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*Fifth Sunday
of Easter*

May 7, 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.

Come journey with us!

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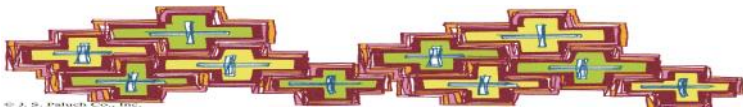
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We welcome your call and are here to serve you! Contact the Parish Office to speak with us or make an appointment. We look forward to hearing from you!



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

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

I thought it was Easter Season! Well, it is but our gospel passage this weekend seems to put a damper on our Paschal joy. The scene of the gospel is prior to the Lord's arrest, suffering, and death. It is on the night of the Last Supper with the Apostles. The passage is part of a larger body known as the farewell discourse. "Do not let your hearts be troubled," Jesus tells them. What exactly did he say that could cause them to be disturbed? They witnessed Jesus' healings, his teachings, and his power over demons. However, before the farewell discourse, he talked about one of the twelve betraying him and his imminent death. Maybe it was those things that disturbed them. At the same time, he also told them he will be raised up on the third day. That seems to be lost in the thought of pain and suffering leading to real death. The disciples must be wondering why he was speaking this way. He was at the top of his career, and it looked as though he had won over the crowds. But Jesus must complete his mission given by the Father- to love and obey even unto death.

When the time comes, are the disciples to respond in fear? The answer is not fear but faith in the Father and in Jesus. "You have faith in God; have faith also in me." He has promised us that we will be with him. He goes before us to prepare a place for us in heaven. As a result, we are to keep our true destiny in sight always before us. So, our gospel then, is not so much a killjoy but rather words of hope. We turn to Jesus because he is "the way and the truth and the life." When we know Jesus, we know the Father.

As we close the school year, may our hearts not be troubled but have faith in the resurrected Lord.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)



Important Notices

- Hospitality Sunday this weekend
- UH Food Vault Collection this weekend
- Study Haven begins Saturday after the 5PM Mass

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 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 — They chose Stephen. (Acts 6:1–7).

Psalm — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. (1 Peter 2:4–9).

Gospel — I am the way and the truth and the life.. (John 14:1–12).

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ST. DAMIEN OF MOLOKA'I

May 10th

150th Anniversary of Father Damien's Arrival in Kalaupapa

The annual Memorial of St. Damien is May 10, which is the anniversary of the date of his arrival in Kalaupapa, Molokai. Wednesday, May 10, 2023 is the 150th anniversary of that momentous event. Bishop Larry Silva will celebrate a Mass at 6:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace on that day, to which all are invited. We also urge parishes and schools to mark this special anniversary in their own celebrations of this Obligatory Memorial.

LIVING THE LITURGY

Name the ways you spread the Word of God. What is the way of life that we are asked to imitate as disciples? How does the Spirit help us? Peter says we are a chosen race, a royal priesthood. Moses told the Chosen People, "You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation" (Exodus 19:6). The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "The baptized have become 'living stones' to be 'built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood' (1 Pt 2:5). By Baptism they share in the priesthood of Christ, in his prophetic and royal mission. They are 'a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, that [they] may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called [them] out of darkness into his marvelous light' (1 Pt 2:9). Baptism gives a share in the common priesthood of all believers" (1268). Reflect on what that means for us as baptized followers.

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

Members of the same family often bear close resemblances to one another. Sometimes physical resemblances are shared within a family, but often the similarities are behavioral characteristics and mannerisms. We hear this observation affirmed through a number of common phrases: "He's a chip off the old block" or "She's her mother's daughter." Today's Gospel points to a mystery of faith that might be examined in light of these familial relationships. In Jesus we see and know the Father. Likewise, the Father is known through the life and work of the Son, Jesus.

Talk together as a family about whether people outside of your family recognize common traits of your family. Are there physical resemblances that people recognize and so know each individual as a member of your family? Are there mannerisms that are shared by members of your family? What are some common interests and work that people might associate with your family? As you read today's Gospel, John 14:1-12, keep in mind that members of the same family share many characteristics, even though each person in the family is an individual. What does Jesus tell his disciples about his relationship with the Father? The relationship between the Father and Jesus is so close that Jesus says that those who have seen and known Jesus have also seen and known the Father. Jesus promises his disciples that because of their faith in him and in the Father, they too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. End your discussion by praying together that others will recognize in your family the work of the Father. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

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 others' 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 do we resolve 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?



Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

Tithes and Offerings:

04/29/2023-04/30/2023: \$2,240.00

2nd Collection: \$425.00

Maintenance & Repair: \$100.00

Online:

04/28/2023-05/04/2023: \$3,351.00

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

Upcoming Second Collections:

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



STEWARDSHIP

SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE

Around the Parish



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!



TRIDUUM AT NEWMAN





Pray

In the midst of final exams? Here's a helpful prayer!

Zoe Romanowsky - published on 05/22/18

Share this with someone who needs a little extra help to cross that finish line.

Final exams, papers, and tests are enough to stress out even the best of students. While study and preparation is necessary, prayer can open us up to receive the grace to be calm and confident as we complete another academic year. This simple and powerful prayer written by the patron of students and universities, St. Thomas Aquinas, is perfect for students to pray during any stressful time, perhaps especially during final exams ...

