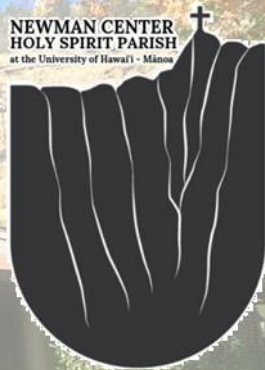


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HE HAS
risen

MATT 28:6

*Fourth Sunday
of Easter*

April 30, 2023

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.

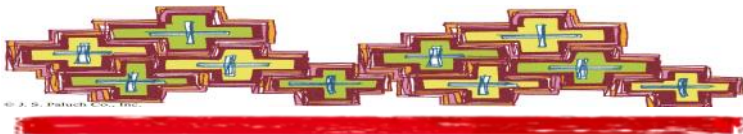
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We welcome your call and are here to serve you! Contact the Parish Office to speak with us or make an appointment. We look forward to hearing from you!



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

Dear Newman 'Ohana,

Grace and peace from the risen Lord Jesus Christ be with you always! So far, this whole Easter Season for me has been about gratitude. As you know, for some time now, we have been unsure about the future of the current Newman Center with the closure of St. Francis School and the pending sale of the property of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities (SOSF) on which our center is on. For background purposes, in 1981, the Sisters of St. Francis and the Jesuits entered into an unrecorded Agreement to lease and occupy two portions of the property for 55 years. Since it was not recorded, a buyer, even one who is fully informed of the lease, takes free of it. We could be required to vacate the property upon closing of the sale. Even if the SOSF remain the owners, our current rent expired, and we are to pay a "fair market value" rent which in 2020 the sisters valued at 100s of thousands per year. Negotiations between the SOSF and the Diocese (us) began the Fall of 2019, and I commissioned an Ad-Hoc committee to study the various scenarios and the possible locations we could "temporarily" move to. The committee did a wonderful job of surveying the parish, making site visits, and even gave the parish reports of their findings. Then, the pandemic happened. Negotiations continued to happen between the SOSF and the Diocese with our bishop firm about the best interest of the continuation of our ministry in mind. On Good Friday this year, I was notified that an agreement was reached. So, it is with gratitude to God and those involved, that I announce that we are guaranteed 13 more years in our Center (expiration of lease is April 30, 2036) and that our rent will be \$3,000 per year (from 2021). On Easter Tuesday, a memorandum of agreement was filed into the State of Hawaii Land Court System by our diocesan attorney. This means that anyone transacting business with the Sisters is now on "record notice" of our lease and we would be protected against a buyer denying that lease. We have already paid the back rent of \$5,584.64 to the SOSF this month. Of course, none of these would be without some sacrifice. The bishop has to give up the Dever House (currently valued at \$200,000), which the diocese owns and not the parish, at the close of sale to a new buyer of the SOSF property. This would mean I will have to find a new residence and move when that happens. On a positive note, we may remain at our current location for at least 13 more years. Now, then, is the time for us to work on the pastoral plan of the parish and expand our Campus Ministry outreach. Thank you for all your support these years and especially the 4 years and 4 months I have been your pastor. With the help of the Good Shepherd, I pray and hope that you will continue to help us make our mission a reality and even bring it to new heights.

Have a blessed Easter week,

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)



P.S. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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.

Family Connection

Even though we have less experience with sheep and shepherds today in our society, we can still identify strongly with the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd and as the gate for the sheep. Psalm 23 remains a popular and favorite psalm for prayer. In the image of the Good Shepherd, we know ourselves to be protected and cared for by a loving God. As your family gathers, ask what each person knows about sheep and shepherds. Recall that shepherds and sheep have a close relationship. Sheep will only follow their own shepherd; they recognize his voice and will not follow a stranger. The shepherd's job is to protect his sheep. In some ways, the relationship between the shepherd and his sheep is like that of a parent and child. Read together this Sunday's Gospel, John 10:1-10. Talk about how Jesus tells us that he is the gate for the sheep. The sheep enter the protection of the sheepfold through the gate. In Jesus we find protection and abundant life. Conclude by thanking Jesus for being our Good Shepherd and by praying today's psalm, Psalm 23.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT


