

# Newman Center

## Holy Spirit Parish



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### 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.

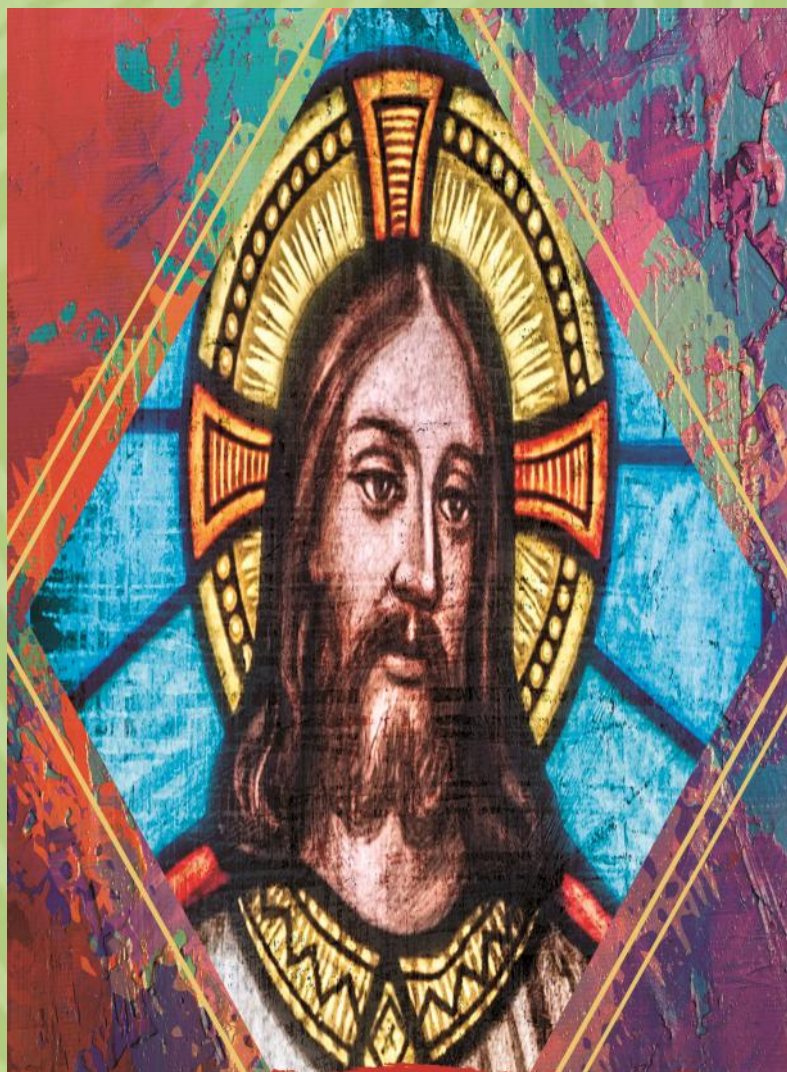
### Liturgical Schedule

Daily Mass (Tuesday-Friday)	12:10PM
Sunday Mass	5:00PM
(Saturday Evening Anticipated)	9:00AM
	11:00AM
(Student-led Mass)	5:00PM

### 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!



**20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**AUGUST 17, 2025**

"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized,  
and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished!" - Lk 12:50

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## 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!

## Sacramental Information

### Reconciliation

By Appointment

Please contact the Parish Office to schedule.

### Baptism

By Request

Please contact the parish office 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 the parish office 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 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:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

#### Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

#### Second Reading:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us. (Heb 12:1)

#### Gospel:

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk 12:49)

## Readings for the week of August 17, 2025

#### Sunday:

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

#### Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

#### Tuesday:

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

#### Wednesday:

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

#### Thursday:

Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mt 22:1-14

#### Friday:

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

#### Saturday:

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

## Observances for the week of August 17, 2025

**Sunday:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Tuesday:** St. John Eudes, Priest

**Wednesday:** St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

**Thursday:** St. Pius X, Pope

**Friday:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Saturday:** St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

## 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!

## Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

### Tithes and Offerings:

08/09/2025-08/10/2025 \$1,979.00

### Online:

08/08/2025-08/14/2025 \$1,995.00

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

### Upcoming Second Collections:

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](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

## From the desk of the Pastor



Aloha,

As you may have noticed, we have been including a special intention of the mass periodically.

