

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



**January 21, 2024**

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

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### OHANA IN CHRIST update:

**As of January 1, 2024 St. Joseph Church has reached 82% of our goal  
for the fiscal year.**

Collected	Goal	% vs. Goal
\$ 14,522	\$17,691	82%

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – 2024 (B)

*Then they abandoned their nets and followed him.*

Our gospel this Sunday begins with the preaching of Jesus on coming of the kingdom of God. For Jesus, there are two essential prerequisites to be part of the Kingdom: first is to repent and second is to believe in the gospel. This means that one has experienced a kind of renewal that the person is willing to let go of the old self and be transformed to a new person who is captivated by Christ and His gospel.

And this is what the call of the first disciples of Jesus mirrors to us. The vocation stories of Simon and Andrew, and James and John tells us of the necessary transformation from being fishermen to becoming fishers of men! To leave their old ways of life and to embark into anew one with Christ was indeed a giant leap of faith. And we know they did not automatically changed into perfect disciples but their journey to becoming true followers of Christ began. They had a lot to learn but Jesus was patient enough to guide and form them.

But they sure were ready to leave their nets that entangled them from following Christ. We, too, are challenged by the Lord to let go of those that bind or entangle us with the world and begin the journey of a disciple of the Kingdom of God.

Let us remember this invitation of Jesus every time we pray: May your Kingdom come.

# Scripture OF THE WEEK

## Sunday, Jan 21

Jon 3:1-5, 10  
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
1 Cor 7:29-31  
Mk 1:14-20

## Monday, Jan 22

2 Sm 5:1-7, 10  
Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26  
Mk 3:22-30

## Tuesday, Jan 23

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19  
Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10  
Mk 3:31-35

## Wednesday, Jan 24

2 Sm 7:4-17  
Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30  
Mk 4:1-20

## Thursday, Jan 25

Acts 22:3-16  
Ps 117:1bc, 2  
Mk 16:15-18

## Friday, Jan 26

2 Tm 1:1-8  
Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10  
Mk 4:26-34

## Saturday, Jan 27

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17  
PS 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17  
Mk 4:35-41

## Sunday, Jan 28

Dt 18:15-20  
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9  
1 Cor 7:32-35  
Mk 1:21-28

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 am grateful that I was able to attend a Catholic School. Little did I know that the little things that were observed in the school like praying before and after class or attending mass at school chapel were things I will hold on to when facing the struggles of adult life. For some reason when I do not know what to do, I am led to the Church to pray and ask God’s help. Not that everything I ask were granted but, somehow I know God will be there. And such stories I realized are also shared by my friends from school.”*

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**So, what are your reasons?**

Big Island sisters and brothers,

- Are you civilly married and wishing to receive the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony?
- Are you not married, but hope to marry soon the person you are with?
- Were you married in another church, but wish to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony?

If any of these situations apply to you, you are fortunate indeed! On February 24 and 25, St. Joseph Church in Hilo will be the site for our Engaged Encounter Retreat. This retreat is required for anyone wanting to marry in the Catholic Church in the Honolulu Diocese. This is the only retreat to happen in East Hawaii this year, and the only retreat to occur on the Big Island until another Engaged Encounter Retreat is hosted at St. Michael the Archangel Church in Kailua Kona in late September.

Don't delay. Seating availability at our retreat is limited.

Take advantage of this opportunity to deepen your faith, learn valuable communications skills, and to draw closer to that person with whom you desire a lifetime commitment. Please discuss your marriage desires with your pastor or deacon before registering.

You can register for this retreat at: [www.hawaii.engagedencounter.com](http://www.hawaii.engagedencounter.com)

For more information, talk to your pastor or Contact Deacon Charley Mapa and Gwenda @ (808) 987-8713, Fred and Patty Basilio @ (808) 896-5432 or Rose Nunogawa @ (808) 987-7990.

Peace, Dcn Charley



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Congratulations to **Julian Taifmai**, who was accepted as a candidate into the Deacon formation program on Sunday, January 14th. Please continue to pray for Julian and Joan and all the members of Cohort #11 as they continue on their formation journey.

