

The Newman Center

Second Sunday of Lent

March 08, 2020

**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.

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Community Notices

- **Busy Person's Retreat** 03/7-03/11
- **Pre-St. Patrick's Day Celebration** 03/15 630pm-830pm
- **Lenten Parish Mission** 03/16-03/18 7pm each night

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!**

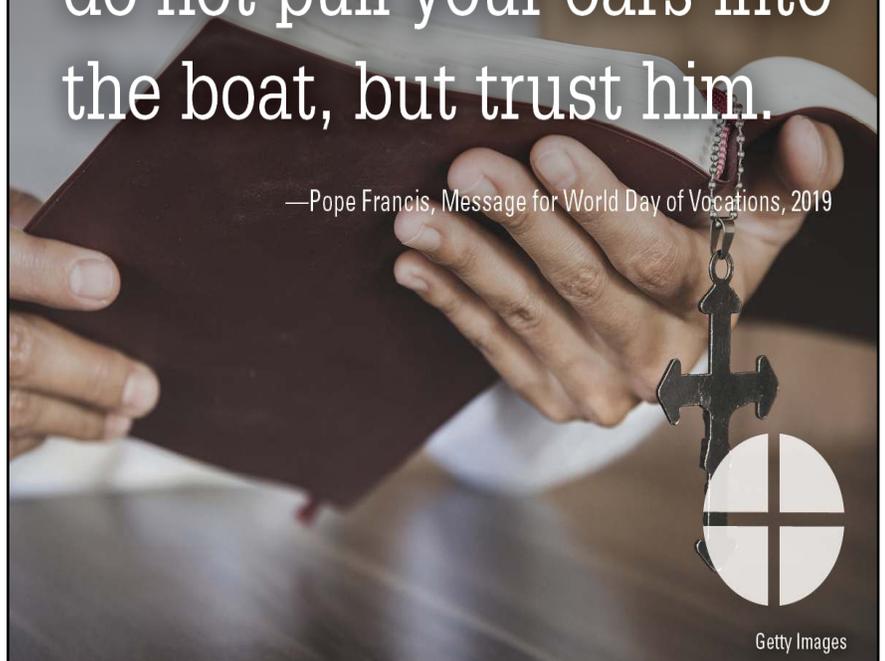
The Newman Center has a two-fold mission: outreach to the community at-large as a parish and outreach to the staff, faculty, and student of the University of Hawai'i—Mānoa as a campus ministry.

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

We hope you will visit us again!

Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.

—Pope Francis, Message for World Day of Vocations, 2019



From the Desk of the Pastor

“Jesus came and touched them, saying, ‘Rise, and do not be afraid.’”

So, how is your Lent going? Perhaps the vigor of the first week is starting to wear off. You may have even fallen off the wagon and had the chocolate, drank the alcohol, or splurged on that nice juicy steak. Maybe you are doing just fine in your Lenten observances. Many of us have and will find ourselves in these situations during Lent. That is what Lent is about. The Lenten season is a journey that is going to be challenging. It is about traveling on an unfamiliar road, trusting in God, and seeking to draw nearer to Him. In the first reading from Genesis, we hear the Lord asking Abram to do something that might be impossible. He says, “Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you.” In other words: leave everything behind, leave your family, all those you love, and go to a place that you don't know. I will show you the way. Trust and believe in me and you will be blessed. After he heard the Lord, Abram goes. He took an incredible leap of faith and boundless trust. That is what the readings today challenge us to do. Trust and believe in God on the journey. As we continue on this Lenten Journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we may not know what lies ahead. We might not know where God is leading us. But we must trust in God, believe, and we will be blessed. Will it be an easy journey? I don't know. What I do know, is that Jesus COMES and TOUCHES us and SAY “Rise, and do not be afraid.” He walks with us.



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

Stewardship of Treasure



Tithes and Offerings: (02/29/2020–03/01/2020)	\$ 2,670.00
Online Giving: (02/28/2020-03/05/2020)	\$ 927.00
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!

Parish Lenten Mission

“Mercy”

March 16, 17, 18

begins @7pm each night

Mission Director: Rev. Ed
Quinnan, SJ



The mission theme of mercy is based
on the book “Mercy in the City” by
Kerry Weber

Prayer during Lent

Join us in praying the
Stations of the Cross
every Friday of Lent at 12:40pm
after the Daily Mass



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.

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.

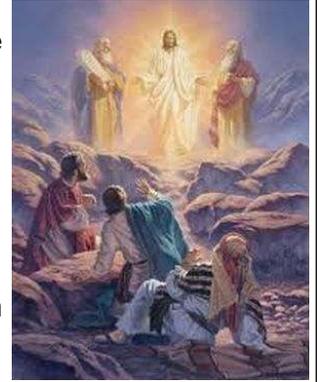
Stewardship Moment

In today's second reading, Timothy is issued a strong directive: "Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." For the early Christians this could mean torture and execution. For most Christians today enduring hardship for the Gospel might include accepting ridicule or mockery, or the suggestion that we lack sophistication. Nevertheless, in his letters, Saint Paul is adamant that we should not be ashamed of being followers of Christ. Good stewards are not ashamed of their allegiance to Christ. They do not hide their faith. Reflect on this question: Are you willing to speak about following Christ Jesus no matter who your listeners happen to be?



