

The Newman Center

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 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)
Tuesday 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.

Community Notices

- Due to current City Orders, please wear your mask at all times during the Mass and while in the Newman Center. Thank you for your cooperation!
- Catechist Meeting (via Zoom) 7/29 4:30 PM
- Finance Council Meeting (via Zoom) 7/30 5:30 PM
- EP in Memory of Hermance Levesque 8/06 6:00 PM

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

"I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong." 1 Kings 3.8-9a



Jesus tells us today about two people who found treasure. Not just any treasure like pearls or even the pearl of great price, but the treasure of the Kingdom of God. Because of the great value of the kingdom, they sold everything they had with joy and excitement to obtain that treasure. Certainly, Heaven is the greatest that we could ever desire and have.

But there is a subtle message in the gospel that we must not miss. Notice the persons who discovered the treasure and the pearl made it their highest priority. Nothing else was more important. Our search for the Kingdom of God has to be our highest priority. Everything that we have or might get will give us some satisfaction and happiness, but those things are temporary. Entering into the Kingdom of Heaven, which Jesus has revealed to us, is happiness and fulfillment forever. What could be more important than that?

The questions left for us to reflect on this week are: Where is your heart and what do you truly desire? We are to be like King Solomon in the First reading asking for wisdom and an understanding heart. May we humble ourselves before God and allow him to work through us to expand the Kingdom of Heaven. Let our prayer be for an understanding heart, one that desires only to do His will.

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

Stewardship of Treasure



Tithes and Offerings: (07/18/2020-07/19/2020)	\$ 2,286.00
Online Giving: (07/17/2020-07/23/2020)	\$ 2,706.00
Maintenance Donations:	\$ 70.00

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!

Parking on St. Francis Grounds



Starting Monday, July 27, the Sisters of St. Francis has asked us to park behind the Newman Center or on the baseball field.

They have rented out all the marked stalls on the main lot and the lot in front of Marianne Hall on a month to month basis.

Parking Passes are still needed to park on their property. They can be found on the credenza or from the Parish Office.

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://www.instagram.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

A profound stewardship prayer is offered by the young King Solomon in today's first reading. He asks the Lord to give him an understanding heart, compassion towards God's people and the insight to distinguish right from wrong. An understanding heart, or wisdom, is a gift from God. It is a gift that enables us to make good decisions and prudent choices. Cultivating and sharing this gift is essential, especially when poor decisions and lack of compassion have consequences that affect the lives of others. During these disquieting times, are we asking God for an understanding heart? Are we exercising good stewardship over the gift of wisdom? Are we sharing our compassionate hearts with others?

Stewardship Is...



Love in Action

Sunday Connection from Loyola Press

Today's Gospel concludes three weeks of readings from the 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel.



Throughout these three weeks we have heard Jesus teaching crowds about the kingdom of heaven, and we have heard Jesus interpret some of his teachings for the disciples. In this week's Gospel, Jesus offers three more short parables.

The first two parables describe the great value of the kingdom of heaven. In the first parable, Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure that is worth possessing even if it means giving up everything else. In the second parable, Jesus proposes that the kingdom of heaven is like a pearl of great worth for which one will sell everything else to possess. These parables teach us that we are to place everything we value in the service of the pursuit of the Kingdom of God.

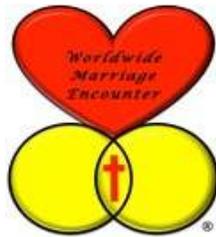
The third parable that Jesus proposes in today's Gospel is different from the first two, but it is reminiscent of the parable of the sower heard in last week's Gospel. The kingdom of heaven is compared to fishing with a wide net. After the fish have been collected, the good fish are kept and the bad fish are thrown away; so too, in the final judgment, will the wicked and the righteous be separated.

Today's Gospel concludes with a curious statement about the scribe who understands the kingdom of heaven. Here a metaphor is offered: this scribe is like the head of a household who "brings from his storeroom both the new and the old." The scribes referred to here are experts of Mosaic law. It is possible that Jesus is here instructing the early Christian community on how to proceed in the interpretation of Jewish law with respect to Jesus' "new" teaching. Jesus' teaching about the kingdom of heaven does not replace the Jewish tradition; it interprets it in a different light..