The Parish **Lectors** dinner will be on Friday, February 2, at Lam's Garden in Hilo. Gathering starts at 5:30pm with dinner at 6:00pm. The cost is \$40 per person. Checks may be made payable to St. Joseph Church or to Cash. Please contact your respective Mass Lector Coordinator by Tuesday, January 23, to reserve your place. A firm count must be submitted to Lam's in advance. Thank you.

A quote from St. John Paul II:

*“Love is never something ready made, something merely 'given' to man and woman, it is always at the same time a 'task' which they are set. Love should be seen as something which in a sense never 'is' but is always only 'becoming', and what it becomes depends up on the contribution of both persons and the depth of their commitment.”*

## World Marriage Day, February 11, 2024



## ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS 2024

In lieu of the annual Memorial Mass, this year St. Joseph Church will remember and honor those parishioners & their loved ones who died in the past year (2023). **The names will be displayed in the Church on the WEEKEND of JANUARY 27-28, 2024.**

If you have a loved one who died in 2023, please call the rectory office at (808)-935-1465, to submit their name. All names MUST be collected by January 23.

## Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	Jan. 9-16	YTD Actual
<b>Collections</b>	7,776.86	309,426.61
<b>Other Regular Income</b>	1,043.69	30,108.10
<b>Unusual Income:</b>		
<b>Choirs</b>	0.00	275.00
<b>Convent Lease</b>		42,500.00
<b>R&amp;M Collection</b>	150.00	17,158.00
<b>Security Project</b>	100.00	928.00
<b>Feed the Hungry</b>	30.00	2,346.00
<b>Other Unusual Income</b>		6,782.34
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>9,100.55</b>	<b>409,524.05</b>
<b>Loan to School</b>		15,500.01
<b>Designated Funds</b>		364,315.79
<b>Restricted Parish Hall Funds</b>		456,488.02

### **DONATE OR VOLUNTEER TO FEED THE HUNGRY!**

We are currently seeking monetary donations for a new certified kitchen, or donations of the following items for our monthly Feeding the Hungry Ministry. Or you may volunteer your time to the following shifts below. Contact Bernie at (808)640-8709 for more information. Mahalo for your generosity and any contributions to these lists!

#### Monthly Items needed:

Ground Beef (Goal: 25 pounds)  
 Red Hot Dogs (Goal: 350 Red Hot Dogs)  
 Yellow Whole Corn (#10 size can)  
 Kidney Beans (#10 size can)  
 Tomato Paste (#10 size can)  
 Mild Salsa (Gallon)  
 Hickory BBQ Sauce (Gallon)

#### Volunteer Shifts needed every 3rd Thursday of the month:

07:00AM - 11:00AM Cooking  
 09:00AM - 11:00AM Setup Tables  
 10:00AM - 01:00PM Prep & Serve  
 12:00PM - 02:30PM Cleanup & Breakdown Tables

Supplies: Paper 5-part Luau Plates & 3-section TO-GO Containers, Napkins, Paper Drinking Cups, Utensils(Compostable)



# January 2024

**Office open 9-1 Monday thru Friday except Holidays**

21 7:00 Mass-FP 9:00 Mass-FP 11:45 Mass-FF 6:00 Mass-FF	22 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass	23 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP	24 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP	25 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF	26 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP	27 7:00 Mass-FF 10:00 Confession 5:00 Mass-FP
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Please return your blessed palms from last year's Palm Sunday. We will use them to make the ashes for our upcoming Ash Wednesday, February 14. Mahalo for your cooperation.



Couples are invited to attend a World Wide Marriage Encounter Sharing Group on Sunday, 1/28/24, 2-4pm at St Michael the Archangel in Kailua-Kona. Contact [WWMEBigIsland@gmail.com](mailto:WWMEBigIsland@gmail.com) or 808.478.6071 for more information.



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 February 11.**