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide catechesis on this.

The custom of requesting a priest to offer the Mass for a specific intention, even when one cannot be physically present at the Mass, is a longstanding tradition in the Church.

This is because the Church considers the Mass as the greatest possible prayer of intercession insofar as it is the perfect offering of Christ to the Father by making present the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection.

Because of the particular role of the priest as mediator between God and man, acting "in persona Christi" when offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass, it is usually considered that special graces may be obtained when he applies the Mass to a particular intention.

The faithful generally make an offering, called a stipend, to the priest in order to apply the Mass to a specific intention. By making this offering, the faithful, by parting with something that is their own, associate themselves more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the sacred Host, and obtain thereby more abundant fruits.

If you would like to offer a special intention of the mass for the living or the dead, please contact the parish office.

Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr. Kurt Meyer*





## 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

## 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.



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

Christie Dinell  
Tom Dinell  
Denise Esposito

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



"What kind of tea do you drink with Mary?"



"Royal Tea!"



August 22 is the feast of the "Queenship of Mary," a day we honor Mary as Queen of Heaven!

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## Around the Diocese

Join us for Maryknoll School's


# MAKEKE! ON THE Lawn



**F E A T U R I N G**  
 live music, ono food, keiki activities & games, Spartan Pro Shop, and Spartan fellowship

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 2025**  
**5:00PM - 8:00PM**  
**MARYKNOLL GRADE SCHOOL CAMPUS**


Please RSVP using the QR code

worldwide marriage encounter

**open to couples and priests**

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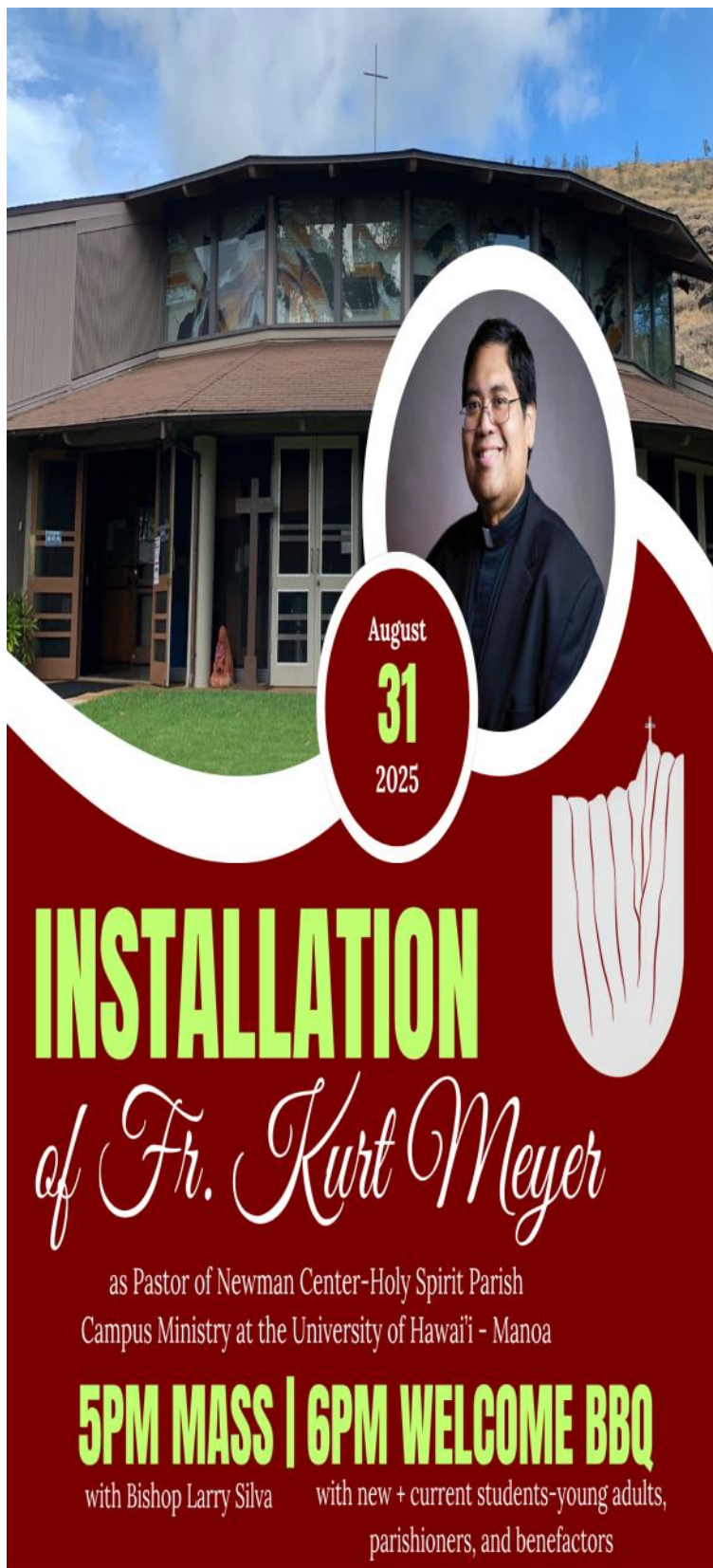
**Date:** November 14-16, 2025  
**Location:** St. Anthony's Retreat Center  
 Kalihi Valley, Oahu  
**Apply:** [hawaiiwwme.org](http://hawaiiwwme.org)  
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## Around the Parish



