

### Four-Week Advent Small Group

Advent is the season of preparation as we eagerly await the birth of Christ, Our Lord and Savior. To celebrate this joyful time, our Newman Community is hosting a four-week Advent Small Group. We'll discuss the Gospel reading for each Sunday of Advent and share our own experiences of the Advent season.

This Small Group will meet via Zoom on Wednesdays at 8pm CT, beginning November 25. The Zoom link will be sent in an email, or contact Tom to receive it.



### Christmas Celebration & Coffee

Let's celebrate Christmas together via Zoom! Grab a coffee at home and then share your holiday traditions with other students. What did your family do for Christmas? How does the Christmas Season affect your faith? Any exciting gifts you received or gave?

Our Christmas Celebration will be Monday, December 28 at 10am.

The Zoom link will be provided in an upcoming email, so check your email during break!



### Share Your Hopes for 2021

This past year has been difficult in many ways, but 2021 brings a renewal of hope that we can embrace as a Newman

Community. Therefore, let's gather

together to discuss our hopes for the New Year as the country grapples with COVID, the inauguration, and the upcoming Spring semester.

This New Year Small Group will meet the first four Sundays in January, and each one will pertain to a current events topic. Our first discussion is Sunday, January 3 at 8pm via Zoom. Tom will send an email with the list of topics and Zoom link in late December. Do you have a certain topic you want covered? Email Tom: [tprior@millikin.edu](mailto:tprior@millikin.edu)



We prayed a 'Respect Life Rosary' at the end of October, and Tom brought his daughter Riley to her first Newman Mass!



### Campus Reflection

*Katie Bodlak – Secretary*

This has been a strange semester. With the pandemic, the election, and the challenges that college brings, it has been hard to find the good in it all. Life as we knew it has changed, but as we get ready to head home for Thanksgiving, now is a great time to think of all that we are grateful for. I'm grateful for my health and for all those around me who have taken precautions to help others stay healthy. I am grateful for my education, and that we were able to return to campus to be able to experience the performance learning that drew many of us to this university. I am grateful for this community, and how we have persevered and found ways to adapt the ways we gather to still be able to worship together.

What lies ahead for the world is unknown, but we have to move forward with gracious hearts knowing that God has a plan for us all.



### Sunday Mass

11:30am – Pilling Chapel

**President:** Jacqueline Freed

**Vice President:** Evalena Hartke

**Secretary:** Katie Bodlak

**Treasurer:** Marah Kiefer

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