

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Our parish will be celebrating its 2nd Annual Holy Ghost Feast Day on May 28, 2023, at our 9:00 AM Mass. After Mass, there will be a lunch reception, entertainment, charola auction, bingo, and prizes in the One Community Center.

Traditionally on this Feast, a young girl is given the title of the Queen of the Feast. The Queen also has four Ladies-in-waiting to accompany her.

Starting this weekend, we will be accepting nominations for both our Queen and her Ladies-in-waiting. Nominees for the Queen must be between the ages of 11 to 18 years of age. Nominees for the Ladies-in-waiting must be between the ages of 6 to 10 years of age. Ballot forms and boxes can be found at the main entrance of the church. The girls who wish to be nominated should fill up the correct form themselves or with their family's help and drop it off in the correct box. Please, ONLY the girls wishing to nominate themselves should fill up the forms. No one else is to fill these forms out. Thank you.

The deadline to turn in your nomination is on Sunday, May 7, 2023, at the 6:00 PM Mass. We will be drawing the names of the Queen and her four Ladies-in-waiting on May 14, 2023, at our 9:00 AM Mass. Winners will be contacted and do not need to be present at the Mass.

Stay tuned. More Information on the event and how to register to attend the reception is coming soon...

Fr. Anthony Rapar

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MISSION / VISION STATEMENT: WE ARE A CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY—called to develop a deeper relationship with Christ. Such a relationship is fostered through active participation in: *Word, Sacrament, Renewal Programs, Ministry/Service* and other **Spirit-led** activities. We dedicate our time, talent, and treasure to install, in our parish community the basic building blocks of Christian living, **to preach the Good News of Jesus Christ to all through our words, deeds, and lives.**

PASTOR Fr. Anthony Rapozo

In Residence Fr. John Gabriel

DEACON Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

*FULL Parish Clergy & Staff Directory available
on our website.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM Mondays: Communion Service; Tuesday – Saturday: Mass

Sunday: 5PM (Saturday Vigil), 7AM, 9AM, 11AM & 6PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30PM

PARISH RECTORY HOURS

Monday 12:00PM – 4:00PM

Tuesday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:00PM

Saturday - Sunday Closed

Please call the office for all other inquiries: Anointing, Baptisms, Blessings, Food Pantry, Funeral, Homebound Communion & Marriage.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE APR 15/16

Sunday Collection	\$ 10,362.00
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,572.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,054.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 140.00
Funeral	\$ 300.00
Stewardship	\$ 25.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 786.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 80.00
Candles	\$ 605.00
Easter	\$ 365.25
Holy Thursday	\$ 20.00
Good Friday	\$ 60.00
Mother's Day	\$ 30.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 5.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$ 1,481.61
Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 10.00

WEEKEND TOTAL \$ 18,945.86



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT WEEKEND (4/29-4/30) HAWAII CATHOLIC CEMETERY will have a short presentation on spiritual and practical reasons for learning about Catholic funerals and burials as well the benefits of planning in advance after all Masses in the OCC. If you have any questions or would like to inquire, feel free to stop by.

EPIC MINISTRY- "Community Night" is on **Monday, April 24th, 7PM, Central Oahu Hosting**. Open to young adults ages 18-39. For more information: email: centraloahu@epicministry.net, text **EPICMINISTRY to 8456** or call (808) 354-0971.

MOTHER'S DAY MASS OFFERING: Honor your mother, living or deceased, this Mother's Day, May 14th by making a Mass offering. All the names will be published in the May 7th bulletin. **Please PRINT LEGIBLY.** Envelopes are available at the back of the church. **The deadline to submit your mother's name for publication is Friday, April 28.**

A SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND will be held **next weekend, April 29/30**. This is a different collection from the Religious Retirement Fund that is done each December. We are asked to prayerfully consider giving generously to this collection that will directly support our priests who are in their retirement years. They have given their lives shepherding our communities, and we pray that they are adequately cared for in this next chapter of their lives. Envelopes are available at the back of the church or make a donation online by visiting our parish website, online giving. Mahalo!

Job Opening:

Maintenance & Groundskeeper (Part-Time) Description: Responsible for the maintenance, cleanliness, and repair of parish facilities. Performs a variety of facility and equipment maintenance and preventative maintenance duties. Oversees any maintenance activities provided by contractors as assigned by the Pastor. To apply: <https://www.hrsymphony.com/hrs/route/position/5971/G5QE>

This week on FORMED:

Episode 1: Saint Mark the Evangelist

Just who is St. Mark, the author of this short but action-packed Gospel? Using outside sources, other books of the Bible, and the Gospel itself, Dr. Gray takes a closeup look at St. Mark, and his connection with St. Peter and the Christians of Rome.

Who is St. Catherine of Siena?

In light of St. Catherine of Siena's feast day, join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Elizabeth Klein, as they celebrate this holy woman: a nurse and mystic with papal influence who became a doctor of the Church.

Can You Trust God? by Dr. Tim Gray

To be a saint, we must trust God wholeheartedly. Since the fall of our first parents, however, humanity has been tempted to mistrust the Father's love for us. Scripture scholar Dr. Tim Gray takes us on a journey that addresses the pervasive misconceptions about God, showing us that there is no reason not to follow him.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.



CELEBRATE MARY IN MAY

Join us and invite your family and friends to the **NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA IN THE CHURCH** for prayer and reflection.

