

ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS

From Fr. Jim – Noteworthy Upcoming Events

Information Sessions: October 29 and 30 - This weekend, I invite all of you downstairs to the Church Hall after each of the five weekend Masses where I will be offering Information Sessions. Please plan to stop downstairs and talk with me.

Rectory Open House: Saturday and Sunday, November 19 and 20 - we will hold an Open House in the Rectory after each of the five weekend Masses. We look forward to welcoming you in the Rectory that weekend.

Thanksgiving Dinner: Thursday, November 24, in the Rectory from 3:00PM to 5:00PM, for students who cannot travel home. Please RSVP to appropriate Campus Ministers.

All Saints Day: Tuesday, November 1, A Holy Day of Obligation on which we celebrate the eternal life of all those who have gone before us in faith and now live as saints in the Kingdom of Heaven. The Masses at 7:30AM, 12:05PM and 5:30PM will be in Church. This year we will also have Masses on three college campuses in the evening: Join Drexel Newman at 9:00PM on the 2nd floor of the James E. Marks Intercultural Center in the Interfaith Chapel. Join Penn Newman at 9:00PM in Houston Hall's Bodek Lounge. Join USci Newman at 8:00PM in Rosenberger Hall, Room 101.

God's blessings to each of you.

Weekly Mass with Archbishop Chaput at the Cathedral: Archbishop Chaput will hear confessions at 5:30PM each Sunday and celebrate Mass at 6:30PM each Sunday at the Cathedral Basilica. All are invited.

This Week at Saints Agatha and James

Saturday, October 29

4:00PM – 5:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass Parishioners and Benefactors

Sunday, October 30 **31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30AM Mass Intentions of the Candeloro & Zagrosky Families
11:30AM Mass Deceased Members of Gepty/Monjardin Families
5:30PM Mass Intentions of the Cortes/Brinker Families
9:00PM Mass Students, Staffs, & Faculties at area Universities

Tuesday, November 1 **All Saints Day**

7:30AM Mass In Church
12:05PM Mass In Church
5:30PM Mass In Church
7:00PM Holy Hour St. Bede Chapel, Newman Center
Evening Masses at Drexel, Penn and U.Sciences – See Bulletin

Wednesday, November 2 **All Souls Day**

7:30AM Mass In Memory of Deceased Parishioners of Sts. A&J
12:05PM Mass Deceased Members of Gepty/Monjardin Families
5:30PM Mass In Memory of Helen "Lynn" Bowen

Saturday, November 5

8:30AM Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00PM - 5:00PM Fr. George
5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass Parishioners and Benefactors

**Celebrants for the Weekend Masses, November 5 and 6
(Reminder: DST ends 2 AM Nov. 6. PA returns to EST.)**

Sunday, November 6 **32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30PM Saturday Vigil Mass Fr. George
9:30AM Sunday Mass Fr. Jim
11:30AM Sunday Mass Fr. Jim
5:30PM Sunday Mass Fr. Benjamin
9:00PM Sunday Mass Fr. George

PARISH COUNCILS

Parish Pastoral Council: Fr. Jim McGuinn, Eric Banecker, Thomas Holloman, Natalie Seminole, Carole Tokarczyk

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PARISH MINISTRIES

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For matters pertaining to Catholic Forum, Circle of St. Bede, Connections, Legion of Mary, Outreach, Pre-Cana, RCIA, Scripture Study, Young Adults, please contact TBA.

Catholic Forum: Everyone is welcome to attend this gathering to share fellowship and reflect on the readings of each Sunday's Mass. Meet after the 9:30AM Mass in back of the Church near the Heritage Room to walk to the Center.

Circle of St. Bede: We meet in the lower level Newman Center after 7:30AM Mass on Tuesdays and seek to promote the integration of faith with our academic lives and to foster a sense of Catholic community in the campus setting. For more info, contact Dr. Peter Dodson dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu.

Legion of Mary (Korean): We meet at 6:00PM Wednesday evenings in Room 2, Lower Level, the Newman Center. Please contact yjk72770@gmail.com for more information.

Scripture Study: New members are warmly welcomed at 8:00AM on Wednesdays in the lower level of the Newman Center. We are discussing the Book of Job. Contact Charlotte Ethier at ethiercc@aol.com for more information.

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Training/Information Session for HEMs: Wednesday, November 2 at 7:00PM in the upper level, Newman Center.

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Liturgy Corner: During this past week I was glad that some of you found last weekend's column concerning the reception of Communion helpful. For those of you who missed it, the following is from the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* as approved for the United States.

160. "The priest...goes to the communicants, who, as a rule, approach in a procession. The norm for reception of Holy Communion in the dioceses of the United States is **standing**. When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant **bows his or her head** before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is **also** made before receiving the Precious Blood."

