

# NEWMAN CENTER

## Holy Spirit Parish

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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH  
at the University of Hawai'i - Mānoa



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### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.” - Mt 25:38-40



# 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.

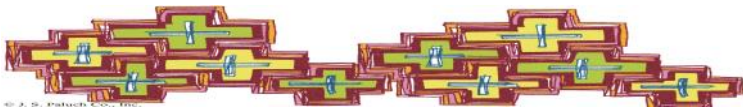
We are a spirit-filled and welcoming community that proclaims and celebrates the Good News through liturgy, the sacraments, faith sharing, outreach, and social action. As the Roman Catholic Community of the University of Hawai'i, we offer opportunities for life-long faith development to all who choose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

## Pastoral Team

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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

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

Today we come to the end of the liturgical year, celebrating the magnificent feast of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Our readings provide contrasting images of this King of ours — he has authority over all, and yet, he is humble and tender in his care for us, especially the most vulnerable. How can we properly honor and love such a King? By offering him our very lives through the stewardship way of life.

The Gospel passage from Matthew shows us how. The passage begins with Christ's own description of his Second Coming, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him." Then the moment of judgment will come. Some will be invited into the Kingdom of Heaven — the others to eternal punishment. This judgment will be based not on how influential we became in society, how high we climbed the corporate ladder, or any "worldly" achievements. Rather our judgment will be based on how we treated the least of those around us, whom Jesus calls His brothers. "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." To make His point very clear, Jesus gives specifics — feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, showing hospitality to the stranger, and caring for the ill and imprisoned. The more deeply we embrace the stewardship way of life, the more closely our priorities will align with His.

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P.S. Thank you for all your support of our mission! As you are planning your end of the year giving, please consider Newman Center-Holy Spirit Parish. You can make a gift online or deliver it to the Parish office. Every gracious gift of any amount helps us share the love of Jesus during the holidays and beyond.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Alfred Omar  
(@fralfred808)



## Important Notices

- Hospitality Sunday—UH Food Vault Collection next weekend
- Communion Prayer Service this Tuesday-Friday @ 12:10PM
- Parish Beautification Day: Saturday, December 2 @ 9AM
- Advent Penance Service: Wednesday, December 6 @ 6PM
- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Friday, December 8 @ 12:10PM and 6:00PM

## Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass (*Tuesday-Friday*) 12:10PM

Sunday Mass  
(*Saturday Evening Anticipated*) 5:00PM  
9:00AM  
11:00AM  
(*Student-led Mass*) 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

### Sunday's Readings

#### First Reading:

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD,  
I will judge between one sheep and another,  
between rams and goats. (Ez 34:17)

#### Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
(Ps 23)

#### Second Reading:

When everything is subjected to him,  
then the Son himself will also be subjected  
to the one who subjected everything to him,  
so that God may be all in all. (1 Cor 15:28)

#### Gospel:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory,  
and all the angels with him,  
he will sit upon his glorious throne,  
and all the nations will be assembled before him.  
And he will separate them one from another,  
as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats."  
(Mt 25:31-32)

### Readings for the week of November 26, 2023

#### Monday:

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/  
Lk 21:1-4

#### Tuesday:

Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/  
Lk 21:5-11

#### Wednesday:

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63,  
64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

#### Thursday:

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

#### Friday:

Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/  
Lk 21:29-33

#### Saturday:

Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/  
Lk 21:34-36

### Observances for the week of November 26, 2023

**Sunday:** Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe

**Thursday:** St. Andrew, Apostle



## 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)

The Monday night contemplative Prayer group continues to meet each Monday night via zoom. The schedule is 30 minutes of silence, Lectio Divina using as our scripture reading the Gospel from Sunday, petitions, concluding with the Our Father. Usually there are about 6-9 who join each week with some people joining us from Canada and the Big Island. All are welcome to join us.

We are also affiliated with Contemplative Outreach Hawaii that uses Centering Prayer as their meditative practice. Sometimes, a few members of St. Clements Church have joined us waiting for the establishment of a centering prayer group at their own church. For information contact: June Naughton at [jnaughton808@gmail.com](mailto:jnaughton808@gmail.com). Or 808 383-8954.

## Family Connection

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches us that we will be judged on only one thing: the acts of mercy we have shown to the least among us. Jesus identifies with the least ones; thus we serve Jesus whenever we serve one of the least ones. The Church calls the actions that Jesus described in today's Gospel the Corporal Works of Mercy. These works are to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to bury the dead, to shelter the homeless, to visit the sick and imprisoned, and to give alms to the poor. In these actions we show God's compassion and mercy to those in need.

As you gather as a family, recall the list of the Corporal Works of Mercy. Talk about some concrete examples of how your family might do these actions in your community and then discuss why it is important that we do these things. Read Matthew 25:31-46. Ask: Why does Jesus say we ought to do these works of mercy? (Because whenever we show mercy to another person, we show mercy to Jesus himself.) Choose one Corporal Work of Mercy that your family will act upon this week. Pray together that your family will see and serve Jesus in the least ones among us. Pray the Lord's Prayer or an Act of Love.