Sunday Connection from Loyola Press

For the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert to his Transfiguration. Each year on the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.



The story of Jesus' Transfiguration is told in the three Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke. In each of those Gospels, the Transfiguration follows Jesus' first prediction of his death and his teaching about the costs of discipleship. Jesus' Transfiguration is a promise of Jesus' glory, his Resurrection.

On a mountain in today's reading, a voice affirms that Jesus is God's Son in words reminiscent of the voice at Jesus' baptism. In addition, the appearance of Moses and Elijah on the mountain connects this story with God's relationship to the people of Israel. Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets, respectively. Together with Jesus, they represent God's complete Word.

The Transfiguration occurs in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples: Peter, James, and John. In Matthew's Gospel, those disciples are among the first whom Jesus calls. The three men are identified as an "inner circle" among Jesus' disciples when Jesus asks them to accompany him to the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest.

Hospitality Weekend

It's Hospitality Weekend. Members of our community donate refreshments to share after Mass. These casual get together give us a chance to meet new parishioners and catch up with "old-timers". Stay for a while and enjoy community refreshments.

Baskets are out for donations to the student food pantry. Thank you for your generosity.



Winter Cold and Flu Season



With the rising concern in the state and around the world regarding the novel coronavirus now named COVID-19, I have made the pastoral decision to suspend the distribution of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice for now.

This is not permanent but just a precaution for your health. Once I determine that the cold and flu season is no longer an issue, we will bring back Holy Communion under both species.

If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should stay home until you are no longer contagious and/or feel better. In regards to the sign of peace, one may refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace. A smile and a heartfelt "Peace be with you" should suffice. Likewise if you are not comfortable sharing the sign of peace for fear of infection, you should feel no pressure to do so.

All of us must be aware of such sensitive matters in the intimate life of the Christian community and we should expect that some will refrain from the sign of peace out of care for our well being and not out of unkindness or a lack of piety.

Religious Education Stations of the Cross

The Newman Religious Education students will have Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 20th at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Francis



Chapel, next door to Newman Center. The Parish is welcome to join the children and the Sisters as the Stations are prayed.

Campus Ministry Sponsoring

Blood Drive



In the spirit of Almsgiving and the Lenten season, we will be having our annual Blood Drive on Wednesday April 1st from 12 pm - 5 pm here at the Newman Center. This year, the student council has taken charge and will be available after mass to make an appointment. There will be sign up sheets for different time slots available and remember that your donation can help save up to three lives! If you have any questions, please feel free to ask student council representatives Mar Moreno or Reta Youkhana.

Reflection From The Desk of the Campus Minister

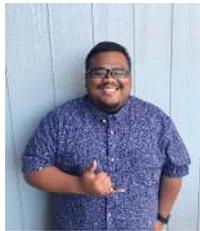
The two words that stuck out to me in this Sunday's readings were the words *show* and *appearance*. In the first reading, the Lord tells Abram of the land that God will *show* him. Then, the Lord proceeds to tell Abram of the things He will do for him. In the second reading, St. Paul tells Timothy of how the grace we receive from Jesus is manifested through His *appearance*. Lastly, in the Gospel reading, we see how Jesus was transfigured before his disciples, and then *appeared* Moses & Elijah conversing with Jesus.

These words made me question myself, "What is God trying to show me & what's preventing me from seeing it?" Throughout our lives, God is constantly showing us His goodness. In the season of Lent, we have the opportunity to unplug from all the things that prevent us from seeing that goodness and to retreat to the mountains with Jesus, just as his disciples did in the Gospel reading. Whatever struggles we may be facing during this season of Lent, let us lift them up to God in prayer and place our trust in Him. When our Lenten journey is finished and the joy of Easter comes, we will be able to see the glory of His resurrection *appear* in our lives.

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you"

Have a blessed week everyone!

-Shaun Agtarap, Campus Minister



Weekly Campus Ministry Events

Sunday- 5 PM Student Mass
Sunday- 6 PM Student Dinner
Wednesday- 9 PM Small Groups, Mass, and Pizza

Student Bible Study Group

Students interested in joining bible study, please contact Alexandra Chuquillangui at aychuq413@gmail.com or 703-609-9222.

Night of
Praise, Worship + Adoration

"GRACEFULLY LED"

March 31, 2020

7pm - 9pm

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

St. Patrick's
PARTY

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

6:30 - 8:30 PM

GAMES, FOOD, FUN!

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Blessing Bag for the Homeless Drive

During the season of Lent, our parish and campus ministry will be conducting a Blessing Bag Drive. In this drive, we will be collecting various items that will be put in a "blessing bag" and given to those in need at the Catholic Worker House aka Wally House, the Kaka'ako Shelter, and others.

The collection of items began last Sunday, March 1, and will conclude on Sunday, April 5, 2020.

Campus Ministry will be assembling the blessing bags the following week after the collection. Please see the bulletin insert for the list of possible items you can donate. Thank you for your generous support!

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