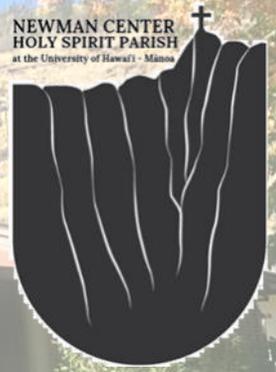


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Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,
whose hope is in the LORD.
He is like a tree planted beside the waters
that stretches out its roots to the stream.

Jeremiah 17:7–8



Sixth
Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 13, 2022

Te burao (The Hibiscus Tree)
1892
Paul Gauguin
French, 1848–1903
Art Institute of Chicago

Aloha! Welcome!

We are the Catholic Center and Campus Ministry at the University of Hawai'i, and under the Catholic Diocese of Honolulu, serving parishioners, staff, faculty, and students alike that stimulates critical thinking and dialogue about issues that challenge Christian living and commits to a living faith that practices and promotes justice.

We are a spirit-filled and welcoming community that proclaims and celebrates the Good News through liturgy, the sacraments, faith sharing, outreach, and social action. As the Roman Catholic Community of the University of Hawai'i, we offer opportunities for life-long faith development to all who choose to join us. We invite the contribution of gifts in stewardship and evangelism, and challenge one another in the same manner that Jesus challenges us: to love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind and to love your neighbor as yourself.

Come journey with us!

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We welcome your call and are here to serve you! Contact the Parish Office to speak with us or make an appointment. We look forward to hearing from you!

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00am to 5:00pm
(except Diocesan Holidays)
Newman Center may remain open till evening programs conclude

Saturday and Sunday,
Open during Mass times and for activities as needed.

From the Desk of the Pastor

"Blessed are they who hope in the Lord."



On all the currency in the United States, the words "In God we Trust" are printed or minted on them. For me, they are a reminder that God sustains me in my daily life. It is easy to forget that and turn to other "gods," including ourselves, like the Israelites in our first reading this weekend. So, the prophet

Jeremiah spoke the word of God to them and said, "cursed are those who trust in other human beings and not in God. You will be like a fruitless tree in the desert." At the same time, he said, "blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord." These who trust in God's providential care will be like a fruitful tree. The difference between those who trust in the Lord and those who do not is taken up by Jesus in our gospel. The four groups of people whom Jesus calls blessed are those who trust in the Lord, despite of their dire situation. In contrast, those who are called woe are those who do not put their trust in the Lord but in themselves and others. The message this weekend is this: trust in God and rely on God as the source of life, here and the next. May we choose to be the blessed and receive the great reward of heaven.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)

P.S. – Happy early Valentine's Day! I love you all!



Important Community Notices

- Second Collection this weekend: Augustine Educational Foundation
- Due to current City Orders, please wear your mask at all times during the Mass and while in the Newman Center. If you are feeling ill or are awaiting a COVID-19 Test Result, please stay home. Thank you for your cooperation!

Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass (<i>Tuesday-Friday</i>)	12:10PM
Sunday Mass (<i>Saturday Evening Anticipated</i>)	5:00PM 9:00AM 11:00AM (<i>Student –Led Mass</i>) 5:00PM

Sacramental Information

Reconciliation By Appointment

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Baptism By Request

Please contact Fr. Alfred Omar at least one month before the date desired for the Baptism.

Funerals At Need

Funerals and the Rite of Christian Burial are made in conjunction with the Mortuary of your choosing. Please contact the Parish Office prior to finalizing a date with the mortuary.

Holy Matrimony By Request

Couples need to contact Fr. Alfred Omar at least eight months prior to your desired wedding date to begin the marriage preparation required by the Diocese of Honolulu.

Holy Orders—Religious Life By Call

Is God calling you to the Priesthood, Diaconate, or Religious Life? God doesn't call the qualified. He qualifies the called. Call us today to setup a discussion with our Pastor where you can continue discerning God's call.

Holy Communion Ongoing

Programs are available for those who have not yet received their First Eucharist. Please contact our Parish Office for more information.

Confirmation Ongoing

Programs are available for those who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact our Parish Office for more information.

Anointing of the Sick By Request

If you or someone you know are in need of receiving the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call our parish office to schedule

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Ongoing

If you or someone you know are have not yet been baptized and are interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith, please call our parish office to learn more about the RCIA,

The Word of the Lord Weekly

Today's Readings

First Reading — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

Psalms — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
Saturday:	Jas 3:1-10; Ps 12:2-3, 4-5, 7-8; Mk 9:2-13

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	Ss. Cyril and Methodius
Thursday:	The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

February 14

saint snippets



“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

—Matthew 28:19

Sts. Cyril and Methodius

Two brothers and Byzantine theologians in the 9th-century. They are known as the “Apostles to the Slavs” because of their missionary work with the Slavic people.

