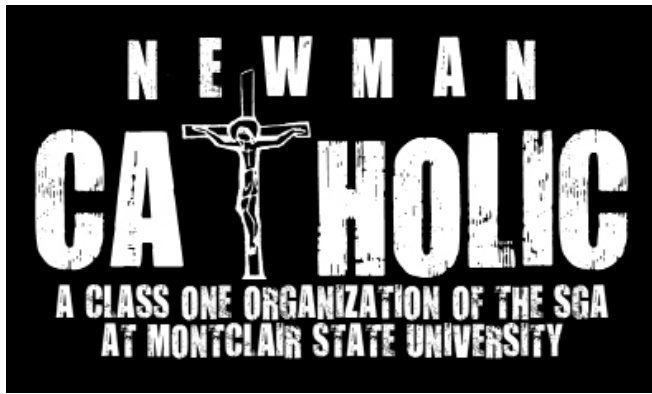


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You cannot put straight in others what is warped in yourself.  
St. Athanasius  
”



## The joy of the cross

**By Megan Callaghan**  
FOCUS team Director

Last year, a family close to mine went through a very difficult time. Ciara, the childhood friend of my sister, and her family were suffering greatly as her brother, Brendan, fought a losing battle with osteosarcoma, a form of bone cancer. He was beloved in his community- known for his humility, compassion, and goodness. His family, friends, and high school were devastated at the loss of this young man at the age of 17. I was not in state when news broke of his turn for the worse. However, about a month later, I was visiting my parents and the story that kept circulating within my hometown parish was one of Brendan's last days, it was one of profound hope. It was

simple yet striking. As Brendan knew his time was fading quickly, he looked at his parents and said, "Don't lose your faith over this." How could a young man, suffering beyond what any 17-year-old should, say this with conviction?

We no longer need to  
fear the crosses in life,  
Jesus has made them  
opportunities for joy.

The cross, that is why. "Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross" (Hebrews 12:1-2). The cross was the worst, most humiliating form of death in the Roman world, yet St. Paul says that Jesus endured it for the joy set before him. What was the joy set before him? It was the hope of communion with his beloved- us. "But God proves his love for us

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MEET

### Tuesday Newman Night

**7:00 PM** - Our Final weekly Meeting of Newman Catholic for the Spring Semester!- All are welcome to join us for free dinner; and a different topic every week at Newman II. This week's topic: Keeping your faith over the summer

## PRAY

### Thursday Eucharistic Holy Hour

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for confessions - Newman Center Chapel

## DAILY CALENDAR

### Sunday, May 5, Third Sunday of Easter

**7:30 PM** - Sacrament of Reconciliation - Do you want to experience Jesus' forgiveness of your sins - Fr. Jim is available to hear confessions till 8:15 PM - Student Center Café B & C

**7:30 PM** - SING? PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? Join our musicians with Mr. Bruce Mauro, our Music Director as they rehearse for this evening's Mass. - Student Center Café B & C

**8:30 PM** - CATHOLIC SUNDAY MASS - Student Center Café B & C

### Monday, May 6

**2:00 PM** - Eboard Meeting - Newman II

**4:00 PM** - Raising Hearts Small Group - Newman Center

**5:30 PM** - Daily Mass - Newman Center Chapel

**8:00 PM** - Men's Bible Study - Newman Center (email Darin if you plan to attend)

### Tuesday, May 7

**4:00 PM** - Women's Bible Study - Newman Center

**5:30 PM** - DAILY MASS - Newman Center Chapel

**7:00 PM** - NEWMAN NIGHT - Our weekly Meeting of Newman Catholic - All are welcome to join us for free dinner; and a different topic every week at Newman II. This week's topic: Keeping your faith over the summer

### Wednesday, May 8

**3:00 PM** - Women's Bible Study - Newman Center

**5:30 PM** - DAILY MASS - Newman Center Chapel

### Thursday, May 9

**5:00 PM** - Men's Bible Study - Newman Center (email Dan if you plan to attend)

**8:30 PM** - LATE NIGHT MASS - Newman Center Chapel

**9:00 PM** - Eucharistic Holy Hour - Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for confessions - Newman Center Chapel

### Friday, May 10

**12:00 PM** - DAILY MASS - Newman Center Chapel

### Saturday May 11

**9:00 AM** - Community Service "Day with the Sisters of Life" - join us as we help the Sisters take care of some projects at their Motherhouse in NY. Cars leave Newman at 9 AM - Contact Greg, Community Service Chair for more info

### Sunday, May 12- Fourth Sunday of Easter MOTHER'S DAY!

**7:30 PM** - Sacrament of Reconciliation - Do you want to experience Jesus' forgiveness of your sins - Fr. Jim is available to hear confessions till 8:15 PM - Student Center Café B & C

**7:30 PM** - SING? PLAY AN INSTRUMENT? Join our musicians with Mr. Bruce Mauro, our Music Director as they rehearse for this evening's Mass. - Student Center Café B & C

