

## Cool Thoughts

In response to the recent disturbing incident on campus, where “Wanted” posters targeted members of the University of Rochester community, it is essential to draw upon our Christian values to address and condemn such acts of antisemitism. The Catholic campus ministry firmly believes that all individuals deserve a safe environment to pursue their educational endeavors, free from intimidation and hostility.

The Church has long stood against any form of discrimination, especially against the Jewish community. Vatican II’s Nostra Aetate reminds us, “The Church reproves every form of persecution against whomever it may be directed.” This document emphasized the dignity of all people and the need to reject hatred and prejudice. Pope John Paul II, during his pontificate, reinforced this by stating, “As Christians and Jews, following the example of the faith of Abraham, we are called to be a blessing for the world.” Such words highlight our duty to actively defend our brothers and sisters of all backgrounds.

Pope Francis has called on Christians to be “artisans of peace” and to stand against all forms of antisemitism. He reminds us that “indifference is a virus that is contagious in our time.” In this context, silence or inaction in the face of injustice is unacceptable. We must be voices of compassion, respect, and justice, advocating for the dignity of all community members.

Scripture also guides us in this mission. In the Book of Proverbs, we are told, “Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed” (Proverbs 31:8). This is not only a call to prayer but also a call to action. Let us pray for healing and justice while being vigilant in standing up against hate. As a Catholic campus community, we must embody love, advocate for safety, and promote a respectful environment where everyone can thrive.

First, I encourage everyone to engage in prayer, asking God for healing, courage, and justice. Consider dedicating time for personal or communal prayer, specifically for those who were targeted and for the strength of our campus community. Pope Francis reminds us that prayer is a powerful tool to “fight against indifference” and seek God’s help in building a world of peace and understanding.

But our response cannot end with prayer. Pope John Paul II emphasized that we must actively live our faith: “Christians and Jews, following the example of the faith of Abraham, are called to be a blessing for the world.” This call means speaking up against all forms of discrimination. Here are concrete actions we can take as a community:

- 1. Speak Out:** If you witness antisemitic, racist, or discriminatory behavior, do not remain silent. Whether in conversations, classes, or online, be a voice for respect and justice. Proverbs 31:8 tells us, “Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves; ensure justice for those being crushed.” Start with those who might be saying something inappropriate. Doing so can be done firmly, respectfully, and calmly.

- 2. Participate in Dialogue and Learning Opportunities:** Attend campus events that promote interfaith, intercultural, socio and political understandings about all kinds of issues, locally, globally or otherwise. Educating ourselves and others about antisemitism, the history of prejudice and importantly and separate hate speech and action from issues that are reasonable to disagree about and even fiercely debate with respect.

- 3. Report Incidents:** If you see hateful materials or actions, report them to campus authorities or trusted adults. By doing so, we help to maintain a safe environment and support efforts to hold those responsible accountable.

- 4. Build Bridges:** Reach out to students of different backgrounds and faiths to show your support. Small acts of kindness and solidarity go a long way in creating a welcoming community.

As we reflect on our mission as a Catholic campus ministry know that together, through prayer, action, and our shared commitment to respect and live with compassion, we can build a community that reflects the love of Christ and stands as a beacon against hatred, and intolerance..

Peace, Fr. Cool

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**  
NOVEMBER!

2 - Grace Brown  
2 - Jessica Hinojosa  
4 - Valeria Padilla-Choy  
4 - Emilia Parrado-Nazal  
4 - Christina Valenzuela  
5 - Daniel Andaya  
5 - Juan Pelaez Jr.  
5 - Steve Stephen

6 - Kristen Briedis  
6 - Juan Lucena Fois  
7 - Abriana Arokiaraj  
7 - Quinn Brady  
8 - Jane Oliver  
9 - Luis Ixcamparij  
9 - Jonathan Pulido  
9 - Eli Rios Ramirez  
10 - Bryce Kneer  
11 - Michael Bielak  
12 - Jeffrey Shuffield  
13 - Al-Sameer Cooke  
14 - Michelle Ramirez  
15 - Alexis Fielding  
15 - Jack Garbatowicz

16 - Colin Hascup  
18 - Jarett Jacquez  
18 - Jack Kelly  
18 - David Leder  
23 - Aidan Craner  
23 - Clara Schultz  
24 - Finnian Smith  
25 - Megan Clasby  
25 - Coleman Goenner  
25 - Parfaite Uwimbabzi  
26 - Subin Hong  
27 - Yejin Son  
28 - Mackenzie Jutras  
29 - Charlotte Hennessey  
29 - Gregory Palma

