

Leadership Retreat 2025

“Come Away and Be Renewed: A Leadership Retreat on Hospitality”

July 11-13, 2025

Kilauea Military Camp at Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Hawaii Island

ABOUT THIS RETREAT

“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” Mark 6:31

The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis invites all adults (18+) who serve in ministry with children, youth, young adults, adults, and families across the Diocese of Honolulu to a time of spiritual renewal, reflection, and fellowship.

Just as Jesus invited his disciples to step away from their daily work for rest and renewal, this retreat offers a sacred pause from the busyness of ministry. It is a time to reconnect with God, reflect on the priorities of life and service, and make practical resolutions for continued growth in faith and leadership.

This **Leadership Retreat (ILR)** includes presentations, moments of silence, prayer, and meaningful community. The focus of the retreat is **hospitality** — not merely as good manners or friendliness, but as a pillar of Catholic stewardship and an expression of Christ-centered discipleship. Participants will explore how to practice and sustain true hospitality in their lives and parish ministries.

THE DETAILS

Date: July 11-13, 2025

Retreat starts on July 11 at 7 p.m. and will end with Mass at 12:30 pm on July 13.

Location: Kilauea Military Camp at Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Hawaii Island

Cost: \$150 (includes overnight accommodations for 2 nights, 3 meals, snacks and a blessed weekend of renewal)

Transportation is on your own. *If you are flying, we suggest flying into the Hilo Airport.*

Register Online: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/come-away-and-be-renewed-a-leadership-retreat-on-hospitality-tickets-1409753965059?aff=oddtcreator> OR use the QR Code:



Registration requested no later than Friday, July 4, 2025.

Questions? Contact the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at oyyam@rcchawaii.org, 808-203-6763 or visit the website: www.catholichawaii.org/OYYAM/ILR.

Frequently Asked Questions

Location and Driving Directions

Kilauea Military Camp (KMC) is located within Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park on the Big Island. For convenience and ease, fly into Hilo Airport.

From Hilo Airport, turn left onto Hwy. 11 and travel south for about 28 miles until you reach the main entrance of Hawaii Volcanoes National Park (mile marker 28). It will take at least 1 hour.

Accommodations

Our group will be staying in two-bedroom cottages. Each cottage includes two separate bedrooms, a shared living space, and a bathroom. Bed linens and towels are provided. You must bring your own toiletries.

Room assignments will be made in advance, and participants will likely share a cottage with one or more members of the group. Each person will have their own bed, but bedrooms may be shared with a roommate of the same gender.

Weather

Temperatures in this cool, upcountry setting 4,000 feet above sea level ranges in the 70's during the day and 50 – 60's in the evening. Of course, rain is always a possibility.

Schedule

We will begin our retreat at 7:00 p.m. on Friday night, July 11. The retreat will end on Sunday, July 13 with Mass beginning 12:30 p.m. at Malia Puka O Kalani in Hilo.

Liability Waiver

All adults must complete an Adult Liability Waiver. This form can be downloaded on our website.

Meals & Snacks

Friday night – 'heavy pupus' provided.

Saturday – breakfast, dinner, and snacks provided.

Sunday – breakfast and snacks provided.

If you have a favorite bottle of wine, or beer, that you'd like to share with others, you're welcome to bring it. Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided.

Note: Saturday's lunch will be the reception following the Deacon Ordination of John Akau at St. Joseph Church in Hilo.

Amenities

Fitness Center - treadmill, weights, cycles and sauna - open: 6am-10pm daily

Tennis & Basketball Court open: 6am-10pm daily

Bowling Alley open Saturday night until 10pm

Game Room - arcade games, air hockey, billiards and ping pong tables – open 6:30am-10pm

Pay by Mail

You can pay by mail. Use Promo Code: **PayCheck** at checkout.

Make check payable to: *Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii*

Mail payment to Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, 6301 Pali Highway, Kaneohe, HI 96744.

Please note that your registration is not completed until we receive your payment.

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