

DIOCESAN STRATEGIC PLAN – CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Dear Ohana of the Newman Center,

In 2006, Bishop Larry Silva initiated “Witness to Jesus,” the first-ever diocesan strategic planning effort. After visiting all the parishes, seeing and listening to the needs of the people he has implemented a strategic plan and a Capital Campaign for the Diocese with six priorities:

- Leadership development of clergy, lay colleagues, and volunteers
- Youth and young adult programs
- Faith Formation
- Homelessness and low-cost housing
- Repair and maintenance of church and school facilities
- New parishes and facilities and management of land assets

On June, 26, 2009 a complete description of the plan was presented in “The Catholic Herald.” A critical component of the implementation process is acquiring the funds necessary to prime and sustain the many needed actions of the plan. After extensive consultation, Bishop Larry unveiled the “With Grateful Hearts” capital campaign – a \$30 million fund-raising effort that is the largest in the history of the Diocese.

Most parishes on the neighbor islands have finished the pledge program and, as an integral part of the Diocese of Honolulu, we are about to begin soliciting donations and pledges from the Newman Community. Pledges allow our parishioners to make a substantial contribution toward priorities that they have identified as important, including vocations, leadership, faith formation, the homeless, facilities and young people.

I would welcome volunteers to help with the solicitation of pledges. We are in need of volunteers very soon. Please call Catharine Low or e-mail her at (Catharine@newmanhawaii.org) to volunteer for this important Capital Campaign. It will run through October. Your pledge will be for “five” years, and all pledges will be administered and overseen by a special committee. No funds will be used for lawsuits or scandals, but only for the priorities listed above.

“This is both a challenging and exciting time for our Church here in Hawaii. To respond to God’s call to us today to preach the Gospel with vitality and conviction, with creativity and engagement, is not for the faint of heart or easily disappointed. The road ahead is not easy. But for people of faith, who are graced by the legacy of Fr. Damien and Mother Marianne, it is the only road we can follow as together we seek to witness to Jesus.”
Very Rev. Marc Alexander, Vicar General, Diocese of Honolulu

Please be as generous as you can in supporting this Capital Campaign.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Russ Roide, S.J.
Director/Pastor

Happenings at the Newman Center

- Sun Aug 30 6:00pm Welcome Back Student BBQ**
Thu Sept 10 5:00pm Finance Committee Meeting
Sun Sept 13 10:00am Religious Ed begins
12:15pm “Becoming Catholic” Meetings
Sat Sept 19 8:30am –12:30pm Community Service Day
Sun Sept 20 9:00am –12noon Confirmation Session
6:30pm - Music Ministry Appreciation dinner

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee would welcome some new members to help with the financial overview and care of the assets of the Newman Center. We meet once a month. Service also entails planning of reports to the community and care of the facilities.

See Jeff Freitas or Catharine for more information.

Altar Servers

Newman Center needs more Altar Servers. Serving will begin on September 12th/13th, following training by Fr. Russ.

Age: 5th grade and up (or enthusiastic 4th grader)

If you are interested, sign the Altar Server sheet with name, phone #, and e-mail on the door at the back of the Newman Center.

Birthdays August 29 – September 4

Vic Aquino	Mike Lameirer
Patricia Ayers	Linda Leong
L.J. Bernardo	Joe Miller
Raegan Bruhl	Zachary Mousing
Alana Calhoun	Mathews Paret
Emma Ching	Jonathan Roberts
Leslie Ching	Lilibeth Robotham
Felix Da Silva	Fr. Joe Specht, S.J.
Nicole Ferriera	Helene Teves
Bonnie Graham	Hyun Underwood
Rachel Jeon	Michael Van Dyke
Dolores Kau	William Westmoreland
Devon Kelsey	

Happy Birthday!



The Newman Center

August 30, 2009

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

at the University of Hawaii, Manoa

1941 East-West Road, Honolulu HI 96822-2321
Phone (808) 988-6222 Fax: (808) 988-1752
www.newmanhawaii.org

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 11 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

Director and Pastor:
Fr. Russ Roide, S.J. -
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Associate Director / Pastoral Vicar:
Fr. John Chandler, S.J. -
frjohn@newmanhawaii.org

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William Plourde -
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Religious Education:
Anna Viggiano -
anna@newmanhawaii.org

Newman Center Student Leaders 2009—2010

We will bless and induct Newman Center’s new student leaders for 2009—2010 at the Sunday 5:00 PM Mass.

Alexey Olkov



Patrick Bailon



Angela Gonsalvez



Victoria Vaganov



Maria Geigar

Please keep these students in your prayers as they journey as servant leaders during this coming academic year.

- ◆ Our website www.newmanhawaii.org is being redone by Allen Borsky, parishioner and webmaster. He is doing a great job and we will have a new look very soon. The bulletins and homilies are posted every Monday.
- ◆ Thank you for your financial support. For those who are new to our parish—we do not use envelopes; but we do have electronic transfer for those who find it convenient to meet their stewardship to the parish in this way. Forms are available on the credenza.
- ◆ We are especially grateful to you who have made up your summer collection when you were away.
- ◆ Thank you to all who support the Newman Center and its mission to serve the students and all those who gravitate to our parish. In serving the students we are helping train future leaders for our nation and world. (Last year’s Thanksgiving dinner is just one example of what our Ohana does for the students. Many of our students are from foreign countries, and generous community members provided Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings. Over 80 students came for dinner after our Thanksgiving Day liturgy.)
- ◆ We at Newman appreciate the trust parents give us to prepare their children for first communion, reconciliation, and confirmation. Children learn about their faith and how God is an important part of their lives in our religious education program.
- ◆ Parents are the first teachers of the faith. Parent Theology Sessions are required of those parents whose children participate in religious education.

