

Newman Center

Holy Spirit Parish



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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 27, 2025

“He will get up to give him whatever he needs
because of his persistence.” - Lk 11:8

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.

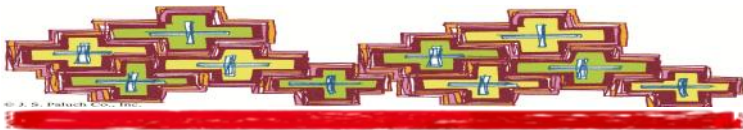
We are a spirit-filled and welcoming community that proclaims and celebrates the Good News through liturgy, the sacraments, faith sharing, outreach, and social action. As the Roman Catholic Community of the University of Hawai'i, we offer opportunities for life-long faith development to all who choose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



August
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2025

INSTALLATION

of Fr. Kurt Meyer

as Pastor of Newman Center-Holy Spirit Parish
Campus Ministry at the University of Hawai'i - Manoa

5PM MASS | 6PM WELCOME BBQ

with Bishop Larry Silva with new + current students-young adults, parishioners, and benefactors

For More Information:
 808.988.6222



RSVP




16th Annual

Four-Petals PEACE WALK

Peace starts one step at a time

Please Join Us – In-person!

Saturday, August 9, 2025

Join a multi-faith service & silent walk to remember the 79th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Nagasaki, Japan and the 20th anniversary of the 1600-mile pilgrimage of three Buddhist monks to save humanity from the cycle of nuclear destruction. Join the "Silent Journey" from the Hongwanji Buddhist Temple to the Nagasaki Peace Bell Memorial at Honolulu Hale to express our gratitude for another year without global nuclear destruction and our hope for continued nuclear restraint.

Saturday, August 9th

3pm - Movie: "GATE: The Atomic Flame"

5 pm service; 5:30pm walk

LOCATION

Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, 1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu, HI to Nagasaki Peace Bell



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

Order 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 OCIA,



The Word of the Lord Weekly

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Far be it from you to do such a thing,
to make the innocent die with the guilty
so that the innocent and the guilty would be treated alike!
Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" (Gn 18:25)

Psalm:

Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Ps 138)

Second Reading:

You were buried with him in baptism,
in which you were also raised with him
through faith in the power of God. (Col 2:12)

Gospel:

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive;
seek and you will find;
knock and the door will be opened to you." (Lk 11:9)

Readings for the week of July 27, 2025

Sunday:

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/
Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Monday:

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22,
23/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday:

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9,
10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday:

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday:

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and
8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53

Friday:

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4,
5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday:

Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12

Observances for the week of July 27, 2025

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Wednesday: St. Peter Chrysologus,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Thursday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Friday: St. Alphonsus Liguori,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop;
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

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/>

Contemplative Prayer (via Zoom)

Monday Nights at 6:30 pm. 30 minutes of silence, followed by Scripture and Sharing. For more information, contact Cheryl Treiber-Kawaoka 808-227-5162

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!

Prayer Corner

This column in our bulletin are for those in our community who are sick and those who recently died. To add someone (with their permission) or yourself to the prayer list for the sick or someone on the In Memoriam list, please contact the parish office.



Christie Dinell
Tom Dinell
Denise Esposito

Please remember the sick and homebound in our community. Pray that they may find comfort and healing, especially:

Vernon Chock
Shirley Chock
Daniel Barr



In remembrance, let us pray for all who have died, that they may rejoice with the Risen Lord, especially our recently deceased:

Eloise Williams



Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

Tithes and Offerings:

07/19/2025-07/20/2025 \$1,895.00

Online

07/18/2025-07/25/2025 \$1,700.00

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

Upcoming Second Collections:

Catholic Charities: 08/02/2025-08/03/2025

The Catholic University of America 09/06/2025-09/07-2025

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





Pray

Prayer for help discerning God's will in your life

Philip Kosloski - published on 06/27/20

At times it can be difficult to know what you should do with your life. Often, we are confronted with major life decisions, such as what to do after college, finding the right person to marry, or applying for a new job.

In all cases, we should place our decisions before God and let him fill our hearts with his peace.

Here is a prayer adapted from the Golden Manual that offers-up that situation to God, asking him for clarity and strength.

O Lord, grant me your divine light, that I may know the designs of your providence concerning me, and that, filled with a sincere desire for my soul's salvation, I may say, with the young man in the Gospel: "What must I do to be saved?" All options are before me; but, still undecided what to do, I await your commands, I offer myself to you without restriction, without reserve, with a most perfect submission.

