

Newman Center

Holy Spirit Parish



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THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST
June 2, 2024

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." - Mk 14:22

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.

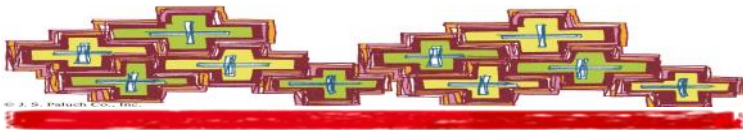
Come journey with us!

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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

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever."

Today we celebrate Corpus Christi — the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus' Body and Blood was sacrificed for us on Calvary, but before that excruciating event, He humbly bound Himself to human hands in the Eucharist. As St. Thomas Aquinas expresses, "In this sacrament sins are purged away, virtues are increased, the soul satiated with an abundance of every spiritual gift. No other sacrament is so beneficial."

Our Gospel today recounts the Last Supper. As Jesus ate the Passover meal with His apostles, He broke bread, telling them, "This is my Body," and again, poured wine, saying, "This is my Blood... which will be shed for many." In this moment, Jesus sacrificially gave us Himself in the Eucharist by foreshadowing His passion, death and resurrection.

Out of total love, Jesus holds nothing back from us. He gives us His entire self. We must ask ourselves; do we understand Who we consume at every Mass?

It is our Precious Redeemer.

As life becomes busy and our minds are filled with the countless things we must get done each day, we often forget to acknowledge our Savior at Mass; or to spend time with Him throughout our week; or to accept all the graces He wishes to bestow on us as we receive Him. So let us stop and recognize the real presence of our Savior.

Jesus gave us the perfect and loving Gift of Himself so that we might be nourished, strengthened and more fully united to Him as we journey to eternal life. Let us strive to intentionally honor and reverence Him at every Mass; strive to fully partake in each Eucharistic meal; and let us find time to visit our Savior in the Tabernacle.

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Have a blessed week,

Fr. Alfred Omar
(@fralfred808)



Important Notices

- Hospitality Sunday and UH Food Vault Collection this Sunday

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

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his." (Ex 24:8)

Psalm:

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps 116)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God. (Heb 9:14)

Gospel:

"Take it; this is my body."
Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it.
He said to them,
"This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." (Mk 14:22-24)

Readings for the week of June 2, 2024

Monday:

2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16/
Mk 12:1-12

Tuesday:

2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/
Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16/Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday:

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef/
Mk 12:18-27

Thursday:

2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/
Mk 12:28-34

Friday:

Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Ps 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/
Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37

Saturday:

2 Tm 4:1-8/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/
Lk 2:41-51

Observances for the week of June 2, 2024

Sunday:	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Monday:	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
Wednesday:	St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday:	St. Norbert, Bishop
Friday:	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday:	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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 June Naughton (808) 524-2718.

Family Connection

In the beginning of today's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples to make preparations for the Passover meal. Like most meals, the Passover meal required planning and preparation. Our celebration of the Sunday Eucharist also requires planning and preparation. Certainly the ministers at the Eucharist prepare for their roles: the person presiding prays and prepares the homily; the prayers of petition are written; the music ministers prayerfully select music and practice it before Mass; Eucharistic ministers, lectors and altar servers prepare carefully for their roles. As the worshiping assembly, we can also prepare for the Mass through our prayer during the week, by reading the Scripture before Mass, and by making ourselves present to the Eucharistic celebration.

As you gather as a family, talk about some of the things that are required to prepare for your family meals. Plan together a special Sunday meal by choosing the menu, preparing the shopping list, and assigning duties for cooking, setting the table, preparing decorations, leading the prayers, and cleaning. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 14:12-16,22-26. Notice how Jesus instructed his disciples to prepare for their Passover meal. All meals require some kind of planning and preparation; so, too, our Sunday Eucharist requires planning. What might we do as a family to better prepare for our celebration of the Eucharist? Choose one or more ideas to begin to implement together as a family. Pray together that God will help your family make your celebration of the Eucharist the highlight of your week. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure

Tithes and Offerings:

05/18/2024-05/19/2024: \$1,868.00

Online:

05/24/2024-05/31/2024: \$1,190.00

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

Upcoming Second Collections:

Seminarian Education Fund: 06/15 & 06/16
Holy Father (Peter's Pence): 07/06 & 07/07

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

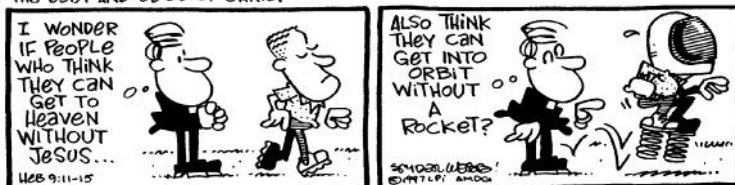
Generous and Loving Creator, you have called us to
Malama i ka Makana (Cherish the Gift).

