



SPIRIT-LED NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

Aloha my Brothers & Sisters:

This week we will reacquaint ourselves with Holiness as a Parish.

This means that we lead people best by the witness of our lives, not just the efficiency of our meetings, the number of ministers we have, nor the amount of our Sunday collection. In a parish setting, holiness refers to the pursuit of a life dedicated to God, marked by love for God and neighbor, and characterized by actions that reflect Christian values. It's not just about rituals or attending church, but about actively living out one's faith in daily life. A parish, as a community of believers, plays a vital role in fostering holiness through shared prayer, sacraments, and mutual support.

However, there exists challenges to Holiness as a parish.

Personal Life	Parish Life
Busyness	Burnt Out
Distractions	Discouragement
Influence of secular culture	Disillusionment
Fear	Failed expectations of the Church
	Turf Wars

However, Holiness is possible because of grace, not because we are perfect. In Catholicism, holiness within a parish context means living out one's faith in a way that reflects God's love and grace within the specific community of the parish.

It's not just about personal piety, but also about how individuals interact with and contribute to the parish community, and through fostering a welcoming, evangelizing, and supportive environment. The parish, in turn, serves as a tangible sign of God's grace; a place where people encounter the divine and grow in holiness.

How do we grow in Holiness both as individuals and as a parish?

- Active participation in the Word
- Sacraments (Eucharist & Reconciliation)
- Renewal programs and retreats
- Ministry OF Service
- The Holy Spirit

Therefore, Holiness grows through small, consistent, daily acts and through saying "YES" to God's grace. So, this call to Parish Holiness seems to connect perfectly with the second sentence of our Parish Mission Statement - such a relationship is fostered through **active participation in: word, sacrament, renewal programs, ministry/service**, and other Spirit-led activities.

Next week we will go into detail on how we can live out Holiness as an Individual.

*Gratefully yours in the heart of Jesus Christ,
Fr. Anthony Rapozo*

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH
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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

PAROCHIAL VICAR Fr. Cipriano “Jojo” Alnas

DEACONS Dcn. Romeo Ganibe
Dcn. Mike Browning

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM Monday – Saturday

Sunday: 5PM (Anticipated Mass), 7AM,
9AM, 11AM & 6PM

ADORATION TIMES:

Monday – Saturday 7AM – 8AM

Friday after 8 AM Mass - 9:30 AM

Wednesday 7 PM - 8 PM (Encounter Night)

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

JULY 12/13

Sunday Collection	\$ 11,204.14
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 582.00
Online Donation (Pushpay)	\$ 3,103.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 293.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 50.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 657.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 130.00
Candles	\$ 516.00
Preschool	\$ 75.00
Holy Father (Peter's Pence)	\$ 115.00
St John Statue	\$ 150.00

WEEKEND TOTAL

\$ 16,875.14

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

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS

In today's Gospel reading from St. Luke, we receive a reminder about the proper use of the gift of time, a fundamental aspect of a stewardship way of life.

Our passage highlights one of the most famous dinner parties ever thrown, recalling the day that Martha and Mary hosted our Lord in their home. We are told that Martha, as a good steward, welcomes Christ in but

then becomes "burdened with much serving" while her sister and fellow hostess chooses to simply sit with Jesus, listening to Him speak.



Martha becomes indignant at Mary's behavior and complains to Jesus, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." But Jesus, in His infinite wisdom, refuses to get pulled into this sisterly spat. Instead, He offers Martha a fresh way to look at the situation. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing."

What is that one thing? It is to put Jesus first in our lives and above all other things; to "sit at his feet" and listen as Mary did, giving Him the priority of our time no matter how busy we think we are. When we truly commit to putting Christ first in our daily lives through a regular time of prayer and frequent participation in the sacraments, we will find that all our other concerns become less pressing, less overwhelming.

Why is this so? Because the time we invest in our relationship with God saturates all aspects of our lives with His grace. And because God cannot be outdone in generosity. He will abundantly reward any sacrifice we make to spend time with Him.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138:1-3, 6-8

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:12-14

"I will beg God our Lord for grace that all my intentions, actions and operations may be directed purely to the praise and service of the Divine Majesty."