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others.

Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from God. They know that they are instruments of Christ's active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?



## Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

### Tithes and Offerings:

11/18/2023-11/19/2023:	\$2,166.00
All Souls:	\$50.00
Maintenance:	\$25.00
Second Collection:	\$440.00
11/17/2023-11/22/2023	
Online Collection:	\$1,965.00

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

### Upcoming Second Collections:

Retirement Fund for Religious: 12/09/2023-12/10/2023  
Ohana In Christ Diocesan Appeal: ongoing

### Giving Made Easy

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

[newmanhawaii.weshareonline.org](http://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









## Around the Parish

### New to Newman Center - Holy Spirit Parish?

Aloha! E Komo Mail!

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!



#### RCIA Inquiry Period

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), also called the Catechumenate, is a process of initiation into the Catholic Community of Faith for persons who are experiencing a conversion in their lives and seeking either Christian baptism in the Catholic Church or full Communion with the Catholic tradition of Eucharist and Confirmation. It is a process which enables the study of the Gospels, Catholic Christian teaching, the acceptance of Christian values and morality, the development and deepening of a life of prayer and action with the support and involvement of the local Christian community. The RCIA is more than a course of instruction. It is a process of conversion, designed to meet the unique and individual needs of the participants.

Who is RCIA for?

Non-Catholics who want to find out more about the Catholic Faith  
Those who want to join the Catholic Church through Baptism, or Profession of Faith

Those who were baptized Catholic as infants but never received religious education, Confirmation, or First Eucharist.

If you are interested in joining the RCIA process, please contact Father Alfred Omar at [pastor@newmanhawaii.org](mailto:pastor@newmanhawaii.org) or 808-988-6222.

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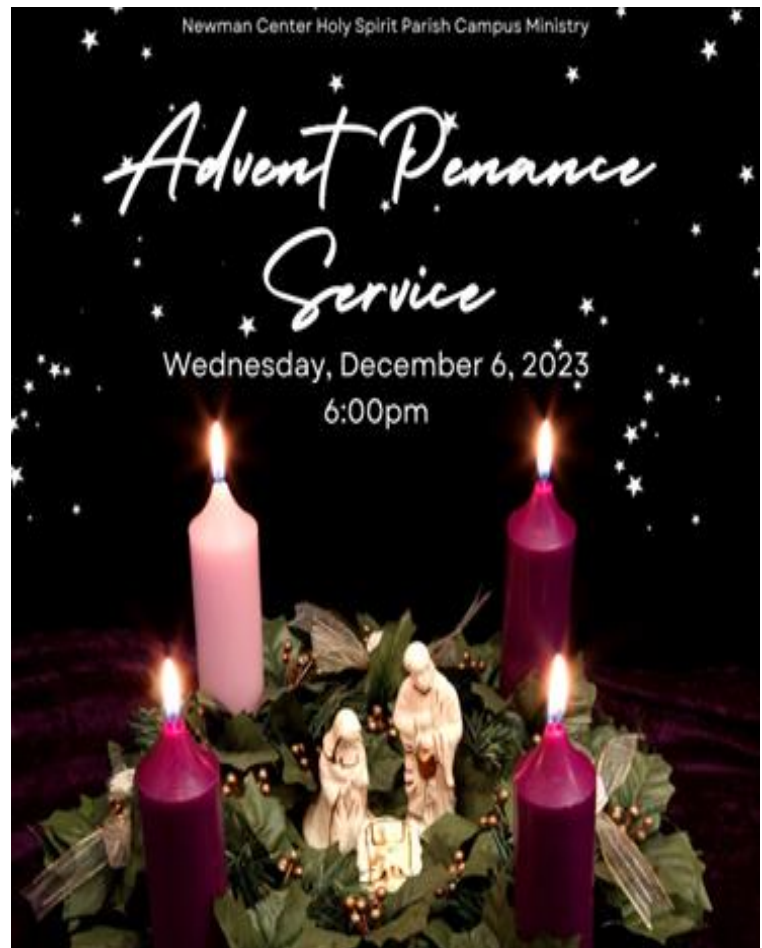
## BEAUTIFICATION

### DAY

Bring your family, friends, and yourselves to help prepare our space for the Advent/Christmas season.

**SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 2  
9AM - 1PM**

Refreshments and lunch will be provided





## Pray

Prayer that Christ the King will reign over all humanity  
*Philip Kosloski - published on 11/21/21*

May the whole world cry out to God and ask him to reign over us.

The feast of Christ the King is a celebration where we recognize that Jesus is the true king over us all.

Yet, we remain far from the goal of everyone in the world calling Jesus Christ their king.

St. John Paul II quoted an ancient hymn at the end of his homily in 1998 for the feast of Christ the King, making it into a prayer that Jesus would reign over all humanity.

Jesus, remember me, remember us, remember the peoples to whom the Pastors gathered here daily give the living and true bread of your Gospel, across immense spaces, by sea and by land. As we pray that your kingdom come, we see that your promise is becoming a reality: after following you, we come to you in your kingdom, drawn by you when you were lifted up on the Cross (cf. Jn 12:32); to you, lifted up over history and its centre, the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end (cf. Rv 22:13), the Lord of time and the ages!

