

Welcome Back

A New Semester

Lord, as we prepare for the coming of a new semester. Make us ready, attentive and available to hear you.

HAPPY
New Year

Thank you for the gift of being able to rise each day with the assurance that you walk through it with us.

May all that we are today, all that we try to do today, may all our encounters, reflections, even the frustrations and failings all be placed in your hands.

May the work we do and the way we do it, bring new hope, new life, and courage to all we come in contact with this semester. We thank you Lord.



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Cool Thoughts

As we are now in Ordinary Time, in the Church calendar, we might find ourselves feeling a little let down following the joys of Christmas, New Year's celebrations and a good long break, especially in parts of the world where it seems cold and dark most days. This is where we can ask for the grace to let the stories of the gospels come alive in our hearts. The stories from Luke's gospel offer a vivid look into the life of Jesus and his followers on such a human level and his great desire for including the poor and marginalized.

As we enter the liturgical Year C, we are invited to journey through the Gospel of Luke, a beautifully crafted account of Jesus' life and ministry. Luke, often called the "Gospel of Compassion," introduces us to a Savior who reaches out to the poor, the marginalized, and the outcast, offering hope and salvation to all. It is a story of inclusion and joy, a reminder that God's love knows no boundaries.

The year actually began in Advent, with Luke's tender portrayal of the events surrounding Christ's birth. We hear of the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary, her visit to Elizabeth, and the humble Nativity scene with shepherds kneeling before the newborn King. These stories set the stage for a year of encountering God's mercy and faithfulness.

Now we move into Ordinary Time, Luke unfolds Jesus' ministry with a special emphasis on parables and teachings that challenge and inspire. We hear stories like the Good Samaritan, where love transcends cultural and societal boundaries, and the Prodigal Son, a profound lesson on forgiveness and the boundless mercy of the Father. Through these readings, Luke reminds us that discipleship calls for radical love and compassion.

Soon, during Lent, the Gospel guides us toward repentance and deeper conversion. Jesus' journey to Jerusalem becomes our journey as we reflect on his courage, his unwavering mission, and his invitation to take up our crosses and follow him. The Easter season brings the joyous proclamation of the Resurrection, with Luke's unique account of the road to Emmaus—a moment of recognition, as hearts burn within us while the Scriptures are opened.

When the liturgical year draws to a close in late November, the Gospel readings will remind us to stay vigilant and faithful, to live in hope of Christ's return. Luke's focus on the fulfillment of God's promises encourages us to remain steadfast, trusting that God's Kingdom is unfolding in our midst.

This year, as we immerse ourselves in the Gospel of Luke, let us approach its message with hearts open to transformation. Luke invites us to experience the boundless mercy of Jesus, the joy of the Good News, and the hope of salvation offered to all people. Inspired by this Gospel, may we strive to reflect Christ's light in our lives, bringing his compassion and love to a world in need.

In the spirit of Luke's message, we can pray this week and in the coming year for the grace to break free from the habits and patterns that distance us from God. Like the prodigal son who returns to his merciful father, let us seek healing and renewal, trusting in Jesus' power to make all things new. If we approach him with humility—hands open and hearts surrendered—we can embrace the truth Luke so beautifully reminds us: "For nothing will be impossible with God" (Luke 1:37).

Peace, Fr. Cool

PS- Spots are limited - Please sign up early for Kairos and ASB! And also sign up to join us for a fun kick-off the semester event next Saturday at Newman Bowling Night!

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Fr. Cool says... GO BILLS!	Sign up for Kairos Retreat and ASB
Need for Spring '25 tutors - see Jack for details	All regular Newman programs resume this week

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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Pray for Our 7 UR Candidates

Baptism Confirmation Eucharist

University of Dayton
Department of Religious Studies

CAMPUS MINISTRY GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

It's not too late to apply for the Fall 2025 cohort. The deadline is February 1.

Assistantships Include:

- Full Tuition Remission
- Room and Board
- Stipend

Hybrid & Part Time Options Available:

- Scholarships available
- Hybrid option that welcomes students from across the country into synchronous classes with residential students. Together, they form an authentic community of learners.
- Campus Ministry Certificate can be completed in conjunction with the M.A. program.
- Post-Master's Certificate in Campus Ministry is also available.

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TUTORING SESSIONS
at The Boys & Girls Club of Rochester

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Lessons in Character

We are looking to expand!