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA



GOD SEEKS DISCIPLES

Jesus said:

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'"*
(Matthew 25:31-40).

One year ago, on July 17, 2024, our parish once again began working with the Institute for Human Services (IHS); serving dinners at IHS Men's Shelter, 350 Sumner St. in Honolulu every 3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30pm-7pm. I want to thank all our various ministries and parish groups who have volunteered this past year to live out Jesus' challenge to feed the hungry and provide a drink for the thirsty.

It is our parish mission to continue this outreach in assisting charitable institutions like IHS. Therefore, we are asking for more volunteers to help keep this going. Currently, we have enough coverage for the 3rd Wednesdays from July - October. We need more people to cover the 3rd Wednesdays in November and December 2025.

A maximum of five people is allowed to serve in the kitchen. Free parking is available. If your ministry or group would like to serve, please contact the parish office to sign up.

"At the end of life, we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless, and you took me in." –Mother Teresa.

EDGE

Grades 6th-8th

Now accepting registration for the
2025–2026 school year!

Purpose: To provide a safe, fun, and faith-centered environment where our youth can explore and grow in their Catholic faith.

What to Expect: Games, engaging lessons on Church teachings, Scripture study, youth mass, prayer experiences, service opportunities, and more!

Goal: To build a strong foundation in the Catholic faith and prepare our youth for the challenges of middle school with a focus on friendship, faith, and FUN!

Registration forms can be:

- ★ Picked up at the church office
 - Open Tuesday – Friday | 9 AM – 4 PM
- ★ OR downloaded from our church website:



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Questions? Email us at:
SJAELifeTeen@rcchawaii.org

LIFE TEEN

Grades 9th - 12th

Now accepting registration for the
2025–2026 school year!

Purpose: Life Teen is more than just a youth group — it's a movement toward Christ. We strive to lead teens closer to Christ through dynamic catechesis, authentic community, and a deep connection to the Eucharist.

What to Expect: A welcoming space to be yourself, faith-based talks that relate to real life, fun games, community-building activities, youth mass, and service events.

Goal: To help teens grow in their Catholic faith, develop a personal relationship with Jesus, and become lifelong disciples

Registration forms can be:

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GET YOUR DANCING SHOES READY FOR THE FIL-AM FUN DANCE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! THE "FIL-AM FUN DANCE" IS ON FRIDAY AUGUST 29, 2025, AT 6 PM IN THE ONE COMMUNITY CENTER.

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD NEXT WEEKEND, JULY 26-27, ON THE LANAI AFTER THE 5 PM (SATURDAY) , 7 AM, 9 AM, AND 11 AM MASSES.

THE COST IS \$50 PER PERSON WHICH INCLUDES HEAVY PUPU 'S, MUSIC AND LOTS OF FUN!

PLEASE HELP FIL-AM RAISE THE FUNDS TO HELP WITH THE DEBT REDUCTION.

SEE ANY FIL-AM MEMBER FOR MORE INFORMATION. MAHALO!



A Huge Mahalo to Our Generous Parish Community!

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated school supplies for Kipapa Elementary School! Your incredible generosity will make a real difference for our keiki.

Thank you for continuing to support our keiki by providing them with the essential tools they need to succeed in the classroom! God Bless You!



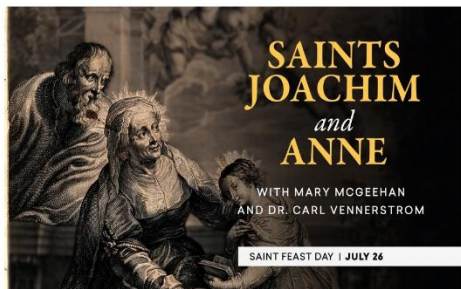
This Week on Formed

Week of July 20, 2025



Footprints: The Path of Your Life

Eleven young men from the United States walk the Way of St. James pilgrimage. They are looking for answers, not beautiful scenery: How do you deal with pain and suffering? Do the weak quit, or do they find meaning on the Camino? How much baggage is enough or too much?



Sts. Joachim and Anne | Catholic Saints

Though they never appear in canonical Scripture, Sts. Joachim and Anne—the grandparents of Jesus—hold a place of great importance in the Church's tradition. Discover more about the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this episode of Catholic Saints with Mary McGeehan and Augustine Institute professor Dr. Carl Vennerstrom.



Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CAR WASH: The Knights of Columbus will be holding a car wash on Saturday, July 26, 2025, from 9 AM to 1 PM. Tickets are \$20 and will be available for purchase after all Masses. Please see a Knight to get yours!



SJAE Women's Guild Bake Sale

Sunday, August 10, 2025. After the 7AM, 9AM & 11AM Masses

SJAE WOMEN'S GUILD invites all to come, see and buy! We will be offering delicious baked goods, snacks and plants for sale on the lanai. Yes, plants!! The proceeds of this fundraising event will be used to continue our Mission to support both our SJAE Parish, Priests and Community. Your support is greatly welcomed and appreciated.

ST JOHN CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL – OPEN ENROLLMENT SY 2025-2026

for ages 2.8 years - 6 years old.

Year-round Montessori based teaching.

For more information, call (808) 744-9538 or stjohns_preschool@rcchawaii.org



JOB OPENING:

St. John's Catholic Preschool is looking for a

Full-Time Head Teacher & Substitute Teacher Aides

APPLY TODAY: <https://www.catholichawaii.org/about-us/careers/>

Call 808.744.9538 for more information.

Y.A.B.S: YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY (ages 18-39) in Room 4 on Tuesdays 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM ----
Let's discover our faith and grow friendships. This is an amazing opportunity to deepen our love for Jesus in this modern age. Any Questions? Feel free to email: sjaeyoungadult@rcchawaii.org.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

- ❖ Do you want to be baptized?
- ❖ Are you or do you know someone who is interested in becoming a part of the Catholic Faith?
- ❖ Let us help you with your journey in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.
- ❖ Candidates will explore the elements of the Catholic faith in weekly meetings with Catechists in preparation to receive all the Sacraments of Initiation.

For more information, contact Deacon Romeo Ganibe at rganibe@rcchawaii.org.



ENCOUNTER NIGHTS | EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 PM |

REDISCOVER THE SENSE OF ADORATION IN SILENCE

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 21, 2025

8 AM Hendrix (Birthday Blessing)
Romie Agliam (RIP)
Dr. Gavino Vinzon (RIP)

Tuesday July 22, 2025

8 AM Pearl Bates (Thanksgiving)
Kauai & Margaret Higa
(41yrs Wedding Anniversary Blessing)

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

8 AM Lorraine Aguirre
(14th Year Death Anniversary)

Thursday, July 24, 2025

8 AM Wilfredo Pacleb (RIP)
Isabel DSouza (RIP)

Friday, July 25, 2025

8 AM Carol Ann Esposito (RIP)
Edwin Souza (RIP)

Saturday, July 26, 2025

8 AM Ana Maria Aguirre (Birthday Blessing)
5 PM Concepcion Alzada (Death Anniversary)

Sunday, July 27, 2025

7 AM Isidoro Barayuga (10th Death Anniversary)
9 AM *For the People*
11 AM Cornelia Marcelo Lacson (RIP)
6 PM Lucas F. Rapozo (RIP)

Respect Life “Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

“Married Love and the Gift of Life” “An Adoption Love Story”

National NFP Awareness Week: July 20-26, 2025

The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae vitae* (July 25) and the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of the Blessed Mother.



HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Thomas Ramos, John Bates, Cindy Abernathy, Barbara Ursal, Hildegard Borowitz, Roland Crisostomo, Margie Romasanta, Butch Corpuz, Noemi Angeles, Julius Magio, Felicia Routon, Adam & Rosie Olivares, Dolly Lapinad, Violet Mayock, Jim Murphy, Wayne Rapozo, Maria & Sam Aguirre Sr. & those mentioned in the Parish Book of Prayers.

DECEASED

Virginie Amo, Jaime Sagucio, Aunty Trudy, Teresa Topinio, Linda C. Moses-Soares, John Awong, Ernie Garcia Sr., Jim Walsh, Fr. Ambrose Monroy, Richard Asakura, Magda Lamm, Stephanie Rapozo, Richard Mendes, Veronica Mamuad, Edna Corniel, Clarita Martinez, Antonio J. Saguibo Sr. & Bunny Estera.