



GUIDELINE #4 COMMON SPACES

All student group meetings (small group bible studies, pro-life groups, women's/men's groups, etc.) and events are subject to the regulations described in the most recent Directed Health Measure for the State of Nebraska. The use of online platforms like Google Hangouts, Zoom, or FaceTime is recommended when possible.

Students and staff are encouraged to find creative and suitable locations for small groups if choosing to gather in person, whether at JP II Newman or at another location. Depending on the size, some spaces at JP II Newman may not be able to accommodate groups at this time.

The current DHM (effective 11/11/20) states: Gatherings are restricted to twenty-five percent (25%) for an indoor facility's applicable rated occupancy and one hundred percent (100%) for an outdoor facility's applicable rated occupancy excluding staff.

Students, staff, and visitors are required to maintain physical distancing (6 feet of separation from others) and wear masks while in common spaces. Households (those who are living together in the same apartment unit, suite, or house) may be within 6 ft of each other but should maintain 6 feet from other individuals or households.

Karol's Commons
Capacity: 40

Holy Family Room
Capacity: 24

Scholastica's Study
Capacity: 2

Benedict's Roost
Capacity: 2

Newman Hall Room Capacity*
 1st Floor Laundry Room: 1
 2nd-4th Floor Laundry Rooms: 2
 2nd Floor Lounge: 6
 3rd Floor Lounge: 6
 4th Floor L'alto Lounge: 18
 4th Floor deck: 8
 Study Rooms on 2nd, 3rd, 4th Floors: 1

* Exceptions to these room capacity limits can be made for Newman Hall roommates. To request an exception, please call the RA on call 402-981-3865.

JP II Newman Basement Capacity: 40

As an exception to our normal policy for basement use, the basement may be reserved for student or staff-led groups. The basement is to be used for small groups only and

may not be reserved by students for personal/private use for studying or other social events. Please make basement reservations in advance. Masks are required and 6 feet of separation must be maintained.

Reserving a space

To make a reservation, please fill out the event request form at www.JPiiOmaha.org/connect.

Reservations for regularly scheduled events (ex: weekly small group bible studies) are made for one semester at a time. If plans change and you no longer need your reservation, we appreciate an update so it can be removed from the calendar. To reserve the basement for your small group, please email Renee.Hendricks@JPiiOmaha.org or stop by her desk in the back office area.

Face Masks

Students, staff, and visitors are expected to wear face masks in all common spaces of the building: shuttle stop waiting area, Karol's Commons, Holy Family Room, Scholastica's Study, Benedict's Roost, courtyard, Oratory, narthex, basement, Newman Hall lounges, 4th floor deck, study rooms, and laundry facilities.

Masks are required in JPii Newman and the courtyard with these exceptions:

When you are praying alone in the Oratory outside of communal prayer times (Mass, holy hour, etc.) *and* you are 6 feet away from your nearest neighbor.

When you are studying alone at a table in Karol's Commons, the Holy Family Room, or a study room. Masks are required when talking with others even if you are seated at different tables.

When you are eating *and* are 6 feet from your nearest neighbor. Please put your mask back on when you are finished eating.

When you are in the courtyard *and* 6 feet away from your nearest neighbor.

Please follow the recommendations of the most recent Directed Health Measures from the State of Nebraska for any other spaces not mentioned here.