



St. John Apostle & Evangelist Catholic Church

March 21/22, 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Pastor's Corner

Aloha my brothers and sisters,

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), published in 1992, was primarily written for bishops as a reference tool for developing local or national catechisms. It serves as a definitive, universal resource for priests, catechists, teachers, and the faithful to ensure doctrinal unity. It is intended for anyone seeking a deeper, authentic understanding of Catholic faith and morals.

Pope St. John Paul II described it as a "*gift to the faithful*" and a "*reference text*" for the whole Church.

The four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) structure Catholic teaching into four interconnected parts: The Profession of Faith (Creed), detailing beliefs; The Celebration of the Christian Mystery (Sacraments), focusing on worship and liturgy; Life in Christ (Morality/Commandments), guiding Christian living; and Christian Prayer (The Lord's Prayer), explaining the spiritual life, forming a comprehensive guide to faith.

Here is a breakdown of each pillar:

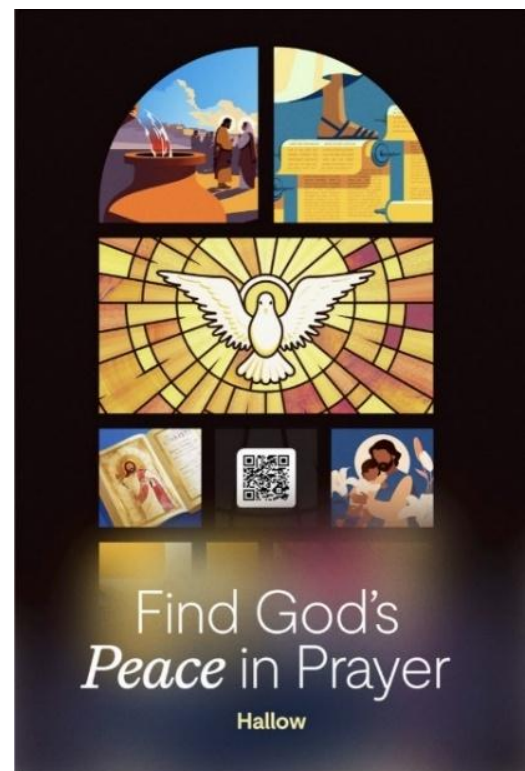
- **The Profession of Faith (The Creed):**
Covers what Catholics believe, from God's creation to the Holy Spirit, summarizing the Apostles' Creed and the core tenets of faith.
- **The Celebration of the Christian Mystery (The Sacraments):** Explains how God's salvation is made present through the Church's liturgy, especially the seven sacraments.
- **Life in Christ (The Commandments):**
Addresses the moral life, human dignity, beatitude, and how to live according to God's law, particularly the Ten Commandments.
- **Christian Prayer (The Lord's Prayer):**
Focuses on the meaning and practice of prayer, culminating in the Our Father, as the expression of the believer's relationship with God.

These pillars provide a complete framework for Catholic formation, connecting belief, worship, action, and prayer.

Next week we will discuss Palm Sunday.

Gratefully yours in the heart of Jesus Christ,

Fr. Anthony Rapozo



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 Fr. Cipriano “Jojo” Alnas
VICAR:
DEACONS: Dcn. Romeo Ganibe
Dcn. Mike Browning

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

<u>STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE</u>	<u>MAR 14/15</u>
Sunday Collection	\$11,351.78
Online Donation (Pushpay)	\$3,843.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$954.00
Healing Mass (3.9.26)	\$176.00
Debt Reduction	\$1,882.00
Funeral	\$300.00
Preschool	\$100.00
Mass Intentions	\$90.00
Candles	\$901.00
Donation	\$50.00
Easter Flowers	\$320.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$2,515.00
Hawaii Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal	\$50.00
<u>WEEKEND TOTAL</u>	<u>\$22,532.78</u>

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM Monday – Saturday
Sunday: 5PM (Anticipated Mass), 7AM, 9AM,
11AM & 6PM

ADORATION TIMES

Monday – Saturday 7AM – 8AM
Friday after 8AM Mass – 9:30 AM
Wednesday 7 PM – 8 PM (Encounter Night)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30PM – 4:30PM

PARISH RECTORY HOURS

Monday Closed
Tuesday – Friday 9AM – 1PM
2PM – 5PM
(Closed 1PM – 2PM
for lunch)
Sunday 8AM – 12:30PM

Please call the office for inquiries: Anointing, Baptism,
Blessing, Funeral, Homebound Communion &
Marriage.

