

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

December 03, 2023

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919



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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins Weekdays & Sundays at 4:00 p Saturdays at 3:00 p

Mass Schedule

6 am 12:15 pm Monday—Friday
7 am Saturday Morning

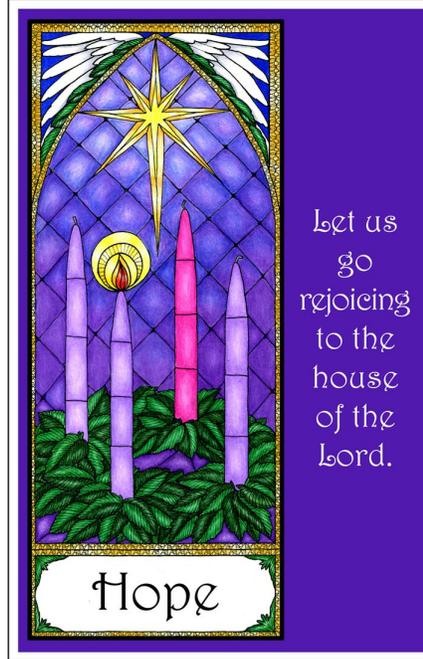
5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass
7 am, 9 am, 11:45 am and 6 pm Sunday



Roman Catholic Church
in the State of Hawaii
Diocese of Honolulu
Witness to Jesus



To stir up
the Eucharist



Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

December 8, Feast of Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation in the Diocese of Honolulu
Mass times are:
6 am, 12:15 pm and 7 pm

1st Sunday of Advent – 2023 (B)

“Maranatha. Come, Lord Jesus, come.”

Advent is here. The wonderful season of waiting begins. As the Gospel exhorts us: “Be Alert and Watch” so we must live each day in a constant state of being ready to meet Our Lord Jesus when He comes.

And How do we prepare for the Lord’s coming? To begin with, we must not be caught sleeping but rather actively engaging in the works of the master. We must be ready to respond to the summon of the Lord with joy and anticipation. If we know that someone we love and care about is coming, we will be full of excitement. Thus, fear has no place during this season of joyful expectation.

We must be vigilant not to miss the opportunities to meet the Lord Jesus in our daily life. We must not waste this time of preparation by engaging in things that will distract us from the holy endeavor of welcoming the Lord. We need to live our faith each day like our whole future depended on it. And when we fall short and sin, we humbly turn back to the Lord and ask for forgiveness and retrace our steps.

This Advent we again pray: “Maranatha. Come, Lord Jesus come.”

Forgot your Check Book? Make your offering to St. Joseph Church, Hilo online. Simply click on the QR Code and process your offering.

Thank You and God Bless.



Scripture
OF THE WEEK

Monday, Dec 04

Is 2:1-5
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9
Mt 8:5-11

Thursday, Dec 07

Is 26:1-6
Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Saturday, Dec 09

Is 30:19-21, 23-26
Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Tuesday, Dec 05

Is 11:1-10
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Lk 10:21-24

Friday, Dec 08

Gn 3:9-15, 20
Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38

Sunday, Dec 10

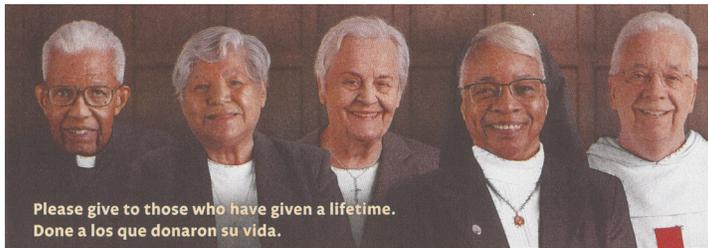
Is 40:1-5, 9-11
Ps 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14
2 Pt 3:8-14
Mk 1:1-8

Sunday, Dec 03

Is 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
1 Cor 1:3-9
Mk 13:33-37

Wednesday, Dec 06

Is 25:6-10a
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Mt 15:29-37



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.
Done a los que donaron su vida.

Retirement Fund for Religious
Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos retiredreligious.org

Please consider donating to the Retirement Fund for Religious next weekend. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sister, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others.

Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously!

*****Christmas Donations Needed*****

Christmas wreaths, artificial or natural are welcome to decorate the Church (12" diameter or larger, include a wire or cord hanger.) Deliver to the church on **Dec. 14th.**

Potted poinsettias (red, pink, white, any size) are welcome as altar decorations. Deliver to church during **Dec.20-23.**

Wreaths and poinsettias will remain in the church until Jan.10th. Attach your name and tele-phone number if you want it returned.

