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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 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.

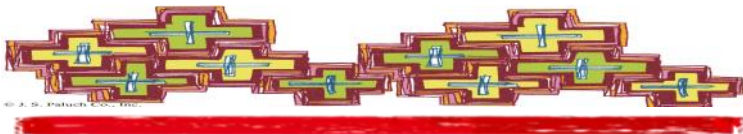
We are a spirit-filled and welcoming community that proclaims and celebrates the Good News through liturgy, the sacraments, faith sharing, outreach, and social action. As the Roman Catholic Community of the University of Hawai'i, we offer opportunities for life-long faith development to all who choose 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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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

"Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

On this sixth Sunday of Easter, our readings remind us that God must come first in our lives, and that love of God shows itself in concrete actions — this is precisely why the stewardship way of life is so necessary.

Our second reading, from St. Peter, challenges us to, "Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts." In other words, we are to put Christ first above all else in our lives. His role is not merely as Savior of our lives, as significant as that role is — He is to be "Lord" of our lives as well. As His disciples, we are called to make Him ruler of all aspects of our lives — our time, talent, and treasure.

The beauty of the stewardship way of life is that it offers us a concrete means to show that Christ truly is Lord of our lives, to "prove" our love, in a manner of speaking, because true love is not a mere sentiment. "Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me," Jesus tells us in our Gospel passage from John.

True love is an act of the will. It requires obedience to all of God's commandments. This requires courage, humility, and deep trust in Him.

But the rewards of this kind of love are indescribably wonderful. Christ tells us Himself, "Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

Could there be anything more satisfying to live in such a way that the God of the universe is pleased to reveal more and more of Himself to us?

— @ Catholic Stewardship Consultants: www.CatholicSteward.com

Congratulations to all our graduates and Happy Mother's Day weekend!

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)



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 — 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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SAINT OF THE WEEK

Remember to care for the soul more than the body, since the former remains, the latter perishes.

Blessed Alcuin of York (735 - 804) Monk, Scholar, Feast Day, May 19



LIVING THE LITURGY

We see signs of new life all around us during this season. Pope Benedict has called us as Catholics to become more aware in our care and stewardship for the environment.

How does your family or church act as a good steward for the environment? Do you recycle and reuse? Do you pass along things you no longer need? How else can you take the responsibility to heart?

In the reading from Acts, the early Church is extending Christ's message to the Gentiles, reaching outside of the community of the Jews. Does God call you to bring the Good News to people or places that are outside of your comfort zone?

Read Psalm 66. Create a prayer like this psalm, proclaiming the deeds God has done for you. What would you say?

SHARING FAITH

The Spirit is meant to be a force that nurtures yet challenges. How is the Spirit prodding or leading you?

What gifts does God invite you to offer to others through your life, work, ministry, or service?

As the solemnity of Pentecost approaches, what part will you allow the Spirit to play in your life?

SCRIPTURE

The words in a thesaurus entry for advocate are plentiful and rich: believer, sponsor, supporter, and backer. An advocate is also one who offers encouragement and favor. These are exhilarating words for followers of Jesus Christ. There is someone who as we attempt to follow and live our lives as disciples will aid us in this work, offer support and encouragement and act by our side.

The work that disciples are called to fulfill is the work of the Father that Jesus began by proclaiming the kingdom of God. Jesus tells his followers they are to keep his commandments and that the Advocate will be the Spirit of truth. But a warning is there. Just as the truth that Jesus preached was rejected by some, so, too, this truth will be unacceptable. But followers will be able to remain faithful with the Advocate's help if they obey God's commands. God's love and compassion will surround the faithful as they bear witness to this same love and faithfulness of God to the world.

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:

05/06/2023-05/07/2023: \$2,342.00

Maintenance: \$1,025.00

Funeral Donation (Salazar): \$300.00

2nd Collection Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund: \$175.00

Online:

05/05/2023-05/11/2023 \$2,160.00

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

Upcoming Second Collections:

Catholic Communication Campaign: 05/20 & 05/21
Diocese of Honolulu Seminarian Fund: 06/17 & 06/18
Holy Father (Peter's Pence) \$07/01 & 07/02

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!

