

Shepherd of the Valley Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica Pastor del Valle



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Sunday, October 31, 2021

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Masses/Misas

Wednesday: 6:30 pm - English

Thursday: 6:30 pm - Español

Friday: 12 Noon - English

Saturday: 5:00 PM - English
7:00 PM - Español

Sunday: 9:00 AM - English
1:00 PM - Español

Reconciliation

Weekend Confessions:

Saturday 4 pm & Sunday 12 Noon

Weekday Confessions:

Half an hour before each Mass

Sacraments

Baptisms: Call 3 months prior to the baptism

Weddings: Call 6 months prior to the wedding

MISSION STATEMENT

Shepherd of the Valley Catholic Church is a welcoming parish family, who worships together as Disciples, receives Jesus in Word and Sacrament and proclaims the Good News. We commit ourselves to the joyful love of Christ. Our faith is expressed in service to all God's children. We go out into the world to share and invite others to experience the love of God.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

La iglesia católica Pastor del Valle es una familia parroquial acogedora, la cual rinde culto en unidad como discípulos, recibe a Jesús en palabra y sacramento y proclama la buena nueva. Nosotros nos comprometemos en la alegría del amor de Cristo. Nuestra fe es expresada en el servicio a todos los hijos de Dios. Salimos al mundo a compartir e invitar a todos a experimentar el amor de Dios.



Reflecting on Sunday's Readings

Introduction: Robert Munger wrote a helpful little booklet called *My Heart, Christ's Home*. In it he compares our lives to a house with many rooms. He raises the question, does Christ have access to every room (every area) in our life or only to those areas where we feel comfortable having him visit? Though written many decades ago Munger hit upon a phenomenon of contemporary society, the compartmentalizing of the various aspects of our lives. This tendency is also very present within the Christian segment of society and is often expressed by the position that "it isn't what I do that is important, but what I believe."

Jesus, in this week's Gospel reading, does not accept this dichotomy. When Jesus was asked what is the greatest commandment, he replies, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." Interestingly, Jesus characterizes our lives as having four segments, heart, soul, mind, and strength. Frequently, though, we do not love God comprehensively in this way but rather amplify our love for God in one of these four segments to the detriment of the others. And so, we find some that love devotedly but are weak on understanding, or others who have great knowledge about God, but lack deep love. Still there are some who express their love very emotionally while failing to attend to people's physical needs, and still others who go about doing all kinds of good but who have little interest in increasing their understanding. It seems like we all want to love God on our own terms and in the way we chose.

Jesus teaches that this partial response is not sufficient. He repeatedly uses the word "all" to communicate that our love for God should encompass all parts of our being, *all* our affections, *all* our emotions, *all* our understanding, and *all* our actions. Then Jesus goes one step further and says that we should also love our neighbor, his creation, as ourselves. This type of love is an all-consuming love,

beyond our capabilities, and requires the giving of all that we are to him. Munger challenges us in his booklet that instead of allowing Jesus to simply be a guest in our home [life] we should turn ownership over to him, giving Jesus both the deed and the key to our home [life]. This abandonment of ourselves in love to Jesus is both the beginning act of loving God with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength, and the means by which we will be able to love our neighbor as ourselves.

The ability to love God with our *all*, inasmuch as it is beyond our natural abilities, requires yielding to the Holy Spirit, for the first fruit of the Spirit is love. It is the Holy Spirit who opens our mind and heart to increasingly understand the depth of the Father's love, and the extent to which it was expressed in Christ's incarnation and passion. For in the final analysis our ability to love God with our all is a reciprocal action that mirrors and reflects the extent to which we have grasped God's love. It is that love which compels us to stop living for ourselves and to begin living for Christ.

St. Theresa understood well the compelling nature of love to change our behavior. "Perhaps we do not know what love is: it would not surprise me a great deal to learn this, for love consists, not in the extent of our happiness, but in the firmness of our determination to try to please God in everything, and to endeavor, in all possible ways, not to offend Him, and to pray Him ever to advance the honor and glory of His Son and the growth of the Catholic Church. Those are the signs of love..."¹

Without this compelling love, inviting Jesus to no longer simply be a guest in our lives but instead to live and rule there as the rightful owner, is very difficult. So, let us begin asking the Holy Spirit to show us the Father's love and to reproduce it in our hearts. We then will say with the Psalmist, "I love thee, O LORD, my strength."