Saint Peter plays a prominent leadership role in the first two readings, urging his listeners to be baptized and accept the gift of the Holy Spirit; and encouraging them to follow in the footsteps of Christ. We have just renewed our baptismal promises at Easter and the Holy Spirit dwells in us in a special way. Are we good stewards of those baptismal vows? Have we renewed our commitment to follow in Jesus' footsteps? Have we opened our hearts to discern the will of God in our lives? Take some time to reflect on the importance of our baptismal renewal and our lives as disciples of the Lord.

CONGRATULATIONS!
CLASS OF
2023
BACCALAUREATE
WITH BISHOP LARRY SILVA
FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2023
7:00 P.M.
ST. JUDE (KAPOLEI)

All 2023 graduates from middle school, high school, colleges and universities, and their families are invited to participate.

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Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

Tithes and Offerings:

04/22/2023-04/23/2023 : \$1,588.00

Online:

04/21/2023-04/27/2023: \$1,385.00

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

Upcoming Second Collections:

Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund: April 28-29

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 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



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 — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized (Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

Psalms — My shepherd is the Lord; I shall not want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

Gospel — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).

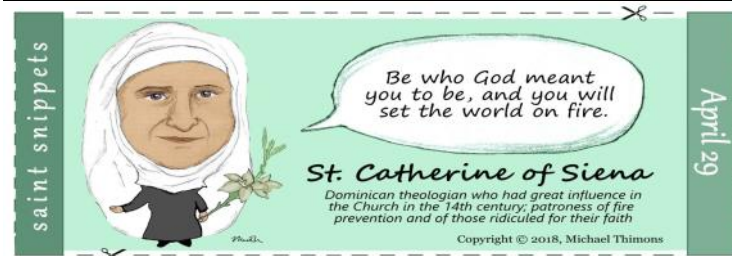
The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	St. Joseph the Worker
Tuesday:	St. Athanasius
Wednesday:	Ss. Philip and James
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	First Saturday



OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Vocations

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, tells us that he calls his own sheep by name and those sheep respond by following him. Unlike the early disciples, we do not have the benefit of hearing the Lord Jesus call us by name. Or do we? Through the centuries countless men, women, and children have responded to the call of the Lord and dedicated their lives to ministering to God's people. How often have we heard the phrase, "he or she 'has the calling' "? We need look no further than our own parish to find ways that the call of the Lord is manifested. The Lord Jesus is constantly calling out to us through the celebration of the sacramental life, through the proclamation of the living word, and through the example of those who have put on Christ in Baptism. Today the Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd, speaks to each one of us, the sheep of his flock. Let us listen for the call to follow him as his disciples. And on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us pray for others, as well, to hear and heed whatever God is calling them to do with their life as a baptized Christian.

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Pray

Unheeded, unheard: Is this prayer?

Fr. Peter John Cameron, OP - published on 04/23/23

And yet, even after a relatively short time in the daily practice of prayer, the change in us may be so great that we seem like a different person.

We pray and pray, but an answer to prayer seems so long in coming ... if it arrives at all. Why does our prayer seem to go unheard, unheeded?

In one respect, we should not be surprised, given what our Lord teaches about prayer in his parables, stressing the perseverance of the friend who comes asking late at night for what he needs (Lk 11:5-13), and the persistence of the pleading widow before the resistant judge (Lk 18:1-8). And, of course, there is the celebrated example of St. Monica who prayed some 17 years for the conversion of her son Augustine.

The point of prayer is not "to get things" but to grow in intimacy and union with God. Prayer is a process of purification. The more we pray, the more we change. And God may permit our petitioning of him to carry on for some time because he wants us to become like him through that practice.

