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President's Letter: Charting New Territory

Caroline Francis

Another exciting school year has begun here at the University of Kentucky and students of all ages are getting the opportunity to grow in our Catholic faith.

This semester the Newman Foundation will:

- Distribute small grants to worthy Catholic student and community organizations.
- Present "the Gift & Challenge of Hinduism: What We Can Learn, and How it Can Change Catholicism" with Fr. Francis X. Clooney, S.J., Harvard Divinity School on Friday October 26, 2007 as part of our Distinguished Speakers Series.
- Welcome Dr. David Hunter, Kentucky's first Cottrill-Rolfes Endowed Chair in Catholic Studies at the University of Kentucky who will teach "Studies in Latin Literature of the Empire: Augustine and His Age" and "Readings in Early Medieval History" in the College of Arts & Sciences. This is a unique opportunity for Catholics in the region to have access to a world-renowned scholar and learn more about the Catholic faith.
- Coordinate Dr. Hunter's first community presentation "Priestly Celibacy In the Catholic Church: Origins in Early History" to be held at the Newman Center on Thursday, October 4th. Another great opportunity for all in our region who want to expand their knowledge in the history and traditions of our faith.

The Institute of School and Parish Development (ISPD) has presented the campaign feasibility study to the Newman Foundation Board and we have prayerfully decided to proceed with our fundraising efforts to build the Catholicism component of the University's emerging Religious Studies department. Highlights of our campaign vision include seeking funds for the following: UK Endowed Research Fund in Catholic Studies, Catholic Initiatives (Distinguished Speakers Program, Campus Ministry and Student Scholarship/Leadership programs) and Foundation Sustaining Fund.

The Newman Foundation board of directors wishes to thank our many generous donors for advancing Catholic thought and faith here at the Newman Center, University of Kentucky campus and across the region.

Planned Giving 102: Learning Why and How to Bequest

Dion Guest

A charitable bequest is among the simplest and most-effective giving tools you can use to further the Newman Foundation's mission to deepen and integrate personal, spiritual and intellectual development at the Newman Center, the University of Kentucky, and the Catholic Diocese of Lexington.

Why bequest?

Bequests, which are gifts made through a will, have been an extremely popular way of providing long-term support for the charitable organizations that are so important in our lives. There are many reasons for the popularity of charitable bequests such as:

- the opportunity to make a statement about one's personal values,
- the satisfaction of perpetuating an important cause for future generations, and
- the increased financial ability we now have that allows us to make generous bequests.

These are just some of the major reasons so many Americans include important charitable causes in

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Mission Statement:

Newman Foundation Inc. is an independent and non-profit corporation that seeks to deepen and integrate personal, spiritual, and intellectual development at the Newman Center, the University of Kentucky, and the Catholic Diocese of Lexington by providing financial resources, physical facilities and initiated programs.

2007-2008 Distinguished Speaker Series at a Glance

Mark your calendar:

You won't want to miss any of our 2007-2008 Distinguished Speakers.

All three events will be held at the UK Newman Center and are free and open to the public. We hope you'll attend.

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Priestly Celibacy in the Catholic Church: Origins and Early History

Dr. David Hunter, University of Kentucky

Dr. David Hunter, our newly appointed Cottrill-Rolfes Chair of Catholic Studies at the University of Kentucky will lecture on the subject "Priestly Celibacy in the Catholic Church: Origins and Early History".

In this talk Dr. Hunter will examine recent theories of the origins of priestly celibacy in the Catholic Church. He will discuss the views of those scholars who claim that this tradition has apostolic origins, as well as the views of those who see it as a departure from early Christian practice. Dr. Hunter will then present his own interpretation of the origins and development of the celibacy requirement in the Catholic Church.

Come learn more Thursday October 4, 2007 at 7:30p.m. at the Newman Center when Dr. Hunter lectures on this subject as part of our Distinguished Speakers Program. The lecture is free and open to the public.

"The Gift and Challenge of Hinduism: What We Can Learn, and How It Can Change Catholicism"

Fr. Francis X. Clooney S.J., Harvard Divinity School

The Hindu religious traditions of India teach us in old, varied, and endless ways. They show us Gods, Goddesses and the Supreme Reality; sacrifice and meditation; action in the world and liberation from it; yogic practice, non-violence, and life in union with all creatures; ancient social structures and ever new ways of behaving; popular beliefs and refined theological formulations; the value of learning what is new, and the greater value of knowing ourselves more deeply. As we learn from Hinduism, we are challenged to think anew about how we relate to other religions in the 21st century, how much we can learn and where we stop learning, and what in turn we have to say to people of the Hindu and other faith traditions.

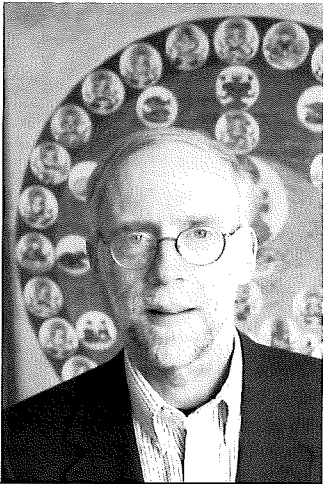
Join us Friday October 26, 2007 at 7:30p.m. at the Newman Center when Fr. Clooney lectures on this subject. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Julian of Norwich: Medieval Woman, Mystic, Theologian

Dr. Joan Nuth, John Carroll University

The talk will focus on one of the most extraordinary women of the Middle Ages, Julian of Norwich, an English anchoress who lived between 1342-c. 1416. It will progress in four parts, first treating the medieval context for Julian's life and work, then what it meant to be a woman in 14th century England, followed by a discussion of Julian's mystical experience, and finally an elaboration of the theology created by this remarkable woman in her book *Showings*. Julian is representative in many ways of medieval women mystics, and of medieval theology and devotion generally, but she is also rather unique in both respects. An effort will be made to explore these likenesses and differences.

