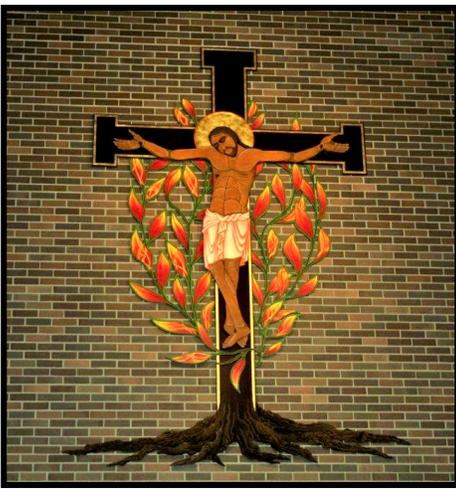


December 2018

Newman Notes



Congratulations

to Fr. Mark Tracy and Fr. Rob Johnson! On May 26th of this year they were both ordained to the priesthood. We were lucky enough to have them with us at Newman for a period of time while they were in the seminary.

Fr. Mark is now serving as Parochial Vicar at St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Effingham and St. Mary's of the Annunciation Parish in Shumway.

Fr. Rob serves as Parochial Vicar of St. Boniface Parish in Edwardsville. He will continue to work with college students as he is also the Chaplain at SIUe.

Please continue to lift these young



Father Mark Tracy



Father Rob Johnson



We wanted to find a way to visually remember those who have served at Newman in their religious vocation or those who went from here to seek a religious vocation. In September . . . WE DID IT!

Our new *Vocation Wall* is a great addition to our gathering space. It sparks many memories and great conversations. We also have left plenty of room for growth. Stop in to see us and the many faces that have had an impact in our Newman Community.



Last December, we introduced you to Emily Brelsfoard, our new Campus Minister Intern. A lot can change in a year! She married Greg in March and became Emily

Rogers. She joined the Newman staff full time as our new Campus Minister in July. Emily and Greg are expecting their first child in January. What a great addition to the Newman team!



In August, we welcomed our newest intern, Chelsey Hutmacher, to our development team. Chelsey was involved here as a student and worked in our office while getting her degree at EIU. She is currently getting her master's degree in Communication Studies. Chelsey recently became engaged to Jordan Heuerman. They are planning a wedding for 2019.

OUR FIRST—JEFF & KAREN BOSHART SUMMER OF SERVICE



Hope Christensen and Friznaida in Gwo Mon, Haiti

"I am so thankful for the Jeff & Karen Boshart Summer of Service scholarship that gave me the opportunity to travel to Haiti and volunteer with Camp Kan Claudine. Living in Haiti for 5 weeks allowed God to stretch me in ways I had never been stretched before. Every morning we walked to camp through the neighborhoods of Gwo Mon, passing by many of the campers' homes. Camp was often the best part of the kids' summer days because at home, many didn't have enough food, running water, or other basic needs. One morning before camp, a little camper named Friznaida was crying in the middle of the street. The moment she saw me she sprinted to me, and I picked her up and gave her a big hug. I didn't know why she was crying, but it didn't matter because her mood had instantly changed. It was clear that our simple interaction made an impact. I had many touching moments in Haiti, but right then I knew how important our presence was to Friznaida and her whole community. This trip taught me to appreciate the small moments and simple human connections. Haitians are thankful for each and every day no matter what it brings, and that's something we can all learn from. When we step out of our comfort zones, to a new and unfamiliar place, influential moments rush in.

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NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE BACK TO NEWMAN



Our Living Faith Society was launched in September.

What's it all about?

The Living Faith Society is a new monthly giving program where families, students, alumni, and friends of the Newman Catholic Community answer the call to stewardship through supporting the ministry. Joining allows you the opportunity to give as easily as possible via check, credit card, EFT, or PayPal.

Why should you join?

It's rewarding. Your generous donation will continue to grow our ministry. *It's easy.* You don't have to remember to write a monthly check. Your gift will be drafted as you choose. *It's helpful.* You can set the budget and keep your bookkeeping easy.

How does my donation make a difference?