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FEELING BLESSED

Congratulations! Welcome to the Kingdom! Rejoice and leap for joy! Sounds a little like Easter, doesn't it? Well, in a very real way, it is. This Sunday, the scriptures remind us that we are blessed and beloved, especially when we have difficulties and don't feel especially blessed. Jesus reminds us that God blesses us in our trials, so we should trust in the saving power of God. We are “raised from the dead,” as it were, each time we arise from our hardships. The ultimate proof of all of this is our new life in Christ, who died so that we could be free of sin, and was raised from the dead so that we might all have new life. Wouldn't that be something? A new life, in which poverty is riches and sadness is transformed into lightness of spirit? It's a topsy-turvy world, isn't it? Do you feel blessed today?

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Nourishing Our Faith

Prayer On the Go

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>
<https://www.sacredspace.ie/>

Daily Scripture and Reflections:

<https://www.dailyscripture.net/daily-meditation/>

Weekly Essays on Ignatian Spirituality by Fr. Randy Roche, SJ:

<https://mission.lmu.edu/cis/spiritualessays>

Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom)

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

Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

Tithes and Offerings:

(2/05/2022 - 2/06/2022) \$ 2,325.00

Online Giving: \$ 2,191.00
(02/04/22-02/10/22)

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

Upcoming Second Collections:

Augustine Educational Foundation 02/12 & 02/13

Catholic Relief Services 03/26 & 003/27

Giving Made Easy

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

newmanhawaii.weshareonline.org

Thank you, for your continued support of our parish as we strive to meet the needs of our faith community!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

The prophet Jeremiah minces no words in today's first reading: "Thus says the LORD: Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings ... whose heart turns away from the LORD." And the prophet's "beatitude" resembles that of Jesus' teaching in today's Gospel reading when he proclaims: "Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD." Good stewards understand that what the world values is not consistent with Gospel values. They realize that God has placed in their midst all the gifts, charisms, and resources needed to bring Christ to a world desperately in need of his loving presence. But to exercise good stewardship over God's gifts takes a great deal of trust. How does our stewardship reflect our trust in the Lord? What did we do today to give others hope in Christ Jesus?



Give the *gift* of
Catholic Education

Second Collection this Weekend!

We kindly ask for you to support the Augustine Educational Foundation's Second Collection – **Make a Student Smile – Give the Gift of Catholic Education Campaign**. Your gift enables Catholic education to be affordable for families in Hawaii. Every dollar raised in **Newman Center/Holy Spirit Church** will go to the families within our parish and vicariate community. A priority is given to those with the highest level of need.

For the 2021-2022 school year, the Augustine Educational Foundation has funded \$1,033,000 in tuition scholarships and \$25,450 in grants for school programs.

Strengthen *Faith*.
Support *Catholic Education*.
Make a Student *Smile*.



STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Generous and Loving Creator, you have called us to
Malama i ka Makana (Cherish the Gift).

As disciples of your Son, we ask that your Spirit open our minds and hearts to more deeply appreciate your countless blessings. Increase your transforming spirit within us, so as to nurture our call to stewardship as a way of life marked always by faith-filled prayer,
service to others and generous giving.

With the kokua of St. Marianne and St. Damien, teach us to be good stewards so we may return a hundred-fold the makana entrusted to us.

We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



Around the Diocese

Chaminade University presents:
2022 Marianist Lecture



COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION & MISSION

A SYNODAL CHURCH

PROCLAIMING JESUS TO THE WORLD

Bishop Robert McElroy

Diocese of San Diego

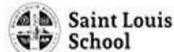
Sunday, Feb 27, 4PM

Register at marianistlecture.com

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Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers a contrast to many of the messages we hear in our society today. If we were to accept uncritically the "get ahead" messages of our culture, we would think that happiness means having money, being successful, and having many possessions. In this way, we are not unlike the people who heard Jesus teach on the day that he taught the Beatitudes. They too associated happiness with possessions and success. The report of the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel, however, takes things one step further. Not only will we not find happiness through the "get ahead" messages of the world, but relying upon these messages will cause us harm. The warnings spoken are particularly challenging because they suggest that our way of life must change if we are to gain the lasting happiness of eternal life.

Talk together as a family about what society tells us makes a person successful. Make a list of the traits that you associate with a successful person. Then read together today's Gospel, Luke 6:17,20-26. Reflect on Jesus' description of blessedness in the Kingdom of God. Then consider the warnings. Why are these surprising and challenging? What, then, is the measure of success in the Kingdom of God? Together write prayers of petition based on your discussion. Pray these prayers together, asking God to help your family seek the blessings of the Kingdom of God.

