

The Newman Center

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 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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Bulletin submission deadline is 9 am Thursday mornings.

Community Notices

- **The Newman Center is closed to the public through May 31, 2020 or until further notice.**

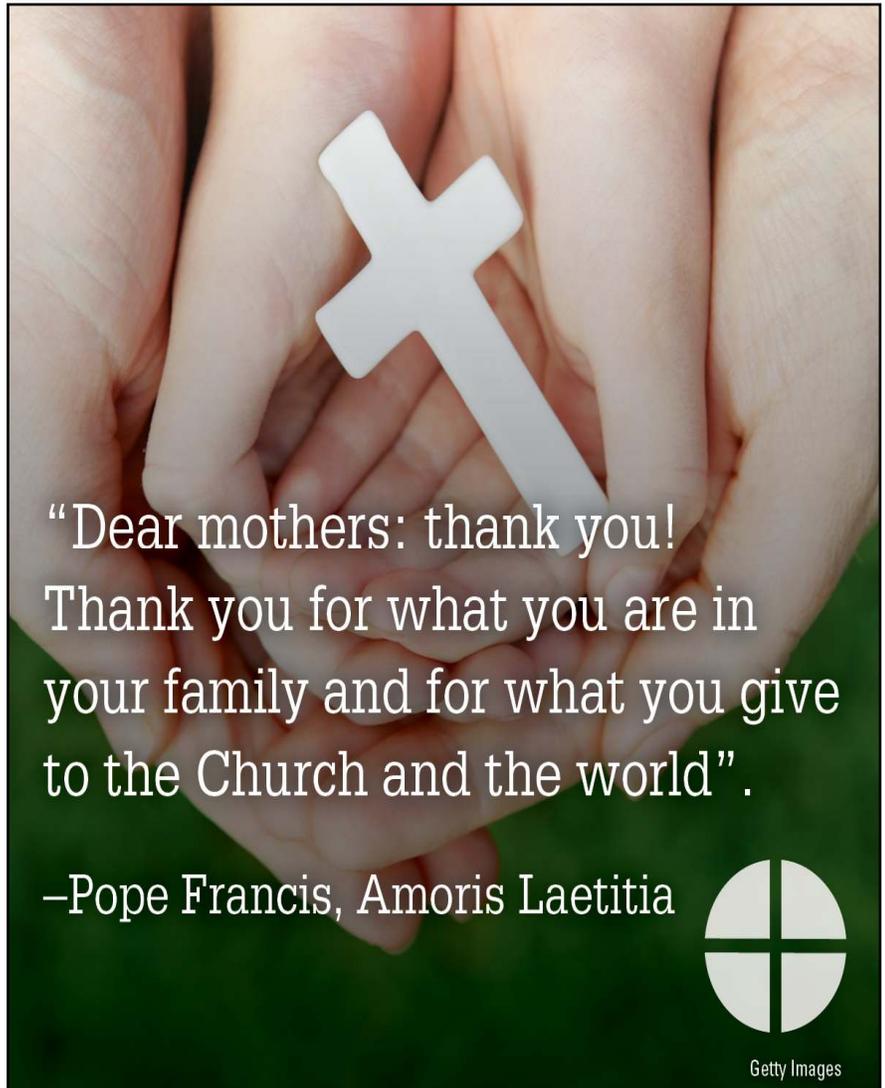
Aloha and Welcome!

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!



“Dear mothers: thank you!
Thank you for what you are in
your family and for what you give
to the Church and the world”.

–Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia*



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From the Desk of the Pastor

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers! Happy Feast of St. Damien to our diocese! And a Blessed Easter Sunday to you all! When I saw our gospel reading for today, my first thought was funerals. Not what you want to hear with all these celebrations today. I thought that because it is the gospel I choose for funerals. It seems like we have been in mourning for a couple of months now with this pandemic. But this reading is not to incite sadness but to give us hope.



Here are some points that I gained from this weekend's readings:

- 1) Have faith and trust in the Lord even when cannot see the plan of God clearly yet.
- 2) To believe in Jesus means to do the works he did and more.
- 3) Be the best version of ourselves everyday by recognizing who we are in Christ and live according to the Life in the Spirit.

The lives of the saints are examples that these points are possible to live out. Our very own St. Damien of Molokai left his home in Belgium and arrived in Hawaii as a seminarian. Little did he know that his return to Belgium would be in a coffin. Little did he know that he would spend his ministry in the desolate Kalaupapa with the abandoned, quarantined, forgotten, and diseased. Still, he had faith and trust, followed the Lord in word and deed, and recognize Christ in every human being.

