



The Newman Center

March 21, 2010

Fifth Sunday of Lent

at the University of Hawaii, Manoa

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday: 12:10 p.m.
(National & State Holidays - 9:00 a.m.)

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday (except Holidays)
Center opens at 10 a.m. and remains open until evening programs conclude. Saturday and Sunday Center is open during Mass times and for activities as needed.

Sacraments:

Reconciliation - Mondays, 11:30 AM—Noon, or call for an appointment, we are glad to meet with you at your convenience.

Baptisms - Call or speak with a priest at least one month before the date desired for the baptism.

Confirmation - Programs for teens and adults. Contact any staff member.

Weddings - Couples need to contact one of our priests at least 8 months before the desired date of the ceremony.

Anointing of the Sick - Offered to anyone who is seriously ill; one does not need to be in danger of death. Call for anointing at any time. We are happy to come to your home or hospital.

Funerals - Call 988-6222. We will work with you to make arrangements for services and care for your needs.

Pastoral Team

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Seder Meal

Every year the Newman community comes together on the evening of Passion Sunday to celebrate a Seder meal.

This is a lovely sit down turkey/lamb dinner with salad, potatoes and vegetables, and pie for dessert.

This year the Seder will be held on
Sunday, March 28 at 6:30pm
Tickets are \$15.00
Children under 8 years of age are free
Students \$10.00

Yellow registration forms are on the credenza. Register early and get your ticket.

There are a limited number of places.



Lenten Penance Celebration

Date: Monday, March 22

Time: 7:30 PM

Visiting Priests will be available.



Vigil Reception

There will be a wine and cheese reception after the 8:00pm Saturday Easter Vigil Mass, and you are invited to bring wine and cheese to share.

Your help to serve at this reception is also very much appreciated.

There is a sign up on the door.

Dear Ohana of the Newman Center,

There is nothing wrong with wanting health, success, beauty, power, glamour, money or fame. Of themselves, these are good and can, if used properly, help God's glory shine thorough in ordinary life. But they can also be dangerous and can just as easily corrupt, inflate, and weaken rather than strengthen character. We want these things, but they aren't always good for us. Ironically, the reverse is also true: We don't want failure, humiliation, sickness, powerlessness, poverty or inferiority of any kind. Yet these, more than success and glamour, are what produce character and depth inside us.

If we examine ourselves with courage and honesty, we will see that almost all the things that we have made us and given us character are the things we are often ashamed of: a plain body that won't let us stand out in a crowd; a quirky family whose habits can only be understood from the inside; a troubled history within which there have been too many instances where we were the dumb one, the weak one, the sick one, the excluded one, the fat one, the one without a date on a Friday night, and the one who got beaten up on the playground.

But character and depth are not given for scoring goals in the World Cup, for winning Oscars in Hollywood, or for being so successful or beautiful that you become an icon for an adoring public. Character and depth are given for coping with powerlessness, inferiority and humiliation. There is an intimate connection between attaining a certain level of depth and having experienced a certain level of humiliation. That is one of the lessons of Gethsemane.

When Jesus walks into the garden of Gethsemane, he asks his disciples "to watch." They are meant to learn a lesson there, to see something illustrated. But, as St. Luke tells us, they missed the lesson because they fell asleep

"out of sheer sorrow, "They were blinded by simple depression, They were unable precisely to stare humiliation in the eye. That is why on the morning of the resurrection, when Jesus met two disciples walking away from Jerusalem, (The Church, the faith and the place of humiliation) towards Emmaus (a Roman Spa, a place of human consolation) he has to point out to them the necessary connection between humiliation and depth: "Wasn't it necessary that the Christ should have to suffer in this way so as to enter into his glory?"

What they missed seeing in the Garden, missed seeing Jesus struggling with and eventually accepting, was the innate link between the experience of humiliation and the resurrection of character. Resurrections come after crucifixions, Easter Sunday after dark Fridays, and depth of soul after the kind of pain that one is ashamed of.

That is why Gethsemane is drama without a pre-written ending. Not everyone will handle things like Jesus did. The feeling of humiliation can make or break us, pushing us either into greatness or perversity.

In Jesus' case, it pushed him into greatness. How he handled his humiliation was perhaps his greatest gift to us and his deepest revelation of wisdom. By accepting humiliation and powerlessness (without resentment, but as a gift that can be used to give something deeper back to the community), he taught us one of the deep secrets inside the very DNA of love itself, namely, that only when the private ego is crucified to real love, then community and character emerge.

Let us continue our prayer and reflection during the church's Lenten retreat.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Russell J. Roide, S.J.

Why is there a Brunch and Silent Auction?

