 5:30pm/Info: Teresa 265-3910 or Elizabeth 818-207-0749

Overeaters Anonymous, (OA): Tuesday 12:30-1:30pm (moved to the Bartley room)

# **NEWMAN CENTER DIRECTORY**

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# February 23, 2020

# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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February 10, 2020

Dear friends in Christ:

Ash Wednesday this year falls on February 26th.

In my time here in the Diocese of Springfield, many priests have shared with me experiences of people returning to the practice of their Faith through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I thank you for being ministers of reconciliation and healing, particularly for those who have felt hurt by the Church in any way. The Lenten Season is a great reminder to us of our calling to reconcile and start anew in our relationship with God and our brothers and sisters. I pray for that time of grace for all of us ministering in the diocese of Springfield and am grateful for the efforts of scheduling Penance Services that inspire our people to make use of this sacrament.

During Lent, Catholics who are between the ages of 18 and 59 undertake at a minimum two days of fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. To fast means to take just one full meal with two smaller meals and no eating between meals. Additionally, every Catholic 14 years and older is to make Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent meatless days – days on which no meat of any kind is eaten, days of abstinence.

Ash Wednesday is a time for acts of penance and alms-giving, helping those who are less fortunate than ourselves. A visible sign of our Lenten practices comes on Ash Wednesday when the ashes mark a sign of the cross on our forehead to remind us that our frail human nature needs the saving power of Christ. The imposition of ashes, fasting and abstinence from meat are outward signs of the work we seek to do during Lent: to make our interior dispositions more of what Christ would have us be. Each of us is asked, as well, to undertake particular prayers, actions, alms giving, mortifications, and self-sacrifice to help us grow in our understanding of all God has done for us. A special undertaking can be the Rice Bowl program – a sacrifice by each of us for those who never have a full meal.

May this Lent be for each of us a time of growth in our relationship with Christ and with others and may it be a time that we find ourselves more fully in concert with all that God calls us to be.

With every best wish,

In Christ,

+Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski Bishop of Springfield

# **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, February 22
Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

**9:00am** +*Medard Le* 

**4:30pm** +*Edward Smiarowski* 

Sunday, February 23
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am +Phero Tran Thanh Binh

**10:30am** +*Medard Le* 

**7:00pm** +*Thomas and Dorothy Miskell* **9:30pm** 

Monday, February 24
Weekday in Ordinary Time
12:15pm Intentions of Matthew LeClair

Tuesday, February 25
Weekday in Ordinary Time

12:15pm +Phero Tran Thanh Binh

# Wednesday, February 26 Ash Wednesday

9:00am +Thomas and Dorothy Miskell

**12:15pm** +*Medard Le* 

5:30pm Intentions of Francis Chan

7:00pm + Joanne Kaiser

**9:30pm** + Robert and Nancy Lathloen

# Thursday, February 27 Thursday after Ash Wednesday 12:15pm Intentions of Ethan Wilson

7:00pm

Friday, February 28
Friday after Ash Wednesday

12:15pm + John Holsworth

Saturday, February 29
Saturday after Ash Wednesday

**9:00am** +*Medard Le* 

4:30pm

Sunday, March 1
First Sunday of Lent

8:00am

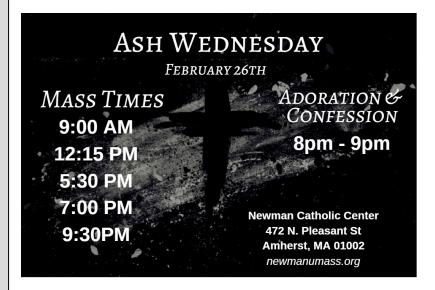
**10:30am** +*Medard Le* 

7:00pm

9:30pm

WEEKLY OFFERING
WEEKEND OFFERTORY: \$1552

Wisdom from St. John Henry Newman "Growth is the only evidence of life."





# **Needing Tax Info for 2019?**



It is ready! Please call or email Ginny Webb for either a pick up of your tax statement or to have it mailed.

Craigs's Doors Collection: The Newman Council is planning a Stop & Shop collection to benefit Craig's Doors on Saturday March 7th from 9am - 1pm. We are looking for volunteers to stand at the doors at Stop & Shop to encourage donations (hand out fliers, draw attention to the collection) and thank people. Those interested can talk with Megan Johnson or Wes Goscenski or email Megan at mjohnson390@gmail.com.

#### RECEPTION FROM CHALICE BEING SUSPENDED: It

has been recommended by the Health Services to suspend the reception of the Precious Blood in the chalice during the height of the flu season. We will suspend the drinking from the chalice until further notice. We are sorry for any inconvenience to you regarding this but we want to make sure everyone remain healthy. I know that it does not seem like much to take a sip from the chalice but the concern is for our Eucharistic Ministers and priest who have to consume the remaining Precious Blood. Thank you for your cooperation.



# It's time to register for the Catholic Life Conference!

If you have ever prayed for your parish or for the diocese...if you have prayed for

vocations, for families, for young people...if you have prayed for family members who have left the church or friends who have left because of Church teaching...if you are discouraged because of empty churches or merged parishes...if you have implored God to HELP as the world changes and teeters: then we have good news for you! A miracle is happening right here in Western Massachusetts!

God has pulled together Catholics from around the diocese to bring an annual conference to the Springfield Diocese each Lent. **The Catholic Life Conference has its first one-day conference on March 21, 2020**, to give the proverbial shot in the arm to all Catholics, whether they are in the trenches, retired from the trenches, far away and just looking on; whether they are old or young, working or retired, in college or high school or grade school, whether they are holding the church together with their prayers or never praying much at all. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of something big that God is doing right here! To register, go to our website at catholiclifeconference.org or call Virginia at 413 768-0698.

# **Lenten Opportunities**

## **Lenten Bible Study:**

How Can I expect to find guidance in the Bible written so long ago? Using How to Listen

When God is Speaking, by Fr. Mitch Pacwa,
S.J., and Scriptures from the Sundays of Lent,
join Deacon Tom in exploring this question.

Three sessions on Mondays March 2, 9, 16 in
Classroom 1 from 5:45-6:45pm. The book is
available on Amazon and through Ignatius
Press.

## **Lenten Spirituality Group:**

Join us for a Lenten Journey of prayer, song, and community. We will discuss The Universal Christ by Richard Rohr.
When: 6 Sundays, 9:15-10:15am (between the 8 and 10:30 mass) March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5.

Where: Bartley Room

Contact: Erin Baker edbaker@ecs.umass.edu

Everyone is welcome!

### SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS NEEDED FOR SPRING

BREAK TRIP: We have 12 students going on Pilgrimage to Mexico to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and visiting the sites of St. Juan Diego and other important Mexican cultural sites. We also have 8 students going down to Washington, D.C. for a service trip to assist the charitable works of Simple House. If anyone is interested in assisting financially to assist these students, please send a check made out to the Newman Catholic Center and we will divide that money up between these 20 students. We are always grateful for your generosity.