We address you in the words of an ancient hymn:

It is through your sorrowful death, King of eternal glory,  
that you obtained eternal life for the nations;  
therefore the whole world calls you King of humanity.  
Reign over us, Christ the Lord!". Amen.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2021/11/21/prayer-that-christ-the-king-will-reign-over-all-humanity/>

**NEWMAN CENTER HOLY SPIRIT PARISH CAMPUS MINISTRY**

**FALL 2023**

**BACCALAUREATE MASS**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10 | 5:00 PM**

FOR MORE INFO,  
CONTACT FAY PABO  
CAMPUSMINISTRY@NEWMANHAWAII.ORG



**RSVP HERE!**

## Grow

3 Easy ways Catholics can explain why they believe in God to friends  
*Cerith Gardiner - published on 11/13/23*

Sometimes it's hard for non-believers to understand why Catholics have such faith in God. Here are a few ideas that might help.

Friends come in all shapes and sizes and beliefs. While some people might understand why a Catholic might believe in God — and actually have some theological knowledge — others just might not be able to grasp the notion of faith.

If you want to give a brief explanation as to your religious convictions, here are a few ways that might make things feel a little less abstract to the non-believers in your life, and that will allow them to appreciate your Catholic faith. And who knows, they might even be intrigued to look into it themselves.

The best WiFi connection ever

Well, you see, believing in God is a bit like believing in WiFi. You can't see it, but when you connect, amazing things happen! And just like WiFi, God feels always available to me — in fact, he's always present, waiting for me to log on. However, on a more serious note, faith is a personal journey, and for me, it's like having a constant support system. It's like having a friend you can't see but who's always there for a chat.

And just in case, if you ever find yourself in need of a celestial WiFi connection, I've got the password to prayers!

The ultimate pathfinder

Just like some people find comfort in the stars or a lucky charm, I find comfort in knowing there's a bigger plan. It's like having a GPS for my soul. Even when I take a wrong turn, I trust that there's this heavenly recalibration happening. It might not always make sense, but it's a journey, and I'm enjoying the scenic route.

A divine puzzle

Another way to look at it is that I imagine life as a gigantic jigsaw puzzle. And I believe God is the one holding the box cover. Naturally, I can't see the whole picture right now, but I'm trusting that when it's all said and done, it's going to be a masterpiece.

Of course these explanations may seem a little basic. However, they do make the notion of faith a little more relatable, and are useful examples to give your children, too.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2023/11/13/3-easy-ways-catholics-can-explain-why-they-believe-in-god-to-friends/>







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CAMPUS MINISTRY

# STUDY HAVEN

## Fall 2023 Schedule

Saturday, December 9  
6pm - 11pm

Sunday, December 10  
6pm - 11pm

Monday, December 11  
9am - 11pm

Tuesday, December 12  
9am - 11pm

Wednesday, December 13  
9am - 11pm

Thursday, December 14  
9am - 11pm

Friday, December 15  
9am - 5pm

Free food, snacks, and drinks  
Free WIFI, A/C Lounge  
Meet Friends, Open Chapel



## Reflect

According to Dictionary.com, a shepherd is a person who herds, tends, and guards sheep; a person who protects, guides, or watches over a person or a group of people. There are so many examples of shepherds in our lives – our parents, grandparents, teachers, mentors, and the list goes on.

We celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Not only is Jesus our Sovereign King, but He is one who deeply and truly cares for us, as a shepherd cares for his sheep. Today's Gospel sets the scene of judgement day for all – assembling all and separating the sheep from the goats. This judgement is based upon the corporal works of mercy – feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and the imprisoned, and burying the dead. As Christ shepherds us, how are we extending that shepherding to the least of our brothers and sisters in Christ? Not only do we follow and obey Christ, who is our Shepherd and King, but we must live lives of service and advocacy to others. He rules over sin and death yet nurtures and protects us. May we take a step back as we enter a new liturgical year, and reflect on our lives, and somehow shift (if necessary) our way of loving and thinking into more shepherding ways of caring, just as God continues to do so in all of us.

We are thankful to our parishioners and benefactors for your continued love, prayers, and support for our student community. We are truly blessed and grateful for your kind generosity.

Blessings to you and your 'ohana!  
- **Fay C. Pabo** (@fa\_jo\_pabo0)



## THE WORKS OF MERCY

### CORPORAL & SPIRITUAL

FEED THE HUNGRY 	INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT 
GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY 	COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL 
SHELTER THE HOMELESS 	ADMONISH SINNERS 
CLOTHE THE NAKED 	FORGIVE OFFENSES 
VISIT THE SICK 	COMFORT THE AFFLICTED 
VISIT THE IMPRISONED 	BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY 
BURY THE DEAD 	PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD 

"A BIT OF MERCY MAKES THE WORLD LESS COLD AND MORE JUST" (POPE FRANCIS)

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