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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Raising his eyes toward his disciples [Jesus] said:
"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours."

Reflect & Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The prophet Jeremiah urged his fellow Israelites from Judah to trust in divine providence rather than human wisdom. Why do you think believers today still trust people more than God?

Second Reading

Paul places our share in Jesus' resurrection from the dead as core to our Christian beliefs. What might you add to this list of our core beliefs?

Gospel Reading

We hear today of Luke's account of Jesus' Sermon on the Plain, which consists of both blessings and woes. Where do you see yourself in this mix of curses and blessings?

this week . . .

Feb 9 - February 17

SAT 16	4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	5:00 p.m.	Mass: Dan Klein
SUN 17	8:30 a.m.	Mass: St. Paul's Newman Center
	9:30 a.m.	Diving Deep
	11:00 p.m.	Mass: Birthday Intention/Myara Villaseñor
	12:00 p.m.	Quinceañera Preparation Session I
	5:00 p.m.	Mass: Kermit Brown, Christopher Foianini, Edin Vaske
		Blessing of Engaged Couples
	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Supper
	President's Day-Federal Holiday	
MON 18	12:00 p.m	Meditation
	2:00 p.m.	Staff Check-in
	4:00 p.m.	Family Faith Formation
	5:00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
	5:00 p.m.	Hispanic Ministry
	6:00 p.m.	Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
TUE 19	1:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting/Parish Offices Closed
	5:00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
	5:45 p.m.	Music Rehearsal
	6:00 p.m.	Family Faith Formation
	7:30 p.m.	SEARCH Team Meeting
WED 20	5:00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
	5:45 p.m.	Worship Committee
	8:00 p.m.	Praise and Adoration
THURS 21	2:00 p.m.	Staff Check-in
	5:00 p.m.	Liturgia de la Palabra en Espanol
	5:30 p.m.	Proyecto Cuaresmal Sesión 1
	6:00 p.m.	Discernment Dinner
FRI 22	5:00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
		Intention for Elly Kozlowski
SAT 23	10.00 a.m.	Funeral Mass: Carlos Mellizo, Sr.
		Women's Rosary Group
	4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	5:00 p.m	Mass: Ronnie Sanchez
SUN 24	8:30 a.m.	Mass: Birthday Intention for Susanna Villaseñor
	9:30 a.m.	Diving Deep
	11:00 a.m.	Mass: Stephen Brin
	12:00 p.m.	Mass:St. Paul's Newman Center
	5:00 p.m.	Sunday Supper

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. Call Anthony Allen for more 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

marriage preparation

If you are interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage and would like to begin this process, please email sandra@newmancenter.org.

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.

Campus Ministry

Spring Break is around the corner... join Newman Center students for a meaningful and fun week at Nazareth Farm in West Virginia! Applications are due ASAP. If you are not on Flocknotes you can pick up a hard-copy at Lillie's office this week. Space is limited, so don't delay!

Dates are March 17-23. This service-retreat incorporates home repairs and prayer alongside some incredible individuals living in intentional Christian Community. Cost is $350.00 per individual. Please contact Lillie@newmancenter.org with any questions!

Praise & Adoration is a time to pray in the presense of Christ in the Eucharist. Music and scripture and periods of silence compose the hour of adoration on Wednesday, February 20 at 8:00 p.m. in the Worship Space.

Small Groups

Get involved in a weekly student-led small group. From Bible studies to book studies, co-ed and single-sex, now is a great time to join a group. Awaken your faith in a new way through loving community. Contact: wyatt.a.overton@gmail.com

Discernment Dinner

Come to listen and share with a member of the Benedictine Community about religious vocations on Thursday, February 21. We will begin with a meal at 6:00 p.m. RSVP to Lillie@newmancenter.org

Community Challenge

Invite a family to your house for dinner.

Thank You

Last Sunday, Feb 10, Gift Offerings

$15,706 including our tithe **($1,571)** for our brothers and sisters in need

"...each tree is known by its fruit. - Luke 6:44

upcoming events

- **Ash Wednesday**
  March 6
- **Lenten Ladles Simple Meal & Stations of the Cross**
  Fridays beginning March 8
- **Sacrament of Anointing**
  Saturday, March 9
- **Lenten Reconciliation Day of Reflection**
  Saturday, March 30
- **Communal Reconcilation**
  Sunday, April 7

Carlos Mellizo, Sr. entered the kingdom this past week. Please keep Esther and family in your prayers for healing. The funeral liturgy is scheduled here on Saturday, February 23 at 10:00 a.m. Burying the Dead is one of the Church's Corporal Works of Mercy. Community support through your attendance shows respect to the deceased and is greatly appreciated by the loved ones.