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

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST





**Strengthened by the Holy Spirit and Sustained by the Body and Blood of Christ,
Congratulations, Jacob, Annabelle, Lani, Keahi, Mariano, Joshua and Zena!**



Around the Diocese



Eucharistic Liturgy with Bishop Larry Silva

Keynote Speaker*: Fr. Rafael Capó

*livestream from Maui

Breakout Sessions. Food. Community.

FREE!

June 8, 2024

8 AM - 1 PM

Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa

RSVP



Questions? oyyam@rcchawaii.org or 808-203-6763

Breakout sessions to include:

- "Worship of the Eucharistic Mystery"
With Fr. Alfred Omar Guerrero
- "Eucharist and Social Ministry"
With Fr. Bob Stark
- "Eucharist: Source and Summit of the Christian Life"
With Sr. Ma Lergie Tabasa, OP
- "The Eucharistic Presence in the Scriptures"
With Mrs. Regina Pfeiffer
- "Ke Aloha 'Eukalikia
(Love of the Eucharist)"
With Ms. Karen "Ululani" Victor



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
HAWAII

**TRANSPORTATION FRIENDS
FOR KUPUNA PROJECT**

Are you at least 21 years old and
have some time to help?
Or are you a retiree or empty nester who
likes to serve?
This volunteer opportunity is for YOU!

Catholic Charities Hawai'i is looking for more volunteers as a driver and/or chaperone to assist kupuna 60 years and older for our Transportation Friends for Kupuna (TFK) Project.

As a volunteer driver, you will use your own vehicle to transport kupuna clients to needed destinations, and as a chaperone, you will assist in accompanying kupuna to and from their destinations. Your contribution as a volunteer will make a meaningful impact on the lives of frail kupuna who live independently.

If you are interested or need more information, please contact Program Volunteer Coordinator at (808) 527-4783



Join in celebrating 170 years of service in Waikīkī at the annual St. Augustine's Gala Dinner benefiting the Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Education Center.

Hosted by Father Lane Akiona and Emcee Bernadette Baraquio
Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Royal Hawaiian Hotel, Monarch Room
5:30pm No-host Cocktails

Entertainment by Bobby Moderow of Maunaloa
6:30pm Dinner, Program & Raffle
Entertainment by 'Uhe'uhe

Gala Tickets: \$250 per person or \$2,500 for table of 10. To purchase tickets contact St. Augustine's parish office at 808-923-7024 or office@staugustinebythesea.com

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Pray

Miracle prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Philip Kosloski - published on 06/11/21

There are numerous "miracle prayers" in the Catholic Church's treasury of devotions, and one of them is connected to the devotion to Jesus' Sacred Heart.

The prayer is frequently printed on backs of holy cards, and the author is unknown.

Yet, many claim many miraculous favors when it is prayed with faith and trust in God.

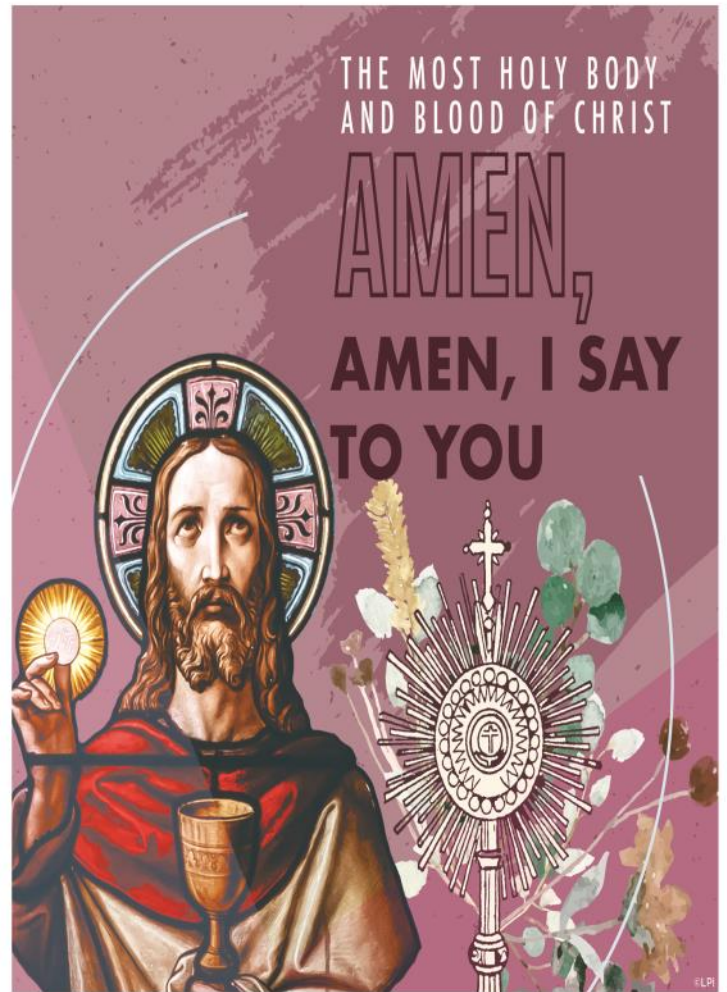
Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past, I have asked for many favors.
This time I ask for a very special one.
(Here mention your request.)