For more info, ask Mary Correa



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Recently, Fr. Poli posed this question to some of our parishioners, **“Why do you choose to remain a Catholic?”**
Here are some of their responses:

*I practically grew up with my grandmother. And everyday, after dinner, I would see her before her small altar praying the rosary. And somehow her serene appearance made a deep impression in me. It was like she has found peace within. And I guess it was something that I secretly desired for myself.
And when I finally started a life of my own and was confronted by all the troubles of the world that memory of grandma’s serenity comes to me. So I started praying the rosary everyday and for some reason, during those quiet moments of praying I found myself calm and at peace. Those short moments of prayer grew on me and I found myself going to church to spend more time with God. My life is not perfect but I know God takes good care of me.*

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Two things that keep me in the Catholic Church. Holy Mass and Holy Confession. In these two sacraments I am assured of God’s love for me.

So, what are your reasons?

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for the Sick and Homebound

Prior to the pandemic, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion were regularly called forward after Communion to take the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ to the sick and homebound members of our parish. The ritual sending of these ministers not only extended the grace of Communion to those too ill or infirm to attend Mass, but also reminded the congregation of those who are still one with us even though they can’t be present.

To keep the clergy and lay ministers safe during the pandemic, parishes were encouraged to limit the handling of vessels, including the pyx used to carry the Body from Mass to the home. This meant that the pyxes were filled when the Eucharistic ministers themselves received Communion, so the ritual sending was omitted.

St. Joseph parish was recently informed that the diocese has returned to the practice of ritually sending Eucharistic ministers to the homebound. For those ministers who have been distributing Communion to the homebound, you may now give your pyx to the sacristan prior to Mass. Please label the pyx with the number of hosts you need. The pyxes will be laid on the altar during the preparation of gifts, so the hosts in them will be consecrated during the Eucharistic Prayer. After Communion and the commentator announcements, the priest will call up those who will take Communion to the homebound. You may then go to him to receive your pyx.

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	November 21-27	YTD Actual
Collections	8,949.54	210,512.78
Other Regular Income	230.30	23,716.33
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	50.00	275.00
Convent Lease		34,000.00
R&M Collection	275.00	12,313.00
Security Project		718.00
Feed the Hungry	230.00	1,596.00
Other Unusual Income		2,621.37
Total Income	9,734.84	285,752.48
Loan to School		20,619.05
Designated Funds		355,543.09
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		456,152.98

DONATE TO FEEDING THE HUNGRY!

We are currently seeking monetary donations for a new certified kitchen, or donations of the items below for our monthly feeding the hungry ministry. Contact Bernie at (808)640-8709 for more information.

- Corn (#10 size can)
- Tomato Sauce (#10 size can)
- Kidney Beans (#10 size can)
- Tomato Paste (#10 size can)
- Mild Salsa (Gallon)
- Hickory BBQ Sauce (Gallon)

Supplies: Paper 5-Part Luau Plates & 3-Section To-Go Containers, Napkins, Paper Drinking Cups, Utensils (Compostable), Sandwich size ziploc bags

We would like to thank everyone who donated all other ingredients we have in stock. Mahalo for your generosity! We appreciate anything you can do to contribute to our current above list.



**Mahalo,
Service Pillar**

03 7:00 Mass-FP 9:00 Mass-FP 11:45 Mass-FF 6:00 Mass-FF	04 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF 6:00 RCIA	05 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP	06 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	07 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF	08 6:00 Mass-FF 9:00 SJS Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FP 7:00 pm Mass-FF	09 7:00 Mass-FP 10:00 Confession 5:00 Mass-FP
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Congratulations to Koltyn and Ayden who were Confirmed and received their First Holy Communion last Sunday!



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

National Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you give us your flesh and blood for the life of the world, and you desire that all people come to the Supper of the Sacrifice of the Lamb. Renew in your Church the truth, beauty, and goodness contained in the Most Blessed Eucharist.

Jesus living in the Eucharist, come and live in me.

Jesus healing in the Eucharist, come and heal me.

Jesus sacrificing yourself in the Eucharist, come and suffer in me.

Jesus rising in the Eucharist, come and rise to new life in me.

Jesus loving in the Eucharist, come and love in me.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the paschal mystery of your death and resurrection made present in every Holy Mass, pour out your healing love on your Church and on our world. Grant that as we lift you up during this time of Eucharistic Revival, your Holy Spirit may draw all people to join us at this Banquet of Life. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Our Lady of Peace, Mother of the Eucharist, Pray for us.

St. Joseph, silent adorer of the Eucharist, Pray for us.

As part of our response for the Year of Eucharistic Revival,
St. Joseph Church will offer Eucharistic adoration on the 2nd Sunday of each month from
10:30 to 11:30 am.



Please plan to join us on December 10th.