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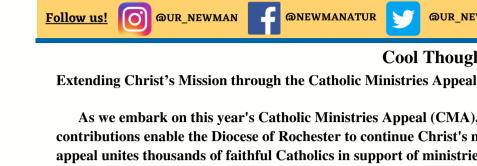
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reaching out to the aged, the sick, the imprisoned, and so many more in need. And this support provides Newman with critical resources given from the generosity of others we will never know their names. The Catholic Ministries Appeal is crucial to sustaining our diocesan-wide initiatives, which include campus ministries like our own at the Catholic Newman Community. Your generous support helps fund the work of Catholic Charities, which serves over 250,000 individuals annually, and extends aid to struggling families striving to recover from economic hardship. By participating in the CMA, we provide hope, resources, and spiritual nourishment to our

neighbors. Contributions to the CMA also nurture our faith community by supporting the education of seminarians, preparing engaged couples for God-centered marriages, and guiding individuals through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) toward full communion with the Church. With your help, we can continue to promote Catholic values that affirm the sanctity of all life and empower young adults on college campuses to connect deeply

with their faith. Moreover, the Appeal enables parishes to offer services they might otherwise struggle to afford. For our Newman Community, your support through the CMA brings direct benefits, with more than \$26,000 allocated each year from diocesan grants, plus additional funding that returns to us when using our parish code 508. This year, we aim to raise \$8,500 to meet our goal, allowing us to expand our programs and serve our members more effectively.

I want to share with you why I personally support the Catholic Ministries Appeal every year. For me, giving to the CMA is not just about making a donation—it's about being part of something much greater than myself. It's a way for me to extend the mission of Christ, to reach beyond my own limitations and touch the lives of others in ways I couldn't do alone. When I give, I think of the children eager to learn about their faith, the seminarians preparing to serve the Church, and the families finding comfort through the support of Catholic Charities. I give because I have seen firsthand the profound difference these ministries make in the lives of individuals and families right here in our community.

With great encouragement I ask you to join me in supporting this appeal. Together, our contributions create a ripple effect of grace and generosity, making it possible for the Church to continue Christ's mission in every parish, every campus, and every corner of the Diocese. Your gift, no matter the size, matters. It matters to the elderly who receive care, the young people discovering their faith, and to all of us who are called to be Christ's hands and heart in the world.

Please consider supporting this year's CMA by giving as your means allow. Your gift can be made through VENMO @URNEWMAN (please use CMA in the note section), or by using the pledge cards available on the back table starting next week. Remember, each and every donation makes a profound difference, enabling us to go forth with Christ's mission.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our faith community. Let us extend Christ's mission together.

Peace, Fr. Cool

Ps...I want to thank Fr. John Mack for being with us as I am in Montana this weekend celebrating the wedding of an alumnus.

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