



SPIRIT-LED NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

Aloha my Brothers and Sisters,

This week we will begin our journey of reacquainting ourselves with the church's definition of Liturgy of the Word.

Active participation in the Catholic Liturgy of the Word means engaging with the readings and prayers not just physically, but also with your mind and heart, seeking to understand and internalize the message. It's about more than just showing up; it's about being present and actively involved in the mystery of Christ's sacrifice and the Word of God.

The pattern of the Liturgy of the Word is one of dialogue - between reader and listener, between God and us. We participate in this dialogue by listening carefully to the reader and preacher, by being attentive to what God is saying to us during the readings and the homily, and by joining in the assembly's responses.

Here's a breakdown of what that looks if we live it out in our Christian life.

Interior Participation:

Mind and Heart Engagement:

Being attentive and focused, allowing the words of Scripture to speak to your heart and mind.

Understanding the Readings:

Making an effort to understand the readings, their context, and how they relate to your life.

Personal Prayer:

Uniting your own prayers and intentions with the prayers of the Church and the priest.

Exterior Participation:

- Vocal Responses: Participating in the spoken responses, even if you don't have the best voice, it's the act of participation that matters.
- Singing: Singing hymns and liturgical songs, contributing to the communal praise.
- Gesture and Posture: Adopting appropriate postures like standing, kneeling, and making the sign of the cross, as a way to express your participation.

Here's a breakdown of what that looks like if we live it out beyond the Liturgy.

Interiorizing the Liturgy:

Reflecting on the readings and prayers throughout the week, allowing them to shape your thoughts and actions.

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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	AUG 2/3
Sunday Collection	\$ 11,930.78
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 907.00
Online Donation (Pushpay)	\$ 4,829.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 570.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 50.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 6,033.25
Mass Intentions	\$ 60.00
Candles	\$ 661.00
Preschool	\$ 75.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 40.00
WEEKEND TOTAL	\$ 25,156.03

For the month of July 2025,
We collected 100.68% (\$82,561 YTD)
of our budget \$ 82,000.

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

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Applying the Readings to Life:

Seeking to understand how the Word of God can guide your daily life and decisions.

Living the Liturgy:

Bringing the spirit of the Liturgy of the Word into your interactions with others and your service to the world.

Key Aspects:

Full, Conscious, and Active Participation:

This is the goal, as outlined in the Vatican II document *Sacrosanctum Concilium*.

Not Just Physical Actions:

While physical participation is important, it's not the only aspect. Active participation also includes interior engagement and understanding.

Hierarchy and Polyphony:

The liturgy is not a one-size-fits-all activity. Different roles and contributions are valued, and everyone participates in their own way.

The Importance of Reverence:

Approaching the Liturgy with reverence and respect is essential for meaningful participation.

Therefore, our active participation in the Liturgy of the Word (listening with as much attention as we can muster) helps us know Jesus, how he and his apostles and prophets lived and how their lives and experiences can speak to us today. Have you ever listened to a Scripture reading at Mass or heard a homily and found it to be exactly what you needed to hear that day? That is the living Word of God!

Next week we will look specifically at the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

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

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS

Whether you are just beginning your stewardship journey or have been living a stewardship way of life for years, today's readings invite us to ask ourselves an important question.

The question is this: "What do you treasure?" Of course, we all know the "right" answer: we treasure our faith, our family, and our friendships. But Jesus tells us in the Gospel passage from Luke how we can discover the real answer to this question. He says, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

To discern what we really treasure, we need to do a check on our hearts. We can each ask ourselves, "Where do I spend the majority of my energy? Where do I find my thoughts dwelling? How do I choose to spend my time when I find myself with a few spare moments? What do my spending habits reveal about my what is important to me?"

As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in grateful response to all that God has given us. Do I recognize and treasure these gifts?

"No one heals himself by wounding another...."

~ ST. AMBROSE



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
WITNESS TO JESUS

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Peace be with you!



As the Church continues to celebrate the Jubilee Year, we are all called to be “Pilgrims of Hope” — that is, by carrying hope with us wherever we go, we can inspire the rebirth and renewal that the world so urgently needs.

The cry for hope comes from all corners of the globe, from war zones to displaced populations to those in the community — perhaps even our neighbors — struggling to get by.

For nearly 80 years, Catholic Charities Hawai‘i has worked to bring hope to people from all walks of life, from military veterans to kupuna to youth in challenging situations, empowering them to change their lives for the better.

The theme for this year’s Catholic Charities Sunday, “Light of Hope,” echoes the motto for the Jubilee Year. Guided by the mission of its founders, the Maryknoll Sisters, Catholic Charities Hawai‘i strives to be a beacon of hope and to “make God’s love visible” to those in need, regardless of faith.

Just as Psalm 67 calls on all nations to “be glad and rejoice” for God’s blessing and guidance, Catholic Charities Hawai‘i seeks to reach anyone in need and shine the light of God’s love upon them.

Please be generous this year in your support of Catholic Charities Hawai‘i and its mission to lift up and advocate for those among us who are most vulnerable. Your donations and prayers are deeply appreciated. May the Lord bless you always!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Larry Silva

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu

In 2024, Catholic Charities Hawai'i delivered vital support
to over **70,000** lives statewide.

