



# St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center

At Minnesota State University, Mankato

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## Mission

St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center is the Catholic Campus Ministry serving Minnesota State, Mankato, and is committed to providing a place and opportunities to celebrate our Catholic faith. We strive to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, education, service, fellowship, and stewardship, as a community of students, faculty, staff and others who choose to share in this mission.

## Organizational Overview

In keeping with its mission to “...live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, education, service, fellowship and stewardship...” the St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center complements the secular education provided at Minnesota State University in meaningful ways. Young adults who pair what they learn in the classroom with Catholic tradition and theology will learn to make thoughtful, faithful choices in their lives and their work. When students begin to understand social justice and the abundant love of Christ that knowledge flows into their decision making as future employers, parents, and citizens. Often times the personal transformation of students may come from a Spring Break immersion trip, a homily at Mass, a theology lecture, spiritual direction with a campus minister or simply being in communion with peers who share similar values. The St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center addresses the challenges of a Church and world in need of these Christian leaders.

## Ministries

Today, Minnesota State University has 14,000 students at the Mankato campus, with an estimated 5,000 of those students being Catholic! The St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center remains a hub of positive campus activity – a place where Catholic students of every age and from all over the world – come together to worship, receive the sacraments, discover the Catholic tradition, discern vocations, attend life-altering retreats, participate in service-oriented ministries and give time and talent to assist the poor and hungry. These are but a few of the opportunities for formation, study, mentoring and action that are offered regularly at the St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center.

## Goals

As Catholics, it is our responsibility to build the Church on campus. We must sustain the vital contributions to intellectual, moral and spiritual growth that campus ministry provides for young people. The goal of the St. Thomas More Catholic Newman Center is to continue to build up the Body of Christ in our Church and our world.