Worldwide Marriage Encounter -

2020 Longest Married Couple Search

THANK YOU for participating in our 10th Annual search for the Longest Married Couple!



Our hope at Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to inspire others and the World by this couple's long-standing love and commitment to each other through the sacrament of marriage.

* We are currently seeking candidates from every state or province in the United States. You do not need to know the couple personally to nominate them.

Nomination Period is February 9, 2020 to May 14, 2020 midnight local time.

DEADLINE NOW EXTENDED TO JULY 31, 2020
Any questions, please email us at LMC@wwme.org.

Thanks again and best of luck to all Nominee Couples!
Your love inspires us all!

Bryan & Karen Berland

Longest Married Couple Coordinators

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

NOMINATE TODAY!

<https://tinyurl.com/LongestMarried2020>

NOMINATIONS MAY ALSO BE SENT BY MAIL TO:
Bryan and Karen Berland

530 S. Academy Rd.

Guthrie, OK 73044

Evening Prayer in Memory of Hermance M. Levesque



Former parishioner, Hermance M. Levesque, died July 1, 2020 in South Windsor, CT. She was very involved in the Newman Center Fun Run planning and organizing for several years before moving to the Mainland. While in Honolulu, she gave scholarships to active Newman Club students attending UH Manoa.

We will be having Evening Prayer in her memory on Thursday, August 6 @ 6pm in the Newman Center. If you would like to attend, please call the parish office (988-6222) or email (info@newmanhawaii.org) to RSVP.

“Matthew 13:44-46”
Daily Reflection by Fr. Luis A. Zazano

Fr. Luis A. Zazano says that we have life options:

- 1) **Treasure in a Field:** Life implies searching. The happiness you are searching for can be found, in part, in this world, but you must be serious in looking for it. You can't expect it to just fall on your lap. Search for it. Look around for the things that make you happy, give you peace and make you feel good. Hold onto those and share them with others. When you find it, you will have also found God.
- 2) **Full of Joy:** Having Jesus and knowing where your happiness is will fill you with joy and passion. Joy is the union of inner peace that comes with finding that which makes us happy. A heart full of peace remains cheerful. Joy and peace are signs that you are on the right track.
- 3) **Negotiator:** In life we need to know and understand that not all things are created equal. While we are journeying to our goal, we need to know and understand that some things are worth much more than others. Some things will have to be set aside or looked into deeper while you continue to the goal. Learn how to assign value to the things that take you closer to God.

God never leaves you; and let me tell you that when you get to really know him you won't ever leave Him.

God bless you and be with you, in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen...and do not forget: Heaven is Our Goal!

[SOURCE: <https://digitalmissioners.com/2019/07/matthew-1344-46/>]



Weekly Words of Wisdom From A Saint

“The more we are afflicted in this world, the greater is our assurance in the next; the more we sorrow in the present, the greater will be our joy in the future.”

- St. Isidore of Seville

God's Adventure Awaits Virtual Summit



Students! You are invited and encouraged to attend this free virtual summit called “God’s Adventure Awaits” on **July 31– Aug 2**. They will feature over 40 incredible speakers including Jason Evert, Jackie and Bobby Angel, Sr. Bethany Madonna, Dr. Andrew and Sarah Swafford, Fr. Timothy Gallagher, Fr. Mark Goring, Patrick Coffin, Katie Prejean McGrady, Sr. Helena Burns, Fr. Rob Galea, and many, many more!

To register, go to:
www.staceysumereau.com/adventure

**CALLING ALL ALUMNI OF THE
NEWMAN CENTER AT UH-MANOA!**

WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCE AT NEWMAN!
PLEASE SEND US A LITTLE TESTIMONIAL CONTAINING THE FOLLOWING:



**SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE OF THE
COMMUNITY AT THE CENTER**

1. NAME, DEGREE, YEAR YOU GRADUATED
2. WHAT BROUGHT YOU TO NEWMAN?
3. HOW HAS THE NEWMAN CENTER MADE AN IMPACT ON YOUR LIFE?
4. WHAT KIND OF EVENTS HELPED YOU SPIRITUALLY DURING YOUR COLLEGE LIFE?
5. WHAT ADVICE CAN YOU GIVE INCOMING STUDENTS ABOUT THEIR COLLEGE EXPERIENCE?

EMAIL US AT CAMPUSMINISTRY@NEWMANHAWAII.ORG

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