The Church of Saints Agatha and James

On another note, as many of you are probably aware, we will begin implementing changes in the wording of both the spoken and sung parts of the Mass this year as a result of the Church's revision of the *Roman Missal* for English speaking countries. Sts. Agatha and James will be providing regular informational bulletin inserts to help clarify some of these changes. This week's insert is a primer on the parts of the Mass. As a result of these changes the parish will need to purchase new *Missals*. If you would like to make a **Donation** to help offset these costs, please contact the Parish Office for details. Peace to all!

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Restroom Accessibility: Beginning Nov. 5 & 6 the restrooms downstairs in the Church Hall are to be accessed via the two stairways near the main entrance of the Church.

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DREXEL NEWMAN MINISTRY

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All Saints Day: Join Drexel Newman in the celebration of All Saints Day Mass, November 1st at 9pm on the 2nd floor of the James E. Marks Intercultural Center in the Interfaith Chapel.

Connections I and II: Gather with others, reflect on Scripture, and spend some time in prayer. All are welcome to Connections which meets Wednesdays at 4:00PM or 9:00PM in the Drexel Newman Office, 2nd floor of Intercultural Center, 30 S. 33rd Street. Contact Drexelnewman@gmail.com.

Drexel Newman Facebook: Join Drexel Newman Facebook page to hear about upcoming events, as well as connect with the community! Search "Drexel Newman" on Facebook.

Freshmen retreat: Drexel freshmen are welcome to join us on our freshmen retreat this year, *Novus*, November 12-13. Topics will range from "choices", to "friendship", to "religion". Upperclassmen—we need your help to run the retreat!

Get connected! Learn about upcoming events. Join our email list by emailing Mike Chovanes at Drexelnewman@gmail.com.

Newman Dinner: On Thursdays at 6:00pm at the Newman Center, 3720 Chestnut St., gather with us for our weekly \$3 dinner! All Drexel Students are welcome!

PENN NEWMAN MINISTRY

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ALL PENN STUDENTS

All Saints Day Mass on Campus! Tuesday, November 1, 9PM, Houston Hall's Bodek Lounge.

Family Weekend Breakfast! All Penn students and their families and friends are invited to join us on Sunday, October, 30 at 10:30 am!

Lunch w/ Fr. Jim: Fr. Jim and Jeff will be eating lunch at Houston Hall each Monday. BYO lunch. Meet us at the Button at Noon!

Newman Dinner: On Thursdays at 6:00PM at Penn Newman, gather with us for our weekly dinner! A great meal for only \$3! The event also features Open Mic! All Penn students welcome and no reservation necessary!

Spiritual Mentoring/Direction: An opportunity to meet one-on-one with a professional minister to speak about your life. Several mentors are available to Penn undergraduate and graduate students. See www.newman.upenn.edu.

PENN GRADUATE STUDENTS

Grad Student Weekly Service: The UCHC meal for the poor and homeless needs volunteers 5:30-7:00PM on Mondays at Sts. A and J. Email Anna Smith at annasm@vet.upenn.edu!

Connections: Tuesdays until November 22, 7:00-8:30 PM, a weekly small-group program - social opportunities, discussion on how faith impacts our lives and prayer. Email Jeff Klein

PENN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Newman Nights: Newman Nights have moved to Thursdays, 7:15PM. NN's feature an opportunity for socializing and/or discussion on current topics. All Penn undergrads welcome! For November 3: What would YOU change about the Church? Let's have some honest discussion about what you love and don't love about our Church today.

Cor Retreat: All Penn sophomores, juniors or are welcome to join us, January 13-15 (MLK Jr. Weekend)! It will consist of socialization, small group discussions, and ample time for prayer and reflection. Cost \$75. Contact Jeff Klein to sign up.

U SCIENCES NEWMAN MINISTRY

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All Saints Day: Join USci Newman in celebration of All Saints Day Mass, November 1 at 8PM - Rosenberger Hall, Rm. 101.

Connections I and II: Gather with others, reflect on Scripture, and spend time in prayer: Tuesdays, 7:00PM, Whiteacre Hall, upstairs lounge or Thursdays, 7:00PM at the home of USci Newman president, Molly. Contact uscine Newman@gmail.com.

Freshmen retreat: USci freshmen are welcome to join us on our freshmen retreat this year, *Novus*, November 5-6. Upperclassmen—we need your help to run the retreat!

Holy Hour: USci students are welcome to Adore the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday nights from 7-8PM at the Newman Center, 3720 Chestnut Street.

Newman Dinner: On Thursdays at 6:00pm at the Newman Center, 3720 Chestnut, gather with us for our weekly \$3 dinner! USci Students welcome - no reservation necessary!