ST. September 17, 2023

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919



Priests:

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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

PRAY FOR US!



Please remember St. Joseph Parish in your will!



24th Sunday in ordinary Time – 2023 (A) "... To forgive is divine!"

Difficult and sometimes seemingly impossible, to forgive without limit is not an option. It is our Christian duty and commitment. It is a sacred task from Our Lord Jesus that has been entrusted by the Lord to whoever will be His disciple.

When Peter asked: "When my brother wrongs me, how often must I forgive him? Seven times?", he thought he was being magnanimous as the Jewish law requires that one must forgive at least three times. After that, one is no longer bound to offer forgiveness to an erring brother. But Jesus was quick to correct him by saying that a disciple is not to count the number of times he or she forgives. Forgiveness must be without limit because it springs from the grace of God.

For giveness is not easy both for the person asking and the one giving it. For the person asking, it takes a lot of courage and humility to admit that we are wrong. We find all kind of excuses or we try to blame somebody else. But even more so for the one giving it. The pain and the hurt and the damage done can be so great that it weighs heavy in a person's heart. But the truth is, the longer we hold on to the pain and hurt the heavier they become and the more miserable one's life is.

Choosing to forgive brings the grace of healing both for the one forgiven and the one giving it. The burden of guilt is lightened for one who receives forgiveness. And hopefully one learns a lesson in life and is able to start anew. The one who forgives is also graced. The one offering forgiveness is freed of the burden that weighs heavily in one's heart.

For both the person who receives and the person who offers forgiveness – it is an experience of Grace that comes from the Lord. "To forgive is divine."



Sunday, Sept 17

Sir 27:30—28:7 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

Monday, Sept 18

1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9 Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday, Sept 19

1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6 Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday, Sept 20

1 Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 7:31-35

Thursday, Sept 21

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Mt 9:9-13

Friday, Sept 22

1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20 Lk 8:1-3

Saturday, Sept 23

1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Lk 8:4-15

Sunday, Sept 24

Is 55:6-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a



Sunday, September 24, 2023

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. We honor our priests, without whom the Mass could not be offered, and Sacraments could not be celebrated.

The Filipino Catholic Club cordially invites you to celebrate the feast of **San Lorenzo Ruiz**, the first Filipino Saint canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 18, 1987. A nine day novena rosary will begin Tuesday 9/19 until Wednesday 9/27. Weekday novena will take place @ 6pm and weekend novena @ 3pm in the downstairs meeting room. On his feast day Thursday September 28, there will be a mass @ 6pm followed by potluck fellowship in the downstairs meeting room. Spread the good word and hope to see you there. For any questions, please contact me, Christina @ 808-640-4180.



Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

September	YTD Actual	
Collections	8,631.95	99,174.38
Other Regular Income	141.97	9,753.84
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	0.00	200.00
Convent Lease		8,500.00
R&M Collection	230.00	8,733.00
Security Project	5.00	314.00
Feed the Hungry	10.00	240.00
Other Unusual Income		635.21
Total Income	9,018.92	127,550.43
Loan to School		25,738.09
Designated Funds		293,407.83
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		454,933.87





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Recently, Fr. Poli posed this question to some of our students at St. Joseph School, "*Why do you choose to be a Catholic*?" Here is what they said:

"I choose to be a Catholic because being a Catholic makes me feel good through His loving ways. Being in the presence of the Lord opens my heart and I feel alive. I like the feeling of knowing that God is always with me and guiding me through my life. I know that God is always with me, and that's what I enjoy the most. My faith helps me to feel safe because I am able to trust in Him and have a true meaningful relationship with God. I also love being part of a community of people who worship and praise God together." -Jaselle (Gr. 10)

"I want to be Catholic (fully initiated) so that I can have a closer relationship with Jesus. Being Catholic means you are associated with a community that can be considered a family of faithful believers, which is what I want to be a part of. Being Catholic provides a different way of living; you don't have to carry all the burdens alone and God is always guaranteed to be there, to guide you towards better things. Above this, I want to show everyone how proud I am of my faith and that I am committed to not only Christ but also my brothers and sisters." -Kirra (Gr. 12)

What wonderful and honest responses!



DIOCESAN ROSARY CONGRESS 2023 OCTOBER 7-13TH

ST. JOSEPH PARISH WILL BE COVERING 6 AM TO 12 PM ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 12TH.

MARK YOU CALENDARS!

MARY, MOTHER OF THE EUCHARIST, LEAD US TO HIM!



SAVE THE DATE

East Hawaii Vicariate Youth Stewardship Day Event presents:

"Eucharist, Center of our Faith & Families"



Join us for Mass, Breakout Sessions for all age groups, & Lunch

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 @ 830 AM St Joseph School Gym

All are welcome to this FREE Event! This is also the First Day for Religious Education Participants! Bring a snack to share or donate! We are in need of volunteers and funding for supplies. Contact Crystal or Bernie at the Office. Mahalo!

FEEDING THE HUNGRY IS BACK!

We plan to continue feeding the hungry chili every 3rd Thursday of the month at 12 noon. If you would like to volunteer or donate any of the items below, please drop them off at the office or call Bernie at (808)640-8709.

We will need volunteers and the following donations below every month:

Ground Beef (25 lbs)
Red Hot Dogs (200 pcs)
Calrose Rice (20 lbs)
Whole Corn (6 cans, #10 size)
Kidney Beans (6 cans, #10 size)
Diced Tomatoes (2 cans, #10 size)
Tomato Sauce (2 cans, #10 size)
Tomato Paste (12 cans, 6 oz. size)

Paper Goods are also accepted: 5-Part Luau Plates, 3-Section To-Go Containers, Napkins, Utensils (Compostable)

We appreciate anything you can do to contribute to this list!

Mahalo, Service Pillar The following ministries below will start soon after the September 30th stewardship event and Fall Break:

Mondays at 6pm (Starts October 16)
- RCIA for new and returning adult members and any of their children.

<u>Sundays at 1015am (Starts October 22)</u>
- Classes for Confirmation and First
Holy Communion for ages 7 - 12, and
13 - 17. *Students needing baptism
may also attend these classes.

- Youth & Young Adult Ministry for ages 13 and up.

Register or sign-up to volunteer by contacting Crystal. Contact information is as follows:

(808) (808) ccast Or v

(808)935-1465 Office (808)378-7778 Cell/Txt ccastillo@rcchawaii.org Or visit stjoehilo.com and click on "Religious Education."

September 2023

Office open 9-1 Monday thru Friday except Holidays

17	18	19	20	21	22	23
7:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FP	7:00 Mass-FF
7:30 Keaau-FF						
9:00 Mass-FP					12:15 Mass-FF	
10:30 Mt. View-	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FF		10:00 Confessions
FF						1 pm Wedding-FP
					5:30 Wedding re-	
11:45 Mass-FP			6:00 Alabarae	6:00 pm St. Joseph	hearsal	5:00 Mass-FP
			Choir rehearsal	Choir rehearsal		
6:00 Mass-FF						5:30 Mt. View-FF

Parents & Guardians:

Please accompany ALL minors (ages 17 & younger) to the restrooms. It is **YOUR** kuleana to keep them safe while attending Mass & parish events.



Effective immediately the bathrooms will remain locked during **Sunday 6pm mass**. Please see a Hospitality Minister to accompany you to the bathroom.

SAFETY NEEDS TO BE EVERYONE'S PRIORITY



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 October 8.