

**From the desk of the Pastor**

Today's Gospel reminds that, "For when two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:19-20)

Many times, people use this Bible verse as an excuse to not attend Mass because they say it doesn't matter. I can be anywhere with a few friends and find God, like at the beach or park but that is simply true. However, these gatherings or community are not about God but about our own pleasure.

Yes, going to Mass is about community, but it is a group of people who gather to love and worship God. As lumen gentium chapter II teaches us, God however, does not make men holy and save them merely as individuals, without bond or link between one another. Rather has it pleased Him to bring men together as one people, a people which acknowledges Him in truth and serves Him in holiness.

That is why everything we do here at our Parish should not just be about gathering for the sake of gathering or because it makes us feel good, or this is what we always have done. Rather everything we do must acknowledge Jesus as our Lord and Savior and bring people closer to God. If not then we are doing it for our greater glory and not the for the glory of God.

God Bless,

Fr. Kurt Meyer



**Meet our Parishioner**

Christine Berg is a student at the University of Hawaii and the newest member of our Finance Committee.

**What is your favorite Bible Verse and why?**

Psalm 118:24 is my favorite verse. I love to start my day with this verse because it's a good reminder that we have the privilege of another day. We should rejoice for the opportunity of another God-given day and find purpose in it.



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# Newman Center Holy Spirit Parish

**Mass Schedule**

Sunday Mass  
Saturday (Anticipated) 5 pm  
Sunday 9 am  
11 am  
(Student Led) 5 pm  
  
Weekday Mass  
Monday thru Thursday 12:10 pm

**Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:45 - 4:30 pm

**Adoration**

Tuesday 5:00 - 6:00 pm

**Pastoral Team**

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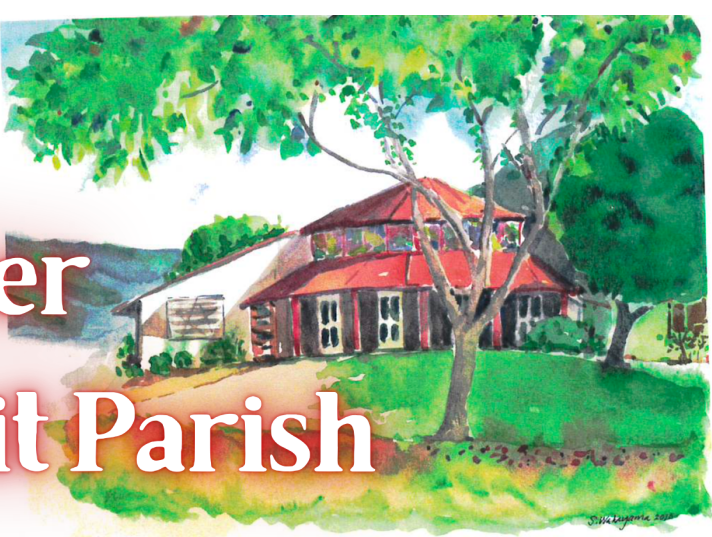
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**Aloha! Welcome!**

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.



**23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"For where two or three are gathered together  
in my name, there am I in the midst of them."  
- Mt 18:19-20

**Why do you choose Newman as your place  
of Worship**

I choose Newman as my place of worship because of the community. When I was a Freshman at UH, I was hesitant to attend church because I didn't know anybody. The first time I attended Mass at the Newman Center, I immediately felt welcome. Whichever hour you attend service, you feel how strong the community is. I also find so much peace in attending Mass here. I never thought I would be the kind of person to attend a weekly service, yet I found myself craving the sense of peace that came from spending time with the Lord at the daily 12:10 pm Mass.

**Prayer Corner**  
**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

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

Denise Esposito  
Vernon Chock  
Shirley Chock  
Daniel Barr  
Sandra Ching  
Fr. Arnold Ortiz  
Molly Mamaril



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



St. Teresa of Ávila (born March 28, 1515, Ávila, Spain—died October 4, 1582, Alba de Tormes; canonized 1622; feast day October 15) was a Spanish nun, one of the great mystics and religious women of the Roman Catholic Church, and an author of spiritual classics. She was the originator of the Carmelite Reform, which restored and emphasized the austerity and contemplative character of Carmelite life. St. Teresa was elevated to doctor of the church in 1970 by Pope Paul VI, the first woman to be so honored.

