

From the Campus Minister's Desk . . .

Curiosity, excitement, nervousness, and anxiety. These were the emotions I had when I first took the position of Campus Minister here at the Newman Center almost exactly 18 months ago, and here I am with the same set of emotions as I prepare my leave.

In January 2017, I had no idea that I would grow and develop so much as a young professional, leader, minister, and as a person, but most of all, as a Christian. I can confidently say that I am still far from perfect and still have more to learn about myself, but the self-discoveries I've undergone in the last year and a half have provided me with so much valuable insight.

As I'm wrapping up the final sections of our program report for a grant we received in 2014, I've been reflecting tremendously on how our programs here at the Newman Center have been and still are helping students find their own vocations in this chaotic world. How we strive to help students discern what God is calling them to be and do amid the contradictory ideas society darts at us.

It's interesting to see that by being a part of the many programs we have here at the Newman Center, they weren't only helping the students better discern their vocations, but were also helping me discover more of my own vocation.

In the coming Fall 2018 Semester, I'll finally be embarking on a new journey into graduate studies in Counseling Psychology at Chaminade University. After working with and reaching out to so many students in the last year and a half as a mentor, it seems that my time has come to join them again in the classrooms and on campus, but this time as a peer.

Although my time of being a Campus Minister is up, I'm sure my time for being a *minister* hasn't expired yet. As for how God is continuing to call me to serve, that chapter is still to be written. While it has been a pleasure serving the Newman 'Ohana, I'd like to extend a word of gratitude for those that have been praying and will continue to pray for me. Mahalo and aloha!

Joseph Oh, *Former Campus Minister*



Living Catholic in the 808: A Metaphor for Shafing the Faith

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"Jesus' experience with the woman with the hemorrhage in today's Gospel is a great metaphor of what it is like when we share our faith.

First, we are like Jesus, walking through our days, living our life. As lay people, we are called to be "leaven in the world." And, like Jesus, we begin this by being open to whatever life brings us at any given moment.

Second, like Jesus, we do not know who we will encounter and what will be needed from us. Like Jesus, we share our faith simply by how we react to someone bumping into us in a crowd. We share our faith when strangers see how we treat our family and friends who question us in public places. And we definitely share our faith when something significant happens and we tell the other person, "Go in peace."

Finally, we must never forget that, like Jesus, we can trust that the Holy Spirit will work through us. The power will go out from us too, even if we don't always know it is happening!

Hospitality Weekend

Refreshments will be served after Masses next weekend, July 7&8. You are invited to stay for some conversation and refreshments with others in our community. Sign up on the wooden doors to provide snacks and refreshments. Welcome to all visitors and newcomers!

Young Adults' Summer Sports Day

Interested in staying fit and competing? Join the Newman Center Young Adults' team (ages 18-40) and participate in a Diocesan Summer Sports day on Saturday, July 21, 2018. If you are interested in being a part of the **NEWMAN KNIGHTS** team!

This all-day event (9 am to 1 pm) will be held at Mary, Star of the Sea Parish, 4470 Aliioka St, Honolulu, HI 96821. The two events are volleyball and tug-o-war. All teams must be co-ed and participants aged 18-40 years.

Come out to exercise, compete, and meet new friends. A sign up list is on the chapel door.

For more information, please contact team captain, Peter Chong at petercjl@hawaii.edu.