Dear Ohana of the Newman Center,

Since the day Fr. Russ asked me to join him in writing a letter for the weekly bulletin, I've been thinking about the subject I might like to offer. Then during the summer, there was a moment in the front of the church of St. Peter in the Vatican. Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J. and I decided to take our students from the Loyola Chicago Rome campus to see the piazza at dusk when it is remarkably beautiful... though one could say that's true anytime day or night and be correct. We had no sooner entered when one of the students said, "So what is this place about." Fr. Mark explained that this was the church of St. Peter. "So?" she said. However, when she was told that this was the "Pope's place," she was amazed—and happy to be there.

When I served as Assistant Director of Novices for the California province, it seemed to me that some of the finest entered through the doors. But it didn't take long to see that many of them, with generous hearts and a great desire to be religious, would have greatly profited from participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). "Throughout the lives of the "Millennial generation"—those born

after 1982, few have had a formal Catholic catechetical formation. Author and columnist John Allen notes that "the defining cultural crucible for millennials has been a rootless secular world. They're eager to establish a strong sense of Catholic identity, not to reform or redefine it. In essence, they're reacting against the world, not the church."

In these letters I will use several sources, but I'd like to begin with a series of articles written by Alfred McBride, O. Praem some years ago. He tells the story of C.S. Lewis, one of the most widely read writers in the English-speaking world, sitting alone one night in his room at the University of Oxford. Lewis wrote "You must picture me alone in that room, feeling the steady, unrelenting approach of Him who I desired earnestly not to meet. In the final term, I gave in, and admitted that God was God, and knelt and prayed: perhaps, that night the most dejected and reluctant convert in all of England." That will be my point of departure when I write again.

Aloha,

Fr. John



Aloha and welcome to the Newman Center here at the University of Hawaii. My name is Danny O'Regan and I am a Campus Minister here at the center. For returning students and students new to the University, I look forward to sharing so many wonderful and exciting moments

with you this next academic year.

If you ever want to stop by for spiritual accompaniment, or simply a good 'ole Chat, I will be available throughout the week from 11.00am until 6pm most days (off on Friday!) You can contact me at **808.988.6222** or e-mail me at dannyo@newmanhawaii.org If you would like to set up an appointment.

Mahalo,

Danny O'Regan

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**Check out Newman Center On-line:**

[www.NewmanHawaii.org](http://www.NewmanHawaii.org)

[www.youtube.com/newmanhawaii](http://www.youtube.com/newmanhawaii)

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"Becoming Catholic"

with Virgie Chattergy, Carol and Ed Wagner, and Fr. John Chandler

Are you, or is someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Have you invited them?

Becoming Catholic begins with an opportunity for inquiry. Then, if one feels called by God to continue toward becoming a Catholic this be a good place to begin. Need more information? Please pick up a brochure from the credenza. Registration forms are also available on the credenza.

- Meetings begin: Sunday, 9/13/09 at 12:15 PM

Registration at the Newman Center

If you are not registered as a member of the Newman Center, please take a minute to do so. Registration forms are on the credenza.

We are more easily able to fulfill your requests for sacraments and services when you are registered and we know you, for example, writing letters to be baptismal sponsors at other parishes, wedding preparation, and baptisms. Our staff is limited, but we are here to serve you.

Refreshments after Mass

At the beginning of every month, we serve coffee and refreshments after every Mass. Community members bring fruit or pastries to share and some sign up to serve. If you have never helped with Hospitality before,

please consider taking a turn. If you have questions, check with Catharine or you may just sign up on the door for the Sunday and Mass of your choice.



Electronic Giving

Have you tried our Electronic Giving program? You can make your Sunday contribution to support our ministry by automatic withdrawal from your checking or credit card account.

Contact Catharine or go to www.ucchawaii.org and click on the **ParishPay** icon. It is easy, you have control of your giving, and your contribution to our mission is regularly and safely given.



Contemplative Prayer Practice

You are invited to join us

Monday Nights, 7:00 p.m.

Scripture - Lectio Divina,
Contemplative Silence, Faith Sharing



For more information: June Naughton 524-2718

Life at the Newman Center

Events 8/30/09 - 9/5/2009

- ♦ Sunday following 5:00 PM mass "Welcome Back" BBQ
- ♦ Tuesday morning: Feed the Homeless at Ala Moana Park Meet at Newman at 7:15 AM, back by 9:30 AM. *Sign up in advance on the door.*
- ♦ Tuesday at 7PM - Bible Study Meet in the Student Lounge.
- ♦ Wednesday 7PM—8:30 PM - Komunio. Beginning of our faith sharing gatherings at Newman. Music, Prayer, reflections, discussions, and a change to meet other students.
- ♦ Friday 7 PM: Meet at Newman Center to go Ice Skating.

Coming Up

Saturday, September. 19th

Community Service/Work Day

9:00 AM—12:30 PM

Come and help clean, polish, paint, and generally maintain the Newman Center. Lunch will be provided.

Pilgrimage Update:

The brochures for next summer's trip to Portugal, Spain, and France have arrived. Get yours directly from Fr. Russ.

Job Opportunity:

The Newman Center Office is looking for someone to perform secretarial duties for Fr. Russ. Computer skills and familiarity with "Mail Merge" are a must. Work up to 10 hours/week in the office.

See Fr. Russ to apply or e-mail him at: frruss@newmanhawaii.org.

Religious Education Classes Begin

It's time to register your child for Religious Education. Please pick up one form for each child, complete it, and return it to the file on the credenza.

Religious Education classes begin:

Sunday, September 13th at 10:00 AM

Meeting for all Parents:

Sunday, September 13th at 10:00 AM

Confirmation Classes begin:

Sunday, September 20th at 10:00 AM