A spiritual master of the 4th century, Evagrius of Pontus counsels:

Do not be distressed if you do not at once receive from God what you ask. He wishes to give you something better — to make you persevere in your prayer. For what is better than to enjoy the love of God and to be in communion with him?

Persistence in prayer gives us a clearer, truer sense of what we really long for, and it increases our capacity to receive everything that God wants to bestow. After his mother's prayers were answered, St. Augustine wrote: Our Lord and God wants us to exercise our desire through our prayers, so that we may be able to receive what he is preparing to give us. His gift is very great indeed, but our capacity is too small and limited to receive it. That is why we are told in Scripture, "Enlarge your desires." Our willingness to stick with prayer transforms even the stickiest parts of our personality. As Venerable Louis of Granada observed, "It is often remarkable to see the dramatic change that occurs when a person begins to practice prayer seriously and faithfully. A person may be distraught, vivacious, depressed, or indifferent, but even after a relatively short time in the daily practice of prayer, the change may be so great that they seem like a different person."

Let's pray — and keep on praying — with Doctor of the Church St. Gregory of Narek:

Help, so I will not be unfruitful in this task
like the planter vainly sowing seeds into barren ground.
Spare me that I may not
labor without birth,
sigh without tears,
meditate without voice,
cloud without rain,
struggle without reaching,
call without being heard,
implore without being heeded,
groan without being comforted,
beg without being helped,
smolder without aroma,
see you without being fulfilled.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2022/04/24/prayer-to-mary-mother-of-mercy-for-help-in-trusting-jesus/>

Grow

"What It Means that Jesus Is the Good Shepherd"

Fr. James Faraglia - published on 05/09/14

Jesus doesn't just call us to virtue, he shows us the way.

The main part of the Holy Land was a large central plateau about 35 miles long. The ground was for the most part rough and rocky. It was impossible for sheep just to stay in one area for grazing. Large areas for grazing simply did not exist. Every flock had to have a shepherd who led his flock every day to places where the sheep could eat.

The life of a shepherd was very difficult. A flock of sheep never grazed without his presence and therefore, the shepherd was on duty every day of the week. Since the sheep always had to travel in order to find grass to eat, they were never left alone. Sheep could get lost, or they could be attacked by wolves or stolen by robbers.

Sheep were seldom used for regular food by the people of the Holy Land; rather sheep were cultivated for the use of their wool. Thus, the shepherd was with his sheep for a very long time. He gave each one of them a name, and they all knew his voice. In fact, it is said that each shepherd had a peculiar way of speaking to the sheep that allowed them to know that he was their shepherd.

During the warm weather, it was common for the sheep to spend the night away from the village farm. The shepherd watched over them throughout the night. In these circumstances, the sheep stayed in open areas surrounded by a low rock wall. In these areas, the sheep entered and left through an open space which had no door or gate of any kind. During the night, the shepherd would sleep stretched out within the empty space so that no sheep could get out except by crossing over his body. At the same time, a wolf or a robber could not get in, except by crossing over his body as well. Here we can see a prime example of how the shepherd would give his life for his sheep. "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

Jesus is the Good Shepherd. The Easter Season is a continual celebration of the one central mystery of Christianity; that Jesus gave his life for us by dying on the Cross. He saved us from our sins. "He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls" (1 Peter 2: 24).

We all know that getting directions from someone when we are lost can be a frustrating experience. Perhaps you scramble for a piece of paper to scribble a few indications like "go right at the light and then take your first left." Maybe the person who gives you directions is wrong, and instead of a right, you should have taken a left.

Sometimes you come across a kind person who says "Come, I will take you there." In this case, the person is the way and you cannot go wrong.

Jesus tells us that he is the way. Jesus does not give us advice and directions; he takes us by the hand and leads us to eternal life in heaven. He does not tell us about the way, he is the way.

Christianity is essentially different from all other religions because the Christian does not merely follow a series of rules and regulations, nor does he submit himself to a guru's indications of how to live certain austere principles.



