

**Newman Center
Honolulu HI
Religious Education**

Our parish has been bursting at the seams with families attending Mass on Sunday and staying for Religious Education classes. We are limited by space; therefore, we offer classes for kindergarten and first grades, third and fourth grades, fifth and sixth grades, seventh and eighth grades, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, and Confirmation. All classes are following the “Called to Faith” curriculum developed by Harcourt.

During the 9:00 a.m. Mass, the children between the ages of 5-10 attend a special liturgy under the direction of parents that have volunteered to teach the Word of the Lord to our younger parishioners. Before the readings, the children are excused. Here Fr. John Chandler leads the congregation in a blessing for the children and off they go to another part of the church for their special liturgy. Parents are asked to lead two sessions per year if their children participate in this Liturgy.



Another integral part of our Religious Education program is the monthly Parent Theology class led by Roseanne Petro. The parents learn to deepen their Catholic faith as their children attend class. The topics also include issues that families deal with as they raise their children. With over forty families participating in the Religious Education program, the classes need to be held in one of the classrooms at the University of Hawaii Moore Hall. The group is too large for any room located within the Newman Center.

The Newman Center parish is growing because of the many individuals that began as students at the University of Hawaii and have returned as families to enrich their Faith.



Kindergarten and First Grade Class with Val Youkhana and Mari Frietas



Third and Fourth Grade Class with Anne Hallstein

Fifth and Sixth Grade Class with Clint Clausen



7th & 8th Grade Class with Maile Lam

First Reconciliation Class with Christina Marzo