Family Connection

The mystery of the Trinity can be difficult for us to grasp. Today's Gospel invites us to consider how the three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—work together so that God's salvation is made known to us. Jesus' mission is continued through the activity of the Holy Spirit in the lives of his disciples. We have received this same Spirit through our Baptisms. The Spirit, living and working within us, reveals the mystery of God's love for us. Just as the first disciples were not left orphaned, we are not orphaned; we remain in God's embrace through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Gather your family and invite each family member to say what he or she knows about the Holy Spirit. Read aloud today's Gospel, John 14:15-21. What does Jesus say the Holy Spirit will do for the disciples? Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we come to share in the love of God made known to us in Jesus. Pray together, thanking God for this gift of the Holy Spirit by praying the Prayer to the Holy Spirit.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Philip understood very well Jesus' words: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." We learn of Philip's devotion to prayer, evangelizing and healing in the region of Samaria; made up of communities that would not be very receptive to the followers of Jesus. Philip is a model steward, living his discipleship day by day in the Lord without being obstructed by feelings of what cost his actions might entail. Good stewards summon the courage to proclaim the Lord and to serve Him by ministering to others. As an Easter people, eager to rejoice in the Lord, it is important to reflect on how we are living out our own commitment to discipleship.



CLI is back this Summer!

Leadership Training open to all high school youth in grades 10-12.

June 25 - June 30, 2023

at St. Stephen Diocesan Center

Application deadline: May 17, 2023

Packets and more information on the website:

www.catholicahawaii.org/ooyam/ym/cli-hi

Questions? Contact the OYYAM at ooyam@rcchawaii.org.



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 Parish

"There will be a special Notre Dame Mothers Mass on Sunday, May 21st at the 11 am Mass.

All alumni and friends of the University of Notre Dame are invited to attend this Mass and share fellowship following it."

A Mother's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of mothers. May these bearers of life also be bearers of your Word. May they teach and train up their children in the way they should go, so when they are old they will not depart from it (Proverbs 22:6). Even when the children are already grown, help mothers to sow the seeds that will bear the Fruit of Your Spirit. Just as a mother's work is never done, and her prayers for her children will never end. A piece of her heart is always with them.

Lord, we've learned that this huge responsibility is one that has no job description. There's no special college degree, no on-the-job training program. Help each mother to realize that You offer something even better than those things: Your Spirit and Your Word.

May the Holy Spirit guide each mother as she seeks for wisdom. Illuminate the Scriptures for her. Help her encourage her children to honor You. Give her a church family that will come alongside her and show the love of Christ to her and her family. Place godly mentors in her life and also in the lives of her children. May they seek You and find You.

In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

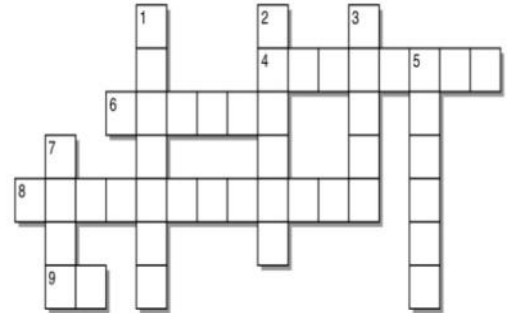
New to Newman Center - Holy Spirit Parish?

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!



Across

4. Another word for the Holy Spirit.
6. The Advocate Jesus speaks of is the _____ of Truth.
8. Jesus says, "If you love me, you will keep my _____."
9. Can the Advocate be seen by the world? (Yes or No)

Down

1. Children who do not have parents are called _____.
2. Whoever loves Jesus will be loved by his _____.
3. Jesus said, "Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who _____ me."
5. Jesus says the Father will send the Advocate to be us _____ (another word for forever).
7. This week we read from the Gospel according to _____.

PUZZLE

Circle the pictures that show love.



MISSION

Every morning and every night I will thank God for my family and friends.

Congratulations Graduates!!!



