

**Mary, the Holy Mother of God  
January 1, 2012**

Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.  
— *Luke 2:19*

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! (Numbers 6:22-27).

**Psalm** — May God bless us in his mercy (Psalm 67).

**Second Reading** — God sent the Spirit of the Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but an heir, through God (Galatians 4:4-7).

**Gospel** — The shepherds glorified and praised God for all they had heard and seen (Luke 2:16-21).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28  
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Jn 1:29-34  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42  
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51  
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38  
[23, 31-34, 36, 38]  
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11  
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: The Octave of Christmas; New Year's Day;  
Mary, the Most Holy Mother of God;  
World Day of Prayer for Peace  
Monday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen  
Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus  
Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Thursday: St. John Neumann  
Friday: St. André Bessette; First Friday  
Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort; First Saturday;  
Julian Calendar Christmas

**Winter Retreat  
"Strength and Beauty"  
January 27-29, 2012**

**Morello Retreat Center, Loomis**

Join your fellow students in a weekend retreat. Enjoy the weekend away at the beginning of the quarter to awaken both body and spirit. Registration is \$50. If money is an issue talk to Deacon Clark—we don't want financial circumstances to prevent you from participating. Registration forms will be available in the Chapel, Newman Center and Newman House.

**Sunday Offering**

**Sunday, December 18th,  
Sunday, December 25th**

**See next week's Bulletin**

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

**This Week's Calendar**

**Monday: Holiday**

**Wednesday**

7:00pm- Choir Practice (9:00am choir)

**Sunday:**

10:00am Mass and 5:00pm Mass

**Mark Your Calendars**

**January 8-** Masses at 10:00am and 5:00pm

**January 9—** Winter Quarter begins

**January 27-29—** Winter Retreat, Morello  
Retreat Center, Loomis

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25, 2012, is a time to focus on Christ's prayer that "They may all be one." On Sunday, January 22, all members of the Newman Community are invited and encouraged to bring a friend to one of our three Masses.

On Tuesday evening, January 24, we will hold an interfaith prayer service here at the Newman Chapel—details will be posted in the Bulletin and on our web site.

**Martin Luther King Weekend**

With no classes on Monday, January 16 and with the three-day weekend, there will be two Masses on Sunday, January 15 at 10:00am and at 5:00pm.

**Want to Make a Difference?  
Join Us Saturday, March 3**

On March 3 students from the Newman Center will be undertaking a community service project in the Oak Park area of Sacramento. This one-day service project will provide much needed assistance in re-habilitating facilities in this neighborhood. We need your hands and feet to make a difference. If you are interested in participating in this day of community service contact the student staff at [staff@davisnewman.org](mailto:staff@davisnewman.org). We can use all the help we can get!!!

**Join the Newman Team at Relay for Life  
April 14-15, 2012**

Relay for Life is a nationwide annual 24 hour relay fundraiser for the fight against cancer. The whole of the UC Davis campus participates each year in a Relay for Life on the campus and each year the Newman Center has had a team participate. This year's Relay for Life will be held on the campus April 14-15 and our team will be coordinated by Alysha McCarry and Judy Hanna. If you are interested in joining the team, contact Alysha McCarry at [almccarry@ucdavis.edu](mailto:almccarry@ucdavis.edu) or Judy Hanna at [jlhanna@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jlhanna@ucdavis.edu).

## ***Thank You to All !!!!***

Happy New Year's to all our faith community and ***thank you*** to all who make this a special and unique faith community. Thank you to our terrific student staff and to Ellie, our faithful Administrative Assistant. Thank you to our Stewardship Committee for their fiduciary responsibility and to our Liturgy Committee who guided us through the new liturgical changes. Thank you to our three great choirs and to those who accompany them. Thanks to Lynn and Laurie who faithfully clean the Mass linens. Thank you to Mary Kate who has trained and scheduled our liturgical ministers. And, thanks to our Assistant Ministers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers. Thank you to the Families Group and those who prepare the lesson plans for the young children. Thanks to our students and community members who lead our many faith study groups; assist with Thursday evening Mass and cook for Soul Food. Thanks to those who prepared meals during Final Exams. Thank you to all who support our mission to UC Davis with their time, talent and treasure, and who participate in our liturgies. Thank you Fr. Innocent for leading us in liturgy, and for hearing confessions and counseling students.

And, most of all, thank you God for your Son Jesus and for the guidance of Wisdom and the Holy Spirit. May this next year be a year of healing, compassion, forgiveness, mutual respect, justice, peace and love.

Shalom,  
Deacon Clark

### **Personal Care Items Needed**

As a part of our community's efforts to assist those in need, we will begin to collect personal care items for S.T.E.A.C. each Sunday in November beginning Nov. 6. Items needed are: toothbrushes (adult and child), regular-sized toothpaste, regular sized shampoo and conditioner, family-sized bars of soap (individually wrapped) Simply bring your offering to Mass and leave it in the S.T.E.A.C. basket as you enter. For more information, please contact Marg Bartosek at [mbartosek@att.net](mailto:mbartosek@att.net) or call (530) 753-6060.

### **Los Angeles Religious Education Congress**

***"Voice Infusing Life"***

***"Vos que Infunde Vida"***

**March 23-25, 2012 Anaheim**

Each year, 15-20 Newman students travel to Anaheim to attend the largest religious education conference held in the United States. This year's Congress begins Friday, March 23 and ends Sunday, March 25 (Final Exams end March 24). Cars usually leave for the Congress Thursdays late afternoon and return on Sunday evening.

Registration is \$60 if paid by February 4--\$70 thereafter. The Newman Center arranges for housing. We will have registration booklets, but you can also see program details and register online at [www.recongress.org](http://www.recongress.org).

### ***"Do This in Memory of Me"*** **Adult Faith Formation at St. James**

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**January 12, 5:30pm-9:30pm**

Introduction to the Old Testament:  
Concentration on the Torah- Fr. Dan Looney

**February 16, 5:30pm-9:30pm**

Introduction to the New Testament:  
Concentration of the Pastoral Letters-  
Fr. Bong Rojas

**March 21, 7:00-8:00pm**

Sacrament of Reconciliation: A Prayerful Review-  
Fr. Bong Rojas

### **The 8th Annual Walk for Life West Coast**

Please save the date! The 8th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco is set for January 21, 2012 at the Civic Center Plaza. Due to a scheduling conflict, the Walk for Life will be unable to follow its familiar route from Justin Herman Plaza and along San Francisco's waterfront to Marina Green. Instead, we will be gathering at Civic Center Plaza at 11:00 am for the Info Fair to be followed by the rally at 12:30 pm. At 1:30 we will start walking down Market Street to Justin Herman Plaza. For more information call 415-586-1576 or e-mail [info@walkforlifewc.com](mailto:info@walkforlifewc.com)