¹ *Interior Castle*, by St. Teresa of Avila.

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Reflexionemos

TRIGÉSIMO PRIMER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO — 31 de octubre de 2021

Sobre las lecturas del domingo

Introducción: Robert Munger escribió un librito muy útil titulado: *Mi corazón, el hogar de Cristo*. En él compara la vida con una casa que consta de muchas habitaciones y plantea la pregunta: ¿Tiene Cristo acceso a todas las habitaciones (a todos los aspectos de nuestra vida) o sólo a aquellas en las que estamos dispuestos a acogerlo? Aunque dicho librito se haya escrito hace muchas décadas, Munger acertó al destacar un fenómeno de la sociedad contemporánea: la compartimentación de los distintos aspectos de nuestra vida. La tendencia también está muy presente en el segmento cristiano de la sociedad y se expresa a menudo mediante la siguiente postura: “lo importante no es lo que se hace, sino lo que se cree”.

En la lectura del Evangelio de esta semana, Jesús no acepta la anterior dicotomía. Cuando le preguntan cuál es el mayor mandamiento, él responde: “Amarás al Señor tu Dios con todo el corazón, con toda el alma, con toda la mente y con todas las fuerzas”. Resulta interesante que Jesús caracterice nuestra vida como si tuviera cuatro segmentos: corazón, alma, mente y fuerza. Sin embargo, con frecuencia no amamos a Dios de manera integral, sino que amplificamos nuestro amor a Dios en uno de los cuatro segmentos en perjuicio de los demás. De modo que encontramos a algunos que aman con devoción, pero son débiles de entendimiento. Hay otros que saben mucho sobre Dios, pero carecen de un amor profundo. También existen algunos que expresan su amor de forma muy emotiva, aunque no se ocupan de las necesidades físicas de las personas. Además, hay otros que se dedican a hacer todo tipo de buenas obras, pero que poco les interesa aumentar su comprensión. Aparentemente, todos queremos amar a Dios en nuestros propios términos y del modo que preferimos.

Jesús enseña que la respuesta parcial no es suficiente. Utiliza repetidamente la palabra “todo” para comunicar que nuestro amor a Dios debe abarcar todas las partes de nuestro ser: *todos* nuestros afectos, *todas* nuestras emociones, *toda* nuestra comprensión y *todas* nuestras acciones. Luego, Jesús da un paso adelante y dice que también debemos amar a nuestro prójimo y a su creación, como a nosotros mismos. Ese tipo de amor es un amor que lo consume todo, más

allá de nuestras capacidades, y requiere que nos entreguemos a él con todo lo que somos. En su folleto, Munger nos desafía a que, en lugar de permitir que Jesús sea simplemente un invitado en nuestra casa [vida], posibilitemos que sea el propietario de ella, dándole así tanto la escritura como la llave de nuestra casa [vida]. El desprendimiento de nosotros mismos por amor a Jesús es tanto el acto inicial de amar a Dios con todo el corazón, con toda el alma, con toda la mente y con todas nuestras fuerzas, como el medio que nos permitirá amar a nuestro prójimo como a nosotros mismos.

La capacidad de amar a Dios con todo nuestro ser –en la medida en que está más allá de nuestras capacidades naturales– requiere someterse al Espíritu Santo, pues el primer fruto del Espíritu es el amor. Es el Espíritu Santo quien nos abre la mente y el corazón para que comprendamos cada vez mejor la profundidad del amor del Padre, y hasta qué punto se expresó en la encarnación y la pasión de Cristo. Porque, en definitiva, nuestra capacidad de amar a Dios con todo nuestro ser es una acción recíproca que refleja la medida en que hemos captado el amor de Dios. Es ese amor el que nos obliga a dejar de vivir para nosotros mismos y a empezar a vivir para Cristo.

Santa Teresa comprendió bien la naturaleza imperiosa del amor para cambiar nuestro comportamiento: “Tal vez no sepamos lo que es el amor, —no me sorprendería mucho aprenderlo— porque el amor consiste, no en la extensión de nuestra felicidad, sino en la firmeza de nuestra determinación de tratar de agradar a Dios en todo; de procurar, de todas las maneras posibles, no ofenderle; y de rogarle siempre que avance el honor y la gloria de su Hijo y el crecimiento de la Iglesia católica. Esos son los signos del amor”.¹ Sin ese amor irresistible, es muy difícil invitar a Jesús a que deje de ser un simple invitado en nuestra vida y a que a pase a vivir y gobernar en ella como su legítimo dueño. Por eso, comencemos pidiéndole al Espíritu Santo que nos muestre el amor del Padre y lo reproduzca en nuestro corazón. Entonces diremos con el salmista: “Te amo, Señor, mi fuerza”.

