

Happy Birthday!

DECEMBER

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| 1 - Dominic Musumeci | 7 - Marlena Vieira | 19 - Eric Monsebroten |
| 1 - Mia Perkell | 8 - Hannah Gentile | 23 - Johanna Cupp |
| 1 - Sydney Rosenthal | 8 - Phyllis Ong Shao Ying | 23 - Emma Vignogna |
| 2 - Alessandra Fiorino | 9 - Michael Henry | 24 - Alberto Ramos III |
| 2 - Sherlyn Frausto | 9 - Yuliahna Mendiola | 25 - Brianna Jones |
| 3 - Ryan Cozzone | 11 - Gianni Notaro | 28 - Angel Aquino |
| 3 - Nathaniel Mills | 12 - Janelly Andrade-Gonzales | 29 - Neha Biju |
| 3 - Joseph Siciliano | 12 - Sean Hendricks | 30 - Gabriel Lora |
| 5 - Elissa Letterio | 16 - Gabriela Pena | 30 - Domenic Rini |
| 6 - Dania Flores Lopez | 17 - Miriana Kelly | 30 - Annabelle Shanks |
| 7 - Madalyn Minnick | 18 - George Daher | 31 - Megan Del Regno |
| 7 - Natalia Rivera Carrasquillo | 18 - Jeffrey Shu | |



Tis' the season @ NEWMAN

FOUR SQUARE @ NEWMAN

Prayers for all for safe holiday travel!	Break Schedule - Sunday 10:30am Mass only
Need for Spring '25 tutors - see Jack for details	10:30am and 7pm Masses resume January 26



NEWMAN Catholic Community at Rochester

We invite all staying local (and your families) to our...

Christmas Eve Mass


5:00pm
December 24th, 2024
University of Rochester
Interfaith Chapel
1045 Wilson Blvd
Rochester, NY 14627

Free and Plenty of Parking

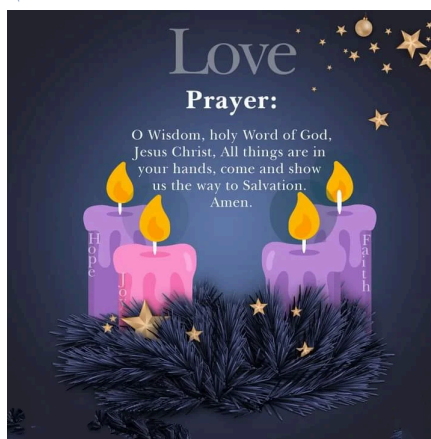
Reception afterwards
You are invited to bring a dish to pass!




LOVE
ADVENT: WEEK 4



"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."
- Lk 1:42



Love Prayer:
O Wisdom, holy Word of God, Jesus Christ, All things are in your hands, come and show us the way to Salvation. Amen.

Cool Thoughts

Dear All,

The Fourth Sunday of Advent, marking the final week of preparation before the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, holds a profound significance in the Christian liturgical calendar. This day symbolizes peace and fulfills the anticipation of the arrival of Christ, serving as a beacon of hope for both the past and the future.

Historically, Advent has been a period of reflection and penitence, which prepares the faithful for both the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus and the anticipation of Christ's second coming. Each of the four Sundays in Advent carries a specific theme—hope, peace, joy, and love—with the fourth Sunday emphasizing peace. This peace is not merely the absence of conflict but a profound sense of spiritual calm that heralds the advent of Christ, the Prince of Peace.

The liturgical readings for the Fourth Sunday of Advent focus on themes of divine promise and fulfillment. They recount the Old Testament prophecies of Isaiah and the events that led up to the birth of Jesus, emphasizing God's intervention in human history through the incarnation. The Gospel reading often includes the Annunciation, where the angel Gabriel visits Mary to announce that she will bear a son named Jesus, a pivotal moment that encapsulates the miraculous and hopeful nature of Jesus' birth.

The anticipation of hope on this Sunday is not only a retrospective look at the promises made by God to His people but also a forward-looking perspective towards what these promises mean for the future. The birth of Jesus represents a cornerstone in Christian theology—the moment when God entered human history as a man to redeem the world. This event offers a message of hope and salvation, suggesting that no matter the darkness, there is always a divine light at the end of the tunnel.

