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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

this week . . .

Sept 22 - Sept 30



"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a

Reflect & Respond to Scripture

First Reading

We hear from the Wisdom writer the mindset of those who oppose God. Where do you see this mentality in the world today?

Second Reading

James speaks of one's passions as the source of much conflict in the world and in ourselves. Which of your passions have caused conflict for you?

Gospel Reading

Jesus teaches the disciples today that true discipleship requires humility and simplicity. In what ways is this condition of discipleship a challenge for you?

SAT 22	Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dedication of St. Paul's Newman Center (1957) 5:00 p.m. Mass:
SUN 23	8:30 a.m. Mass: 9:30 a.m. Diving Deep 11:00 p.m. Mass: St. Paul's Newman Center 5:00 p.m. Mass: 6:00 p.m. Student Sunday Supper
MON 24	12:00 p.m. Meditation 4:00 p.m. Family Faith Formation 5:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion 6:00 p.m. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
TUE 25	5:00 p.m. Mass 5:45 p.m. Music Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Family Faith Formation
WED 26	4:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 p.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Middle School Youth Ministry 7:30 p.m. High School Youth Ministry 8:00 p.m. Cowboy Catholic Praise and Adoration
THUR 27	12:25 p.m. Mass on Campus 5:00 p.m. Misa En Español 7:00 p.m. Brotherhood Dinner
FRI 28	5:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
SAT 29	4:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m. Mass:
SUN 30	8:30 a.m. Mass: St. Paul's Newman Center 9:30 a.m. Diving Deep 11:00 a.m. Mass 5:00 p.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Sunday Supper



You are invited to a listening session with Bishop Steven on Thursday, September 27, at 7:00 p.m. in Hartmann Hall, at St. Mary's Cathedral in Cheyenne, as he addresses and answers questions on the sexual abuse issues.

eucharist times & sacramental preparation info

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

8:30, 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday

5:00 p.m.

Thursday Mass on Campus

UW Union Rm 202 at 12:25

Thursday-Misa En Español

5:00 p.m.

reconciliation

Wednesdays & Saturdays

4:00 p.m.

(or by appointment)

RCIA

Are you interested in exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic? RCIA meets Mondays at 6:00 p.m. beginning Sept. 24. Call Anthony Allen for more information.

infant baptism

Anyone interested in having their baby baptized needs to attend preparation sessions that explore the meaning of the Sacrament, explain the Rite, and support parents and godparents in the Christian role of sharing faith with their children. Email Anthony for information.

new to our parish? would you like to become a member?

Whether you are new to Laramie or new to our community, we welcome and invite you to stop by the office weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. for membership information or contact us at newman@newmancenter.org

WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL

Pray, hope, and don't worry!

—Padre Pio

Campus Ministry

Cowboy Catholic

College students gather every Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. in Bishop Newell Hall. Topics of interest are presented along with discussion... PLUS there is music, fun, and food to complete an evening of fellowship. Need more information? Contact Lillie: lillie@newmancenter.org

SEARCH Retreat is Around the Corner

This student led weekend focuses on discovering and awakening your relationship with Christ. Treat yourself to a time away from the craziness of college and relax in the Lord. This experience has been responsible for life-long friendships. Fall SEARCH is November 9-11.

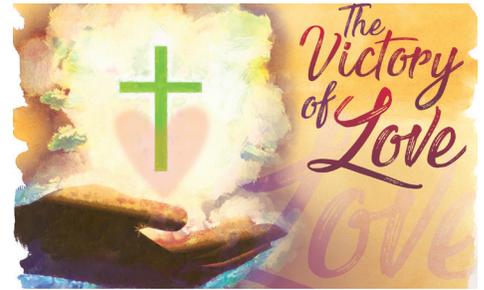
SEARCH
RETREAT

Thank You

Last Sunday, Sept. 16, Gift Offerings **\$4,877** including our tithe (**\$488**) for our brothers and sisters in need

"...anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest."