**The Word of the Lord Weekly**

Readings for the week of September 6, 2026

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7b, 7c-9/Rom 13:8-10  
Mt 18:15-20

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:18-23

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17  
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24  
Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12  
Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Observances for the week of September 6, 2026  
Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Labor Day  
Tuesday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Wednesday: St. Peter Claver, Priest  
Saturday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;

**Reading St. Teresa of Avila's The Interior Castle**

Are you interested in learning more about the seven mansions St. Teresa of Avila wrote about to help lead people into a deeper relationship with God? The book titled The Interior Castle, was written to help readers deepen their awareness that God was within them and offer ways they could delve deeper into their own interior castle. A group will begin that journey on September 30 (evening session 7-8pm) or October 1 (morning session 10-11am) and continue for a total of 6 sessions. Weekly gatherings are for 1 hour to share reflections on the reading. The book we are using is The Interior Castle translated into a Spanish by Mirabai Starr. Books are available from many online used bookstores as well as full-priced bookstores. If you have questions or are interested in signing up, contact Sharon Chiarucci, [sharonchiarucci@gmail.com](mailto:sharonchiarucci@gmail.com).

Let nothing disturb you, let nothing frighten you, all things will pass away. God never changes; patience obtains all things, whoever has God lacks nothing. God alone suffices. Amen.

**Our Mission**

We are the Catholic Center and Campus Ministry at the University of Hawaii, 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 Hawaii, 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**

**Baptism**

Pre-Baptism meeting required for parents & godparents. Please contact the Office to schedule a meeting.

**Want to Become a Catholic**

We invite anyone who is curious and wants to join the Catholic Faith to call the office to schedule a meeting with Father.

**Reconciliation**

Scheduled Saturday from 3:45 PM to 4:30 PM.

**Matrimony**

Couples need to contact the parish office a minimum of eight months prior to the desired wedding date to begin the marriage preparation that is required by the Diocese of Honolulu. Call the office to schedule a meeting.

**Funerals**

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.

**Anointing of the Sick**

If you or someone you know are in need of receiving the Sacrament please call our parish office to schedule a visit.

**Holy Communion for the homebound**

Contact the office for more information.

**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 of Treasure**

Sunday Offerings:  
Collection 08/29-08/30/2026 \$11,300

Thank you for your continued support of our parish as we strive to meet the needs of our faith community!

Mahalo for your continued generosity.

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Catholic University of America**

The national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, founded and sponsored by the bishops of the country with the approval of the Holy See, The Catholic University of America is committed to being a comprehensive Catholic and American institution of higher learning, faithful to the teachings of Jesus Christ as handed on by the Church.

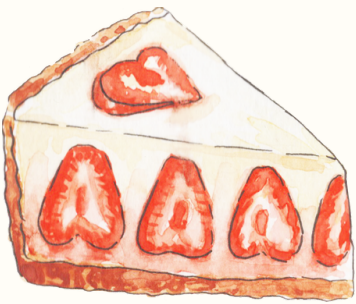
Dedicated to advancing the dialogue between faith and reason, The Catholic University of America seeks to discover and impart the truth through excellence in teaching and research, all in service to the Church, the nation, and the world.

# Sunday Student & Dinners

We are looking for Parishioners who want  
to volunteer and help provide dessert for  
our Sunday Student Dinners



Please Scan the QR Code to Sign-up!





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# SEPTEMBER

## Events

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9/6

**STUDENT LED MASS AND DINNER 5:00-7:15 PM**



9/7

**CENTER CLOSED, LABOR DAY**



9/8

**ADORATION, 5:00 PM**



9/9

**NEWMAN NIGHT- ALPHA 1,  
"WHAT IS HAPPINESS?", 6:00-7:15 PM**



9/13

**STUDENT LED MASS AND DINNER 5:00-7:15 PM**



9/15

**ADORATION, 5:00-6:00 PM**



9/16

**NEWMAN NIGHT- ALPHA 2,  
"IS FAITH REASONABLE?", 6:00-7:15 PM**



9/20

**STUDENT LED MASS AND DINNER 5:00-7:15 PM**



9/22

**ADORATION, 5:00 PM-6:00 PM**



9/23

**NEWMAN NIGHT- ALPHA 3,  
"WHO IS JESUS?", 6:00-7:15 PM**



9/25

**KARAOKE 6-9 PM**



9/27

**STUDENT LED MASS AND DINNER 5:00-7:15 PM**



9/29

**ADORATION, 5:00-6:00 PM**



9/30

**NEWMAN NIGHT- ALPHA 4,  
"WHY DID JESUS DIE?", 6:00-7:15 PM**



**ADORATION**



**SOCIAL  
EVENTS**



**CLOSED**



**ALPHA**



**STUDENT  
MASS &  
DINNER**

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**Wednesday evenings**  
at 6:00pm starting 9/9