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their wills. Tax planning is also an important factor, as is the ability to plan a charitable bequest in a manner that will permit you to accomplish other estate objectives.

Which form of bequest is best for me?

Planning a charitable bequest can take several different forms. Many bequests to charitable institutions or organizations are for a specific sum of money. The donor's will simply indicates the monetary amount of the bequest.

Alternatively, your charitable bequest can be a specified percentage of the net value of your estate. Under this form of bequest, the charity will share in the increases or decreases in the value of your estate. And because the value of an estate can change quickly and dramatically, this form of bequest is often the best way to accomplish the individual's specific objectives.

It may be that a "residual bequest" to a charitable beneficiary will best accomplish your objectives. The "residue" of an estate is the amount remaining after all costs, debts and taxes have been paid and all monetary and specific bequests have been satisfied. This form of charitable

"It is my personal belief that every charitable bequest should be a source of great personal satisfaction to the donor while complementing all your other objectives."

bequest can be especially appropriate if you want other bequests to have priority. For example, if you definitely want specific properties or dollar amounts to go to individual beneficiaries and you want to provide a benefit for us only after these priority bequests are paid, a residual charitable bequest may very well be your best option. Of course, you can name several residual beneficiaries and direct exactly how your residual estate is to be divided among these beneficiaries.

Three forms of bequests to consider:

1. a specific sum of money – a straightforward approach to give a fixed amount
2. a specified percentage of your estate's net value – so the charity shares in changes in your estate's value
3. a residual bequest – gives to the recipient only after all costs, debts and taxes have been paid and all monetary and specific bequests have been satisfied.

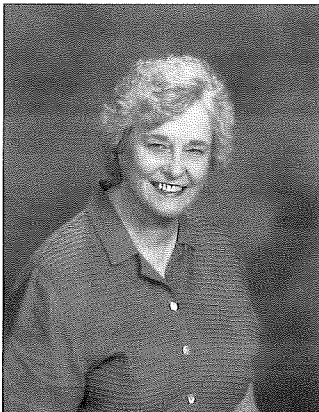
A simple way to add a bequest to your existing will:

If you already have a will, you can include a bequest to the Newman Foundation through a simple codicil, without the need for executing a new will. A codicil is simply an amendment or addition to your will and is commonly used to add bequests to those already included in your will. Keep in mind, however, that a codicil must meet all the requirements of the laws of your state for the execution of a valid will. Generally, it must be signed by you in the presence of witnesses who must attest to the execution of the document. Certainly, you should rely on your attorney to draft your will and any desired codicils. Make certain you identify our institution by its formal legal name.

If you would like to discuss any of the gift techniques mentioned in this article, please call us. We will welcome the opportunity to discuss with you how your bequest can play a meaningful role in our future and perpetuate your life values. We also will be happy to discuss all of the memorial bequest opportunities available to you.



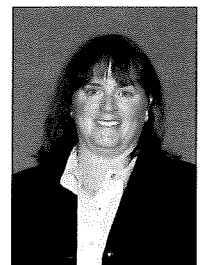
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Spotlight on New Board Member: Meet Beth Murner

Beth Murner is a native of the Boston, Massachusetts area and a graduate of Boston College. She is married to Dan Murner and together they have four children; Ted age 16, Kelly age 14, Coady age 10 and Joe age 6. Beth works as an educational consultant at College and School Planning Services. She is a Newman Center religious education teacher. Other volunteer activities include Cassidy elementary school where she has served as a Site Based Council Member and PTA Chairperson. She is an academic booster for fifth graders at Cassidy and a member of the Family Services Board of Morton Middle School. In addition to these local activities, Beth serves as the Kentucky Alumni Admissions Coordinator for Boston College. The Murners enjoy beach time in Florida and Red Sox baseball. Welcome Beth!



Beth Murner joined the board in January.

Basic Facts about the Grants Program

Suzanne McGurk

The Grants Program supports Newman Center and Diocesan-wide projects that facilitate one of more of its goals of worship, fellowship, and service that are consistent with the Newman Foundation Inc. mission statement.

Eligibility

1. Newman Center sponsored groups, especially students.
2. Roman Catholic clubs/groups in Kentucky that are part of (or have the potential to be part of) the Newman Apostolate.
3. Organizations affiliated with the Diocese of Lexington who are seeking funding for activities that are consistent with the mission and goals of the Newman Foundation Inc.
4. It is a condition of each grant that a report of the project results be filed. Consideration for any future grant is contingent on proper reporting of any previously funded grants.
5. It is the intent of Newman Foundation and the Grants Committee to fund as many different Grant applicants as possible each year. Therefore, preference will be given to applicants that have not previously received a grant from NFI, in the current fiscal year.

Typically, grants will be awarded up to \$1000. However, if additional funds are needed for larger projects, the Grants committee will consider them.

The next application deadline is Thursday, October 4, 2007.

You, too, can make grants possible. Contact us for more information on giving.

Upcoming Grant Application Deadlines:

Oct. 4, 2007

Feb. 7, 2008

April 3, 2008

For applications and specific questions, please visit www.newmanfnd.org or contact:

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