The Newman Center

First Sunday of Advent

December 1st, 2019

Catholic Campus Ministry at the University of Hawai'i, Mānoa

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm (student mass)

Monday through Friday: 12:10 pm

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (except Diocesan Holidays)

Newman Center opens at 9:00 am and remains open until evening programs conclude.

Saturday and Sunday, Newman Center is open during Mass times and for activities as needed.

Sacraments – Please call Fr. Alfred Omar for an appointment. We are glad to meet with you at your convenience.

Baptisms – Call or speak with Fr. Alfred Omar at least one month before the date desired for the baptism.

Confirmation – Programs for teens and adults, please contact Anna Viggiano.

Weddings – Couples need to contact Fr. Alfred Omar 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 Fr. Alfred for anointing at any time. We are happy to come to your home or hospital.

Funerals – Please call the parish office before finalizing dates with the mortuary. We will work with you to make arrangements for services and care for your needs.

Pastoral Team

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Bulletin submission deadline is 9 am Thursday mornings. Please submit your text to the email address listed above. It would be helpful if the font is ARIAL 11 pt.

Community Notices

Communion Service 12/02/2019 12:10pm
 Advent Penance Service 12/04/2019 7pm
 Faith Discussion Young Professionals 12/07/2019 7pm

Aloha and Welcome!

Aloha and thank you for visiting the Newman Center! Whether you are visiting, new to the community, or have been here for many years, we hope you will visit us again. You are most welcome here!

The Newman Center has a two-fold mission: outreach to the community at-large as a parish and outreach to the staff, faculty, and student of the University of Hawai'i—Mānoa as a campus ministry.

Connect with us through Social Media on Facebook (www.facebook.com/newmanhawaii), Instagram and Twitter (@NewmanHawaii).

We hope you will visit us again!



From the desk of the Pastor

Happy New Liturgical Year! We begin a new liturgical year always with the Season of Advent. Advent is both a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the first coming of Jesus is remembered, and a time to prepare our minds and hearts for Christ's second coming at the end of the age.

You may have noticed that in our worship space this weekend, we have our Advent Wreath and candles. "Traditionally, Advent wreaths are constructed of a circle of evergreen branches into which four candles are inserted, represented the four weeks of Advent. The purple candles in particular symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete



Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming in the world and the anticipation of his second coming to judge the living and the dead (usccb)."

While the semester is coming to an end and academic work will slow down for the year, the Newman Center work continues. I am grateful for all your continued support and generosity to us for the mission of Catholic Campus Ministry at UH Manoa.

Have a blessed week, Fr. Alfred Omar (@fralfred808)

Stewardship of Treasure



Tithes and Offerings: \$ 2,772.00 (11/23/19-11/24/19)

Online Giving: \$ 2,455.00

(11/20/19—11/26/19)

All Soul's Day Offering: \$ 5.00 Misc. Donations: \$ 1,000.00 Maintenance Donations: \$ 50.00

May we continue to receive God's gifts gratefully, manage them responsibly, and share them joyfully.

Mahalo for your generosity!

Giving Made Easy

Giving online is safe and easy using our secured online platform, WeShare:

https://newmanhawaii.weshareonline.org

Thank you for supporting our mission!

Prayer Sites

http://prayasyougo.org, http://sacredspace.ie

Daily Scripture and Reflections:

http://dailyscripture.servantsoftheword.org

Weekly Essays on Ignatian Spirituality by Fr. Randy Roche, SJ: http://mision.lmu.edu/cis/spiritualessays/latest essay/

Contemplative Prayer

Monday Nights at 6:30 pm. 30 minutes of silence, followed by Scripture and Sharing. For more information, contact June Naughton (808) 524-2718.

YOUR HELP NEEDED WITH PLANNING NEWMAN'S FUTURE!

This is an exciting time for Newman! We have a young, enthusiastic, and deeply spiritual pastor who is surrounded with people committed to guiding the Newman Community into the future. Essential at this time is input from students and parishioners to know who we are as individuals and to know what our commitment is to Newman's future in relation to our core mission of Campus Ministry and the development of lay and ordained ecclesial leaders.