Thank you, Lord!
For the reaching of this end
And for this new beginning
For the joy in finished aims and goals
And the evidence of winning

Have mercy on these graduates
As they bask in their successes
Please guide them to their destinies
And show them love that blesses

We ask for You to lead each one
Through missteps they may suffer
On the road to gaining wisdom
Finding faith and hope that buffers

Please touch each heart with joy and peace
As Commencement gives promotion
And fill each life with love's increase
Of strength and deep devotion

For this eager class of graduates
Beribboned with degrees
Please bless them at this starting gate
With all the keys they'll need. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONGRATS
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Class
of 2023



Pray

Prayer to St. Anne, mother of the Virgin Mary

Philip Kosloski - published on 07/26/21

St. Anne is the patron of mothers, child care workers, and those who experience infertility.

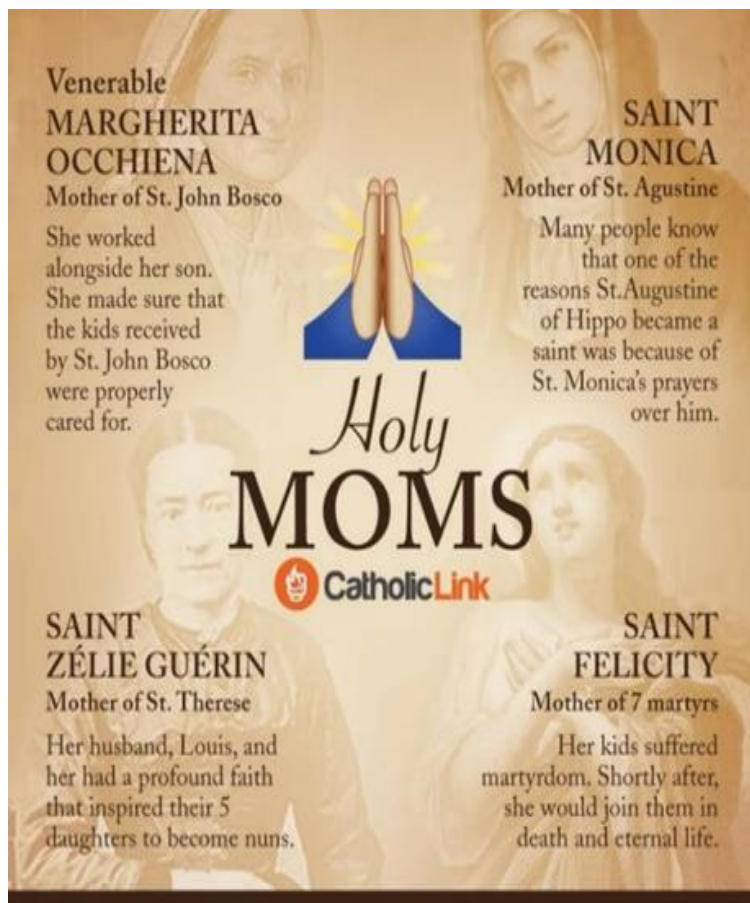
St. Anne has been known for centuries for her powerful intercession, especially for mothers, child care workers and those experiencing infertility.

According to legendary stories, Anne was infertile for many years, until she finally conceived and gave birth to the Virgin Mary.

Here is the traditional opening prayer for her feast of July 26.

O God, who didst vouchsafe to blessed Anne
the grace to be the mother of her
who was to bring forth Thine only begotten Son:
grant, in Thy mercy,
that we who devoutly venerate her memory
may be aided by her intercession.
Through the same Lord Jesus Christ,
Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end. Amen.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2021/07/26/prayer-to-st-anne-mother-of-the-virgin-mary/>



Grow

Relying on God and asking for help: Finding the Christian way

Cecilia Pigg - published on 05/09/23

Self-reliance can be called ungodly because none of us can accomplish anything without God.

"Hey, I heard you are sick on top of being newly pregnant. Could I watch your kids some afternoon this week for you?" I texted her with a sigh, knowing what her answer would be already. I have tried to help this friend out over the few years we've known each other, and she always gently refuses my offers.

