

Church Dedicated on February 23, 1919

**Priests:** 

Rev. Apolinario Ty, SSS

(ext. 131)

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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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# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation







Fr. Dela Cruz



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Welcome Fr. Philip Benzy Romician, Superior General and Fr. Roel Dela Cruz, General Consultor of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament



23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...cannot be my disciple."

What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ?

To be a disciple of Christ means to follow Him with our whole lives and to place Christ above everything else. And Jesus does not hide the cost of embracing such a commitment when he said: "If anyone comes to me without hating .... Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

At first glance, Jesus' words seem harsh- to hate father and mother and everybody else! That seems to contradict everything we know about love and family. Jesus is not promoting hatred but using a figure of speech to emphasize dedication and priority. Jesus, himself, had shown great filial love and respect to Mary. But our love for Christ must be so deep that all other love comes secondary.

Jesus also wants to make it clear that following Him is not a casual decision. The cross was an instrument of death, and embracing it means our readiness to offer our lives. To be a disciple of Christ is not convenient but truly radical; it would entail a dying to self, if only to live for Christ!

Jesus does not need fans and admirers. He needs disciples who will carry out His mission. Are we ready to heed his invitation?

## Aug-Sept 2025

#### Office hours are from 9-1 M-F

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		Prayer group				

### **Daily Readings**

#### Monday, Sept 8

Micah 5:1-4a Psalm 13:6ab, 6c Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

#### Tuesday, Sept 9

Colossians 2:6-15 Psalm 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 Luke 6:12-19

#### Wednesday, Sept 10

Colossians 3:1-11 Psalm 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab Luke 6:20-26

#### Thursday, Sept 11

Colossians 3:12-17 Psalm 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Luke 6:27-38

#### Friday, Sept 12

1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 Luke 6:39-42

#### Saturday, Sept 13

1 Timothy 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7 Luke 6:43-49

#### Sunday, Sept 14

Numbers 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

## **Stewardship Report of Treasury for:**

Aug 26-Sep	FYTD Actual		
Collections	14,201.00	98,981.10	
Other Regular Income	267.95	9,425.25	
Unusual Income:			
Choirs	0.00	0.00	
Convent Lease	0.00	8,500.00	
R&M Collection	615.00	2,925.00	
Security Project	50.00	445.00	
Feed the Hungry	330.00	1,075.00	
Other Unusual Income	0.00	989.11	
Total Income	15,463.95	122,340.46	
Designated Funds		603,050.82	
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		464,155.56	

### ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

1000 Ululani Street Hilo, HI 96720 PH. #: (808) 935-4936



Here Last Day: Sept. 18 BAKERY

HAWAIIAN COOKIES: FLAVORS NOT AVAILABLE IN STORES OR ON-LINE!!

PICK UP:

OCT. 17, 2025

3:00PM

PRICE:

\$10 Per ILB BAG **LOCATION:** 

HIGH SCHOOL
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#### **Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**

Are you interested in becoming a member of St. Joseph Church Catholic Faith Community? Do you know a family member or friend interested in a deeper relationship with God through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist?

- OCIA is preparation for adults who have yet to be baptized. AND. for baptized adults who
  wish to be in full communion with the Catholic Church through receiving the sacraments of
  Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- Our first gathering is Monday, September 8 at 6 pm in the Rectory Library.

### Parents and Godparents,

Faith formation and Religious Education do not end with Baptism, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation, that is why they are called the Sacraments of Initiation. Even if your children have received those Sacraments, there is so much more for them. There is a richness to our Faith. Please sign your kids up with RE to continue to study, develop and be formed in our beautiful Faith. Now that they have gone through the Sacraments, they need to continue to mature and to study more deeply. We have provided for that to happen. Please sign up at the exits, or contact Deacon Charley @ 808.987.8713. Peace, Deacon Charley Mapa

Class begins on September 7 after the 9 am Mass—if you have not yet registered you may bring your child (children) to the class and we will assist you with registration at that time.



#### Safety Tips for St. Joseph Church

Keep exits clear during mass.
No chairs by exits
Accompany children under 16 to the restroom.
In the event of an emergency:
Stay calm
Avoid panic
Follow instructions

**Emergency instructions may vary.** 



## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,

may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole Cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

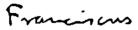
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.





### PLEASE JOIN US ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 AT 10:30 FOR OUR SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYERS



#### 13. Marriage Matters-because it is a sacrament of love.

"The Christian family manifests to all men the Savior's living presence in the world." Second Vatican Council

Gaudium et Spes (Joy and Hope, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World), 48



