

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



Sunday is

A DAY OF PEACE
From *"Living the Gift of Sunday"*

FROM THE RICHES OF OUR FAITH

The Sign of Peace is more than simply a greeting. It is more a prayer for reconciliation as a foretaste of communion in the Body of Christ.

Among many rich cultural expressions of reconciliation, the beloved Polish custom of Oplatek, or the Christmas wafer, is a fascinating one. Before the meal is served, family members break a piece of their Christmas wafers to share with the others in their household, wishing each other well, asking for forgiveness for misunderstandings, and making peace with one another.

There's even a wafer to be shared with the animals of the house! We need signs and symbols that move us to true reconciliation and peace.

"With compassion, Christ declares the sabbath for doing good rather than harm, for saving life rather than killing" (CCC, 2173).

Sunday, because of its principal place as the primary day of worship, is also a day for laying aside jealousies, anger, and ill-will. The Lord demands our worship, but that worship may not precede the forgiveness of the sins and faults of our brothers and sisters. We are called to bring God's peace, mercy, and love into our world.

LIVE IT!

- If you need reconciliation with a family member or a member of the wider community, be the first to hold out an olive branch. Reflect on a person or area of your city, country, the world that needs peace.
- Celebrate the Sacrament of Penance (Confession). Consider going together as a family for each person to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Pray together the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and feel the warmth of God's forgiving love.

"Living the Gift of Sunday" - commissioned and designed by Archbishop ListECKi of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

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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

DEACONS Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

Dcn. Mike Browning

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM Monday – Saturday

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30PM

PARISH RECTORY HOURS

Monday Closed

Tuesday - Friday 8:30AM – 12PM,
1PM - 4PM
Closed 12PM – 1PM
for lunch

Closed *Saturday, Sunday, Holidays*

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

APR 6/7

Sunday Collection	\$ 10,721.76
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,680.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 635.11
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 515.00
Funeral	\$ 400.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 6,592.91
Easter Sunday	\$ 275.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 130.00
Candles	\$ 574.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement	\$ 10.00
Joseph Dutton	\$ 10.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 1.00
Good Friday	\$ 30.00
WEEKEND TOTAL	\$ 24,655.78

For the month of March 2024,
We collected 99.25% (\$702,300 YTD)
of our budget: \$707,600.

SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

By Catholic Stewardship Consultants

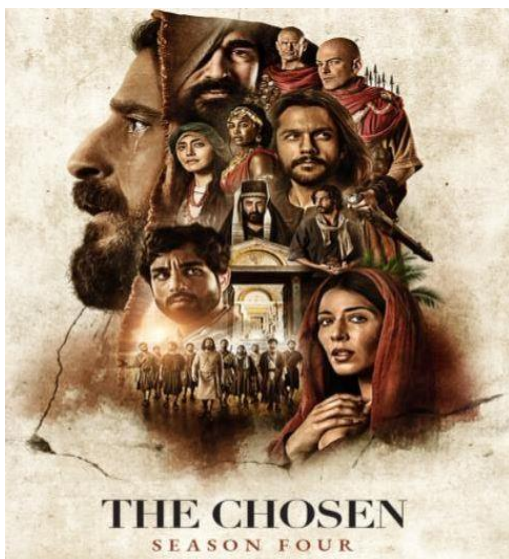
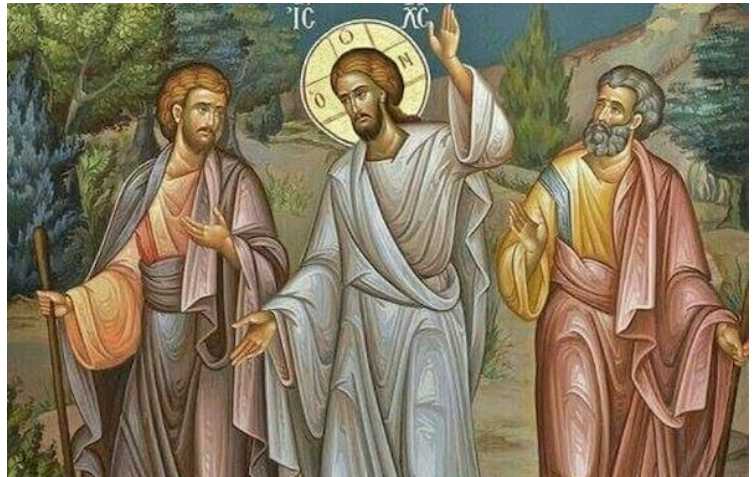
In addition to celebrating all Christ did for us this Easter season, we also are reminded of how His sacrifice impacts our lives.

Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus should be the center of our lives. This passage begins with two disciples realizing Jesus had just appeared to them.

We can learn a valuable lesson from these disciples. To recognize Jesus' appearances in our lives, we need to know Him. And the best way to know the Lord is to spend time with Him. It can start with just 10 minutes of quiet prayer a day and increasing that each week. We might begin by reading Scripture, books on the lives of the Saints, or even a decade of the Rosary. Yet the goal should be to carve out time each day, in a quiet space, for just you and the Lord.

As the disciples mentioned, they recognized it was Jesus in the breaking of the bread. We, too, can better know the Lord through the sacraments, most especially the Holy Mass. The Eucharist is Jesus Himself — Body, Blood Soul, and Divinity. What better way to grow in intimacy with Christ than to receive Him frequently or to go talk to Him in front of the Blessed Sacrament? As we make Jesus the center of our lives through prayer and the sacraments, we will be able to recognize Him in day-to-day moments.

As we are still in the midst of this Easter season, take time to think about what Christ did for us and the changes we should make in our daily lives to help us grow closer to Him.



THE CHOSEN SEASON 4

CLASHING KINGDOMS. RIVAL RULERS. THE ENEMIES OF JESUS CLOSE IN WHILE HIS FOLLOWERS STRUGGLE TO KEEP UP, LEAVING HIM TO CARRY THE BURDEN ALONE.

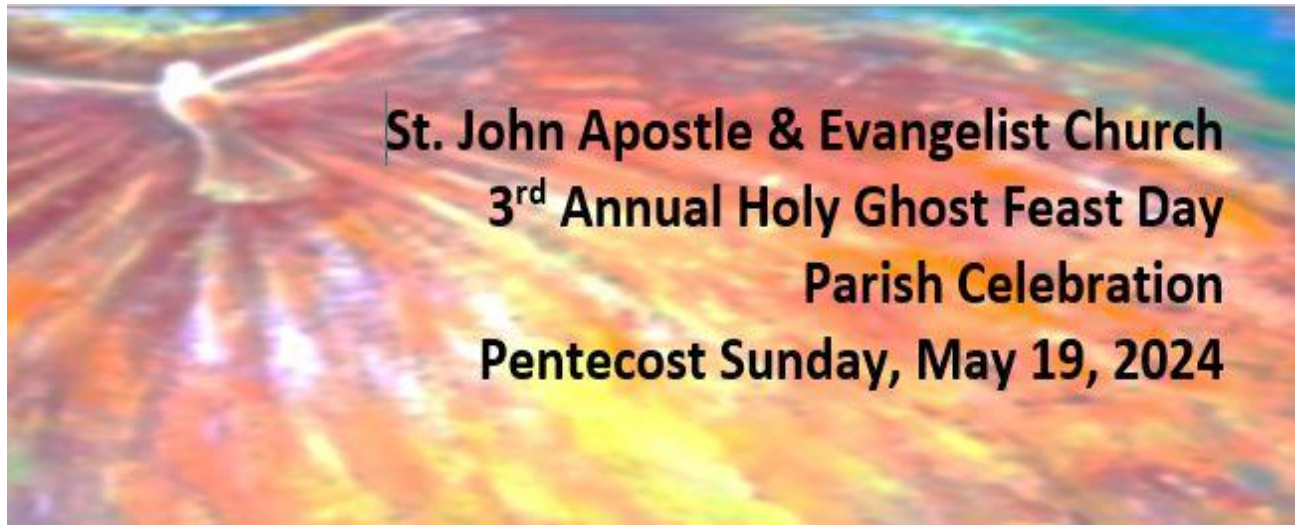
Threatened by the reality of Jesus' growing influence, religious leaders do the unthinkable— ally with their Roman oppressors. As the seeds of betrayal are planted and opposition to Jesus' message turns violent, he's left with no alternative but demand his followers RISE UP.