Mark 10:43



Pick up a free copy of **Extenion** magazine. Its inspiring stories will help you understand the diversity and scope of the Catholic Church in America—in places where faith is strong but resources are limited.

Dedication of St. Paul's Newman Center

Saturday, September 22, marked the 61st anniversary of the Dedication of St. Paul's Newman Center. We are grateful for the abundant blessings of our Community and the ever growing success of our ministry. "Heart speaks to Heart" was the motto of John Cardinal Newman and has been the inspiration of our ministry at the Newman Center since our beginning. Through incredible leadership throughout the years we have grown from a small Newman Club to a vibrant parish community.

We strive to welcome and embrace all that enter our space; recognizing Christ in each and every person. The celebration of the Eucharist is the center of our community out of which all of us are called to discipleship as we journey to the kingdom together.



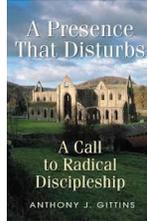
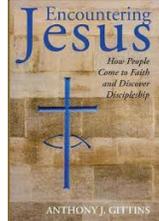
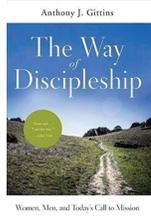
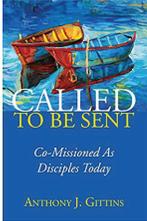
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Formation

Books Available

Fr. Gittins shared many insightful ways that we are called to discipleship. For those who did not have a chance to check over his books or for anyone who was not able to attend the conference, there are several of those still available. The cost is per book is \$20.00 and will be available in the parish office.



Observances for the Week of September 23, 2018

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Wednesday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
 Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
 Friday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
 Saturday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
 Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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The Newman Center will hold a **Ministry Fair** on September 29-30 following the Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Liturgies. Representatives from all the ministries serving our parish will be available to answer questions and help you to discover how your gifts and talents can enhance the life of our parish and Laramie Community.

Diocesan Events

Beginning Experience of Wyoming (BE)

Casper, WY October 12-14, 2018

Beginning Experience is a weekend program that offers healing and renewal to divorced, widowed and separated men and women. You can anticipate an intense reflective, but spiritually honest self-encounter. You will find support and fellowship. The donation for the weekend is \$150.00 that includes room, meals, and materials. Scholarships are available. Registration deadline is October 10. Contact for more information: Curtis 307.240.1232 (please leave message if no answer) or westcurtis2014@gmail.com, Diane at 307.262.4142, or Pauletta at 307.267.6375.

Marriage Encounter Weekend:

Fall is upon us and calendars are filling up fast! Put a special weekend for you and your spouse on the calendar NOW! This powerful weekend will give you a chance to reconnect and be reminded of why you fell in love in the first place. The seasons come and go but your relationship is forever! Upcoming weekends: Ucross, WY November 2-4, 2018 and Billings, MT January 25-27, 2019. For more information and to apply visit www.wwme.org or call Paul and Tracy 307-689-2820.

Blessing of the Animals Sunday September 30 at 3:00 p.m.

This custom is conducted in remembrance of Saint Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures. Bring your pets, big and small, to the Ivinson Mansion Grounds at 603 Ivinson Avenue. In case of rain, meet in Trinity Lutheran, 107 S 7th Street. Everyone is invited. This event is sponsored by the Laramie Ministerial Association.



The **Martha and Mary** group will meet on Saturday, September 29, 9:00-11:00am in the Emmaus House. Fr. Rob Spaulding will be the guest speaker. For more info about this group, please feel free to contact Rose Sax, 307 760 1806, or email rosesax1948@hotmail.com

"Cor ad Cor loquitur."

