

The Newman Center

Third Sunday of Advent

December 15th, 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.
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Community Notices

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| ◆ Study Haven | 12/14-12/20 | Time Varies |
| ◆ Communion Service | 12/16 | 12:10pm |
| ◆ Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting | 12/21 | 2pm |

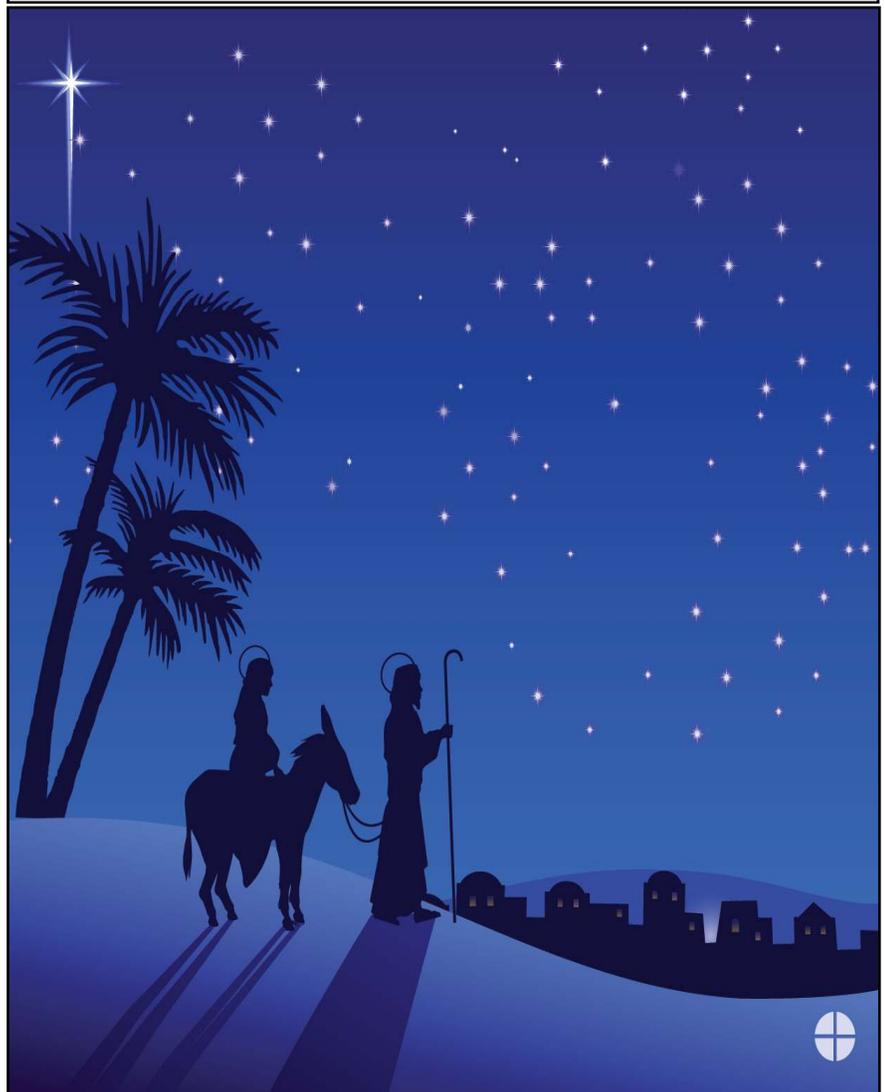
Aloha and Welcome!

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!

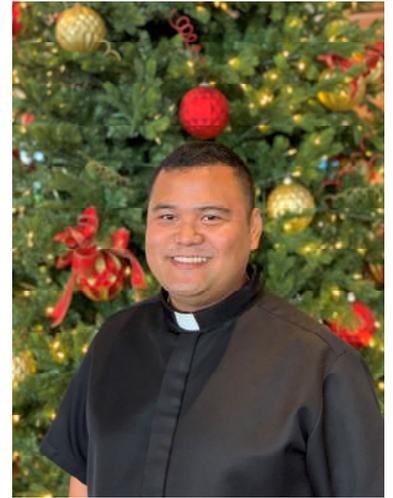


From the desk of the Pastor

“You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand. Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged.”

Rejoice! Today, we celebrate Gaudete or “Rejoice” Sunday. This weekend indicates that we are at the halfway point of our advent preparation. Ready or not, Christmas Day is coming! While the Church calls us to rejoice in the midst of our advent preparation, St. James in our second reading today remind us to be patient. Waiting can be stressful and cause many anxiety especially with the unknowns of what tomorrow will bring. With our impatience can come complaining and criticism of others. The Lord wants us to joyfully anticipate his coming but with patient and humble hearts. May we persevere as these last days of the calendar year because the will only get busier.

“O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord’s Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.” (Collect for the Third Sunday of Advent)



Have a blessed week,

Fr. Alfred Omar (@fralfred808)

Stewardship of Treasure



Tithes and Offerings: (12/07/19-12/09/19)	\$ 3,779.00
Online Giving: (12/04/19—12/10/19)	\$ 1,690.00
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!