¹ *Castillo interior*, de Santa Teresa de Ávila.

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS MASS TIMES

Solemnity of All Saints:

Monday, November 1st

English Mass - 5pm

Spanish Mass - 7pm

All Soul's Day:

Tuesday, November 2nd

English Mass - 5pm

Spanish Mass - 7pm

NEW USHERS NEEDED

With increasing Mass attendance, new ushers are needed to serve at the 5PM Saturday and 9AM Sunday Masses. Ushers welcome parishioners, take the collection, assist during communion and distribute bulletins after Mass.

Training is provided by experienced ushers. Former ushers are welcome too, and a refresher training can be provided as needed. Most ushers generally serve once or twice a month. Specific weekends can be requested off through the monthly scheduling process.

For more info., please call the parish office.

EMMAUS- ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY -

Wednesday mornings at 10am in the parish hall. This is a continuous Bible Study of the reading for the upcoming weekend.

DO YOU REALLY WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEONE'S LIFE?

This ministry is so rewarding. Visiting the ill and homebound of our parish with holy communion, once a week, is profoundly fulfilling, you will make long lasting relationships.

What does it entail? You will be given training. You can shadow another minister until you feel comfortable then you will be assigned your own homebound person. You can visit as many people as you would like.

Most are visited after Mass, but other times are possible too that fit your schedule. If you want to bring Christ to others in the most important way we lay people can, please step out and call Joyce Marks! 541-664-1050x107 or email me at joyce@shepherdcatholic.com.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

There is a member of our parish who is pregnant and on bed rest until her due date in December. This is a request to help her, her husband, and their three children with occasional meals during the two-month waiting period.

If you are willing to provide a main dish, salad, dessert, etc., please contact the parish office. Paula will be happy to facilitate pick-up and delivery.

Thank you in advance, and God bless you!

CALLING ALL EMMANUEL PROJECT CRAFTERS!

Are you a knitter or crocheter who would like to give the gift of your talent as an act of Mercy?

We have an active group of "behind the scene" ladies who craft all year so that during the Christmas season we can provide gifts for the poor, lonely, forgotten, society's marginalized, homebound and ill with beautiful handmade hats, scarves, lap blankets, shawls and fingerless gloves.

We do this through a program called "Emmanuel Project". You work on your own time, at your leisure and we have LOTS of donated yarn for you to work with. The ladies meet periodically to touch base and for fellowship.

If this sounds like something you would like to do, or if you have yarn to donate to this ministry, please contact the parish office. In 2020 gifts were donated to 186 people.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

If you would like to share in a ministry that takes 20 minutes once a month (at the 9 a.m. Mass) that is joyous, fun and teaches little children about the love of God, become a volunteer for Children's Liturgy of the Word!

If you are an active Catholic Adult, Grandparent, Parent and Teen, or Couple you can do this! You follow a pre-made lesson plan and the children love being there.

I will train you. Contact Joyce Marks at joyce@shepherdcatholic.com

ST ANNE'S PARISH - JOB OPENING For a Business Manager -Full Time. + benefits.

Qualities needed: A love of ministry in a Catholic setting, desirous to participate in evangelism efforts, open to praying with people, excellent personal skills, can work well with committees, working knowledge of GAAP, record keeping, budgeting, financial analysis, cash flow, forecasting, banking procedures, and ability to create and interpret various financial reports as needed.

Management skills needed: Office supervision, facilitates and maintenance management, creative ability to manage and resource needed

contracted services for parish facilities, grant writing, development, and promotion.

Other skills include proficiency with Quickbooks, Microsoft Excel & Word, and comfort with website and IT management. The ideal candidate will have a bachelor's degree in Business-accounting with 3-5 yrs of experience. Will need to be flexible with hours as needs arise. Preference will be given to candidates with skills in English and Spanish.

