weekly collection

Our weekly collection will be given to the Campus Ministry International and Domestic Service Immersion Trips. 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.

Cardinal Kelvin Felix Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre

In May, a small group will travel to Gros Islet, St. Lucia to serve with Sr. Frances Nosbisch, OSF at a pastoral centre which serves to meet various community needs in St. Lucia.

Carmen Pampa Fund

For the first time this June, Neumann students will partner with the Franciscan Mission Service (based out of Washington, DC) to travel to La Paz, Bolivia to participate in service projects and cultural immersion experiences alongside local Bolivian college students.

Wind River Indian Reservation

Neumann students will continue a long-standing tradition of journeying west to serve with Sr. Teresa Frawley, OSF at the three Catholic parishes on Wyoming's Wind River Indian Reservation of the Arapaho and Shoshone tribes.



Thank you for supporting our first two successful trips working with Habitat for Humanity's Collegiate Challenge!

If you would like to further support the 30 students participating in Service Immersion trips this spring and summer, visit:

www.neumann.edu/knightfunder

Thank you for your generosity and support!



this week in campus ministry

March 19, 2017

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

Reflecting upon these words in this week's Gospel, it became very apparent to me that I need to always remember the gift of life that God gives us will last forever.

Coming from a generation that is always concerned about having the newest gadgets, and is always in a rush to get the "quick fix" for things, I think at times we forget that these things are only temporary. Nowadays our generation is worried about obtaining superficial happiness from spending money on items that will satisfy them, but this feeling will only be temporary. We are surrounded not only by objects that are idealized and made to make us feel like we need them in order to be happy, but also images and videos on social media that force us to compare our lives to those of others. These superficial images and impulse purchases will leave us "thirty again", for something bigger and better than what we have now. In contrast, the gift of life that is filled with God's love is something that we cannot put a monetary value on, nor is it temporary. The love that God gives us and shows us in our every-day lives, will quench our thirst and give us true happiness, if only we can get beyond the superficial to realize it.

At times, it is hard to take a step back and realize the difference between this temporary happiness and the eternal happiness that is provided to us by God. However, by surrounding ourselves with those who encourage us to attend mass on a weekly basis, having a strong foundation of faith, we may realize that we will never "go thirsty" if we aim to fill our lives with eternal happiness from God. We can do this, especially in Lent, by limiting the time we spend on social media, limiting the amount of money we spend on unnecessary things, and by increasing the amount of time we spend with our loved ones, and doing some extra service for others.

Reflection by Kelly Coppola '17

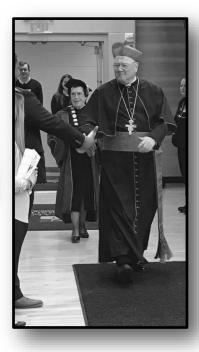
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what you may have missed...





Charter/Sponsorship Day Mass and Leunissen Lecture with Cardinal Dolan. Thank you to all who were a part of this special celebration!



...what you CAN'T miss

Tuesday, March 21

From Ireland to Aston— 8:00PM, Student Multipurpose Hall
We are not letting a little snow stop Sr. Marguerite from sharing her story! Our
next "On Tap", From Ireland to Aston, has been rescheduled to this Tuesday!
Drinks, Chick-fil-A and Zac's burgers provided. 21+ please bring ID.

Wednesday, March 22

Assisi House—1:45-2:45, meet in Campus Ministry
Spend an hour visiting with the residents of Assisi House! Sign up online.

Thursday, March 23

Anna's Place—11:00AM-1:00PM

Serve a meal at a weekly soup kitchen to families in Chester. Sign up online.