Breaking Open the Word

Last Sunday we heard Jesus call Peter to be his disciple. Jesus then travels with Peter and the other disciples. Luke reports acts of healing (a person with leprosy and a paralytic man) and the call of Levi, the tax collector. Jesus also replies to questions from the Pharisees regarding fasting and the observance of the Sabbath. In the verses immediately before today's gospel reading, Jesus is reported to have chosen 12 men from among his disciples to be apostles. Apostle is a Greek word that means "one who is sent." Today's gospel reading is the beginning of what is often called the Sermon on the Plain. We find a parallel to this passage in Matthew 5:1-7,11 that is often called the Sermon on the Mount. As these titles suggest, there are differences and similarities between these gospel readings.

When spoken from the mountaintop in Matthew's Gospel, we can't miss the impression that Jesus is speaking with the authority and voice of God. The mountaintop is a symbol of closeness to God. Those who ascend the mountain see God and speak for God; recall the story of Moses and the Ten Commandments. As Luke introduces the location of Jesus' teaching, Jesus teaches on level ground, alongside the disciples and the crowd. Luke presents Jesus' authority in a different light. He is God among us.

Another distinction found in Luke's version is the audience. Luke's Sermon on the Plain is addressed to Jesus' disciples, although in the presence of the crowd; Matthew's Sermon on the Mount is addressed to the crowd. In keeping with this style, the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel sound more personal than those in Matthew's Gospel—Luke uses the article "you" whereas Matthew uses "they" or "those." There is also a difference in number: Matthew describes eight beatitudes; Luke presents just four, each of which has a parallel warning.

The form of the Beatitudes found in Luke's and Matthew's Gospel is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, such as in the Psalms and in Wisdom literature. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God. The word blessed in this context might be translated as "happy," "fortunate," or "favored." As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of "woes," those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. They not only fail to deliver on their promise; our misplaced trust in them will lead to our demise. The ultimate peril is in misidentifying the source of our eternal happiness.

The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God.



Around the Parish

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16 | 6PM | NEWMAN CENTER



Four-Petals Peace Service On Zoom

This will be the 31st of a series of quarterly Peace Services, rotating between the sponsoring organizations. It is a multi-faith service for peace, of mindfulness and an expression that particularly resonates among our faiths, blossoming from our common humanity.

For more information on this Catholic-led Peace Service, contact June Naughton (808) 383 8954.

AFFIRMATIONS

- We affirm that all people should have the opportunity to enjoy lives of harmony and peace.
- We affirm that while we may follow different faith traditions, our traditions and beliefs all include a strong desire for peace.
- We affirm that each faith tradition will offer its expression of contemplative reflection providing an experience of peaceful attentiveness with the common goal of peace and aloha.

Time: The service begins at 6:30pm
Please arrive early to sit and settle down

Date: Monday, February 21, 2022

Place: [Click Here to Join the Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 838 9778 2134 Passcode: 559329

Sponsors: Church of the Crossroads
Hongwanji Shin Buddhists
Newman Center Holy Spirit Parish
Quaker Center

New to Newman Center - Holy Spirit Parish?

Aloha! E Komo Mai!

We welcome you to your new spiritual home and are delighted to have you join our parish community!

At Newman Center - Holy Spirit Parish, we know that we are all individual parts of the mystical Body of Christ. Working together, we find great joy in doing God's work here on earth. We invite and encourage you to join us as we pray, work and fellowship together.

Please contact the Parish Office to register. Welcome!

Letters from Heaven

Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

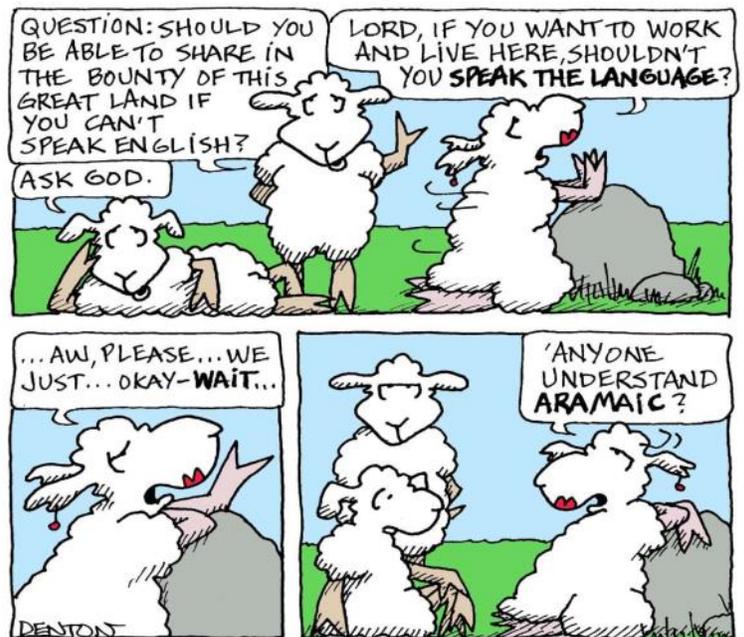
Jesus said, "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received ..."