Center Receives FONCH Grant for 2020

We are pleased to announce that the Friends of Newman Center Hawaii has awarded the Center a grant for the 2020 calendar year ministry expenses of:

\$46,000

Mahalo nui loa for providing support to the center for the mission of providing educational, religious, and charitable services to university student at UHM.

Christmas & End-of-Year Gifts to Newman Center

Please remember the Newman Center in your Christmas gift-giving and year-end donations. Contributions to the Newman Center are tax-deductible as we are a 501(c) (3) charitable, tax-exempt organization. To give to the Newman Center, please visit the website:

www.NewmanHawaii.org/give-online

Thank you for your support!

Prayer Sites

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

Daily Scripture and Reflections:

<http://daily scripture.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.

Newman Center on Social Media

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/NewmanHawaii

Twitter & Instagram: [@newmanhawaii](https://twitter.com/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

From the loneliness of his prison cell John the Baptist asks of Jesus: "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" The weeks before Christmas offer much to be joyous about, celebrating with family and friends, the glitter of seasonal decorations, the excitement of gift giving and receiving. But in our midst there are the lonely and neglected, the poor, the hospitalized, the wayward, the shut-ins. There are those who feel that they have no hope. To whom should they look? Discipleship in the Lord includes being good stewards of others. Are there those in our family, our neighborhood, our community to whom we can reach out to show them a sign of Christ's presence in their midst?



A Big Mahalo!

In the last couple of weeks we have celebrated both our Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon and our Annual Christmas Party. Thank you to our community members who have contributed and brought food to share at these events. They were both big successes. A special thanks to the following coordinators and/or committees:

Thanks giving Luncheon Coordinator

June Naughton

Christmas Party Committee

Donna Christle
Rosemary Casey
Alofa Leasiolagi
Ana Lowe
Student Council

Mahalo for your stewardship of time, talent, and treasure!

Thank You for Sharing

Thank you to all who brought refreshments to enjoy after the Masses last weekend. Hospitality Weekend is an important part of building community. If you would like to provide snacks at the mass you attend next month, please sign –up on the bulletin board.



Thank you to all who donated non-perishable food items for the UH Student Food Pantry. Your donations will provide our students with the extra nourishment they need, as well as, letting them know that our community cares about their well-being.

Sunday Connection from Loyola Press

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word meaning "rejoice." This Sunday is so named because "Rejoice" is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today's Mass taken from Philipians 4:4,5: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near." Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.

This week's Gospel Reading continues our Advent reflection on the person and message of John the Baptist. Last week we heard John speak about his relationship to the coming Messiah, Jesus. This week, we hear Jesus' message to John the Baptist, now in prison, about the signs of the kingdom found in Jesus' ministry and Jesus' assessment of John's role in the Kingdom of God.

The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of John's arrest in chapter 14:3-12. In today's Gospel, John sends word to Jesus from prison, asking if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that he has worked and invites John and the other hearers to make their own determination. In his next breath, however, Jesus praises John for his role in preparing the way for Jesus. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the Kingdom of God will be as great as John and even greater.

Jesus' message to John about the signs of the kingdom being performed recalls the salvation described by the prophet Isaiah. This passage is a reminder that the beginning of salvation is already mysteriously present to us, but also yet to be fulfilled. Salvation is already in our midst as manifest in the miraculous deeds of Jesus and in the Church. But salvation is also to be fulfilled in the coming reign of God. Even as we observe our world today, we can find glimpses of God's work among us. Even more, we help to prepare the way for God's kingdom by our words and our deeds. This message is indeed a cause for rejoicing.

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 on the credenza or on-line at the Newman website www.newmanhawaii.org. 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!



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

Study Haven Hours

Saturday, Dec. 14: 7pm-midnight
 Sunday, Dec. 15: 7pm-midnight
 Monday, Dec. 16: 8am-midnight
 Tuesday, Dec. 17: 8am-midnight
 Wednesday, Dec. 18: 8am-midnight
 Thursday, Dec. 19: 8am-midnight
 Friday, Dec. 20: 8am-5pm
 *student id required after 9pm

“To be religious is to have the habit of prayer, or to pray always. This is what Scripture means by doing all things to God's glory; that is, so placing God's presence and will before us, and so consistently acting with a reference to Him, that all we do becomes one body and course of obedience, witnessing without ceasing to Him who made us.” -St. John Henry Newman

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
 Andrea Flores Calle
 Mariam Moreno
 Nicole Lang
 Ana Lowe
 Jonah Tiwanak
 Reta Youkhana

Congratulations Graduates!

Best wishes and congratulations for graduating this semester to:

-Casey McGrath
 -Robert Nieto



Saturday, January 25, 2020

Check-in at 7:15 am
 Race starts at 8:00 am

**Newman Center
 5K FUN RUN**

The Newman Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Compensation and other financial matters are not responsible for the 501(c)(3) status.

Register online starting December 2019
www.NewmanHawaii.org



Prayer Before an Examination

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me. Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together. Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way. As I take this exam, bring me back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked. Help me to remain focused and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me. Amen.



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