

## weekly collection

Our weekly collection will be given to the Campus Ministry International and Domestic Service Immersion Trips. Each week, we will highlight one of the six trips that will be offered this fall, spring and summer. All proceeds will be distributed among participants, each of whom are responsible for their own fundraising to cover travel, accommodations, meals and a donation to the service site.

Trips:

**Spring Break:** Habitat for Humanity Collegiate Challenge

**Summer:** Cardinal Kelvin Felix Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre, St. Lucia

Wind River Indian Reservation, Wyoming

Carmen Pampa Fund, La Paz, Bolivia

### Habitat for Humanity Beaufort, SC and Mandeville, LA

Over spring break, there will be TWO Habitat for Humanity trips. One group will head to Mandeville, Louisiana while the other travels to Beaufort, South Carolina to participate in the national Collegiate Challenge program - building and refurbishing homes alongside the families who will eventually reside in them.

### Interested in Becoming Catholic?



Stop by Campus Ministry  
or contact Patrick McKenzie  
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and Maria Marx (marxm@neumann.edu) for more  
information about being baptized or receiving your  
Sacraments.



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## this week in campus ministry

November 13, 2016

Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week begins on November 13 at Neumann University and across the country. This week aims to shed light on those in our communities who go without an adequate meal and a place to live on a daily basis. When thinking about this week, you may not realize the vast amount of people who are affected by not knowing where their next meal is coming from. In 2015, 42.2 million people lived in food insecure households. This is 42 million people who worry about what they are having for dinner every night. These 42 million people are often forgotten in our daily lives. Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week does exactly as it sounds – brings an awareness to the Neumann community that this is a big problem. It makes us think about what we can do to help in any way we can. The Gospel of Luke today, states “Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do

the same.” At Neumann, service – giving of our time and resources as prompted in the Gospel of Luke – is a core value we uphold. One of the most eye opening experiences that I had in my life was when I had the opportunity to ride around the city of Harrisburg at night, in a van, passing out food, blankets, and clothes to the homeless of the city. Going into the experience, I was scared. I did not know what to expect from this event, but the homeless men and women were so grateful. Yes, they liked receiving their essentials, but what they really appreciated was my friends and I, sophomores in high school, and the staff of the organization coming to them. We spent time just talking to them, and I was able to see the face of God in these people. No person deserves to be deprived of the essentials to life. Neumann offers weekly service events to help make a difference to our community. Whether it

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Reflection by Olivia Gilbertson '19 and Kelsey Sullivan '18,

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# what you may have missed...



Once a month, we offer Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for an afternoon in the Sacred Heart Chapel. This month, our intention was for our loved ones who have died in honor of this Month of Remembrance.

The evening before Election Day, we gathered at the OLA Grotto to pray for peace in our country on Election Day and always.



## *Reading reflection continued...*

be making a peanut butter and jelly sandwich in Operation Hunger, giving a can to our food drive, or serving food at the food kitchens, it makes a difference. As we go through Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, we keep those affected in our thoughts and prayers all week. We aim to bring awareness to the Neumann community that this is a problem that needs to be addressed through our events. If you are wondering how to get involved, attend any of the events this week. We have Operation Hunger on Monday where you can make peanut

butter and jelly sandwiches for the hungry of our neighboring community, Chester. On Wednesday, we have our second Hunger Banquet, an interactive dinner event that brings hunger and poverty issues to life. On Thursday night, join us as we Sleep Out for Homelessness. At the Sleep Out, we will spend the night sleeping outside in solidarity with the homeless. Remember the words of the Gospel of Luke; remember that it is always better to share what you have. Anything that you do, no matter how small, can make a difference!

# ...what you CAN'T miss



## Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

### Monday, November 14

#### Operation Hunger—1:00PM, Campus Ministry

Come make some peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to be delivered to Catholic Social Services of Chester. Just stop by or sign up online!

### Wednesday, November 16

#### Hunger Banquet - 6:00PM, Mirenda Center Atrium

Join us for an interactive dinner event that brings hunger and poverty issues to life. Find the link to sign up in the email from Campus Ministry or on the Neumann University Campus Ministry Facebook page. Dinner is provided at the event!

### Thursday, November 17

**Sleep-out for Homelessness** - beginning at 8:00PM, Mirenda Center Lawn  
Beginning with a prayer service and a guest speaker on homelessness, we will spend the evening outside in solidarity with our brothers and sisters who go every day and night without a roof over their heads. Find the link to sign up in the email from Campus Ministry or on the Neumann University Campus Ministry Facebook page.

### Sunday, November 20

#### Mass - 7:00PM

Commissioning for Service Immersion Trip participants.

**Food Drive Happening until Thanksgiving Break!**  
**Most needed item:**  
**Boxed Stuffing**