My phone vibrated a couple of hours later, and I checked it. Sure enough, she texted back something lighthearted and funny while denying my help. I groaned out loud in frustration. For some reason, this time it really got to me, and I started monologuing to myself. "Why won't she let me help her? She's not superhuman! She has helped me countless times with errands and child-care, and I just can't get over that she won't accept my help. Maybe it is personal, like she just dislikes or is uncomfortable with me helping her? It could be that."

As I started to settle into a stewing session over why she would keep rejecting me, a shot of grace inoculated me. I realized that I also rarely accept people's help, and that perhaps I have made others feel this way too. Ugh, now instead of being able to just blame my friend for her failings, or nurse my hurt pride as I made excuses for her, I had to do some self-examination of my own.

I thought back to a Bible study I had been a part of. That was the first time I heard the phrase "ungodly self-reliance" and when I heard it, I cringed. That phrase described a huge motivating force within me. I hate the thought that I'm inconveniencing someone, and work to avoid that at all costs. It turns out though, that asking people for help (in my mind, "inconveniencing them") is pretty crucial in building relationships.

The Bible study had talked about how self-reliance can be called ungodly because none of us can accomplish anything without God. If we don't learn that we are dependent on God, we don't think to pursue a relationship with him. This bleeds into all of our other relationships too. I notice this in my friendships and marriage and even in my parenting.

My marriage doesn't work well when I refuse to rely on my husband, and try to do everything myself. He feels hurt and/or I feel resentful, and our relationship suffers. My friendships stay superficial when I refuse to be vulnerable, and superficial friendships don't help me much when I want to be able to feel known and connected. I watch when my kids think they can do something on their own, and then get hurt because what they are trying to tackle is too big for them without my help.

I want to finish this by writing about how I'm getting better at asking for help. Unfortunately, I really haven't made much progress in this area of my life. I still have a hard time accepting help when other people freely offer it to me, and am nowhere near being adept at reaching out of my own accord when I am struggling. I know that, like everything in life, I need to take baby steps to form a new habit. The more I reach out and stretch my "ask for help" muscle, the easier it will become.

St. Basil the Great said, "O sinner be not discouraged but have recourse to Mary in all your necessities. Call her to your assistance." So, in his footsteps in this month of May, I pray, "Mary, teach me how to ask for help!"

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2023/05/09/relying-on-god-and-asking-for-help-finding-the-christian-way/>

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Reflect

Have you ever felt love before? The answer for everyone should be YES!

One can define love as an emotion, perhaps a behavior. Dictionary.com defines love as "a profound tender, passionate affection for another person." Love can be described in many ways, but what does it really mean for us.

Throughout this Easter season, we've listened and heard about love conquering sin and death through Jesus' Resurrection. We are called to be witnesses of the Risen Jesus. But what does this all mean for us? In this Sunday's Gospel, we receive reassurance from Jesus that God loves us, and if we really love Him, we will share that beautiful love in our words and deeds. And because of that great love that God has for us, Jesus says that help is on the way through another Advocate, aka the Holy Spirit. Yes, God is love and, in that love, we honor and fulfill the task given to us as His disciples. May we be open to the wonders of God's love for us and receive the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Just as God is always with us and caring for us, so are our mothers. In a very special way today, we celebrate all mothers, grandmothers, aunties, Godmothers, mother-like figures, and most especially our mothers that have gone before us. May we ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is our spiritual mother, to continue to intercede for us. Happy Mother's Day!

We have come to the end of this semester and 2022-2023 school year. We survived finals week, folks! A big mahalo to all our parishioners and benefactors for your continued love and support in sustaining the mission and vision of campus ministry here at the Newman Center. We are truly blessed and grateful for your generosity. We most especially would like to thank all those who made this semester's study haven a great success. To our students that are returning home – have a great and restful summer and we'll see you in August! To our Newman graduates the UH Mānoa graduates – Congratulations on this great accomplishment and we wish you the very best in your future endeavors. Newman Center will always be your home away from home. It has been an immense honor and privilege to walk along side with you in your faith journey. A hui hou, until we meet again!

St. John Henry Newman, pray for us!

Blessings to you and your 'ohana!

- **Fay C. Pabo** (@fa_jo_pabo0)



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