Lenten Ladles Ministry Sign-up

Help us so we may continue to provide this simple meal and gather as community on Fridays during Lent. 4-6 people are needed each week to prepare soup, bread and/or mac-n-cheese (or other non-meat dish) and to set-up and clean-up. Sign-ups are in Bishop Newell Hall. Collectively, volunteers will prepare for 50 attendees. Questions? Contact myra@newmancenter.org

Diocesan Events

Marriage Encounter Weekend: Your Marriage Might Just Change the World! Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and be reminded of the awesomeness of God's Call to the vocation of marriage. This private weekend for you and your spouse offers a chance to reconnect, improve communication and fall more deeply in love. The next weekend is in Thermopolis, WY Feb 22-24, 2019. For more information apply visit www.wwme.org or call Paul and Tracy 307-689-2820.

Interfaith Good Samaritan (IGS)

Keeping the shelves stocked at IGS is a ongoing task. You are alway welcome to take non-perishable donations to their pantry located in the Laramie Civic Center, Room 127 or leave items in the southeast corner of the parish kitchen. Blue donation boxes are also conveniently located at Safeway and Ridley's grocery stores. IGS will always accept canned goods, especially anything with meat (tuna, Spam, stew, chili, etc.) as well as nut butters and jam, rice or pasta and paper items and baby needs. Thank you for meeting this need in our community.

Observances for the week of Feb 17, 2019

Sunday:	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Presidents' Day
Thursday:	St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Friday:	The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
Saturday:	St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr
Next Sunday:	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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• **Ash Wednesday, March 6**

7:00 a.m. - Morning Liturgy of the Eucharist

12:10 p.m. - Ecumenical Service inviting the Laramie Community to gather as we enter into Lent to prepare for the coming of Easter including signing with ashes.

5:15 p.m. - Evening Liturgy of the Eucharist at Hilton Garden Inn

• **Miércoles de Ceniza 6 de marzo**

7:00 a.m. - Liturgia de la Eucaristía por la mañana

12:10 p.m. Servicio ecuménico que invita a la comunidad de Laramie a reunirse para la entrada de Cuaresma para prepararnos para la llegada de la Pascua, incluye la distribución de cenizas.

5:15 p.m. - Liturgia de la Eucaristía en el Hilton Garden Inn

The Faculty and Student Liturgy and Lunch on Campus will NOT happen on February 28. Stay tuned for the new date.

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WORDS TO INSPIRE THE FAITHFUL

"The more I reflect on the graces I have received, the more they astonish me."
-St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Our Mission

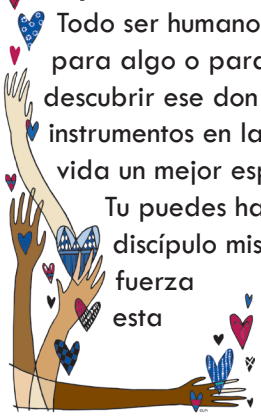
As a Catholic community of Christian disciples filled with gratitude and the Holy Spirit, St. Paul's Newman Center celebrates and lives the Sacraments. We bring the Gospel to the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Wyoming through vibrant liturgies, hospitality, authentic stewardship, education,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

Hispanic Ministry

Preparación para Quinceañera

Jóvenes interesadas en celebrar su quinceañera en St. Paul's Newman Center en el año 2019 deben de contactar la oficina inmediatamente. Para poder celebrar la santa misa, la quinceañera debe de tener su Confirmación e inscribirse a clases de formación antes de la fecha de la celebración. Las clases se darán el domingo 17 de febrero y el domingo 3 de marzo después de misa de las 11:00 a.m. Estas clases están disponibles en español. Para más información y para inscribirse, mande correo electrónico a Sandra Loza a sandra@newmancenter.org o marque a la oficina al 307-745-5461.

