



ST.

JOSEPH CHURCH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Feb. 15, 2026

Church Dedicated on
February 23, 1919

Priests:

Rev. Apolinario Ty, SSS
(ext. 131)
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*Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament begins
Monday-Thursdays at 11 am &
Fridays & 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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Wednesday, February 18 Mass is
Ash Wednesday.
Masses will be offered at:

6 am
12:15 pm
7:00 pm



6th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 2026

“Unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees,...”

The scribes and Pharisees were the religious experts of their time. They knew the law. They fasted. They prayed. They followed the commandments carefully. But Our Lord Jesus warns his disciples: *“Unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter into the Kingdom of heaven.”*

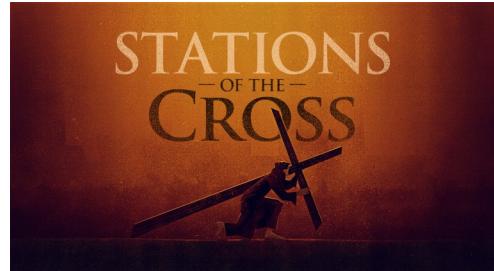
The righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees was often external. It was about appearances, about fulfilling the minimum requirement of the law. But Jesus is not asking for more rules. He is asking for a deeper heart. Jesus calls His disciples to something greater — an interior righteousness. Not just avoiding sin outwardly, but allowing God to transform the heart within.

Jesus moves the commandment from the hands to the heart. The righteousness that Jesus asks for is deeper than legal correctness. The scribes and Pharisees were careful about external behavior. Jesus desires interior transformation.

Jesus is not abolishing the law; He is fulfilling it. He is showing us that sin does not begin in the hands. It begins in the heart. Jesus is teaching us that the true battlefield is within.

He wants not only obedient hands, but a merciful heart.

**Stations of the Cross will be
offered on the Fridays of
Lent at 3 pm and 6 pm**



February 2026

Office hours are from 9-1 M-F

15 7:00 Mass-FP 9:00 Mass-FP 11:45 Mass-FF 6:00 Mass-FF	16 7:00 Mass-FP CLOSED	17 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP 6 PM Novena 6 PM-K of C-downstairs	18-Ash Wed. 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP 7 pm Mass	19 6:00 Mass-FP HOT MEAL 12:15 Mass-FF 2:00 Adult Faith Formation 6:00 Adult Faith Formation	20 6:00 Mass-FP 9:30 Mass +A.Lahip-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	21 7:00 Mass-FF 10:00 Confessions 5:00 Mass-Bishop Larry
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Daily Readings

Monday, Feb. 16

James 1:1-11
Psalm 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76
Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 17

James 1:12-18
Psalm 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19
Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Joel 2:12-18
Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17
2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, Feb. 19

Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
Luke 9:22-25

Friday, Feb. 20

Isaiah 58:1-9a
Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19
Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday, Feb. 21

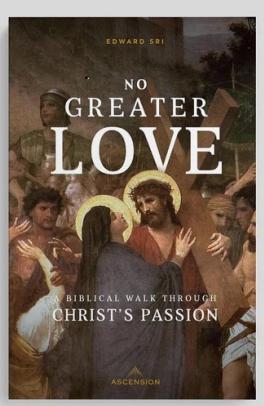
Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Luke 5:27-32

Sunday, Feb. 22

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17
Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19
Matthew 4:1-11

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

Feb. 3-10		FYTD Actual
Collections	8,598.50	387,906.15
Other Regular Income	801.08	39,471.21
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	0.00	100.00
Convent Lease	0.00	51,000.00
R&M Collection	185.00	42,083.00
Security Project	110.00	1,475.00
Feed the Hungry	120.00	4,156.00
Other Unusual Income	0.00	5,556.91
Total Income	9,814.58	531,748.27
Designated Funds		648,698.78
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		466,105.26



Adult Faith Formation continues on Thursday, February 19th.

2 sessions will be offered on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month as follows:

2-3:30 pm in the Library
6-7:30 pm downstairs.

We hope to see you there.

Prison Ministry Training - There will be a State mandated volunteer training in March for **women** interested in developing a ministry to women housed in Hale Nani Makai jail in Hilo.

This day-long training will also prepare those interested in a prison ministry at Kulani men's prison.

Please call Deacon Jim Dougherty (808) 315-1319 to register for the March training, which is only offered infrequently throughout the year.



Holy Trinity Hermitage Fundraiser Sunday, February 15



BIG ISLAND YOUTH DAY



Feb. 21, 2026 | 10am to 5pm
St. Joseph High School Gym, Hilo
all youth in grades 6 – 12 invited

For more information please contact
Chrislyn Villena by calling the
High School office at
(808) 935-4936



Please mark your calendars for Saturday, February 21, to help clean up the hedges across the grass area. We need to cut down weed trees and clean up the thick brush and plants. See the picture of what we need to clean up. Work starts at about 8:30AM and should end by or before noon.

If you cannot help the entire morning, how about a good hour or two. Please bring your yard tools.

Thank you for helping to maintain your Parish property.

Prayer to St. Joseph, Patron of Our Parish

Beloved St. Joseph, Patron of our Parish,
at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home.
As God's humble servant, you welcomed Jesus as your own son and with Our Blessed Mother provided Our Lord with the warmth of a family.
We praise God and are grateful that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you.

Most watchful guardian of the Holy family, with confidence we likewise entrust our Parish and families to your loving care.

Teach us, as a Church, to listen attentively to God's will and to carry it out with quiet courage and trust.

Help our parish to be a home of faith, where Christ is loved and adored, families are strengthened, and all who come find peace and belonging.

Help our homes to be places of prayer, where God is honored. Protect our children and the vulnerable; and assist and take care of those who toil to provide for their families.

St. Joseph, we thank you through the years that you have watched over us. Continue, we beg, to help us to find God in all that we do and pray that our parish may grow in holiness, unity, and charity, and always reflect the heart of Christ.

Amen. St. Joseph, pray for us.

**PLEASE JOIN US ON
SUNDAY, MARCH 8 AT 10:30 FOR OUR
SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYERS**



Ka Hui Holo Lio O Ka Lei Lehua - Nā Mamo Ha'aheo

Malasada Sale 9-12
Sunday, February 15, 2026
Gilbert Carvalho Park
\$15/Dozen

Hawaii Island Portuguese Chamber of Commerce

Sunday, February 15, 2026
7:30 am-Malasada Shuffle 5K Run/Walk/Shuffle
9:00 am—2:00 pm Spring Festa
Aunty Sally Kaleohano's Lu'au Hale

A portion of the proceeds will go to St. Joseph's School

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"Let all that you do be done in love."
I Corinthians 16:4



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