

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79
Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Midnight: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128 or Ps 84; Col 3:12-20 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — From you, Bethlehem, shall come forth one who is to be ruler in Israel. He shall shepherd his flock by the strength of the LORD (Micah 5:1-4a).

Psalms — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — By Christ doing the will of God, namely, offering himself, we have been consecrated (Hebrews 10:5-10).

Gospel — Elizabeth speaks to her cousin Mary: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb" (Luke 1:39-45).

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St. James Mass Schedule

14th & B Street
Sat: 5:30 p.m.

Sun: 8, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Domingo 5 p.m. Misa en español
Reconciliation – Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

This Week's Calendar

Monday:

**Noon deadline for Bulletin announcements
7:30pm- Scripture Study, Newman Center**

Sunday:

Mass at 10:00am only

Poinsettias



Community members are invited to donate poinsettias for loved ones living or deceased to decorate the Chapel for the Christmas Season. Please drop off flowers with a note bearing the name of the person(s) to be remembered to the Newman Center office before Friday, Dec 25 between the hours of 12 noon and 4pm.

FAMISH

(Family Arranged Meals In Special Homes)!

This year, we have 14 families and 24 students participating in our FAMISH program. We encourage these families to arrange a time to eat dinner, go to Mass, or attend any Newman activities together. If anyone else is interested in participating either as a host family or as student participants, we'd be happy to get you involved. Please email Jillian Frediani at jjfrediani@ucdavis.edu with any questions or if you wish to join FAMISH.

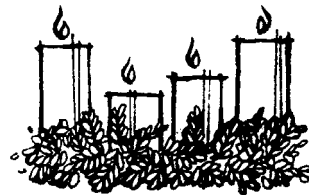
Newman Christmas Schedule

Sun. Dec. 20- One Mass at 10:00am

Fri. Dec. 25- Christmas Day Mass at 10:00am

Sun. Dec. 27- One Mass at 10:00am

Sun. Jan. 3 Two Masses 10a.m. and 5 p.m.



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Sunday Offering:

December 13 10am- \$ 460.27

Your sacrificial giving is truly a blessing and makes it possible to realize our mission.

**Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 20, 2009**

O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven and see; take care of this vine, and protect what your right hand has planted.

— *Psalm 80:15-16*

**Have You Ever Thought About Becoming A
Catholic Priest?**

St Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park will be holding a Discernment Weekend January 15-17, 2010. You must be twenty-one years of age. Lodging and meals are provided. If you are interested in attending, please contact Fr. Innocent (isubiza@davisnewman.org) or Deacon Clark (goeckerc@aol.com).

**JustMatters Topic--Prison Reform Begins
Monday January 11, 2010**

The Davis Newman Community will be offering a religious education program (seven sessions) entitled **Prison Reform: The Church of the Second Chance**. The program will begin Monday evening, January 11 at 6:30pm in the Newman House (a potluck dinner will be provided)

The cost for attending the program will be approximately \$23 for books. *Scholarships are available for students and others who cannot afford the fee.* IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING, PLEASE EMAIL ANDREA NOW: amdrauch@ucdavis.edu.

The program will continue through the first part of March and will address issues of restorative justice.

Blood Drive at St. James

St. James will be hosting its Winter Blood Drive on January 24, 2010 from 9 a.m.—1 p.m. Please consider donating blood and extend the season of giving. All our donors will receive a free Bloodsource T-shirt. Please contact Julie Utz at 756-3636 ext. 206 or by e-mail at jutz@stjamesdavis.net to volunteer or with any questions. Let's start this decade off by beating our old record of 55 pints!!!

Christmas at St. James

CHRISTMAS EVE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

Vigil Mass of Christmas at 5:30pm (Bilingual)
Bilingual Midnight Mass 12:00am (Music Program
11:30pm)

CHRISTMAS DAY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25

8:00, 9:30, & 11:30am
Misa en Español 1:00pm



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**Los Angeles Religious
Education Congress
“Incredible Abundance”**

March 19-21, 2010 --- Anaheim

Each year, 15-20 Newmanites travel to Anaheim to attend the largest religious education conference held in the United States. This year's conference falls over the last two days of final exams for the winter quarter. We will depart Thursday late afternoon, March 18 and return Sunday, March 21. Hotel rooms have been reserved.

The registration fee is \$60 and \$70 if you register after February 5. The Newman Center has registration packets available for those interested in attending or check out their web site at www.RECongress.org If you are interested in attending, please contact the Newman staff at staff@davisnewman.org.

ATTENTION UCD FRESHMAN—

Christian Life Communities (CLCs) to Begin

Beginning Winter Quarter, Clarissa D'Souza and Rose Costello will lead a Christian Life Communities group in the dorms. Christian Life Communities (CLCs) are intimate groups of 8-10 people who meet once a week to discuss a topic and how it related to student's lives and faith. If you or anyone you know has an interest (being Catholic *is not* a requirement) in participating, contact clarissagold@hotmail.com or rtcostello@ucdavis.edu or staff@davisnewman.org. The first three meetings will be flexible; they will be an opportunity for people to join the discussion without a commitment to the group. Keep an eye out for the day of the week, time, and location of the discussions.

Catholics Confront Global Poverty

In a world where a child dies of hunger every six seconds, the Catholic Church's message is clear: we must face the causes of global poverty. And act. Be One in a Million. Learn how to turn outrage into action at www.crs.org/globalpoverty.

**St. James Wine Tasting Festival
SPECIAL PREVIEW TICKET SALE**

Looking for a fun and unique Christmas gift? The St. James Wine Tasting Festival will have a special weekend preview sale. The tickets for the event will be available to purchase from the Faith Formation Staff during working hours in the Pastoral Office, 756-3636. Buy early, they make great Christmas gifts!

The Wine Tasting Festival is scheduled for February 13, 2010 at the St. James Memorial Center, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Local wines will be highlighted. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance and \$30 at the door. Ticket sales after all masses will resume on January 9/10. For more information, please contact Joan Maggenti 530-758-3759, Jo Yeager 530-576-2423 or Gloria Widner 530-753-9650.

NATURE RESTORED

Christ is born, that by his birth he might restore your nature.

—St. Peter Chrysologus