**The parish office will be closed on
Thursday, March 26, in observance of
Prince Kuhio Day.**

MASS INTENTIONS:

Mar 23: (8am) †Ray Balles, †Nancy Gushikuma, †Lee Yanagisako, †Betty Jo Beuscher, Todd & Rhonda Kimura (25yr Wedding Anniversary Blessing) **Mar 24: (8am)** †Ron Mehio, †Tadao Kato, †Dan Komoto, †June Agliam **Mar 25: (8am)** †Charles Okumoto, †Arcadio Guzman, †Ace Kaleohano, Elizabeth Gabriel (Healing/Blessing), †Suzanna Foster **Mar 26: (8am)** †Sam Ah Yee, †Ray Manongdo, †Fe Guadalupe Villareal **Mar 27: (8am)** †Howard Apao, †Hank Llanos, †Ed Alakai, Corpuz Family (Thanksgiving), †Claudio & Tommie Malicay, †Exequiel & Magdalena Malicay **Mar 28: (8am)** †Walter Yamaguchi, Gene San Augustin (Blessing), Rick Malvas (Blessing) **(5pm)** †John Bates **Mar 29: (7am)** †Lucas Rapozo **(9am)** For the people **(11am)** David & Yvette Browning (Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving/Blessings) **(6pm)** †Engracia Pablo (Birthday Memorial) & those mentioned in the Parish Book of Prayers.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES:

Stephanie Rapozo, Bunny Estera, Beth Simon, Ben Topinio, John L. Williams, Geraldo “Gerry” Uytingco, Dolores Villanueva, Wayne Rapozo, Alice Secor, Frank Thompson, Rose Garcia, Ricardo Bautista Sr., Sheena Marie Ciarlante-Villanueva, Jose L. Villanueva, Mark Ortogero, John Bates, Nathan Kotch, Thomas Ramos, Clarita Martinez, Abraham “Abe” Wilson, Betty Jo Buescher, Stephanie Jamile, & Matio Vellalos.

Fifth Sunday of Lent Time Year A

***Josiah 5:9-10-12 The people of God went to the Promised Land and they kept the Passover.
2 Corinthians 5:17-21 God reconciled us to Himself through Christ.
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 Your brother here was dead and has come to life.***

Saint Paul speaks of the ministry of reconciliation that was Christ's and that we have ourselves experience and are now commissioned to provide to others. Evangelization is reconciliation. We are summoned to heal the wounds of division. How are we peacemakers in our community?

Luke tells the story of the prodigal son and continues the theme of reconciliation. It is easy for us to identify with the younger son. We can see times when we have sinned, and it is comforting to know that there is forgiveness available. But what of the elder son? How do we feel about forgiveness when we have been responsible while we see others as irresponsible? There is a lot of anger and meanness in our country today. We all have groups of people whom we feel are getting away with things whether it be welfare mothers or international corporations. Yet our ministry is not one of blame but of reconciliation and justice.

The story of the two brothers also speaks to a major aspect of our reconciliation ministry: our brothers and sisters who are alienated from the church. We all know people who used to be Catholics. Are we comfortable sharing our faith with them? Do they know that we are practicing Catholics? Are we willing to answer their questions?

We do not want to drag them home. That is not what happens in the parable, but the younger son does realize that he would be better off at home than where he is. Are we getting that message across to the alienated Catholics whom we know? Do we share how we manage to be Catholics and modern people at the same time? How do we as a parish promote this message?

Taken from Evangelization Homily Hints, By Richard Chilsom, C.S.P.



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The Annunciation

The Angel Gabriel appeared and all of Heaven trembled in anticipation. Mary gives her fiat and our long wait is over! Generation after generation of longing and aching for a Messiah comes to fulfillment.

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An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Divorce Support Group

If you or someone you know is seeking hope and encouragement in the midst of separation or divorce, you are not alone. Please join us for fellowship as we walk together on this journey.

Date: 2nd Saturdays of the month
(Next session: April 11)
Time: 9:00-10:00 am
Location: SJAE, OCC Conference Rm

POC: Elisa Hammer
E-mail: elisa.hammer@me.com

CRUX
Daily Lenten Meditations
Meets every Saturday during the Lenten season through April 4.
9:00-10:00 am in OCC Conference Rm.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66



FATHER ANTHONY'S STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Aloha! Our parish vision of stewardship is one that sees Stewardship as a Way of Life, that begins with Love. It is not about collecting money though; it is about sharing the gifts that God has given each of us. The financial needs of the parish have very little to do with our individual practice of living out a Stewardship Way of Life.

NUMBER 25 – COMMITMENT

When we answer the call to discipleship and accept the invitation and the challenge, we make a commitment. The commitment that we make may be to join a ministry or to spend more time with God in prayer or to give treasure. The commitment we make helps us to grow in our intentional discipleship. We may make a commitment to try a ministry to help us discern how we are to serve God. It is important to make a commitment. The act of making a commitment helps to define our personal relationship with God by placing our stewardship at a higher priority in our life. Nothing helps our personal relationship with God like putting Him first. As you grow in discipleship you make a commitment to God and to yourself. Making a commitment, and following through, enhances your personal relationship with God.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Embracing God's Love, United in Generosity

God created man and woman in his image, reminding us that every person is sacred and reflects God's love. Each of us has a purpose, woven into God's plan. Our support of CRS Rice Bowl provides hope and opportunity to families around the world.