Proyecto Cuaresmal – Misioneros en Acción



Todo ser humano (hombre, mujer) es un tesoro para algo o para alguien. Si somos dispuestos a descubrir ese don con ayuda de Dios seremos buenos instrumentos en las manos de Él; para hacer de la vida un mejor espacio para encuentro fraterno. Tu puedes hacer la diferencia, anímate a ser discípulo misionero de Jesús, revistado con la fuerza del Espíritu Santo. Acompáñanos en esta jornada cuaresmal el jueves 21 de febrero después de la misa en español.

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 17 de febrero de 2019

Domingo:	6o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes:	Día de los Presidentes
Jueves:	San Pedro Damián, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia
Viernes:	La cátedra de San Pedro apóstol
Sábado:	San Policarpo, obispo y mártir
Domingo siguiente:	7o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario © LPi

Live the Liturgy – Inspiration of the Week

Have you ever felt a compelling urge to respond to a situation and then found yourself questioning whether you should do so? Fear often takes hold of us, and we find ourselves making excuses for why it is better to just mind our own business. There is a voice within each of us that is saying, "Follow me". What does this prompting mean? The purpose of discipleship is not to secure our own station in life and enhance our comfort zone. Discipleship is about taking risks and venturing forth into the unknown, tending to the needs of others and being prophetic voices of change. We will not drink deeply of life until we listen to the voice of God within. When God asks, "Whom shall I send?", will you reply, "Here I am ? send me!"?

Vivir la Liturgia – Inspiración de la Semana

¿Alguna vez has sentido un impulso apremiante de responder a una situación y luego te encuentras preguntándote si deberías hacerlo? El miedo a menudo se apodera de nosotros y nos encontramos creando excusas de por qué es mejor simplemente ocuparnos de nuestros propios asuntos. Hay una voz dentro de cada uno de nosotros que dice: "Sígueme". ¿Qué significa esta indicación? El propósito del discipulado no es asegurar nuestra propia posición en la vida y mejorar nuestra zona de confort. El discipulado consiste en tomar riesgos y aventurarse en lo desconocido, atender las necesidades de los demás y ser voces proféticas de cambio. No beberemos profundamente de la vida hasta que escuchemos la voz de Dios en nuestro interior. Cuando Dios pregunta: "¿A quién enviaré?", ¿Responderás: "¡Aquí estoy?envíame a mí!"?

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

February 23-24	*5:00 p.m.*	*8:30 a.m.*	*11:00 a.m.*	*5:00 p.m.*
Lector	*C. Aneiros/D. Aneiros*	*D. Van Oss/J. Van Oss*	*E. Spann/C. Weber*	*N. Thiele/E. Winnop*
Altar Server	*J. Vaske/J. Waggener*	*J. Whisler*	*J. Hayden*	*R. Blackburn*
EMoHC	*C. Davis*	*S. Villaseñor*	*B. Pier*	*S. Blackburn*
	D. Waggener	*T. Leathers*	*W. Woodward*	*E. Burridge*
	S. Root-Elledge	*N. Pajak*	*J. Atencio*	*S. Palm*
	A. Berry	*J. Roznowski*	*B. Altencio*	*J. Palm*
	A. Meyer	*M. Belser*	*J. Navarro*	*E. Barnett*
Hospitality	*C. Ellis/B. Hettgar*	*Schmidt Family*	*Allen Family*	*C. Blackburn*
Eucharistic Bread:	*M. Fitzpatrick*			

Bringing Home the Word

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God's Nurturing Messengers

By Dan Finucane

Flower bulbs have an "up" end and a "down" end. It matters how you plant them. I didn't know that when I was a teenager. If you plant bulbs pointing up, they grow and blossom. If you plant them pointing down, they're in trouble. If you plant them more or less at random, there could be gaps in the flower bed.

I learned this one spring when our parish got a new pastor. He hired a few of us from the parish. I was the flower planter. He didn't select me for this job because of my knowledge of flowers. He picked me because he wanted to hire young parishioners to give us a little spending money.

Later that spring, when the flowers starting blooming, some of mine didn't. Our new pastor wasn't upset. He thought it was funny. He thought I could learn a little about planting bulbs…but I learned a whole lot more from this man who knew people have to grow into the job of being human. People might start going in the wrong direction, but they can be turned around with gentleness. They might even blossom.