Take it, dear Jesus, and place it within your own heart, where your Father sees it. Then, in his merciful eyes, it will become your favor and not mine. Amen.

The instructions that accompany this prayer typically suggest reciting this prayer, with faith, for three consecutive days.

As with any prayer claiming to be miraculous, it is never the prayer itself that generates the miracle, but God responding to our incessant cries and seeing our genuine faith.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2021/06/11/miracle-prayer-to-the-sacred-heart-of-jesus/>.



Questions of the Week

First Reading:

We hear the Israelites' enthusiastic commitment to the covenant at Mount Sinai with their words: "We will do everything that the Lord has told us." What are you passionately committed to in your life?

Second Reading:

Hebrews teaches us that through his death (Jesus's blood), believers receive the promised eternal inheritance. How often do you think about "eternity?"

Gospel:

Jesus taught his disciples that through his death, his body and blood would be shed for many. How should we show gratitude for such a sacrifice?

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Grow

The end of the semester: A reflection on growth and potency

Daniel Esparza - published on 05/25/24

The end of the semester is a good time to check in on how we are doing with actualizing our potential. Did we meet the goals we set at the beginning?

As another semester (finally) wraps up, we are all feeling a mix of emotions: relief, maybe a touch of melancholy, and hopefully a sense of accomplishment. In any case, this time of closure and transition can be tough. It marks not just the end of a school year, but also the constant, often exhausting struggle towards growth that we all experience throughout life.

St. Thomas Aquinas, the patron saint of students and universities, offers a great way to look at this process. His originally Aristotelian concepts of potency and act speak to the potential we all have, constantly striving to be realized. The classic example is that of a seed. It has the potential to become a tree – but it needs the right conditions to make that happen. Similarly, we all have our own unique potential for knowledge, virtue, and service.

Looking back at the past semester

The end of the semester is a good time to check in on how we are doing with actualizing our potential. Did we meet the goals we set at the beginning? Did we push ourselves to learn and grow? These questions are similar to the way we approach our spiritual lives, as we try to bridge the gap between where we are now and the person we want to be.

God's grace provides the help we need for our potential to flourish. Our studies, like any other endeavor, become avenues for spiritual growth when we approach them with the right intention. Aquinas makes it clear that it is important to approach knowledge faithfully and reasonably – that is, seeking "worldly" knowledge and a deeper understanding of God's creation.

Growth is gradual

But just as a seed can't become a tree overnight, we can't expect to change overnight either. Growth is a gradual, steady, and often tiresome process, with moments of both accomplishment and setback along the way. The end of the semester is a good time to celebrate the progress we've made, no matter how big or small. It's also a chance to think about what helped us grow and where we might need to focus our efforts in the future.

As we move on to the next stage, let's take the spirit of St. Thomas Aquinas with us. Take advantage of the potential God has given you and look for ways to gain the knowledge and experience you need to make it happen. Remember, learning and self-development is a lifelong journey, and it's fueled by God's grace and our commitment to becoming the best version of ourselves.

Resource: <https://aleteia.org/2024/05/25/the-end-of-the-semester-a-reflection-on-growth-and-potency/>

Reflect

Event planning is a challenging task, but quite rewarding in the end. The burden of planning for months, even years, in making sure to pay attention to every detail and being adamant of every detail is vital in event planning. The coordinator(s) work diligently to make sure everything turns out perfectly. Recently, I've been helping my cousin, who's like a sister to me, prepare for her daughter's upcoming graduation and 18th birthday celebration. It's not easy, and we'll definitely need all hands-on deck. She is such a worry wart and I constantly have to reassure her that everything will turn out great. The focus should be on the graduate-birthday girl and on celebrating her accomplishments with her family and friends.

God reassures us that everything will be fine and turn out great. We get so technical in our faith life that we miss out on experiencing God's love first-hand. We fail to plan and prepare ourselves in receiving God's most precious gift – Jesus, who instituted the Eucharist. We must make the effort and take the time to prepare our minds and hearts for Jesus. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life. We know that the word "Eucharist" means thanksgiving. So, every time we receive Jesus, let us give thanks to God for the blessings in our lives and commit our lives to Him, who gives nourishes our minds, body, and souls.

"Jesus is present in the Eucharist to be met, loved, received, and consoled." St. John Paul II

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 in Christ.

St. John Henry Newman, pray for us!
Blessings to you and your 'ohana!

- Fay C. Pabo (@fa_jo_pab0)