Have a blessed Easter Season,

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)

Stewardship of Treasure



Tithes and Offerings:	\$ 995.00
Online Giving: (05/01/2020-05/07/2020)	\$ 1,792.00
Maintenance Donations:	\$ 95.00

May we continue to receive God's gifts gratefully,
manage them responsibly, and share them joyfully.
Mahalo for your generosity!

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as
if You were already there and unite myself wholly to
You. Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.



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.

Newman Center on Social Media

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram:
Facebook: www.facebook.com/NewmanHawaii
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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 the reading from the Acts of the Apostles we see how the first community of Christians gathered together to discern and resolve how to care for each other's needs. As good stewards of the sisters and brothers who gathered around

the Eucharistic table, the community of faith selected those among them who were to ensure that no one was neglected. How are we helping to serve the needs of our parish family? How do we ensure that those who might be perceived to be the least of our brothers and sisters are not left alone and neglected during these unsettling times?

Catholic Charities Hawaii Offers Services for COVID-19 Assistance

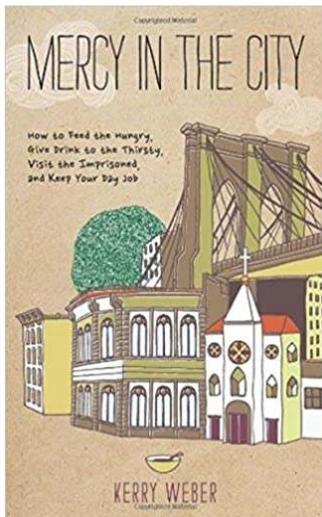
As we all face the COVID-19 pandemic, Catholic Charities Hawai'i continues to carry out our existing 40+ programs and services with adjustments to health precautions and social distancing. They have also added additional services to assist in the social and economic effects of COVID-19. The health crisis has affected our island community with job loss, financial insecurity, and isolation. They're here to help!



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

Learn more about Catholic Charities Hawaii's Financial Assistance, Counseling Services, and Phone A Friend for Seniors at

Lenten Mission Book Available



Before the COVID-19 Pandemic canceled all our events, we ordered 50 copies of the book that Fr. Ed Quinnan, SJ based his Mission talks on.

If you are interested in ordering a copy, we will send one to you for only \$10 with free shipping. (List price is \$13.95)

Call the parish office for more information.

Sunday Connection from Loyola Press



The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.



From The Campus Ministry Desk

Finals week is always a stressful time during the semester. I remember back when I was in college, it was a week where I had little amounts of sleep, studied for numerous hours, consumed many energy drinks and coffee, and a lot of stress. But whenever I could, I'd squeeze in a little prayer here and there to calm myself.



Although many of these things I listed are probably a little unhealthy, like the lack-of-sleep and the energy drinks, the biggest thing that I believe got me through finals week was the time I took to pray. Even if it was the thing I did the least during that week, it made the biggest impact. It took a little faith to help me get through the stresses of finals week.

I find it so fitting that this weekends Gospel talks about faith and how our hearts should not be troubled. This whole Gospel is a great reminder for us that we are meant to do great things and that it takes a little faith in God to do these things.

This week, whenever you're feeling the weight of the world on your shoulders in your studies, have faith and believe God is in you and you in Him. Allow Him to be your motivation to help you get through your finals.

Food for thought this week: How can I increase my faith this week through all the stress?

Have A Blessed Week!

-Shaun Agtarap, Campus Minister

FINALS WEEK IS HERE!

Here are a couple prayers you can pray as you go through your week. Good luck on all your exams everyone!

Prayer for Preparation to Study

Lord, I know you are with me and love me. Give me peace of mind as I prepared for this time of study. Help me focus on my books and notes, keep me from all distractions so that I will make the best use of this time that is available to me.

Give me insight that I might understand what I am studying, and help me to remember it when the time comes. Above all, I thank you for the ability to be able to study and for the many gifts and talents you have given me. Help me always to use them in such a way that they honor you and do justice to myself.

Amen.

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 back to 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.

Are You Graduating This Semester?



Let us know by Wednesday, May 13, 2020. We would love to honor you for your accomplishments!

Please email
campusministry@newmanhawaii.org

Congrats Class of 2020!

Blessing Bag for the Homeless Drive

During this time, we are still accepting donations for the blessing bag drive. The donations will be given to Catholic Worker House, also known as, Wally House. If you would like to donate any other items, please contact us at the parish office at 808-988-6222.

Thank you so much for your continued support, we deeply appreciate it!

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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER WITH MARY FOR COVID-19

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.