"Heart Speaks to Heart"

Our Mission

As a Catholic community of Christian disciples filled with gratitude and the Holy Spirit, St. Paul's Newman Center celebrates and lives the Sacraments. We bring the Gospel to the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Wyoming through vibrant liturgies, hospitality, authentic stewardship, education, formation, empowerment, and support.

upcoming events

Dedication of St. Paul's Newman Center

September 22

Family Weekend

September 29-30

Ministry Fair

September 29-30

Sunday 5:00 p.m. Slow Motion Mass

September 30

Sexual Abuse Conversation

October 18

UW Homecoming Alumni Brunch

October 21



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Live the Liturgy - Inspiration of the Week

Humility is really a virtue that allows us to keep our relationships in proper order: God first, others second, and myself third. However, we all wrestle with our incompleteness, weakness, and imperfections. Passions and impulses from within can color how we view our lives and distort them. Who among us does not struggle with jealousy, envy, pride, and lust? Then, when we can't have what we desire, we find ourselves angry, greedy, and taking more than we deserve. The downward spiral continues. Even Jesus' disciples, who knew him better than most, argued about who was the greatest. Humbly seeking the wisdom that comes from God and His righteousness is the corrective we need in order to keep ourselves in check.

Vivir la Liturgia - Inspiración de la Semana

La humildad es una gran virtud que permite que sus relaciones estén en orden: Dios primero, los demás segundo y usted mismo tercero. Sin embargo, uno puede sufrir con un sentimiento de no estar completo, de ser débil y de lidiar con nuestras imperfecciones. Las pasiones y los impulsos dentro de usted pueden afectar la manera en que usted ve y distorsiona su vida. ¿Quién entre usted no sufre de la envidia, la soberbia o la lujuria? Después cuando uno no tiene lo que desea, se enoja y muchas veces piensa que el mundo le debe algo y cuando llega ese momento, todo parece empeorar. Hasta los discípulos de Jesús, quien lo conocían mejor que todos, discutía sobre quién era más grande. Buscar la humildad que viene de Dios es lo que uno necesita para vivir una vida más llena de Dios.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Sept. 29-30	5:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Lector	M. Hidecker/E. McGann	M. Lewis/D. Mercil	C. Weber/E. Wiley	S. Ogle/A. Nirider
Altar Server	M. Sanchez	Needed	J. Russo	Needed
EMoHC	C. Kellogg	J. Murray	R. Guenzel	B. Bentz
	A. Berry	B. Alvarez	S. Kidwiler	E. Burridge
	Needed	J. Roznowski	B. Kroger	R. Hopson
	M. Downey	T. Strube	C. Novotny	L. Julian
	M. Hardjito	J. Przygocki	S. Villasenor	L. Kirk
Hospitality	French Family	B. Lewis/P. Radosevich	S. Nordquist/R. Sprinkle	Needed/Z. Parsons
Eucharistic Bread:	B. Weber			





Bringing Home the Word

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Participating in God's Unfolding Tale

By Mary Katharine Deeley

When I get engrossed in a book, I try to read it through without stopping. Sometimes I can't help myself and I peek at the last few pages to see where the author is taking me. It is satisfying to let a story unfold and allow ourselves to be surprised, but there is also a secret delight in glimpsing at the end of our journey and wondering how the storyteller will get us there.

Looking ahead to the end of the story is what the Book of Wisdom wants to do when it says, "Let us see whether his words be true...Let us condemn him to

a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him" (Wisdom 2:17, 20). The author knows that the end of the story will reveal the truth.

Jesus picks up the story when he gives the second prediction of his passion. He offers the disciples a glimpse of what is yet to come. The disciples, as usual, miss the point. Instead they argue about how they wanted the story to go—with one of them as the greatest over all. Like a good storyteller, Jesus takes them in a different direction. The ending he has in mind does not come close to defining greatness as they think about it—a prize for being the best. Rather, Jesus points to a child, and we suddenly realize that greatness has nothing to do with power or ability, but with innocence and openness to the unfolding tale.

The story Jesus tells and the life he lives will include death and resurrection for him and his followers. Let's participate in it fully because we do know how it ends. +

Sunday Readings

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him in the end.

James 3:16-4:3

For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice.

Mark 9:30-37

[Jesus said,] "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."