Please help by completing a short survey, found as a bulletin insert or on-line at the Newman website www.newmanhawaii.org through December 8. Completed forms will be accepted through December 15. Drop your form at the parish office or email it to info@newmanhawaii.org.

Mahalo for being a very important part of Newman Center / Holy Spirit Parish!

Newman Center on Social Media

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram: Facebook: www.facebook.com/NewmanHawaii
Twitter & Instagram: @newmanhawaii

Religious Education Classes

Religious Education classes meet on Sundays during academic year, immediately following the 9 am Mass.

Stewardship of Time and Talent

We welcome everyone wanting to give to the Lord their time and talent through the various ministries in the parish. Please contact the office or any pastoral team member.

Stewardship Moment

On this first Sunday of Advent Jesus urges his disciples to stay awake and prepare themselves for the Lord's coming. Good stewards prepare themselves and await Christ's judgment in joyous expectation. This attitude requires genuine spiritual



maturity, of course; the kind that is cultivated by prayer, participation in the sacraments, loving attention to family and one's communion of faith, and love for one's neighbor. Are we prepared for the Lord's second coming? Are we ready to receive Christ? Are we ready to look joyously for Christ's judgment?

Advent Penance Service Wednesday, Dec 4, 2019-7:00pm



Advent is a time of preparation, when we make ready to celebrate the mystery of our Lord's coming as man, the beginning of our redemption. Advent also moves us to look forward with renewed hope to the second coming of Christ, when God's plan of salvation will

be brought to fulfillment. Let us prepare the way of the Lord by recognizing our sin, seeking forgiveness, so that we may prepare the way of the Lord. There will be several priest here to hear individual confessions and give absolution.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

While this very important celebration is usually on December 8, since that is a Sunday this year, all the Masses for December 7/8 will be for the Second Sunday of Advent. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday, December 9. Although the Paulist Press Ordo says it is not a holy day of obligation this year, since the Diocese of Honolulu only celebrates two holy days of obligation throughout the year (Immaculate Conception and Christmas), the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception WILL be celebrated on Monday, December 9, 2019, as a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION in the Diocese of Honolulu.

Masses at Newman will be on Mon, Dec. 9 at:

12:10 PM 6:00 PM

Hospitality Weekend is NEXT WEEKEND

You are invited to stay after mass next weekend and enjoy refreshments donated and served by members of our parish. If you would like to bring a snack to share, please sign-up on the board. Also, please bring a non-perishable food item for the UH Manoa Food Pantry.

Sunday Connection from Loyola Press

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be.

The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know that our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.









Need a better place to study?

Come to the Newman Center finals week

Dec. 14th – 21st, 2019 Study Haven!

- · Quiet Area to Study
 - · Free WiFi
 - · A/C Lounge
 - Refreshments
 - · Open Chapel

MEN'S & WOMEN'S SCRIPTURE STUDY EVERY TUESDAY 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM NEWMAN CENTER

"Be who god called you to be, and you will set the world on fire." -St. Catherine of Siena

Student Council Members Academic Year 2019-2020

Chachie Abara
Andrew Flores Calle
Mariam Moreno
Nicole Lang
Ana Lowe
Jonah Tiwanak
Reta Youkhana

As we restructure our Campus Ministry, these student leaders have stepped-up to organize, plan, and execute Campus Ministry programming and events this school year. We thank them for their commitment to our Mission!

Need somewhere to relax or study? Come to the Student Lounge!

Open Monday—Friday during Newman Center office hours. Free Wifi & AC.

Students are welcome to bring their laptops to connect to the internet.



Campus Ministry Weekly Events

Every Sunday:

5 PM Student Mass & 6 PM Student Dinner Meals prepared by students, with students, for students.

Every Tuesday

4:30 PM Men's & Women's Scripture Study

Every Wednesday:

9 PM Wednesday Night Student Mass

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