♥ To meet and greet and celebrate together as a community

♥ To raise funds to help support student programs, to train and encourage future leaders

♥ To raise money to replace the wire frame chairs which are almost 30 years old and continue to break and need to be repaired

Mahalo for your support!

Bible Study for All Students

Take a break during your busy week—

◆ Wednesday

◆ 1:00 PM

**Bible Study
and Lunch**



Lenten Community Gathering

Find your true center by moving to the edge

Wednesday nights: 7:00—8:30 PM

March 31st Journey of Descent - Way of the Cross.

RCIA

We welcome Dean Nakamoto to Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

Peter Ehrman, who has already been baptized, will be confirmed and receive the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

Both Dean and Peter are active members of the Newman Community. They have also participated in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) since last September.

It is a great pleasure to welcome them to the Sacraments. Kindly remember them in your prayers as they make final preparations.

Reception after the Easter Vigil

One or two generous people are needed to help Catharine organize and facilitate this wine and cheese reception after the 8:00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday evening, April 3

Please email cml@lava.net or call for more information

STUDENT EVENTS AT THE NEWMAN CENTER

3/14/10—3/20/10

◆ *Tues at 7:15 AM*
Fr. Don's Kitchen at Ala Moana.
Sign up on the door to reserve your place.
Leave Newman 7:30AM—back by 9:30AM

◆ *Tues 7:30 PM*
Conversations on the Exercises of St. Ignatius with Fr. John S.J.
Listen to a 20-30 min talk on the Exercises followed by a period of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

SPRING BREAK

**See you at Seder at
6:30pm—Sunday
March 28.**

◆ **Seder Meal (A ticket is needed)**

Easter lilies would be welcome for decorating the Newman Center. They may be dropped off by Good Friday.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is:

Friday, May 21st—Sunday, May 23rd

Married couples, it's Lent, a time to possibly make some changes. Why not change your good marriage into a great marriage. Experience a weekend of transformation and discovery.

Contact Ricky & Joanne Viernes at 393-2396
For any details, questions, and registration.

Website: www.lovemoredeeply.org

Religious Education Classes

Confirmation Classes:

The third Sunday of the month from 10:00-noon

- ◆ March 21, April 11
- ◆ May 8—Reconciliation and Practice
- ◆ May 9—Confirmation

Religious Education Classes: Sunday, 10 AM

- ◆ March 28, April 11, 23
- ◆ May 2—9:00am 1st Communion Mass

Thank you for your hard work!

Work day was under the direction of Hank Le Page—and cleaning, painting, polishing and general maintenance were all part of the accomplishments.

Vickie & Yung Bunye, Chuck Ferreira, Jeff Freitas, David Kent, Mia Lettau, Shevaun Low, Christina Marzo, Diane Seleny, Anna Viggiano, Danny Washle, all worked hard and did an amazing amount of work.

BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday April 18 • 11:00am
Hawaii Prince Hotel

Tickets: \$50
Students: \$35
Children: \$20

- Hotel stays, restaurant meals, jewelry, gift certificates and other items are most welcome.
- Tickets are on sale after all Masses

Please do bring your gifts in before Easter.

Happenings at the Newman Center

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| Mar 21 | Aloha Reception for Sr. Dolores—
after 9:00 AM Mass |
| Mar 22 | Reconciliation 7:30 PM |
| Mar 28 | Seder Meal 6:30 PM |
| April 1 | Holy Thursday Liturgy 7:30 PM |
| April 2 | Good Friday Liturgy 1:00 PM |
| April 3 | Holy Saturday Vigil 8:00 PM |
| April 4 | Easter Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
(NO 5:00 PM MASS) |

Conversations on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius

- ◆ 7:30 PM, Tues evening at Newman
- ◆ Topic Jesus, the Healer
- ◆ Format:
Fr. John will present the 20-30 min. talk on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, followed by a period of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Small Pockets of Prayer

God offers us many pauses in our day where prayer fits perfectly—pockets of prayer. As these moments begin to infuse our schedule, we start hearing God's invitation to create more. God walks through the day with us. God listens and watches.

Remember, prayer is basically conversation with God. Books on organized prayer can help, but if you have a relationship with someone, you want to spend time together. If you can talk, you can pray—and talking isn't even required; just being in each other's company is what counts.

Birthdays March 21—March 26

Clare Chan Suet Ching	Alison Taite
Niranjala Cooray	Antonio Tanio
Mike Green	Terrence Thornbush
Matthew C. Linden	Max Weber
Tomoko Miyakoshi	Fadi Youkhana
Anthony Paris	

**Happy Birthday!**