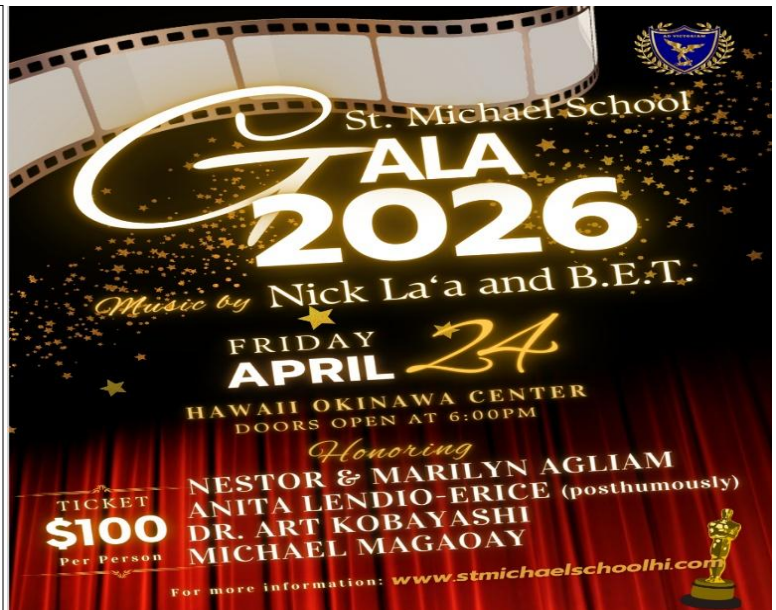
Let's reflect on how our prayers, fasting, and almsgiving can help our sisters and brothers fulfill their potential. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-5 to read this week's Story of Hope. You may donate via our parish website "Give Online" link as well.



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Aloha my brothers and sisters,

This past weekend, we experienced a severe Kona storm. Consequently, our parish suffered extensive storm-related damage. Therefore, I would like to provide you with a report detailing the damages we sustained and the steps we are taking to address these issues and carry out the necessary repairs.

The following areas of our church property were damaged:

1. The main Church building
2. The Parish Life Center classrooms
3. The parish Rectory/Office

The church has two significant leaks in the primary worship area. One leak is situated right above our baptismal font, allowing water to enter the font during the storm. The second leak was detected just behind the last row on the right side of the church, and there may also be minor leaks in that area.

The second-floor classrooms of the Parish Life Center (Preschool Building) and the RE office experienced major leaks. It appears that the water entered through the windows, subsequently following the path of least resistance down the high beams of the roof. The water then descended into the classrooms, affecting the desks and floors.

In the Rectory/Office building, both the copier room and main conference room have developed leaks, which are located on the first floor only. Fortunately, there were no problems in the second-floor rooms. However, the conference room sustained water damage to its ceiling. The ceiling of the copier room, along with its light fixture, has also been affected by water damage. There are water bubbles on the ceiling, and water leaked onto the floor. Additionally, one of our ceiling LED lights was compromised by rainwater entering its system, leading to its failure. We have turned off the power to that specific room until repairs can be made.

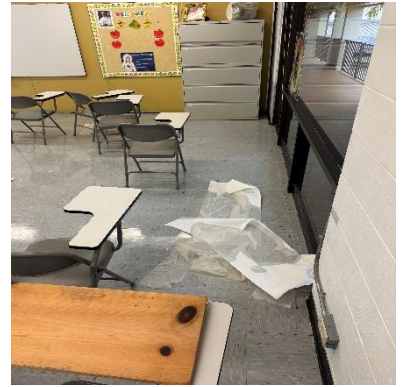
As of date, we have submitted an insurance claim with the Diocese's insurance carrier. We are in the process of contacting vendors to obtain estimates for these repair projects, which we will then present to the Diocese.

We have included photographs of the damaged areas on the second page of this report. We will continue to keep the parish updated on the progress of our repairs.

Sincerely,

Fr. Anthony

Classroom Photos



Parish Office



Church Building



REMEMBER A LOVED ONE AT EASTER. Easter flower envelopes are available at the back of the church, or you may donate through online giving by visiting our parish website. Please note that if you choose to donate via our online giving, we kindly ask that you include the name of your loved one in the notes section so we can honor them accordingly. If you have already donated, please email or contact the front office so we can update your information. Mahalo!

Stations of the Cross will be on Friday, March 27, 2026, at 6:30PM, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Diocese of Honolulu 2026 Lenten Regulations

FASTING

- ❖ In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 18, 2026) and Good Friday (April 03, 2026).
- ❖ To *fast* means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (except for water and medicine) is not permitted on days of fasting.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

- ❖ Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.
- ❖ To abstain means refraining from eating the flesh, marrow and blood products of beef, veal, pork, or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

2026 HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday March 29  Regular Sunday Schedule	Holy Thursday April 2  7:00 PM Mass	Good Friday April 3  3:00 PM & 6:00 PM Service Stations of the Cross at 5:30 PM	Holy Saturday April 4  7:00 PM Mass	Easter Sunday April 5  7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM Masses NO 6:00 PM MASS
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