# 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

## Carmen Pampa Fund La Paz, Bolivia

Partnering with the Franciscan Mission Service, a group of 5 students will head to Bolivia's capital, La Paz, where they will spend a week serving with and participating in cultural practices with local college students. Participants will also have a chance to see the coffee and cocoa growing processes, both of which are essential to Bolivia's economy.

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# this week in campus ministry

November 6, 2016

As the end of the semester always comes sooner than we think, we become very stressed and worried about what our fate in our classes will be. We try to prioritize our classes and our assignments. We get caught up with everything else that is happening around us. Things such as the election, the holidays, and other aspects of our lives distract us from what is the most important: God. In his letter to the Thessalonians heard at Mass today, St. Paul reminds us of God's love, everlasting encouragement, good hope and grace, and how we should use that to encourage and strengthen our hearts. Because life goes by quicker than we think and our day to day worries and concerns engulf us faster than we expect, we need to rely on God's love to strengthen us, as St. Paul reminds us.

As we lose sight of what should be important, we don't make time for God, as we should. As life moves on, never forget God is by your side and loves you! Remember that even though life can get rough at times, when we are con-

stantly seeking God, we can always find our answers - especially from the people and nature around us. God manifests himself so many ways if only we pay attention. We should always remember that the people we surround ourselves with and the way we interact with them are ways is God getting in contact with us, reminding us that his love in infinite and he is always there to guide us in the right path. Just like the second reading states, "But the Lord is faithful, he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one...May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the endurance of Christ." Trusting God and allowing him to take over your thoughts through this stressful semester will bring a peace and calming, and will allow you to get through the semester. If we listen to St. Paul and always remember God's love and guidance, we will have all the resources we need to get through what may feel so overwhelming this semester and all of our lives. Have faith and trust in God, as God trusts in you.

Reflection by Lily Montoya '18

Interested in writing a reflection for this weekly newsletter? Talk to Maria or Patrick or email campusministry@neumann.edu

# what you may have missed...



In November, we remember in prayer those who gone before us. On All Souls Day, we had a Mass of Remembrance for all members of the Neumann community and loved ones who have died this year. Our Book of Remembrance will be in the Sacred Heart Chapel for the entire Month of November. Feel free to add the names of your loved ones to be remembered at our Masses.

Together with Neumann Media and the Knight Shoppe, Campus Ministry kicked off the Food Drive this week! Up until Thanksgiving, there will be boxes in the lobby of each campus building and in the school store—all non-perishable food items will be accepted! Bring 5 items to the box in the school store and receive a discount!



## **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

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

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

# ...what you CAN'T miss

## Monday, November 7

**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!

**Pizza and Vocation Possibilities** - 6:00PM, Our Ladies of Angels Convent Take a tour of OLA Convent, enjoy some pizza, salad and dessert and share in conversation with Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia.

**Election Reflection** - 8:00PM, Grotto (Behind OLA Convent)

Join Campus Ministry's CRS Committee for a guided reflection on civic life, just in time for Election Day.

#### Wednesday, November 9

Pancake Breakfast - 9:00AM-11:00AM, Campus Ministry

Join us for a free pancake breakfast and some community building. All are welcome!

Adoration - 12:30PM-4:00PM, Sacred Heart Chapel

Spend some time in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament with the special intention of remembrance of those who have died. Sign up outside the chapel for a 20 minute slot, or stop by as your schedule permits.

### Sunday, November 13

Adopt a Highway - 11:00AM-1:00PM

Help clean up Pennell road with the Students for Environmental Awareness. To sign up, email Megan Camp (campm@neumann.edu)

Mass - 7:00PM, Sacred Heart Chapel

Email Olivia Gilbertson or
Kelsey Sullivan to sign up for the
Hunger Banquet (Wed. 11/16)
and Sleep Out for Homelessness
(Thurs. 11/17), or find the link on
the Neumann University Campus
Ministry page!



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