Please submit cover letter and resume to BASearch@stannegp.com or the main office by Nov. 12th

EMMANUEL PROJECT

Emmanuel means "God with us". As we enter the Christmas season, our Parish will reach out into our community and bring Jesus back into Christmas through this Project. We have served around 250-500 people, depending on COVID, and personally visit around 350 persons.

The gift we give is a token and path to be the heart or ear of Jesus to the lonely, sick, special needs adults or marginalized persons. Most of whom we visit aren't Christians. It doesn't matter. We visit anyone who would like a visit from one of our parishioners and their family. If COVID is active, then we just drop off the gift, with a very Catholic Card, signed with a loving message from our Catholic Church.

The project is divided into 5 parts. Here's where you can help. PART ONE STARTS NOW, SO PLEASE RESPOND WITH PART ONE OR WE DON'T MAKE IT TO THE REST.

This is Part One.

1) I need people who don't mind working with an assigned facility or location I have been working with for the last 4 years, talk with the manager, and find out who we will be visiting, when, and what the people can use. I will teach you how to do this. You will be called our coordinators.

Part 2: We need donations to fill the bags and stockings we bring to these people. There will be lists in the foyer of things we need, starting the first of November. Depending on how fast

my coordinators respond, we have less than a month to collect these donations. Money donations are also appreciated. Because of limited supplies in our cities, we need to get to them asap. Please keep your eyes out for the supplies we need and buy them as you see them.

Part 3 - happens in the middle of December. I will need your time.

- Time to help me separate the donations given by our parish for the stockings we will bring to people.
- Time to help me pack the bags and stockings

Part 4 - happens the week before Christmas when we deliver the gifts to the sites, and depending on COVID, maybe with a personal visit. I will solicit volunteers if this is possible.

It's a wonderful way to do the Acts of Mercy and Spiritual Acts of Mercy.

Part 5 - is to help our struggling families 1) first in our parish 2) then in our community. If you know of a working poor family, widow or single who is struggling, and could use help with life's essentials, please give their information to Joyce or Kelsie, and we will contact them.

Coordinators sign up -Call Joyce at 541-664-1050 X107 or email joyce.marks@yahoo.com asap!! Others-Sign up to help online at Signup.com Emmanuel Project, or email Joyce at joyce.marks@yahoo.com

FECHAS DE LAS PROXIMAS CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES

12 de noviembre 2021 a las 7PM. No habrá clases pre-bautismales en diciembre. Llegar a las 6:30 PM, para lo del papeleo. No traer niños a la clase.

FECHAS DE LOS PROXIMOS BAUTIZOS

30 de octubre 2021 y 27 de noviembre 2021. No habrá bautizos in diciembre 2021.

CONFESIONES

Hay confesiones media hora antes de cada Misa.

INSCRIPCIONES

Ya están cerradas las inscripciones para educación religiosa y confirmación para este año.

REFLEXIONES:

AMAR A DIOS CON TODO EL CORAZÓN Y AL PRÓJIMO COMO A UNO MISMO

Los mandamientos del Señor desbordan sabiduría; él nos los ha dado como el camino para ser felices en esta vida y en la eternidad: “guárdalos y ponlos en práctica, para que seas feliz y te multipliques. Así serás feliz, como ha dicho el Señor, el Dios de tus padres”.

♥ Sabemos que Jesús no vino a abolir la Ley ni los Profetas, sino a darles cumplimiento perfecto.

♥ Por eso, cuando uno de los escribas se acercó a Jesús para preguntarle acerca de cuál es el primero de los mandamientos, le contestó exactamente con el primer mandamiento de la Ley que Dios dio a su pueblo por medio de Moisés. Y añadió que el segundo es: “Amarás a tu prójimo como a ti mismo”, y que no hay mandamiento mayor que éstos.

♥ Nadie puede dar lo que no tiene. Para que nuestro amor por Dios y por el prójimo aumente, tenemos que sacarlo de Dios mismo, él es la fuente del amor.

Por eso necesitamos conocerlo más, orar y recibir los sacramentos, en especial la Eucaristía y la Penitencia.