**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**



### ALTAR—ATIONS NEEDED

As we refresh our altar linens, we are in need of someone with basic sewing skills that can assist us in cutting and hemming the ends of material. No advance sewing needed, just a simple hem. If you are willing and able, please contact any of the pastoral staff team.



### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

There will be NO weekday Mass celebrated this Wednesday due to funeral services. Weekday mass will resume Thursday, August 21. Mahalo for your understanding!

### OCIA INQUIRY PERIOD

The OCIA (Order 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 OCIA 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 OCIA 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 OCIA process, please contact the parish office. Sessions will begin in October.



## Reflect

When I was in high school, one of my closest friends stopped talking to me for a while. We had always shared everything – from lunches to dreams about the future. But something shifted when I began going to church more regularly and getting involved with ministry. One afternoon, she asked why I had become “so holy and religious all of a sudden and such a goody-goody girl.” I remember stumbling through my words, trying to explain to her that it wasn’t about the rules of church, but it was about a growing desire to follow Jesus. Her silence said it all. For a few weeks, things were quite tense between us. We eventually talked it out, but I never forgot how something so meaningful to me could cause discomfort or even division in a friendship. We were never the same after all that.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus shocks us with such strong language: “Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.” This feels startling because isn’t Jesus the Prince of Peace? However, this passage reminds us that the fire Jesus brings isn’t about division or destruction. It’s about transformation. The truth of the Gospel has the power to stir hearts, challenge comfort zones, and call people into deeper integrity and mission. And when we start living by that truth, not everyone will understand. Even those closest to us may feel shaken by the changes we undergo when we follow Christ with sincerity.

In a world that often seeks to avoid discomfort or confrontation, Jesus invites us to stand firmly in faith, even when it costs us approval, popularity, or ease. He doesn’t want lukewarm disciples. He desires people on fire with love, justice, courage, and truth! Let us pray for the grace to live faithfully, even when the fire of discipleship makes things uncomfortable. And I’ll end with a beautiful quote from St. Catherine of Siena: “Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!”

St. John Henry Newman, pray for us!

Blessings to you and your ‘ohana!

**Fay C. Pabo**

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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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The poster features a colorful illustration of a church with a red roof and a cross on top, set against a backdrop of green hills and blue clouds. In the foreground, three children (two girls and one boy) are running and jumping joyfully. A yellow speech bubble with the text "SIGN UP!" and a red arrow points towards a QR code in the upper right corner.