In contemporary times, the message of the Fourth Sunday of Advent resonates perhaps even more profoundly. In a world rife with conflict, injustice, and suffering, the advent of Christ reminds believers of the power of divine love and the potential for renewal and change. The hope brought by Jesus' birth is as relevant today as it was over two millennia ago. It encourages individuals to believe in the possibility of a transformed world where peace, love, and justice prevail.

Moreover, the enduring hope of Advent and the coming of Jesus inspire acts of kindness, charity, and compassion. These are seen in the countless activities that parishes and communities engage in, such as providing for the needy, visiting the sick, and comforting the sorrowful. Through these actions, the spirit of Advent becomes a lived experience that extends the hope of Christ's birth to all corners of society.

As we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent, we are invited to reflect on the dual dimensions of Jesus' arrival: His historical birth and His awaited return. Both are sources of hope that propel believers to live out their faith actively and with great anticipation. In remembering the past, we are inspired to forge a future that mirrors the profound peace and love that Jesus came to embody.

Thus, the Fourth Sunday of Advent remains a powerful reminder of the continuous and ever-relevant hope that Jesus Christ offers to the world—a hope that bridges past, present, and future, inviting all to embrace the peace and joy of His eternal promise.

Peace,
Fr. Cool

P.S. - Newman will hold our **Christmas Eve Mass** Tuesday at 5pm and would love for you to join us. Reception follows Mass! Also a reminder that there will be **no Mass offered at Newman next Sunday, 12/29**. All of us at Newman wish a blessed remainder of Advent, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year to you and your family!



A HALF DAY HERE IS ONE WEEK IN ADVENT

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		
12/15/24		
Weekly Actual	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$351.00	\$378.00	-\$27.00
Y-T-D Actual	Y-T-D Goal	Variance
\$10,699.93	\$10,172.00	\$527.93

Y-T-D is Financial Year July 1-June 30



Mass Intention: Fr. John Crowley, Natalie Hanchett Crissy

GET INVOLVED

NEWMAN

Our weekly groups start up again in January!

COME JOIN US!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Monday Evenings

MONDAY
7:00PM
INTERFAITH CHAPEL

For questions & interest contact Alicia Lawson at alasal10@u.rochester.edu or (607)542-5708

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Conference Room
Interfaith Chapel 2nd level

Monday Night Group 1
7:00-8:00pm

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

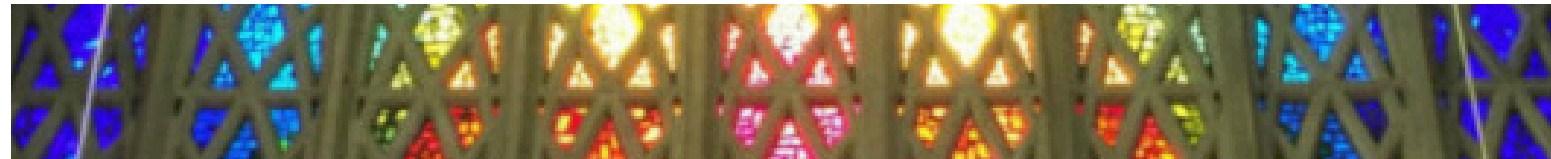
Open to all college men

ROSARY GROUP

Mondays
8:15PM

Interfaith Chapel Sanctuary

Contact: alasal10@u.rochester.edu



Sunday Mass

SCHEDULE OVER WINTER BREAK
10.30 am only

INTERFAITH CHAPEL - RIVER LEVEL
AM / PM Mass Schedule Resumes on Jan 26th

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

Kairos 44 Retreat

February 21-23, 2024
Registration begins in January

"I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart."
John 14:27

Notre Dame Retreat House On Lake Canandaigua
\$8 for lodging, meals (Scholarships available)

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

"The Son of God became a man to enable men to become sons of God."
—C.S. LEWIS

Blessings for Advent & Christmas

"We can believe what we choose. We are answerable for what we choose to believe."
- Cardinal Newman

FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

Alternative Spring Break

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

MARCH 9-14, 2025
CAMDEN, NJ

2024-2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Extending Christ's Mission through the Catholic Ministries Appeal

Help support the Diocese of Rochester and Newman using parish code 508!