Grow

Christianity is not about a what, but about a whom. Ultimately, Christianity is about relationship and of course, the greatest relationship of all. Christianity is about a relationship with the best friend anyone could ever have; i.e., Jesus Christ.

Married couples, boyfriends and girlfriends and even dear friends understand what relationship is all about. True friendship is true personal love. True friendship is not based upon an arrangement of rules. Friendship goes much deeper than this. Friendship is a relationship.

Through the Easter mystery of Baptism, we are incorporated into Christ. This life of sanctifying grace launches us into an awesome bond with Jesus Christ.

Our relationship with Jesus is personal. He is real because he is alive. He is a living person that sees you, that hears you, that speaks with you and that walks with you. He is there to bless you and to strengthen you. He is with you to sustain you and to dry your tears. Jesus is always there because he has truly risen on Easter Sunday morning.

Our relationship with Jesus is real. Before his death on the cross, in the intimacy of the Upper Room where he imparted to his dear friends his last words before his Passion and Resurrection, he said: "If you love me, keep my commandments." (John 14: 15) Love is not based upon empty words and wishful thinking; love is translated into action.

When Jesus speaks to us in the Gospels about humility, service, patience, chastity, honesty, apostolic zeal and the other gospel virtues, he calls us to put these virtues into practice within the circumstances of our daily lives. We show Jesus our true love by doing gospel deeds. Our relationship is so personal, that we become another Jesus. We talk like him, we think like him, we feel like him and we act like him. Authentic relationship automatically brings us to imitation.

Any true friendship needs to be nourished by relationship. When we spend a lot of time away from a friend, the friendship begins to die. The adage: "Out of sight, out of mind", is very true. In order to love, we need to spend time with the Beloved. Contemplative prayer, the assiduous meditation of the Scriptures, the daily reception of the Eucharist and frequent Confession are the preferred moments of intimacy with the risen Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Fr. James Farfaglia is the Pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Corpus Christi, TX. You can visit him on the web at www.fatherjames.org.

Newman Center Holy Spirit Parish Campus Ministry

STUDY HAVEN SCHEDULE

Saturday MAY 06	&	Sunday MAY 07
6:00 PM - 11:00 PM		
Monday MAY 08	to	Thursday MAY 11
9:00 AM - 11:00 PM		
Friday MAY 12		
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	FREE FOOD FREE DRINKS FREE WIFI A/C LOUNGE MEET FRIENDS OPEN CHAPEL	

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Reflect

Do you ever find yourself in a moment when you're leisurely minding your own business, just doing your own thing. Out of the blue, someone recognizes you, calls you by name, and quickly approaches you with great joy and enthusiasm. You both share a beautiful moment together, chatting away and catching up with each other.

Imagine this same experience with Jesus. Do you see and recognize Him? Do you welcome Jesus with open arms? Do you engage and carry on the conversation with Him? Do you share the same energy and excitement as Jesus feels? We ought to feel this way every single time we encounter Him... or do we?

Today the church celebrates Good Shepherd Sunday. Just a shepherd knows his sheep by name and lays down their life for their sheep, Jesus is the Good Shepherd who knows us inside and out. The sheep hears the voice of the shepherd and follows him. In the same way, Jesus hears us and always listens to us. We submit to Him as well. Jesus laid down His life for us because He loves us so much. God's love is infinite and is shown in the life of Christ. We, too, must live in the love and care that Jesus desperately wants for us. Let us be open to God's love and trust that He will always protect and guide us through our lives.

"God has, in fact, thought of us from eternity and has loved us as unique individuals. He has called every one of us by name, as the Good Shepherd 'calls His sheep by name.'" — St. John Paul II

Mahalo to all, especially our parishioners and benefactors, for your continued love and support in sustaining the mission and vision of campus ministry here at Newman Center. We are truly blessed and grateful for your generosity.

St. John Henry Newman, pray for us!

Blessings to you and your 'ohana!

- Fay C. Pabo (@fa_jo_pabo0)



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SUNDAY, MAY 07 - 5:00 PM MASS

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