**8:30 PM** - LAST SUNDAY MASS - Join us for our final Sunday Mass of the year! Student Center Café B & C

### Monday, May 13

**5:30 PM** - Daily Mass - Newman Center Chapel

### Tuesday, May 14

**5:30 PM** - DAILY MASS - Newman Center Chapel

### Wednesday, May 15

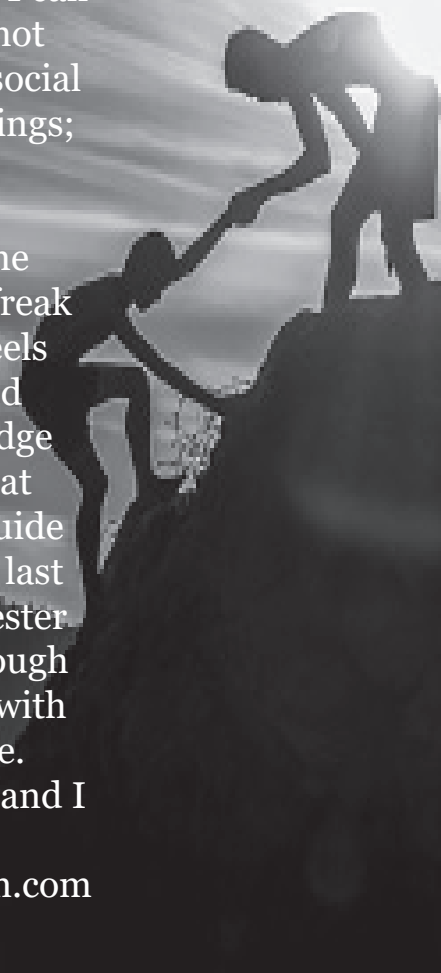
#### Final Daily Mass of the Spring Semester

**5:30 PM** - DAILY MASS - Newman Center Chapel

## A Prayer before Finals

Lord,  
I come to you in hope  
that you will be with  
me through the next  
weeks as I trudge my  
way through finals.  
Specifically, I want to  
ask for three things:  
discipline, so that I can  
stay focused and not  
procrastinate on social  
media or other things;  
patience, so that I  
acknowledge that  
studying takes time  
and I should not freak  
out as my brain feels  
like exploding; and  
finally for knowledge  
so that I know what  
to study. Please guide  
me through these last  
weeks of the semester  
and bring me through  
these finals filled with  
your joy and peace.  
Thank you, Lord, and I  
love You. Amen.

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## DAILY MASS READINGS

**Today's Mass:** ; Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2+4, 5-6, 11-12a+13b; Rev 5:11-14; (no bibl. ref.); John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Matt 4:4b; John 6:22-29

**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6+7b+8a, 17+21ab; John 6:35ab; John 6:30-35

**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5,

6-7a; See John 6:40; John 6:35-40

**Thursday:** AActs 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:51; John 6:44-51

**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1, 2; John 6:56; John 6:52-59

**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; See John 6:63c+68c; John 6:60-69

## ABOUT US

### WHO IS NEWMAN?



We are named after BLESSED JOHN HENRY CARDINAL NEWMAN.

Over the last century on many secular colleges and universities around the world, centers have been founded to meet the spiritual needs of the Catholic people as well as to be a voice in the dialogue between the Church and the secular world on these campuses.

These centers are named after Blessed John Henry

Cardinal Newman. Newman lived in the 19th Century, was a professor, became a convert to the Catholic faith and is still remembered among many things as a holy priest.

Among the many theological writings he did was "The Idea of the University" a series of essays where he observed that the University and the Church are driven by the same goal - the search for the universal truth.

### WHAT IS NEWMAN CATHOLIC?

The NEWMAN CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY has been an active organization at Montclair State University

for over 50 years. Our mission is to help students grow in their faith through spiritual, social and community outreach programs. We do this through helping each other deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church which he founded. We are sponsored, funded and operated by the ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK. We are chartered as a CLASS I ORGANIZATION OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION and are a recognized active partners with the University on many committees and initiatives.



## Callaghan, from front

in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). In his suffering, death, and resurrection, Jesus paid the enormous debt for our sins and opened for us once again the gates of Heaven so we could experience eternal life with Him, the Father, and the Holy Spirit. In his last days, Jesus prayed to the Father for his disciples "I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them" (John 17:26). He loved us all the way

to the cross- he made suffering an act of redemptive love! In doing so, he has changed the game. Suffering is no longer pointless, death no longer has victory. St. Paul wrote to the Romans "we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character

produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us" (Romans 5:1-5). We no longer need to fear the crosses in life, Jesus has made them opportunities for joy. We can unite our trials with the One who bore it all for us and be made stronger in our faith. So let us follow Brendan's advice and not let the trials of life cause us to lose faith, for Jesus has conquered it all.



## Senior Send Off

Last Sunday, Newman Catholic honored our seniors who will be graduating this May from Montclair State. Our prayers and best wishes to all the members of the Class of 2019! Congratulations to (Pictured above, from the left) Sean Grealy, Campus Minister; Nicholas Guglielmo; Angelica Rodriguez, Kate Braunstein, Fr. Jim Chern, Chaplain & Director; Matthew Lozzi, Mario Pappa, Charles Herman. Missing: Michael Corrieri, Santino Gabriele, Keith Higgins, Natalie Yavorski, Clarice Bourland, Caroline Nelson & Gabriella Ridriguez.