

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

Since 1974, National Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last Sunday in January and runs all week, which in 2024 is January 28-February 3. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2024 is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community."



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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4th Sunday of Ordinary time – 2024 (B)

"...He taught with authority!"

As we live our everyday lives, whose authority are we willing to follow? Who do we allow to captivate our heart and take hold of our lives? The gospel this Sunday reminds us of how people were astonished when they heard Jesus for he taught them with authority. Furthermore "with authority he commands the unclean spirits and they obey him. But where does Jesus' authority emanate?

One's authority can be acquired in many ways. Some obtain it through the influence of their family. Other's through their personal accomplishment. Or through the position that has been bestowed upon the person. Or through their charm or use of power and aggression. For our Lord Jesus, the source of his authority and all authority for that matter is God his Father. His own authority stems from oneness with his Father. The authority of Jesus is grounded in His faithfulness to the Word of God.

Are we the willing to surrender our lives and put it in the hands of Jesus. Our willingness to do so entails our readiness to cultivate this oneness with God and listens to the voice of His beloved Son.



<u>Sunday, Jan 28</u>

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

Monday, Jan 29

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, Jan 30

2 Sm18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday, Jan 31

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday, Feb 1

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 (Ps) 1 Chronicles 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd Mk 6:7-13

Friday, Feb 2

Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40

Saturday, Feb 3

1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, Mk 6:30-34 Mk 6:30-34

Sunday, Feb 4

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

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:

"My greatest influence why I remain and will remain a Catholic is my father. He was such a loving and responsi-When it comes to Church, he was willing to do everything. And this was because as a young boy during the war, his whole family survived through the help of their parish priest.

And he raised us with that deep sense of gratitude to God – that everything we have was out of God's goodness. He was quick to see everything as a blessing from God. He was happy and contented with life and was living it to the fullest despite the many struggles and challenges. And for me and my family, that was his lasting legacy. He helped us find God in our lives."

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 you 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 register-

You can register for this retreat at: 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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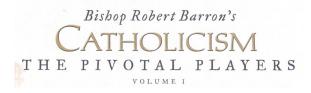
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CATHOLICISM: *The Pivotal Players* showcases a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization.

Journey with Bishop Barron and your fellow parishioners to explore the lasting influence of these *Pivotal Players*.

Our parish journey begins on February 15, 2024. For more information and to register, please contact Crystal Castillo or stop by the parish office.

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:						
Jan. 17-2	YTD Actual					
Collections	8,236.00	317,662.61				
Other Regular In- come	237.28	34,059.74				
Unusual Income:						
Choirs	0.00	275.00				
Convent Lease		51,000.00				
R&M Collection	40.00	17,198.00				
Security Project	4.00	932.00				
Feed the Hungry	210.00	2,556.00				
Other Unusual Income		7,479.00				
Total Income	8,727.28	431,162.35				
Loan to School		15,500.01				
Designated Funds		371,741.93				
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		456,875.88				

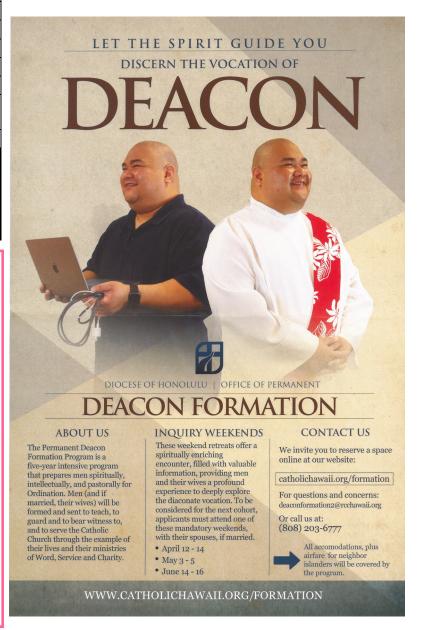
A quote from Fulton Sheen:

"It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God. Without God people only succeed in bringing out the worst in one another. Lovers who have nothing else to do but love each other soon find there is nothing else. Without a central loyalty life is unfinished."



World Marriage Day, February 11, 2024

Bernie Rasay said that she was happy to report that the January Hot meal served 341 meals. Thank so much for your help and generosity in feeding the hungry.



January 2024

Office open 9-1 Monday thru Friday except Holidays

28	29	30	31	01	02	03
7:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 Mass-FF	6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 Mass-FF	7:00 Mass-FF
9:00 Mass-FP						
	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FP	10:00 Confession
11:45 Mass-FF						
6:00 Mass-FF						
						5:00 Mass-FP

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.



DESPERATELY NEED HELP – To cook malasadas on Sunday, February 4, at Aunty Sally's. Set up is 5:00am. Closing and cleanup begins at 2:00PM. The festivities are the Portuguese Chamber's annual Malasadas Shuffle and Spring Fest. Help will be needed throughout the day and you can volunteer for the time you are available. To schedule your time to help, Please contact Bernie Rasay by text or call 808-640-8709. Proceeds from malasada sales will go to the Parish "Feed the Hungry" program.



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.