Join us at 6:30pm in the One Community Center. April 19: Episode 1 (Promises) and Episode 2 (Confessions) April 26: Episode 3 (Moon to Blood) and Episode 4 (Calm Before) More episodes coming in May...

"God is love and he has defeated evil."



To reserve your spot, visit https://www.stmichaelschoolhi.com/store/p20/Gala_2024_-_80th_Anniversary.html. For more information, contact St Michael School, Waialua.



9:00 A.M. HOLY GHOST FEAST DAY MASS

Holy Ghost Queen and Ladies-in-Waiting

LUNCHEON IN THE ONE COMMUNITY CENTER

Menu: Caesar salad, macaroni salad, Portuguese bean soup & rice, sweet bread rolls, mixed pancit noodles, chicken katsu, shrimp tempura, prime rib, kalua pork, & various desserts

CAKE BAKING CONTEST

ENTERTAINMENT

Surprise local entertainer & Children's Choir

BINGO and PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

Seating is limited to 150 people. To attend this event, please sign up on

Eventbrite at [www.eventbrite.com/e/3rd-annual-holy-ghost-feast-tickets-](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/3rd-annual-holy-ghost-feast-tickets-881008368747)

[881008368747](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/3rd-annual-holy-ghost-feast-tickets-881008368747) or come to the parish office during business hours. To help keep expenses affordable for our parish, the cost of the luncheon is \$15.00 for teens and adults 13 and up, and \$5.00 for kids 12 and under.

ST. JOHN'S 3RD ANNUAL HOLY GHOST FEAST CAKE BAKING CONTEST INFORMATION FORM

THE THEME OF THE CONTEST IS ANY RELIGIOUS CAKE



PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO FIRST PLACE, SECOND PLACE AND THIRD PLACE

1. Competition is by individual (1 person per entry). Contestants 12 years old and up may take part in the competition.
2. All cakes must be made entirely by the contestant (individual).
3. Submissions must be home cooked (not store bought).
4. No refrigerated items will be accepted.
5. All cakes must be edible.
6. Entries will be accepted on Sunday morning of the festival between 7:00am -10:30am.
7. One (1) registration form per entry.
8. Each entry should be marked with the name of their cake.
9. Contestants must submit the ingredients used to bake their cake. Ingredients will only be shared with judges.
10. Five individuals will judge the entries on the following applicable areas: Theme, Taste, Decoration, and Originality.
11. The first, second, and third place cake bakers in each age division (Adult and Youth) will receive prizes.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter

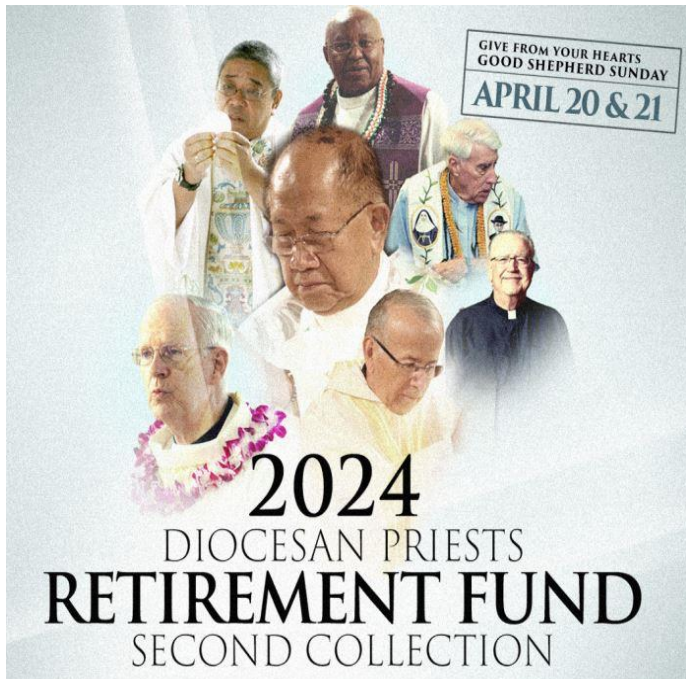
First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