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A Word From Pope Francis

For all of us, the Catholic Church continues to be a field hospital that accompanies us on our spiritual journey. It is the place where we can sit with others, listen to them and share with them our struggles and our faith in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

—Address to Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors, September 21, 2017



REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- Do I live in humility as "last of all and servant of all," or do I seek self-serving glory?
- Does my life story follow the way God wants it to go, rather than me trying to take control?



How Much Is Enough?

By Kathy Coffey

You shall not covet your neighbor's house...or anything that belongs to your neighbor (Exodus 20:17).

“I want a house on a hill like the ones with the gardens where papa works.” In *The House on Mango Street*, Sandra Cisneros remembers her childhood when the Sunday entertainment was riding around looking at beautiful homes. But eventually she quits going, not telling her family, “I am ashamed—all of us staring out the window like the hungry. I am tired of looking at what we can’t have.”

How many of us waste precious time and energy ogling “what we can’t have,” or figuring out a way to get it? In doing so, we overlook the great goods we *do* have: the endless reservoir of God’s love, the gifts of family and friends, the beauty of creation, a warm pool of memories, individual talents, health, the support of a faith community. Each of us could create a unique litany of blessings—a far better exercise than longing for the latest iPhone or designer jeans.

The trouble with envy is, it never ends. Those who own the beautiful homes others crave are probably wishing they also had waterfront property—or a Swiss chalet. What an infinite, frustrating loop! Desiring the brother’s Lexus or the friend’s swimming pool seems harmless, and cars or pools aren’t intrinsically evil. The problem is, they’re never enough.

We’ve all had the experience of yearning for something that we thought would bring happiness: the child’s bike, the adolescent’s car, the adult’s antique. Getting that object might thrill us temporarily, and we might even cherish it for some time. But eventually, the bike is outgrown, the car dies, and the antique joins the junk pile. No thing can provide the long-term happiness for which we were created.

“Good” Longings

Ignatian spirituality encourages our desires—as long as they are consonant with our deepest selves. These longings are good because they are planted in us by God. We should ask, then, for more wisdom, compassion, or kindness, because these will make us the fullest, best persons we can be. In contrast, a shopping list of things is simply too small for us, unworthy of God’s splendid children.

If we use the latest gizmos to shore up a weak ego or impress friends, we’re in big trouble, caught in a long quest for *more*. Nothing wrong with the gadget—the problem lies within if we can’t believe we’re *enough*: fashioned by God, redeemed by Christ, invigorated by the Spirit, and precious to some fine people.

What else do we need?

Most people who accumulate find that one thing leads to another. New furniture in the living room makes the dining room look shabby. And on it goes, until we don’t even realize we’re caught in an unending cycle. We work hard to afford storage lockers for stuff we don’t even use, then wonder why we’re not at peace.

Setting Limits

As life’s end approaches, do we want to cling stubbornly to possessions that probably won’t fit into the casket? Or will we be ready to ease joyfully into God’s arms because we’ve been there all along? If we set our ultimate sights on God’s face, anything lesser seems like a temporary distraction.

As Joan Chittister writes in *The Ten Commandments*, “Only God is really enough. Only when we see beyond all the things in which we are immersed, only when we learn to hold them all with a relaxed grasp, can we ever discover the One in whom all of them take their being.” +

PRAYER

Lord, I am grateful that you are my advocate. Take away all my fears and doubts. Fill me with your wisdom and love that I may be an instrument of your peace in the world.

From Grateful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

WEEKDAY READINGS

September 24-29

Monday, Weekday:
Prv 3:27–34 / Lk 8:16–18

Tuesday, Weekday:
Prv 21:1–6, 10–13 / Lk 8:19–21

Wednesday, Weekday:
Prv 30:5–9 / Lk 9:1–6

Thursday, St. Vincent de Paul:
Eccl 1:2–11 / Lk 9:7–9

Friday, Weekday:
Eccl 3:1–11 / Lk 9:18–22

Saturday, Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael:
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 or Rv 12:7–12a / Jn 1:47–51