HOUSING STABILITY &
HOMELESS ASSISTANCE



families and individuals
housed & safe

HELP LINE CALLS
& EMAILS



provided information and referrals
to programs and services

IMMIGRANT SERVICES



individuals assisted with dignity

FAMILY & YOUTH ENRICHMENT



5,702 children & families
strengthened

OLDER ADULT
SUPPORT SERVICES



5,525 kūpuna kept connected,
healthy and active

VETERAN SERVICES



221 veterans and their families
supported and empowered

Kaua'i



2,164 resource family training,
family strengthening services,
housing assistance, disaster
relief and community support services

Maui County



3,496 resource family training,
family strengthening
services, housing assistance,
disaster relief, and community services

Hawai'i Island



3,154 family strengthening
services, housing assistance,
foster care, counseling
services, disaster relief and community
support services

WATCH / REFLECT / DISCUSS / REJOICE



On Fridays during the month of September, watch and discuss the popular adaption of the Gospels, The Chosen Season 5. See the stories of Jesus' ministry come to life and provoke thought and discussion.

All are welcome!

**Friday evenings:
Sept 5, 12, 19, 26
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
One Community Center
(2 episodes shown per session)**

**There is no cost to attend
and no registration is required**



ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL
Curious Monkeys Newsletter
August 2025



ALOHA!

This month, we will continue our attention on classroom rules and circle time practices. We will be having an in-class camping experience to help the students learn more about their environment as well. This will then lead us into our research on campgrounds throughout the United States, as we study about the biomes in our country.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

1. Please sign in/out your child and initial on the attendance sheet. Also, we kindly ask that you make your goodbyes short and sweet. This will help your child adjust easier to our classroom routine.
2. Check parents mailboxes and your child's work file daily for any notes or work completed for the day.
3. Please always leave a change of clothes in an event of an accident. Take home any soiled clothing and replace them promptly. Label every personal item with your child's name.

As always, we thank you for your continued support of SJCP.



"The child gives us a beautiful lesson – that in order to form and maintain our intelligence, we must use our hands." - Maria Montessori

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 14...Mass of the Holy Spirit (No School)
August 15...Admissions Day (No School)

LOOKING AHEAD

September 1...Labor Day (No School)
September 17...Field Trip to HTY "Line Circle Sphere"
September 21...Catechetical Sunday

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

August 13...Olivia B.
August 17...Jaxten
August 20...Kaia
August 23...Anne

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING MASS:

Monday, August 11, 2025**7:30 pm – 8:30 pm****St. John A&E Parish**

Praise and Worship 7:00 pm

Mass 7:30 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Anthony Rapozo



*"Lay Your Hands
Gently Upon Us...
May Their Touch
Render Your Peace..."*



Sponsored by St. John Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

For information: Victoria Achaval 623-8860 Stephen/Helen Uyehara 623-7423

CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED on Friday, August 15th, in observance of Admission's Day.**Next weekend 8/16-8/17**, our special collection will be for **CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII (CCH)**.

As part of the largest private network of social service organization in the United States, Catholic Charities Hawai'i offers much needed programs and services statewide, serving 40,000 individuals each year. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please drop your donation during offertory or you may also donate online through our parish website and clicking "Give Online." Please prayerfully consider being generous in your support.

GET YOUR DANCING SHOES READY FOR THE FIL-AM FUN DANCE! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 2025, 6 PM IN THE ONE COMMUNITY CENTER. Mahalo!**

Memorial Tiles: Honor a loved one, remember a family member or celebrate a life by purchasing a personalized, etched tile, which will be placed at the entrance of the One Community Center. We have a limit of 20 memorial tiles. First come, first served. They will be black with gold lettering, 8" x 8", 6 lines of text and **20 characters per line** (centered). **The cost of each tile is \$1000 (\$850 is tax deductible).** Order forms will be available after Masses on August 9-10 & August 16-17.

Tiles must be ordered by August 31, 2025.

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The Assumption of Mary

The Assumption of Mary, body and soul in Heavenly glory, highlights the power of God and Christ's victory over sin and death for Mary's soul. Learn about this great mystery in Mysteries of the Rosary.

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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/>

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.



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53



ENCOUNTER NIGHTS | EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 PM |

REDISCOVER THE SENSE OF ADORATION IN SILENCE

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 11, 2025

8 AM Catherine De Jesus (Birthday Blessing)
Stephanie June Rapozo (RIP)

Tuesday August 12, 2025

8 AM Victor-Bertrand Lujan (RIP)
Colin Fukuda (Healing)

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

8 AM Devin Shockley (Birthday Blessing)
Colin Fukuda (Healing)

Thursday, August 14, 2025

8 AM Richard Cross (Death Anniversary)
Dominador Rulloda (RIP)
Joshua Momiyama (Death Anniversary)

Friday, August 15, 2025

8 AM Muriel Ramos (Death Anniversary)
Dominador Rulloda (Death Anniversary)
Augustus V. Benitez (Birthday Blessing)

Saturday, August 16, 2025

8 AM Marvin & Mae Acosta
(Wedding Anniversary Blessing)
Alexis (Healing)

5 PM Wilfredo Pacleb (RIP)

Sunday, August 17, 2025

7 AM Gerald L. Miller (RIP)
9 AM *For the People*
11 AM Stephanie June Rapozo (RIP)
6 PM Christy Esposito (RIP)

Respect Life “Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage”

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, Priscilla Sy, Maria & Sam Aguirre Sr. & those mentioned in the Parish Book of Prayers.

DECEASED

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, Beth Simon, Ben Topinio, John L. Williams, Geraldo “Gerry” Uytingco & Dolores Villanueva.