We hope many folks will give back through the Living Faith Society, ensuring that we can continue to form today's EIU Catholics into tomorrow's leaders in the Church and society with the riches and wisdom of our Catholic Faith! Imagine a future filled with hope and strong Catholicism because of your support. If you are interested in joining or learning

Just Give One started in September. It is a student-focused, monthly donation program, built to allow students to answer their own call to stewardship through giving of their treasures. We are all called to sacrifice, and with Just Give One, students can decide what sacrifice works best for them. Maybe their "1" is a monthly Starbucks coffee, dinner with friends, or a night on the town. We are calling students to invest themselves, through whatever resources God has provided, in making their own monthly sacrificial



It's almost that time again . . .

Beginning January 21st, our students will be on the phones Monday through Thursday from 6:30pm until 9:00pm for our annual *Spring Ring Phonathon*. When your phone rings, make sure you share with them what



SIGHTS FROM FALL SEMESTER 2018



On November 15 we held our first Newman Alumni Event in Peoria. Pictured from left to right: Maureen Smith-Development Director, Roy Lanham-Director, Ileen Grebner '92, Kevin Hoffman '00, Lucy Drone '92, Ryan '09 and Katlyn Linsley, Stacey Morris '99, David Wayne '01, Emily (Dettro) Kerwin '04, Kate Mushinsky-Newman Ambassador '20 Sean Kerwin, Chelsey Hutmacher-Development Office Intern '16, '19



Choices received its Mobile Medical Unit in November. EIU Knights of Columbus #8713 and the Newman Community raised \$54,000 towards the unit.



Annual Friendsgiving was held on 11/14



Homecoming 2018



St. Vincent de Paul "walk a mile in my shoes"



Panther Awakening 3 retreat held on November 2-4



DR. JULIAN HAMERSKI STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD ENDOWMENT



In 1989 Dr. Julian Hamerski, a chemistry professor here at EIU, stepped down as the faculty advisor to the Newman Catholic Community after 27 years. He often spoke of the need for our students to have the ability to think critically and speak intelligently about all areas of their lives, including faith. He recognized the importance of the Newman Community as a place to aid students in bringing

together faith and reason. He never wanted students to "check their faith at the door" of academia. He realized that the Catholic Church on campus held a unique role in making sure students were equipped to not only be the best in their chosen fields and professions, but also to be the best in living lives of faith.

After his retirement a group of "Newmanites" wanted to honor Dr. Hamerski for his years of service. His response was: "The greatest honor I can receive is knowing young people have developed into leaders for the Church. Young adults are critical

to the faith and the life of the Church. They are the Light and Salt of Christ in the World."

The students and staff decided the best way to honor him was to establish an award in his name to be given to a junior or senior who has best exemplified what Dr. Hamerski wanted from Newman, someone who has shown leadership throughout their years at Newman and, just as importantly, will continue to be a leader in our Church.

At Newman Night, we announced the Dr. Julian Hamerski Student Leadership Award Endowment. When we reach \$5,000, we have a matching donation to take us to \$10,000. This match will allow Newman to award two leadership awards every year in his name. The good news is that we have already received \$700!

If you are interested in donating towards this endowment, please use the enclosed envelope to mail in your donation. Be sure to write "Julian Hamerski" in the memo line.

We showed a video presentation with Dr. Hamerski at Newman Night this year. If you are interested in seeing it, please head to our website (eiunewman.org) and click on the

MEMORIES FROM NEWMAN NIGHT 2018



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Dr. Tim Mason - Master of Ceremony



With the help of many donors and attendees, we were able to raise **over \$41,000** at this year's Newman Night.



Dr. Julian Hamerski Student Leadership Award winners (from left to right) and the year of their award, pictured with Roy Lanham. Jamie (Hethke) Talley '98, Amanda (Hoelscher) Stout '13, Taylor Spoonholtz '15, David Lauzon '18, Zachary Samples '13, Madison Ley '18, Greg Chambers '01, Ben Hahn '18, Annie (Sniegowski) Novak '06, Marissa (Jerneagan) Grant '05, Kat (Stephens) Maggio '01, Sr. Kara Davis '10, Steven Joebgen '10

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