Sign Up

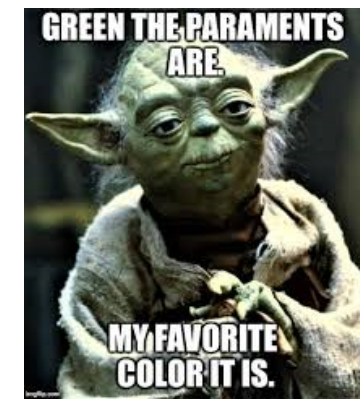
- Weekly tutoring programs
- Commitments run 1-2 hours per week
- Ages Primary-12th

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Newman Laughs

Newman relies on the generous support of Alumni, Parents, Local Residents, and Students for 90% of our budget. Your support of our Sunday collection is deeply appreciated!

Give to our Collection Via Venmo

Collection Report		
1/19/25		
Weekly Actual	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$56.00	\$378.00	-\$322.00
Y-T-D Actual	Y-T-D Goal	Variance
\$11,780.93	\$11,806.00	-\$25.07
Y-T-D is Financial Year July 1-June 30		



Mass Intention: Fr. John Crowley, Joseph Murray

GET INVOLVED

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Our weekly groups begin week of January 26!

COME JOIN US!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Conference Room
Interfaith Chapel 2nd level

Monday Evenings

MONDAY
7:00PM
INTERFAITH CHAPEL

For questions & interest contact Alicia Lawson at alalas10@u.rochester.edu or (607)542-5708

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Conference Room
Interfaith Chapel 2nd level

Monday Night Group 1
6:00-7:00pm

Tuesday Night Group 2
6:00-7:30pm

Interested? Contact
Tim Cai (Group 1) tcai9@u.rochester.edu
David Leder (Group 2) dleder@u.rochester.edu

Open to all college men

JOIN US AT THE INTERFAITH CHAPEL

EVERY THURSDAY AT 6PM

NEWMAN NITE

ENJOY A HOME COOKED MEAL WITH US!
#COMMUNITY

CATHOLIC MASS

SUNDAY

10:30 AM & 7:00 PM
INTERFAITH CHAPEL

MONDAY-TUESDAY-THURSDAY
12:30PM

WEDNESDAY INSTAMASS
9PM INSTAMASS

SIGN UP TO RECEIVE TEXT UPDATES

EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 9 PM
FOLLOWED BY PIZZA

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Send an email to bcool@admin.rochester.edu to make a personal appointment or come 30 minutes before mass!
Sunday Mass - 10:30am
At the Interfaith Chapel

SECOND SEMESTER SET THE DATES ASIDE FOR KAIROS 44 RETREAT and ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK SERVICE TRIP

FEBRUARY 21 - 23, 2025

Kairos 44

THE HUMAN HEART PLANS THE WAY,
BUT THE LORD DIRECTS THE STEPS
PROVERBS 16:9

God's Timing. Our Trust

NOTRE DAME RETREAT HOUSE ON
CANANDAIGUA LAKE
\$40 FOR LODGING/MEALS
(SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE)

2025 KICK OFF EVENT

WELCOME BACK
IT'S GREAT TO SEE YOU!

Week of January 27

Daily Mass Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
12:30pm Sanctuary

Monday January 27
Men's Bible Study I - 6pm
Women's Bible Study - 7pm

Tuesday January 28
Men's Bible Study II - 6pm

Wednesday January 29
OCIA 7:30pm
Rosary 7:30pm / Adoration 8:05pm
InstaMass 9pm Sanctuary

Thursday January 30
Newman Nite 6pm

Saturday Feb 1
Newman Bowling Night 8:30pm

Sunday Feb 2
Mass 10:30am River Level followed by 1st Sunday Brunch
Adoration 11:45am
E-board Meeting 12pm
Mass 7pm River Level

Join us! - New Wednesday times for Rosary and Adoration

Enter the prayer of silence with our Lord!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

BRENNAN ROOM
Sunday 11:45am-12:30pm
After 10:30am Mass

SANCTUARY
Wednesday 8:10pm-8:45pm
Before Insta-Mass

ROSARY GROUP

Wednesdays
7:30PM

Interfaith Chapel
Sanctuary

Contact: alawas10@u.rochester.edu

Alternative Spring Break

Want to do something more?
Service to others - Learn about
Catholic Social Teaching at ...

MARCH 9-14, 2025
CAMDEN, NJ

REGISTER HERE

Newman Bowling Night!

Saturday Feb 1 8:30-10:30PM

Free Transportation Provided
Leaving from IFC @ 7:45

Celebrate the End of Classes

- Cost \$15 (3 games / shoes)
- Snack Bar / Pizza available
- Cosmic Bowling!
- Plus pool / TV / game room

Sign up now!

Pay@ the door

Bowl-A-Roll
1560 Jefferson Rd
Rochester, NY 14623

NEWMAN BOWLING NIGHT