Speak, Lord, to my soul; speak to me as you did to the youthful Samuel: "Speak to me, Lord; for your servant is listening." I cast myself at your feet, and I am ready to do your will.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2020/06/27/prayer-for-help-discerning-gods-will-in-your-life/>

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3 Summer saints you've probably never heard of

Daniel Esparza - published on 07/19/25

Summer may feel like the Church's quiet season, tucked between Easter joy and autumn solemnities. But scattered across July and August are feast days for saints who lived extraordinary, often unexpected lives — some hidden, some strange, all rooted in grace. These lesser-known figures offer surprising insights into what holiness looks like, even when the sun is hot and the pace is slow.

Here are three summer saints whose stories might just shift your understanding of sanctity:

St. Christina the Astonishing (July 24)

Born in 12th-century Belgium, Christina is perhaps one of the strangest saints in Catholic history. After suffering a seizure and appearing to die at age 21, she stunned mourners by levitating from her coffin during her own funeral Mass.

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She described being taken to heaven, hell, and purgatory — and chose to return to earth to do penance for the souls in purgatory.

Her penitential acts were extreme, hagiography tells us. Allegedly, she would throw herself into burning furnaces, freezing rivers, or mill wheels. She lived on practically nothing, avoided comfort, and was revered (and somewhat feared) by her community. While some questioned her mental state, others recognized deep mystical courage. St. Christina reminds us that sanctity doesn't always look reasonable — and that the Church has room for saints who astonish.

Blessed Solanus Casey (July 30)

A modern American saint-in-the-making, Blessed Solanus was born in 1870 in Wisconsin. He struggled academically and barely made it through seminary, eventually serving as a "simple porter" — a doorman — at the Capuchin monastery in Detroit. But this humble doorkeeper became a spiritual powerhouse.

People from all over came to talk to him. He offered practical advice, blessings, and prayers, and was known for remarkable healings. He played the violin (not well), wrote poetry, and lived with cheerful simplicity. His cause for canonization is well underway, and he's a patron for those who feel overlooked or underqualified.

St. Lydia of Thyatira (August 3)

Mentioned briefly in the Acts of the Apostles, Lydia was Paul's first recorded convert in Europe. A seller of purple cloth — a luxury trade — she was likely a woman of means and influence. But what sets her apart is her openness: she listened, responded, and offered hospitality to Paul and his companions.

In a time when Christian women were mostly hidden in the background, Lydia is a rare glimpse of female initiative in the early Church. Her feast is especially meaningful today, as the Church continues to rediscover the vital role of lay women in evangelization and community life.

These saints aren't as widely known as Francis or Teresa — but perhaps that's part of their gift. They meet us in the quieter months, when we're traveling, slowing down, or looking for renewal. They remind us that holiness isn't seasonal, and that God calls people — astonishing or ordinary — at all times of year.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2025/07/19/3-summer-saints-youve-probably-never-heard-of/>



Reflect

"God, I'm tired. Help me."

"I'm all out of options. What am I going to do?"

"Why are all these things happening to me? Why me?!"

Sound familiar? Or maybe just deeply relatable? It often feels like we're constantly pleading with God, desperately wanting answers right now. But is that really how God works in our lives? In today's Gospel, the disciples say to Jesus, "Lord, teach us to pray." It is a humble, honest request, on that many of us have probably whispered in our own hearts. Prayer can feel confusing and/or intimidating, especially when we don't have the right words, or when it seems like our prayers go unheard.

Jesus responds with the Lord's Prayer, which is not necessarily the "solution" to all of our problems, but as a way of staying connected to God. This prayer reminds us that God is close, like a loving Father. It's okay for us to ask for what we need. God invites us to be real, to be persistent, and to keep showing up, even in the messiness of our everyday lives.

Just some questions to ponder on this week: When was the last time you were real with God, with no filter and no formalities? What does it look like to pray in the middle of stress, doubt, and/or uncertainty? How can you make room this week for a short moment of honest prayer, even for a few minutes each day?

Prayer doesn't have to be perfect. It just has to be honest. May you know that God hears you, sees you, and is always near.

A BIG MAHALO to our parishioners and benefactors for your continued prayers, love, and support for campus ministry. We are blessed by your generosity and kindness to our student community. May we continue to pray for one another, and for peace in our world and among our brothers and sisters.

St. John Henry Newman, pray for us!

Blessings to you and your 'ohana!

Fay C. Pabo

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WE NEED YOU!

Do you enjoy working with children or teens?
Has your faith made a difference in your life?
Do you feel called to share that faith with the next generation?

If you answered **YES** to any
of these questions,
then God is calling you
to be a catechist!

For more information,
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NEWMAN CENTER
HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

2025-
2026

PRESCHOOL - ELEMENTARY - MIDDLE SCHOOL - HIGH SCHOOL

**CLASSES BEGIN ON SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14 | 10:00 AM

SIGN UP!

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