**MORE @ NEWMAN**

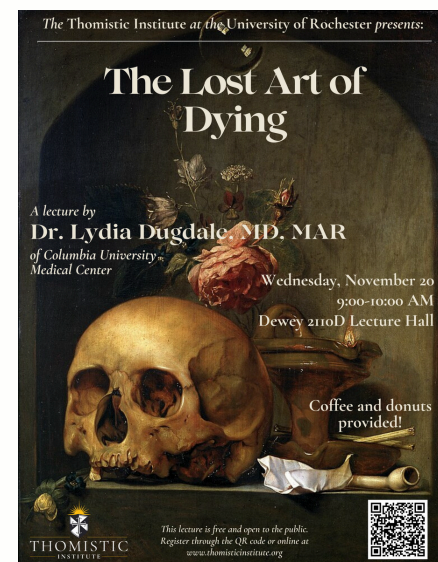
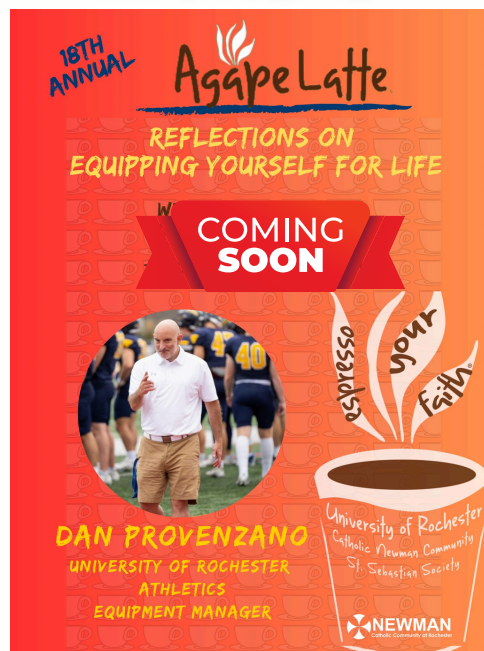
**FOUR SQUARE** @ NEWMAN

Christmas on  
Campus is  
coming  
Sun December  
8!!!

Advent  
Reconciliation  
Service Mon  
December 2

We are still  
recruiting new  
tutors - see  
Jack for  
details

Eastman  
Newman  
student event  
the Friday!



**NEWMAN**

*Book of Remembrance*



The Book of Remembrance will be available November 1st for you to enter the names of your loved ones and friends who you would like to be remembered in Masses this November.  
“The devotion to the memory of the dead is one of the most beautiful expressions of the Catholic Spirit.” Pope St. John XXIII



**CATERED MENU LASAGNA**



When you're at Mass and someone has to walk in front of you in the pew.



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		
11/10/24		
Weekly Actual	Weekly Goal	Variance
\$267.85	\$378.00	-\$110.15
Y-T-D Actual	Y-T-D Goal	Variance
\$9,213.34	\$8,382.00	\$831.34

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



Mass Intention: Fr. John Crowley, Richard Carey, Francis Rasmus, Daniel Kerstetter

JOIN US FOR  
**Daily Mass**  
IN THE SANCTUARY

MONDAY,  
TUESDAY &  
THURSDAY

**Insta Mass**  
EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 9 PM  
FOLLOWED BY PIZZA

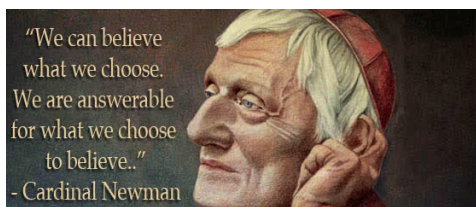
**NEWMAN**  
JOIN US AT THE  
INTERFAITH CHAPEL



**Sacrament of Reconciliation**



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



**ROSARY GROUP**  
Mondays 8:15PM  
Interfaith Chapel Sanctuary  
Contact: [alaws10@u.rochester.edu](mailto:alaws10@u.rochester.edu)

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
BRENNAN ROOM 11:45am-12:30pm  
AFTER SUNDAY 10:30AM MASS  
Enter the classroom of silence with our Lord!

**Sunday Mass**

Join us every Sunday at  
10:30AM & 7PM  
@ The Interfaith Chapel



**Week of November 18th**

This Week: Tues and Thurs Daily Mass  
12:30pm Sanctuary

**Monday November 18**

Men's Bible Study 1 7:00pm Conference Room  
Women's Bible Study 7:00pm Brennan Room  
Rosary Group 8:15pm Sanctuary  
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

**Tuesday November 19**

Men's Bible Study II 6pm Conference Room

**Wednesday November 20**

OCIA Session - 7:45 Conference Room  
Insta-Mass 9:00pm Sanctuary

**Thursday November 21**

Newman Nite 6pm River Level

**Sunday November 24**

Mass 10:30am River Level  
Eucharistic Adoration (Brennan Room) @ 11:45am  
Mass 7pm River Level

GET INVOLVED  
**NEWMAN**

COME JOIN US!

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Monday Evenings

**MONDAY**  
7:00PM  
INTERFAITH CHAPEL

For questions & interest contact Alicia Lawson  
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**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)  
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David Leder (Group 2)  
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Open to all college men

JOIN US  
FIRST TIME  
SMALL GROUP  
MEMBERS ALWAYS  
WELCOME!



**ADVENT  
DAY OF PENANCE**

MONDAY DEC 2ND, 7-9 PM  
walk-in confessions  
visiting priests  
Interfaith Chapel

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR CHRISTMAS

**RECONCILIATION**  
*Monday*

NOVEMBER ALL SOULS MONTH

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR LOVED  
ONES IN OUR PRAYER...

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE &  
REMEMBRANCE PICTURE TABLE

WE WILL ADD YOUR LOVED ONES  
TO THEM...

EMAIL NAMES / PHOTOS TO  
[JRUPPER2@UR.ROCHESTER.EDU](mailto:JRUPPER2@UR.ROCHESTER.EDU)

**ST. CECILIA DAY  
SPIRITUAL  
CONVERSATION**



WITH



**FR. JOHN MACK**

November 22nd

6:00 PM

Student Living Center  
Food and Drink Provided



SCAN ME



Grad Student Survey -  
IFC Religious Life



Fr. Cool asks all grad  
students to complete!

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!