The Bible is full of plant images. Today Jeremiah describes how a shrub in the desert doesn't know when its next drink will come. He describes those who are really blessed—the ones who are planted by a stream.

The Scriptures aren't really trying to give us information about plants. (I haven't found anything helpful there about bulbs.) But some basic growing points are clear. God isn't too keen on tearing up the garden. God plants near living streams. God teaches us to *trust* by an amazing, surprising strategy. God gives us messengers who *trust us*, guide us, nurture us—give us room to grow. +

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Sunday Readings

Jeremiah 17:5–8

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord…They are like a tree planted beside the waters.

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16–20

Now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Luke 6:17, 20–26

And raising his eyes toward his disciples [Jesus] said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

A Word from Pope Francis

No vocation is born of itself or lives for itself. A vocation flows from the heart of God and blossoms in the good soil of faithful people, in the experience of fraternal love. Did not Jesus say: "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another"?

—Day of prayer for vocations, May 11, 2014

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- Am I available to mentor others, especially a young person who is heading in the wrong direction?
- Am I grateful towards those who mentor or nurture me?

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The Beatitudes' Promises

By Bishop Robert F. Morneau

Who are the happy, fortunate, blessed people? What is the source of happiness?

One of the most important, paradoxical sections in Scripture is the vision of happiness Jesus gives in his Sermon on the Mount. In the Gospels of Matthew (5:3–10) and Luke (6:20–26), Jesus proclaims what blessedness is and makes promises to those who follow his proclamation. The blessed, happy, and fortunate, he tells us, are the poor in spirit, those who mourn and are merciful, those who seek righteousness and peace, the pure in heart, and the persecuted. The promise awaiting them is God's kingdom!

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. In our more honest moments, we recognize our neediness, intellectual limitations, spiritual inadequacies, and moral failures. In our helplessness, we turn to God. Our response of gratitude, itself a grace, means the kingdom of heaven is ours.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Life's journey involves having our hearts broken repeatedly. Sometimes this is due to our own sin, sometimes because of the cruelty of others. Jesus reminds us that the truth sets us free. Those who are honest about their sorrows and sins will gain his consolation.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. These meek individuals strive to emulate Jesus in obedience, and submit to whatever is sent their way. The meek know that God is ultimately in control, and they are about doing his divine will. Peace will be their everlasting inheritance.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. We all have longings: for meaning, intimacy, and depth. But one of the deepest longing is for justice. Only when rights are protected and promoted, when we fulfill our obligations to God and to others, will this hunger and thirst be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. If we give mercy, we shall get mercy. God has been merciful to us, and we should pass this gift to others. A merciless Christian is a contradiction in terms. Mercy is love in the face of sin and injury. Mercy is the presence of Jesus in a wounded, fractured world.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. The pure of heart are those who are undefiled by attitudes that distance us from God. We know our seeing is dependent upon the condition of our hearts. If pure, we shall see the glory of God and our own as well as others' dignity.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. God's peace is the rightness of relationships. Peace embraces four satellites: truth, charity, freedom, and justice. Peacemakers are instruments of all four of these graces. When that work is done well, they know themselves to be blessed because they are truly children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. This beatitude exemplifies Jesus' radical message: that persecution and happiness go together. The true Christian longs to share fully in the life of Jesus: his life, suffering, death, and resurrection. This is the gateway into the kingdom of heaven.

Jesus' mission was to take people from sin and death into the happiness of heaven. The beatitudes describe his vision, charting the path to make that journey. In the end, it is all the work of the Holy Spirit. +

PRAYER

Lord, you never forget us;
you answer all our needs.
Keep me from being anxious
about many things.

—From *Peaceful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeny

WEEKDAY READINGS

February 18–23

Monday, Weekday:
Gn 4:1–15, 25 / Mk 8:11–13

Tuesday, Weekday:
Gn 6:5–8; 7:1–5, 10 / Mk 8:14–21

Wednesday, Weekday:
Gn 8:6–13, 20–22 / Mk 8:22–26

Thursday, Weekday:
Gn 9:1–13 / Mk 8:27–33

Friday, Chair of St. Peter:
1 Pt 5:1–4 / Mt 16:13–19

Saturday, St. Polycarp:
Heb 11:1–7 / Mk 9:2–13

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