



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

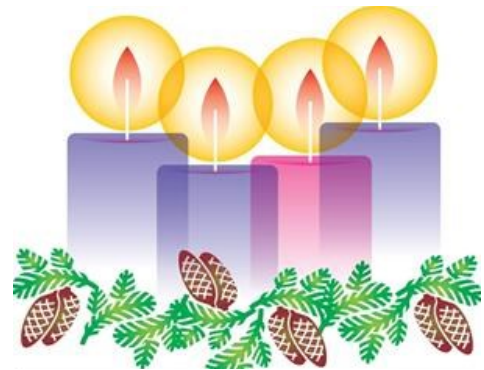
New Members

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.

**Fourth Sunday of
Advent**

December 23, 2018

Christmas



At Christmas we celebrate that God pursues us by sending Jesus so we can be reunited with God through Him. St. Thomas has a profound statement about the Lord's way of lowering himself. In the introduction of his shorter summa, St. Thomas says, "To restore man, who had been laid low by sin, to the heights of divine glory, the Word of the eternal Father...willed to become small. This He did, not by putting aside His greatness, but by taking to Himself our littleness." Let us ask the Lord that we would receive this incredible gift of Jesus, who lowers himself and takes on our littleness. Let us respond to the Gift of our Savior with gratitude for His love.

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Mass Intentions (December 23— December 30)

Sunday 8 am †Frank & †Pearl Pliska **10 am** †Deacon Paul Carlson
(12/23) **7 pm** For Our Parish

Monday, December 24 †Nicole Ries
Tuesday, December 25 †Nicole Ries
Wednesday, December 26 Amy Schmidt
Thursday, December 27 Richard and Doreothe Hanson
Friday, December 28 Deb Brunberg
Saturday, December 29 †Frances and †Art Boyden

Sunday 8 am †Martin Kroening **10 am** Tom and Donna Pliska
(12/30) **7 pm** For Our Parish



Please Pray for those who are ill, and for their caregivers:

Kathleen Baron, Derek Brakob, John Carrier, Owen Chiu, Evelyn Czaia
Sheila Daly, Connie Domino, Sonia Ellison, Evelyn Gockowski
Bill Hafner, Denise Hafner, Lou Hammer, Richard Hanson, Lisa Harm
Nick Heille, Theresa Johnson, Amy Miller, Anna Mirocha, Jim Montury
Regan Orlando, Christine Pribula, Christina Robinson
Renee Schmidkamp, Lorraine Sitarz, Gordy Skinner

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, December 24 Isaiah 62:1-5 Matthew 1:1-25
Tuesday, Christmas
Isaiah 52:7-10 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6
Hebrews 1:1-6 Gospel: John 1:1-18
Wednesday, December 26 Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Matthew 10:17-22
Thursday, December 27 1 John 1:1-4 John 20:1a, 2-8
Friday, December 28 1 John 1:5—2:2 Matthew 2:13-18
Saturday, December 29 1 John 2:3-11 Luke 2:22-35
Sunday, December 30
1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10
1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 Gospel: Luke 1:41-52

Birthdays This Week

December 23 Wyatt Hallin, Theodore Nemeth
December 24 John Eberlein, Mary Kay O'Hearn
December 26 Kate Winters
December 29 Rene Dawis, Rod Sykora



Christmas at St. Lawrence

Christmas Eve Mass

7 PM



Christmas Morning Mass

9 AM

Volleyball

We will not have volleyball this Monday, as it is Christmas Eve. However, there will be volleyball (at 8 PM) on New Year's Eve!

Fr. Jon's Homilies

Fr. Jon's homily recordings are now available for listening on our website at www.umncatholic.com/connect/homilies.

Loaves and Fishes

There will be no Loaves and Fishes meal for us this month as our date falls on Christmas Day, and they are closed that day. Our next meal to serve will be Tuesday, February 26, 2019.

Interested in Giving Online?

Visit www.umncatholic.com/donate! You may sign up for regular giving to St. Lawrence Parish and/or for the Living Faith Society, the monthly giving program for the campus ministry.

Women's Book Club

Next meeting: January 28, 7 PM, Gathering Space

The book chosen for January is [The Origin of Others](#), by Toni Morrison.

All women of the parish are warmly invited to join the group.

Catholics at the Capitol

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Begin to build relationships with your newly-elected legislators. Join 2,000+ Catholics, all seven of Minnesota's bishops, and some great speakers for Catholics at the Capitol. The Minnesota Catholic Conference hosts this day of prayer, inspiration, education, and advocacy to help you put your faith into action. Visit www.CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org/Register to register and find more details on the schedule, speakers, and transportation options.

In Support of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Lawrence parishioner Bronwen Hudleston is continuing to gather clothing to donate to St. Vincent de Paul. As the weather grows colder, heavier jackets and warmer clothing are needed. Clothing is needed for adults and children. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the office.