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11
6 PM	6 PM	5 PM	8:30 AM	4:30 PM	6 PM	6 PM	6 PM	6 PM

Women's Guild **CROWNING OF THE STATUE OF MARY** in the Courtyard, **Saturday, May 6, 2023 after the 5 PM Mass.**

For centuries the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, mind you, but the entire month. It's common for parishes to have daily recitation of the Rosary during the month of May. At St. John's we have a statue donated by one of our parishioners. It's a longstanding tradition to crown the statue of Mary on the first Saturday in May, a custom known as **MAY CROWNING**. The crown is made of beautiful, Hawaiian blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives. May Crowning is a celebration of Mother Mary's life. At every celebration, we share food... Please bring a dish to share.



MOVIE NIGHT: Invite your families and friends to see **"Our Lady of Fatima"** on **Friday, May 12th** at **6:30 pm** in the One Community Center.

CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA on **Saturday, May 13th** at **5 pm Mass.**

Everyone is invited for fellowship in the One Community Center.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION will be participating in CROWNING OF THE STATUE OF MARY in the church on **Sunday, May 14th** at **9:00 am Mass.**

Respect Life: "Virgin of Guadalupe, Patroness of unborn children, we implore your intercession for every child at risk of abortion. ... Guide our public officials to defend each and every human life through just laws. Inspire us all to bring our faith into public life, to speak for those who have no voice. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Love and Mercy itself. Amen."
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "A Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe."

STEWARDSHIP GOSPEL REFLECTION (LUKE 24: 13 - 35) BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS

Today's readings focus on a theme of "sojourning." As Christian stewards, we know our lives are a sojourn toward the ultimate destination of heaven.

Our Gospel passage today describes the sojourn of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. The two are dejected and despondent after Jesus' death. They knew Jesus personally. They had heard the Gospel message directly from His lips. They heard the testimony of the women who discovered the empty tomb of our Lord and saw a vision of angels announcing He was alive. They had been informed by other disciples who went to the tomb that all was exactly as the women reported.



How much more obvious could the Good News be?

And yet, at times, the reaction of the two disciples describes our own stewardship journey, doesn't it? We have the fullness of the Catholic faith, the power of the sacraments, and the support of our parish family. Yet, we often lose our way. We fail to see all the gifts we have been given. We lack trust in the perfect goodness and almighty power of God.

But notice what happens to the two men when their eyes are opened once again, and they recognize Jesus in the Eucharist — the "breaking of the bread." They are transformed! Their hearts are set on fire with love for the Lord and their faith. They recall that their hearts began "burning within" as the Lord was explaining the Scriptures to them. When we find we have lost our way, we can go to the same sources as the two disciples on the road to Emmaus — the Scriptures and the Eucharist.

In this Easter season, resolve to feast deeply on these two sources of grace. They are the fuel that will propel us on our journey towards heaven.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year A

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles: 2:14a, 36-41 Responsorial Psalm: 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25 Gospel: John 10:1-10



- "Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and Hallelujah is our song."
- POPE JOHN PAUL II

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday April 24, 2023

8AM Communion Service

Tuesday April 25, 2023

8AM Dan Sordilla (RIP)
Strickland Family, Eva, George & Linda
Belinda Nakata (Birthday Blessing)
Barbara J. Browning (Birthday Blessing)

Wednesday April 26, 2023

8AM Mrs Ida & Mr Louis Rapozo Sr. (RIP)
Quiruben Mora (RIP)
Thanks be to God for blessing us!

8AM Rosalie Tadda
Walter Kulikowski
Rapozo Family, Henry, Olive, Rodney, Vernon & Stephanie

Friday

8AM

Saturday

8AM

5PM

Sunday

7AM

9 AM

11 AM

6 PM

Gerry Saqaoinit
(Birthday Memorial)

April 28, 2023

Kenny Ringor (RIP)
Anthony Tadda
Jayten Rivera (Birthday Blessing)
Ruth Bauman

April 29, 2023

Isidoro Barayuga (Memorial Birthday)
Vicente & Rosenda Barayuga (RIP)
Jose Najar (RIP)
Kanda Redoble (Birthday Blessing)
Reynaldo Santos (Death Anniversary)

April 30, 2023

William Tadda Sr.
For the People
Grace Trent (RIP)
Demetrio Galicinao (RIP)

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

JOHN RAYMOND LOGGINS (RIP) – Tuesday, April 25, 2023, Visitation: 10:00 am; Mass: 11:00 am – St John, Mililani; Burial: 1:00 PM ~ Hawaiian Memorial Park – Kaneohe.

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, Christy Esposito, John Bates, Nathan & Diane Kotch, Edward Naong, Teresa Montoya, Letty Baguion, Winnie Lee, Cheryl Solomon-Hume, Mario Visaya, Carmelo Pacpaco, Lita Guerrero, Genelyn Daszek, Lulu T. Jennings, Glenda Buis, Solomon Siangco & Blanca D Licon.

DECEASED

James E. Smith, John Loggins, Jose Najar Sr., Nelson Visitacion, Kenny Ringor, Shauna Awong, Buena A. Harding, Grace Trent, Maria G. Mercado, Rand T. Ushijima, Charles Kauai, Gino Daguio, Mark Burnett, Patrick Mayock, Carmelo Pacpaco, Art Apilado, Kaede R. Montalban & Richard Amaral.