Responsorial Psalm: 118:1,8-9, 21-23,26,28,29

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



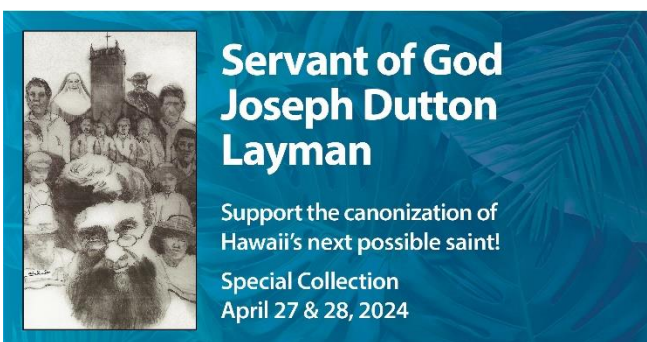
A SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND will be held **next weekend, April 20/21**. Our Second Collection will be for the Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund. This is a different collection from the *Religious* Retirement Fund that is done in December. In concert with Good Shepherd Sunday, 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!

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY ON APRIL 20/21, OR VISIT:
WWW.CATHOLICHAWAII.ORG/DPRF

MOTHER'S DAY MASS OFFERING: Honor your mother, living or deceased, this Mother's Day, May 12th by making a Mass offering. All the names will be published in the May 5th bulletin.

Please PRINT LEGIBLY. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. **The deadline to submit your mother's name for publication is Sunday, April 28.**

PLEASE CONSIDER NOMINATING YOUR DAUGHTER(S) for the 3rd Annual Holy Ghost Feast celebration on May 19th, at our 9 AM Mass and reception. If your daughter was selected in the past, they are not eligible again. The nomination forms are available at the main entrance of the church. The deadline to submit the nomination form is May 5th at the 6pm Mass.



With your support, a humble Civil War lieutenant with a fervent desire to serve God may become Hawaii's third saint! Join your hearts with others in parishes in the Diocese of Honolulu for a special collection for the cause of Joseph Dutton Layman.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	April 15, 2024	Saturday	April 20, 2024
8 AM	Rene Catalan (RIP) Richard Amaral (RIP)	8 AM	Suzanna Foster (RIP)
Tuesday	April 16, 2024	5 PM	Dr. Luis Raguton (RIP)
8 AM	Msgr. Gary Secor (Birthday Blessing) Richard Amaral (RIP)		
Wednesday	April 17, 2024	Sunday	April 21, 2024
8 AM	Felicitas & Alfredo Sr. Cordial (RIP)	7 AM	Art Apilado (1 yr Death Anniversary (RIP)
Thursday	April 18, 2024	9 AM	For the People
8 AM	Joanne Asuncion	11 AM	Daniel L & Hector L Aguirre & Dominic Escamilla (Birthday Blessings)
Friday	April 19, 2024	6 PM	Maria Rivera (Death Anniversary)
8 AM	Thomas Morris (RIP) Diane Kotch (RIP)		

Respect Life: “Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, ‘God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end’ (*Spe salvi* 31).”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“Respect Life Reflection: Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life” (citing Pope Benedict XVI, Spe salvi © 2007, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.)

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, John Bates, Cindy Abernathy, Richard Guillory, Patrice Wilson, Gene Lumantas, Clarita Martinez, Jim Walsh, Lita Guerrero, Florida Badua, Allene Ishikawa, Dominador Rulloda, Sam Rombaoa, Cherissalyn & Tuputasi Gaopoa, Nicole Guerrero, Lourdes Amasol, Dr. Luis Raguton & Manny Rodil.

DECEASED

Margaret Nakamura, Wendell Perry, Gary Garcia, Daniel Ariola, Maxima Looney, Suzanna Foster, Ruth Hartzel, Angela Topinio, Diane Kotch, Florence P. Albano, Julian Rillamas Jr., Vivencia Mamaril, Salvador Ganzon Jr & Sr, Philip Chircop Sr., George Szczepkowski & Robert Ane.