REQUISITOS PARA EL BAUTIZO

1. El niño tiene que ser menos de 7 años para ser bautizado con los siguientes requisitos, si tiene 7 años o más puede ser bautizado a través del proceso de RICA- llame a la parroquia

2. Llamar por lo menos tres meses antes de la fecha que piensan bautizar para registrarse.

3. Estar registrados como miembros de la parroquia, si no está registrado, por favor de registrarse.

4. Llenar una aplicación por cada niño, traerla el día de la clase junto el certificado de nacimiento del niño.

5. Asistir por los menos a 8 Misas durante los dos primeros meses antes de tomar la clase, y anotar la fecha y el comentario en el reverso de la aplicación, de lo que se habló en misa o del Evangelio.

6. Tomar la clase Pre-Bautismal. Favor de no traer niños a la clase.

7. Los padrinos que pertenecen a esta parroquia deberán llevar el mismo proceso. Si los Padrinos pertenecen a otra parroquia deberán presentar un documento que certifique que han recibido clases pre-bautismales, si están casados, deben de presentar comprobante de matrimonio por la Iglesia, y si son solteros deben de ser mayores de 16 años y Católicos practicantes.

8. Pueden recoger las aplicaciones en la entrada de la iglesia y traerlas llenas junto con el certificado de nacimiento de su hijo(a).

La parroquia del Pastor del Valle se considera una familia, por lo cual se recomienda que cada uno de sus miembros este registrado, si desea registrarse puede preguntar a los ministros de hospitalidad por una forma **de** **registración. ¡Se parte de nuestra familia!**

WOMEN'S GATHERING IN PARISH HALL

The gathering is held every 3rd Wednesday of the month, our next meeting, will be on Wednesday, November 17, at 11:30am in the parish hall. Bring your own sack lunch and beverage. All ladies are welcome.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

October 24, 2021: \$8,630

Budgeted: \$11,448

Fiscal Year-to-Date

Actual: \$192,883

Budget: \$190,665



DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed every Friday at 3pm in the hall.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 30

5:00 pm + *Leon Stupfel*

7:00 pm + *Frances & Carl Thompson*

Sunday, October 31

9:00 am *Parishioners of Shepherd of the Valley*

1:00 pm + *Mariela, Marleny, Nelcy & Fernando Ramirez*

Wednesday, November 3

6:30 pm *Krueger Family*

Thursday, November 4

6:30 pm *Larry & Jennifer Horton*

Friday, November 5

12:00 N *Marce Griffith Family*

Saturday, November 6

5:00 pm + *Mickey & Nick Saraceno*

7:00 pm *Juan & Epifania Hidalgo*

Sunday, November 7

9:00 am + *Ben Greiner*

1:00 pm *Parishioners of Shepherd of the Valley*

***GOD DOES NOT ASK THAT WE DO
GREAT THINGS, ONLY SMALL THINGS
WITH GREAT LOVE.
~ BLESSED
MOTHER TERESA***

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, November 1, 2021

7:00 pm	Men's Book Study	Hall
7:00 pm	Guadalupanos	Lk, Jn
7:00 pm	Women's Study	Matthew

Tuesday, November 2, 2021

2:00 pm	Charismatic Prayer Group	Matthew
3:00 pm	Rosary	Chapel
7:00 pm	K of C Business Meeting	Hall
7:00 pm	Bible Study	Matthew

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

10:00 am	Emmaus Bible Study	Matthew
3:00 pm	Adoration	Church
6:00 pm	Confessions	Church
6:30 pm	Confirmation	Hall
6:30 pm	Mass	Church
7:00 pm	Choir Practice	Church

Thursday, November 4, 2021

6:00 pm	Confessions	Church
6:30 pm	Mass	Church
6:30 pm	Educación Religiosa	Ch, Mods, CLOW

Friday, November 5, 2021

11:30 am	Confessions	Church
12:00 pm	Mass	Church
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Church

Saturday, November 6, 2021

4:00 pm	Choir - Practice	Church
4:00 pm	Confessions	Church
5:00 pm	Mass - English	Church
7:00 pm	Mass - Spanish	Church

Sunday, November 7, 2021

9:00 am	Mass - English	Church
10:00 am	Religious Education	Hall
10:30 am	Middle School Youth Grp	Luke
12:00 pm	Confessions	Church
1:00 pm	Mass - Spanish	Church
6:00 pm	High School Youth Grp	Luke