Creator of all things, true source of light and wisdom,
origin of all being, graciously let a ray of your light penetrate
the darkness of my understanding.
Take from me the double darkness in which I have been born,
the obscurity of sin and ignorance.
Give me a keen understanding, a retentive memory, and
the ability to grasp things correctly and fundamentally.
Grant me the talent of being exact in my explanations
and the ability to express myself with thoroughness and charm.
Point out the beginning, direct the progress,
and help in the completion.
I ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2018/05/22/in-the-midst-of-final-exams-heres-a-great-prayer/>

Grow

8 Essential saints to help arm your graduate for a fulfilling future

Cerith Gardiner - published on 06/09/22

As young people step out into the adult world, give them a helping hand with these powerful intercessors.

Today's world can be exciting, daunting, and a little bit scary for young men and women. From suddenly having to make adult decisions, to trying to forge a future with pressures of a new career, it's not always easy.

So to give any young graduates the ability to face these challenges with faith and courage in their hearts, encourage them to look to these inspirational saints for guidance.

St. Augustine — To resist temptations

One of the trickiest things to contend with as a graduate is being able to say "no" to all of the world's temptations. From easy credit to having a glass of wine too many, look to the saint who completely turned his life around to serve God.

St. Cajetan — To find a job

Stepping out onto the job market can cause a lot of anxiety. Whether it's trying to find the right job, or making sure you succeed in the application process, it can be disheartening if you face lots of rejection. So look to this patron saint of jobseekers and unemployment for a spiritual boost.

St. Joan of Arc — To fight for what's right

Life is full of many battles, but it's important to know which ones are really worth fighting. While the Church is full of holy men and women who have stood up for their faith, there's something pretty mind-blowing about this young French saint who led an army to war for her country because God instructed her to do so.

St. Joseph — To have a good work ethic

Well, Christ's earthly father is a go-to saint for everybody, but it's important for graduates to consider all his virtues and how he used them to do good. As a carpenter, Joseph put his hands to good use in order to provide for his family. It's important for youngsters to remember what an honor it is to have a job, and that it should be done properly and with consideration.

There are a number of other hard-working saints, such as St. Isidore the Farmer, who also make fine examples of working without complaint, and in the name of God the Father.

Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati — To balance work and play

While of course it's important to work hard, it's also crucial that young people take time to appreciate everything in their lives. Pier Giorgio was particularly capable of devoting his life to his faith, his work, his family, enjoying the culture of his home country, and also playing pranks on his friends. He's the perfect saint to teach youngsters how to truly have it all.

St. Matthew the Apostle — To make sound financial decisions

Trying to make wise financial decisions isn't always easy, even for those with decades of experience. But who better to turn to than an apostle and former tax collector when it comes to being money-wise? Not only can you pray to him in times of financial hardship, he's also be the logical saint to turn to when you're pulling your hair out doing those tax returns!

St. Anne — To find love

Finding true love is one of life's biggest challenges. So this is when we have to look to age and wisdom for a little helping hand. In real life we often turn to a loving grandparent to set us on the right path; in our spiritual life we can look to Christ's maternal grandmother, Anne. She certainly did a great job finding the perfect match for her daughter, Mary, so no doubt she'd be a wonderful option for any young adults searching for "the one."

St. Francis of Assisi — To do God's work

With all the distractions life has to offer, it's easy for young adults to lose focus on their faith. But if they look to the example of Francis who gave up his worldly goods to devote his life to rebuilding the Church, they'll get their priorities right.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2022/06/09/8-essential-saints-to-help-arm-your-graduate-for-a-fulfilling-future/>

7 simple ways to grow in holiness before noon



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Get out of bed with the first alarm
 The first small sacrifice of the day: don't press snooze!
- 
Make your bed
 Your bed and your home are a gift. Take care of that gift.
- 
Say a little extra grace before breakfast
 Make an intention for something or someone.
- 
Take care of your dishes
 Offer up that extra minute as a prayer for someone.
- 
Smile at a stranger on your way to work
 Do a simple gesture of kindness for someone you don't know.
- 
Deny the urge to snack after breakfast
 Deny yourself small pleasures and offer them to God.
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Take notice of something (or someone) you normally wouldn't
 Think of yourself less and serve others more.

Source: Churchpop.com

 CatholicLink



Reflect

Let's get ready to STUDY! Hooray to our students for completing another successful semester! The hard work is not yet over as exams still need to be taken. Let us call upon our good and gracious God to help us bring peace to our minds and hearts so that we can fully focus on the tasks at hand. You got this!

Congratulations to our Newman graduates and the Class of 2023! You did it! We are reminded in today's Gospel of Jesus' emphasis on the importance of faith and service to others. This will be vital as you enter this next chapter of your life, whether you will begin your career and/or continue to further your education. We must have complete faith and trust in God, who continuously provides for us in every way possible, and we are called to do his wonderful work here on earth. Go, and make a difference in the world. Let us look to the saints for continued guidance and allow the Holy Spirit to lead us. We are so proud of all that you have accomplished here at the University of Hawai'i – Mānoa. We wish you the best of luck as you embark on your new journey.

"The future is in your hearts and in your hands. God is entrusting to you the task, at once difficult and uplifting, of working with him in the building of the civilization of love." – 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)



NEWMAN CENTER - HOLY SPIRIT PARISH
CAMPUS MINISTRY

Class of 2023

**BACCALAUREATE
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SUNDAY, MAY 07 - 5:00 PM MASS

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Newman Center Holy Spirit Parish Campus Ministry

STUDY HAVEN SCHEDULE

SPRING 2023

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

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