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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph Church

Weekdays:

Mon.-Fri.

6:00 am & 12:15 pm Saturday: 7:00 am Legal Holidays: 7:00 am

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday:

St. Joseph Church 7:00 am. 9:00 am. 11:45 am & 6:00pm

Youth Mass

Dec. 23 & 25 11:45 am



CONFESSION

Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am St. Joseph Church or by appointment

*Please note: confession schedule does not apply during some liturgical seasons.

PRAYER TIMES

Adoration:

M-F 4-5:00 pm Sat 3-3:30 pm Sun 4-4:30 pm

Evening Prayer & Benediction

M-F 5:00 pm Sat 3:30 pm Sun 4:30 pm





May the Infant Jesus fill your hearts with the gift of Love, Encourage you with the gift of Hope And bless you with the promise of Peace. Wishing you a holy and happy Christmas Season!

Fr. Sam & Fr. Clifford



Mission Statement: Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ as we seek fullness of life. Blessed with many cultures and gifted with the Hawaiian spirit of Aloha we pledge to share our heritage and our faith, and commit ourselves to the full development of our people. With Saint Joseph as our patron we offer our gift of self for the greater glory of God.

Pastor's Corner

4th Sunday of Advent

Dear brothers and sisters.

Peace!

This first reading from the Prophet Micah mentions of Bethlehem, the town where David was born and grew up: "But you, Bethlehem-Ephratha, too small to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel; whose origin is from of old, from ancient times."



This dream of the Prophet Micah was fulfilled in Jesus. However, he would not be a political ruler who would go into war but a spiritual leader, bringing unity and peace and offering salvation. He would be born in Bethlehem which means "House of Bread" and resting in a manger, a feeding trough for animals.

As we celebrate the birth of the Lord, let us be reminded of what the name of this town signifies. Let us deepen our love and reverence for Jesus, the Bread of Life.

God bless you, In Jesus, our fullness of Life,

Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS

PRAYER FOR ADVENT

God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy, so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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Scripture Readings

Sunday, Dec. 23

Mi 5:1-4a

Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Heb 10:5-10

Lk 1:39-45

Monday, Dec. 24 Vigil

Is 62:1-5

Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

Mt 1:1-25

Tuesday, Dec. 25

Midnight:

Is 9:1-6

Ps 96:1-3, 11-13

Ti 2:11-14

Lk 2:1-14

Dawn:

Is 62:11-12

Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12

Ti 2:11-14

Lk 2:1-14

Day:

Is 52:7-10

Ps 98:1-6

Heb 1:1-6

Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday, Dec. 26

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59

Ps 31:3-4, 6-8, 17-21

Mt 10:17-22

Thursday, Dec. 27

1 Jn 1:1-4

Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12

Jn 20:2-8

Friday, Dec. 28

1 Jn 1:5-2:2

Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8

Mt 2:13-18

Saturday, Dec. 29

1 Jn 2:3-11

Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6

Lk 2:22-35

Sunday, Dec. 30

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28

Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10

1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24

Lk 2:41-52



WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, Dec. 24 "Vigil of Christmas"

Rectory & School offices closed

4:00 am •Advent Novena Mass/Church

11:30 am •Food Pantry/SJ Social Ministry Center

6:00 pm •Christmas Vigil Mass/Church 9:00 pm •Christmas Vigil Mass/Church

12:00 am • Christmas Mass/Church

TUESDAY, Dec. 25 "Nativity of the Lord" Christmas Rectory & School offices closed

7:00 am
 9:00 am
 11:45 am
 Christmas Day Mass/Church
 Christmas Day Mass/Church

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 26

6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

THURSDAY, Dec. 27

6:30 pm •SJ Choir Rehearsal/Church

FRIDAY, Dec. 28 SATURDAY, Dec. 29

8:15 am • Church Cleaners #7/Church

8:30 am •Bible Sharing w/Mary Ann Leite/Library

10:00 am •Reconciliation/Church

SUNDAY, Dec. 30

10:15 am •NO Religious Ed. Classes (Christmas break)

MONDAY, Dec. 31 Holiday—Rectory &

School offices closed

7:00 am11:30 am

•Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass

•Food Pantry/SJ Social Ministry Center

TUESDAY, Jan. 1, 2013 Holiday—Rectory & School offices closed

7:00 am •Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass

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February 23-24: Engaged Encounter will be having a weekend retreat on February 23-24, 2013 in Hilo. The Diocesan guidelines strongly advocates it preferably six months before marriage. Please register at hawaiicee.org. For more information, contact 961-2442

Eternal rest grant unto them
O Lord
and let perpetual light shine
upon them.

+Celestine De Ponte



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