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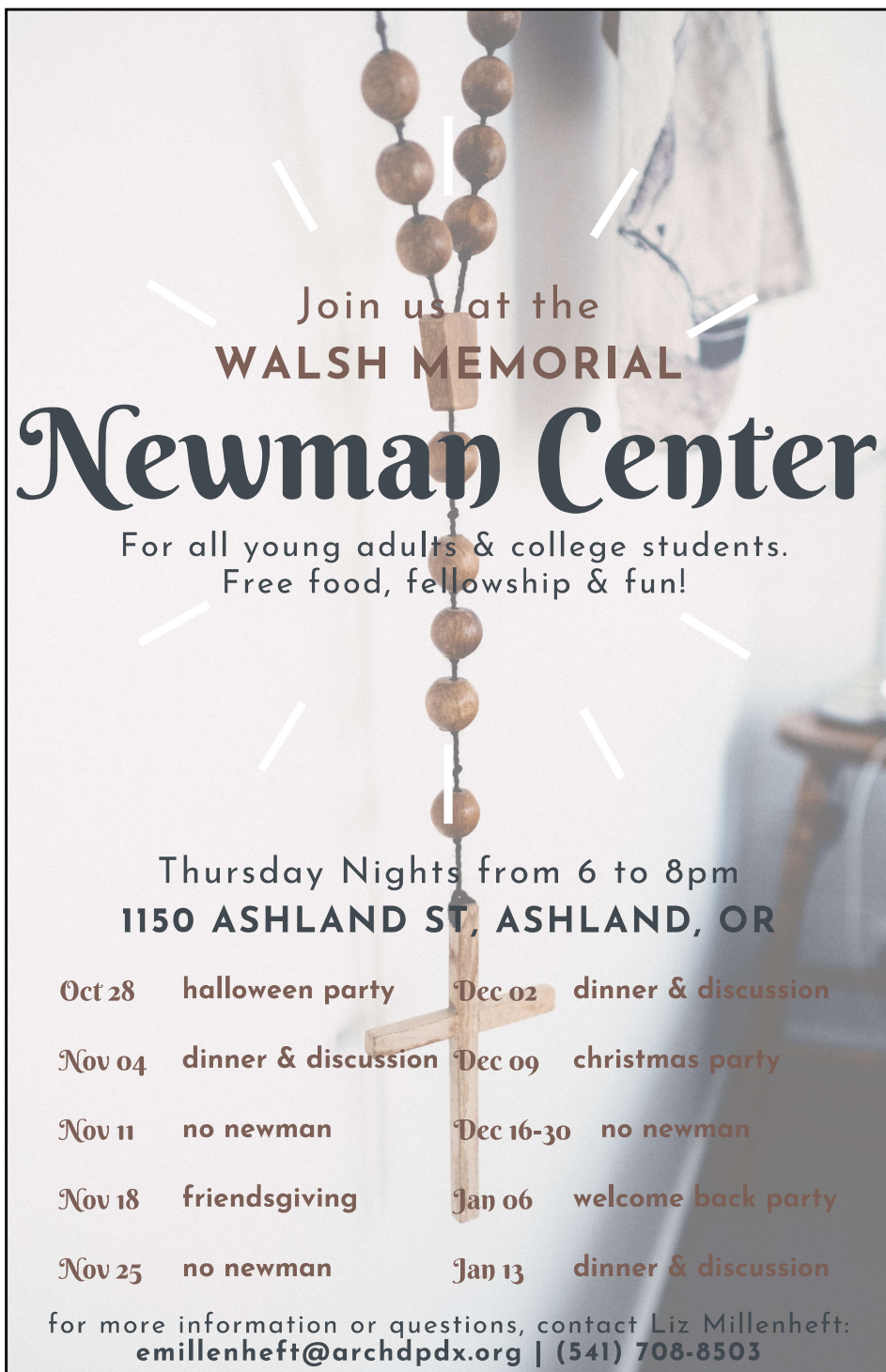
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Oct 28	halloween party	Dec 02	dinner & discussion
Nov 04	dinner & discussion	Dec 09	christmas party
Nov 11	no newman	Dec 16-30	no newman
Nov 18	friendsgiving	Jan 06	welcome back party
Nov 25	no newman	Jan 13	dinner & discussion

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Join us in providing service to the least of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Please call (541) 772-3828 for further information

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council wants to hear from you. If you have praise, comments or concerns, please send the Parish Council an email at pastoralcouncil@shepherdatholic.com We will respond to your email. Comments will be brought to the Council or delegated appropriately.