



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 Eucharist.

Active participation in the Catholic liturgy, particularly the Liturgy of the Eucharist, means engaging fully, consciously, and prayerfully in the Mass. It's more than just physically being present; it's about uniting one's heart and mind with Christ's sacrifice and the prayers of the Church. This involves internal disposition (faith, attention, love) and external actions (gestures, responses, singing).

Here's a breakdown of what that looks if we fully engage ourselves in our sacred and holy Mass.

Internal Participation

Conscious Awareness:

Conscious Presence: Being awake, alert, and engaged with mind and heart in the Eucharistic celebration.

Prayerful Engagement:

Participating in the prayers with a sincere heart, offering oneself to God along with the bread and wine, and receiving communion with devotion. Allowing one's heart to be truly present to the mystery of Christ's sacrificial love.

Union with Christ:

Placing oneself and one's life on the altar to be sacrificed in union with Jesus' one perfect sacrifice.

Proper Disposition:

Approaching the Eucharist with humility, and surrendering to God, and in amazement at God's actions

External Participation

Vocal Responses:

Participating in the spoken responses, acclamations, and hymns with clarity and conviction.

Physical Postures:

Adopting appropriate postures like standing, kneeling, and making the sign of the cross, which express reverence and participation.

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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

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Sunday Collection	\$ 14,382.37
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 492.00
Online Donation (Pushpay)	\$ 3,704.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 292.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 50.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 1,809.00
Funeral	\$ 300.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 260.00
Candles	\$ 357.00
Anonymous – Donation	\$ 13,846.80
Social Ministry	\$ 25.00
Preschool	\$ 100.00
Retirement Fund Religious	\$ 25.00
Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$ 357.00
St John Statue	\$ 100.00

WEEKEND TOTAL

\$36,100.17

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

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Other Actions:

Bringing up the offertory gifts, exchanging the sign of peace, and receiving Communion are also part of active participation.

Ministerial Roles (for some): Serving as altar servers, lectors, or Eucharistic ministers.

In essence, active participation in the Liturgy of the Eucharist is about engaging with the Mass as a whole person, both internally and externally, with a conscious awareness of the mystery being celebrated and a heart united to Christ's sacrifice

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 that importance of Ministry roles in the liturgy.

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

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS

Today's readings set a high bar for us Christian stewards, reminding us that a stewardship way of life is meant to be a challenging way of life.

In the second reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, we are told to live as Christ lived. And how did Christ live? "For the sake of the joy that lay before Him He endured the cross." If we are tempted to complain about the sufferings we



must endure in living as Christ's disciples, we are told, "In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood." In other words, "If you're not bleeding, what are you complaining about?" That is quite a high bar!

The Gospel reading from Luke continues this challenging theme. Our Lord tells His disciples "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." A couple of verses later Jesus adds, "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."

Jesus's life on this earth and the message He brought were not meant to simply make us feel good. In fact, His words can make us downright uncomfortable at times. That's because His Good News (and it is indeed good news!) is meant to change us, to make saints of us.

The stewardship way of life sets a high bar indeed. But deeply embraced, this way of life focused on God and others will make us the saints we are called to be.

"You can't go to heaven hating somebody... forgive now. Be compassionate now. Be grateful now. Love Jesus & Mary now. Accept God's will now."

~ MOTHER ANGELICA



PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY

FREE FLU VACCINATION

Provided by Times Pharmacy

Saturday, September 13, 2025

9:00am - 12:00 pm

St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church

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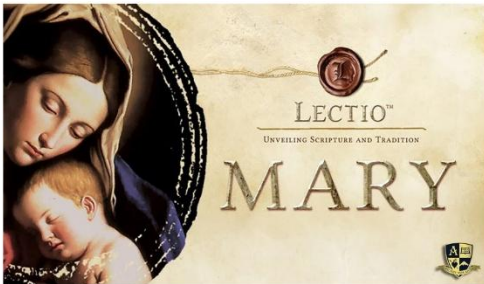
This Week on Formed

Week of August 17, 2025



Saint Bernard of Clairvaux | Catholic Saints

Who was St. Bernard of Clairvaux? In this FORMED Now episode, Dr. Ben Akers is joined by Dr. John Sehorn to discuss this great saint and Doctor of the Church.



The Queen Mother | Lectio: Mary | Episode 4

Mary serves as our Queen Mother. What does that mean? Join Dr. Brant Pitre as he explores the scriptural roots of this title.



Mary, Queen of Heaven | Brother Francis

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968.

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

This 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.

EPIC MINISTRY- "Fellowship Night" is on Monday, August 18th, 6:30PM at St John A&E, Mililani. Open to young adults ages 18-39. For more information: email: info@epicministry.net, or call (808) 354-0971.

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. There are 15 memorial tiles left to purchase. We already sold 5 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 all Masses on August 16-17. **Tiles must be ordered by August 31, 2025.**



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

The CHOSEN – Season 5 MOVIE:

Friday evenings:

Sept 5, 12, 19, 26

7:00PM - 9:00PM

ONE COMMUNITY CENTER

(2 episodes shown per session)



SEASON OF HOPE – SEASON 4: If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith-sharing group is for you. Meets on Tuesdays August 19, 26, September 2, 9, & 16 from 6:30pm - 8:30pm for prayer, scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more information contact: DcnMike Browning @ (808) 295-3180 | Jeff Esposito @ (808) 392-014

ST JOHN STATUE UPDATE: We would like to sincerely thank the generous donors who gave over \$8000 needed to purchase our St. John statue. It will proudly be displayed near the entrance of our church. We are truly humbled by the overwhelming support of our parishioners. **Mahalo!**



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 24, 2025

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Responsorial Psalm 117:1, 2

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30



ENCOUNTER NIGHTS | EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAYS | 7:00 PM |

REDISCOVER THE SENSE OF ADORATION IN SILENCE

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 18, 2025

8 AM Cat Awong (Special Intentions)
Cecile & Charley Jones (RIP)
Pacífico Datuin (Healing)
Reddy Sales (Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday August 19, 2025

8 AM Patrick M. Mayock (3rd Death Anniversary)
Bonnie Delos Santos (Thanksgiving)

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

8 AM Anna Arzaga (101st Birthday Blessing)
Elaine Gibson (Birthday Blessing/Thanksgiving)
Eufemia Lopez (Healing)
Miguel Bernardo (Birthday Blessing)

Thursday, August 21, 2025

8 AM Theresa Dixon (RIP)
Ramon N. Ramos (Death Anniversary)
Reyes Aguirre (Healing)

Friday, August 22, 2025

8 AM Suzanna Foster (RIP)
Reyes Aguirre (Healing)
Pearl Bates (Thanksgiving)

Saturday, August 23, 2025

8 AM Gerald L. Miller (RIP)
Pacífico Datuin (Healing)

5 PM Marina Márquez (Healing)

Sunday, August 24, 2025

7 AM Wayne Rapozo (Healing)

9 AM *For the People*

11 AM Daisy Rapozo (Healing)

6 PM Suzanna Foster (RIP)

Respect Life “God’s love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather whose we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

[“How to Build a Culture of Life”](#)

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.