



St. Lawrence
Catholic Church
Newman
Center

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Mission Statement

*Sharing the abundant love of
Christ as a university
Catholic parish.*

Mass Times

Sunday 8 am, 10 am, 7 pm
Monday-Friday 12:15 pm
Saturday 9 am

Reconciliation

Monday through Saturday
after Daily Mass

New Members

We welcome you, our parishioners and visitors, to our church community of St. Lawrence-Newman. We invite you to share with us the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Your presence with us is always a blessing. If you would like to become a registered member, forms are available in the Gathering Space.

March 26, 2017
*Fourth Sunday
of Lent*

Saint John Climacus

St. John Climacus was a monk who lived in the 7th century. He spent his life in a monastery on Mount Sinai, where the ten commandments were given and Moses encountered the burning bush. [I was there once and I'm afraid I was distracted by the number of mosquitoes that could get into a place, even when you opened and closed the door as quickly as possible.] St. John Climacus was known for his great humility. His teachings included "without humility there is no way of conquering anger," and "in an instant many are pardoned for their mistakes but no one, in a moment's time, acquires calmness of the soul which requires much time, much trouble, and a great deal of help from God." St. John Climacus was the author of *Ladder of Divine Ascent*, in which he described how to raise one's soul and body to God through the acquisition of ascetic virtues.



John Climacus is shown at the top of the *Ladder of Divine Ascent*, with other monks following him (12th century icon, St. Catherine's Monastery, Mount Sinai, Egypt). Also shown are angels helping the climbers, and demons attempting to shoot with arrows or drag down the climbers.

Let us ask the Lord during this season of Lent to give us that gift of humility and to have our souls at rest in Him alone.

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Mass Intentions (March 26 — April 2)

Sunday 8 am †Thomas Polejewski 7 pm For Our Parish
(3/26) 10 am †Lloyd Sharrett

Monday, March 27 †Joel Peterson
Tuesday, March 28 Shannon Conroy
Wednesday, March 29 †Dorothy Worscheck
Thursday, March 30 †David Soucek
Friday, March 31 †Gemma Yoon
Saturday, April 1 Debra Brunsberg

Sunday 8 am †Rosella LaZorick 7 pm For Our Parish
(4/2) 10 am Donna Soucek



Please Pray

 for those who are ill, and for their caregivers:

Kathleen Baron, Derek Brakob, Ann Brown, John Carrier, Vern Chelte, Owen Chiu, Dennis Daly, Sheila Daly, Connie Domino, Betty Eichhorn, Sonia Ellison, Bill Hafner, Denise Hafner, Debbie Hallin, Carol Halvorson, Lou Hammer, Richard Hanson, Nick Heille, Lucie Johnson, Carl Kroening, Amy Miller, Bonnie Miller, Anna Mirocha, Regan Orlando, Hutch Pharr, Christine Pribula, Ann Rank, Christina Robinson, Deborah St. Anthony, Gordy Skinner, Peggy Witte, Steve Witte

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, March 27	Isaiah 56:17-21	John 4:43-54
Tuesday, March 28	Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12	John 5:1-16
Wednesday, March 29	Isaiah 49:8-15	John 5:17-30
Thursday, March 30	Exodus 32:7-14	John 5:31-47
Friday, March 31	Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22	John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday, April 1	Jeremiah 11:18-20	John 7:40-53

Sunday, April 2

Ezekiel 37:12-14 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Romans 8:8-11 Gospel: John 11:1-45

Birthdays This Week

March 28	Fr. Jon Vander Ploeg
March 29	Nicholas Kroening
March 30	Karwhen Kata, Travis Liebhard
April 2	Valentine Namakula, Christine Dinh, Francis Strahan



On the Parish Calendar This Week

Monday Women's Book Club, 7 pm, Gathering Space
Volleyball, 8 pm, Gym

Wednesday Student Study Night, 4-10 pm, Room A
Young Adult / Grad. Group, 7:30 pm, Room B

Friday Stations of the Cross, 2 pm
Potluck, Cards & Games, 6 pm, Gathering Space

Saturday Divine Will Prayer Group, 10 am, Room A

Lent Communal Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, April 4, 7 pm

Come celebrate as a community, the peace and forgiveness of Christ, with the opportunity for individual confession at the end of the service.

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Parish Mission

Wednesday, April 5, 7 pm

Mark your calendars to attend our Parish Mission, an opportunity to deepen your faith through a growing understanding of Christ's mercy and love. All members of the parish and your guests are encouraged to attend.

Who Likes Donuts on Sunday?

We are in need of 1 or 2 people at each Mass on Sunday mornings to help with setting up and serving the coffee and donuts. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Teri Danckwart (612.789.2544; 612.875.8047; tdanckwart@gmail.com), or call the parish office.



Van Cleve Vipers Take It All!

Congratulations go to Grace Travis, member of the Van Cleve Vipers, a 13 and under girls basketball team. They won the city championship game last week!



Calling Artists and Art Lovers

Spring Art Event

Saturday, April 22 and Sunday, April 23

Donations of art will be gratefully accepted, and can be brought to the parish office. If you want to sell your hand-made items as a performer or vendor, contact Jacqueline at jdekkertr@aol.com.



Faith & Science

Where Science Meets Scripture

Dr. Chris Baglow

Tuesday, March 28th, 7:30 pm in our Sanctuary

Reception to follow.

Women's Book Club

Monday, March 27, 7 pm, Gathering Space

The book chosen for March is

Our Lady of the Lost and Found,

by Diane Schoemperlen

All women of the parish are warmly invited to join this group of book lovers!

Divine Will Prayer Group

Saturday, April 1, 10 am, Room A



Devotion to the Divine Will constitutes an integral part of Christian holiness that is rooted in Sacred Scripture, traditional and magisterial teachings, and is rediscovered in the writings of Italian mystic, the Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta.

All are welcomed to attend the prayer group.

In Support of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Lawrence parishioner Bronwen Hudleston is continuing to gather clothing to donate to St. Vincent de Paul. Warm winter clothing, including jackets, boots, hats and gloves, are most needed at this time of the year. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the office.

Potluck, Cards & Games!

Friday, March 31, 6 pm in the Gathering Space



The card group meets on the first and third Fridays each month, and when there's a fifth Friday, the evening includes a potluck supper. You are all invited! Bring a dish to share, a good appetite, and enjoy a fun evening with a fun group of parishioners!