#### **EVENTS**

Mass: Sundays at 5 p.m.

**Confession:** Sundays at 4:30 p.m.

**Eat, Pray, Love:** Fridays, beginning at 5:30 with a prayer service which moves directly into dinner. RSVP to srrose@binghamton.edu

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# **The Newman House**

## Huge thanks to every single member of our community for an amazing semester!

Whew! We did it! The end to our fall semester. Through anything and everything that each of us has faced over the course of these past few months, we've all survived 100% of our bad days! Our community here at the Newman House—our little home away from home—has been so fruitful. Two retreats: a bonding trip for new freshman at a ropes course in Syracuse, and an inhouse weekend overnight facilitated by Sr. Rose. Several service opportunities with trips to St. Mary's soup kitchen, training at a local pro-life pregnancy resource center, and groups taking part in food recovery in the CIW dining hall. So many fun ways that we have gotten to know each other better whether that be a sunny September afternoon at an apple farm, an October night in a corn maze, around a delicious Thanksgiving dinner after mass provided by our Newman House board, or an ugly sweater Christmas party to end the semester. And of course the countless meals provided by Sr. Rose every Friday night at Eat Pray Love and all the good times and laughs in between.

But we can't forget how we're growing as an organization on campus too! From our fundraisers with Krispy Kreme donuts on election day or our Yankee Candle sale, we as an eboard work hard to continue to improve and strive as we move forward so we can provide the best experience for all of us keeping our faith close to our hearts in this season of our lives. And we thank you all! We love our full chapel every Sunday night. And fun fact: did you know that the Newman House has more people that are actually registered on B-Engaged than either Hillel or Chabad? That means more SA funding for us and we thank you so much for helping us out when we asked! (P.S. it's never too late to register for the Newman House on B-Engaged ;) ).

And most importantly, all of this means we're certainly not slowing down next semester! So if you feel any kind of calling, even the tiniest pull on your heart or pique in your interest, come to the events outside of mass! Bring a friend! Bring two, bring five! And even if you want to come but don't have anyone to bring with you, it's okay to fly solo! Come make some new friends! There are some incredible people in our community here and none of them bite (except for maybe Sr. Rose). We wish everyone the best of luck with finals, a safe trip home, a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and a very restful and rejuvenating break! God bless, and we'll see you in January!





"My God, give me courage, a true instinct determining between right & wrong, humility in all things, and a tender longing love of You."

- Blessed John Newman







## November in Review (and a little bit of December too!)

**Movie Night:** In early November, the Newman House hosted a second movie night! This time we watched *A Man for All Seasons* which is about St. Thomas More, a man living in England when King Henry VIII was seeking divorce from his wife, the eve of the birth of Lutheranism, and whose heroic principles in the face of divisive intentions to the church would grant him sainthood. A big thanks to our events coordinator James for the movie and mini history lesson!

**"Who Am I?" Retreat:** Many thanks to Sr. Rose for facilitating this overnight retreat at the Newman House. It was a great way to contemplate our relationship with God and consider where our identity lies (and how those two things should really be linked).

**CIW Food Recovery:** The College in the Woods dining hall has a very cool program where student groups from all over campus can volunteer for certain Friday afternoons to collect food from the dining hall that is still good and can be utilized in local soup kitchens. The Newman House was happy to help out twice this month!

**Late Night Binghamton:** The Newman House set up a craft table at Late Night this November: if you stopped by, you could have decorated your own keepsake box and do something different with your Friday night!

**Thanksgiving Dinner:** We were so blessed, as we are every year, to enjoy a beautiful Thanksgiving meal provided by our Newman House Board the Sunday before Thanksgiving break. Thank you to our board that makes so many things possible as well as this lovely meal!

**Ugly Sweater Christmas Party:** Nothing says unwind like throwing on your favorite Santa-sweater and listening to Christmas carols! Along with food and friends, we also made holiday cards to send to the Johnson City mentor program, had a white elephant gift exchange, and played some competitive Catholic trivia.

**The Usual:** And of course, we as a community are so blessed to enjoy home-cooked meals by Sr. Rose at Eat Pray Love and twice a month, nights of worship and adoration!