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Answer: *your consolation*

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"If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand."

Sheepish Question:

What barriers separate me from my brothers and sisters in faith?



Pray

Catholic prayer for St. Valentine's intercession

Philip Kosloski - published on 02/08/22

St. Valentine is a Catholic saint who has become closely associated with the pursuit of love. One way we can honor him is by asking for his intercession with our prayers.

Pray then, O holy martyr St. Valentine, for the faithful,
who are so persevering in celebrating your memory.
The day of judgment will reveal to us all your glorious merits.
Intercede for us, especially in regards to [insert intention here],
that we may then be made your companions
at the right hand of the great Judge
and be united with you eternally in heaven. Amen.

Grow

The 10 beatitudes of smart cell phone users

Joseph Challier - published on 08/13/21

The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who threw his cell phone overboard and began to live. Truly, truly, I say to you: the Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who threw his cell phone overboard from the boat of his life and began to live. The present moment became his compass, willpower his rudder and brotherhood his sail.

Blessed are they who dare to use their cell phone without being enslaved to it; they shall take control of their own life.

Blessed are they who dare to turn off their cell phone for an evening with friends or family; they shall experience real moments of happiness.

Blessed are they who dare to turn off their cell phone when they work; they shall work indeed.

Blessed are they who dare to turn off their cell phone when they travel; they shall open themselves up to a galaxy of possibilities: reading, sleeping, praying, writing, thinking, meeting a beautiful stranger, looking at the landscape, or just being.

Blessed are they who dare to turn off their cell phone during their prayer time; they shall pray.

Blessed are they who dare to delete those apps which are indispensable for those who want to vegetate, but useless for those who want to live; they shall save money, time and concentration.

Blessed are they who dare to turn off the notifications from their social media and email; they shall not be managed by an algorithm but shall manage their own life and live in the present moment.

Blessed are they who dare to leave their cell phone in their pocket when they are bored, stressed or waiting; they shall be bored, manage their stress, discover the world, experience healthy solitude, live with themselves or others, listen to their spouse, do sports or hobbies, and otherwise survive just fine.

Blessed are they who dare to ask God to forgive them for their lost hours, damaged eyes, and broken relationships, due to inordinate cell phone use; they shall receive God's mercy and strength.

Blessed are they who dare to live; they shall turn off their cell phone.

Reflect

Occasionally, teachers would often ask students for help or assistance in the classroom. For me, I had one teacher that would always ask for help and/or a favor to do something for her around the classroom. Instead of saying "thank you," she would respond with, "Your reward will be great in heaven." We never bothered to question her or understood what she meant by it.

So, what reward will get us to heaven? In today's Gospel, we hear Luke's version of Jesus' Beatitudes. They are a bit shorter, but to the point. And followed by the consequences of indulging solely on the things of this earth. Jesus clearly reminds that we need to keep our eye on the prize, which is heaven. He calls us to live in a life of love, peace, joy, and happiness. And that we continue to help our brothers and sisters in Christ to do the same in word and deed.

We are blessed to have completed another SEEK22 weekend. Mahalo again to our students (UH Manoa & CUH) for joining us in conference. A special mahalo to:

- Fr. Alfred and Newman Center staff for your presence behind the scenes and making our Newman space organized and ready each day of SEEK22.
- Sr. Joane Gepitulan, FSP, for your presence and sharing books and spiritual resources for our college students from the Pauline Bookstore.
- Dann Ebina, for your continued support and always capturing our events.
- Josh Paiement and Kara Schnitzler, our FOCUS Digital Outreach missionaries for your continued presence, prayers and support for our Newman students, and leading us in SEEK22.
- And, finally, our Newman Center Holy Spirit Parish parishioners and benefactors for your continued prayers, love, and support for our students in Campus Ministry. We are greatly blessed by all that you do for us!

SEEK 23, here we come!

St. John Henry Newman, pray for us! Blessing and peace to you and your ohana!

- Fay C. Pabo (@fa_jo_pabo0)

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