



Stewards of God's Gifts



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SACRAMENTS AND BLESSINGS



Baptism Preparations

Please call Deacon Dave Kane to arrange your child baptized.

Sacrament of Matrimony (Marriage) - Couples must schedule an interview with Deacon Kane at least six months before a desired wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick - Please contact the parish office.

Funeral Mass / Mass Intentions - Please contact the parish office.

House Blessings - Please call the parish office at least one week in advance to have your house blessed.

Car Blessings - Car blessings are done after every Mass (weekdays or Sundays).

Gift Shop

Opens from Monday to Saturday 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon
Sunday; opens after all Masses

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) You may contact Deacon Bill Farias or Mrs. Millie Curtis for more details. Please call the parish office.

"I love God. I am loved by God"
(St. Ignatius of Loyola)

"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us."
(St. Augustine)

"Henceforth my motto shall be: Give me the Eucharist, or let me die!"
(St. Peter Julian Eymard)

The Church draws her life from the Eucharist."
(St. John Paul II)

OUR VISION

We, the Christian Community of Immaculate Conception, Lihue, are called to be Stewards of the Gospel. Centered on the Holy Eucharist, we live our lives on the four pillars of stewardship: **hospitality, prayer, formation and service.**

OUR MISSION

Responding to the call of Jesus and inspired by the example of the Blessed Mother, the Immaculate Conception, we live stewardship towards a holy way of life.

OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Sat: 8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Religious Education Classes

Sunday - 8:00 - 9:00 AM
(ICP School)

Edge Ministry Night (6th to 8th Grade)

1st & 3rd Sunday -
4:30PM - 7:00 PM
(Starts with the Mass in Church)

LifeTeen Ministry Night (9th to 12th Grade)

2nd & 4th Sunday -
4:30PM - 7:00 PM
(Starts with the Mass in Church)

MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass
(Monday-Saturday)
Daily: 7:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM ; 9:30 AM ; 4:30PM
& 6:30PM

Reconciliation (Confession)

Due to the pandemic, the sacrament is **by appointment only.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays at 6:00 PM

Diocese of Honolulu Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,
your divine Son taught us
to pray to the Lord of the harvest
to send laborers into His vineyard.

We earnestly beg you
to bless our Diocese and our world
with many priests and religious
who will love you fervently and gladly
and courageously spend their lives
in service to your Son's Church,
especially the poor and the needy.

Bless our families and our children,
and choose from our homes those who you desire for this holy work.

Teach them to respond generously
and keep them ever faithful in following your Son Jesus Christ, that under
the guidance of the Holy Spirit and with the inspiration of St. Damien and
St. Marianne the Good News of redemption may be brought to all.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

"The Mass is the most beautiful thing in the Church."
(St. Alphonsus Liguori)

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 01, 2021



God's Gift of Time

God's Gift of Talent



How Ordinary Time Readings Are Organized

Understanding the arrangement of the readings can help us appreciate the movement of the season and to use them to grow in our relationship with Jesus.

The official guide for how the readings work for Mass is contained in the introduction to the Lectionary - the book of the readings which we use at Mass. This introduction lays out the decisions which were made to arrange the readings for the Mass in such a way that we experience a great deal of the treasury of the scriptures over a three year Sunday cycle (Year A, B and C) and over a two year Weekday cycle (Year I and II). There is a special arrangement for Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter, and for the special celebrations of the year. We will focus on the part of the introduction which addresses Ordinary Time.

How the Season of Ordinary Time is laid out across the liturgical year.

The liturgical year begins with the First Sunday of Advent - about four weeks before Christmas. The Christmas season follows Advent. Ordinary Time counts the weeks between the end of the Christmas season and Ash Wednesday, which begins the season of Lent.

The date for Easter is moveable because it is related to the celebration of Passover on the Jewish calendar, which is connected to the vernal equinox - actually on the first full moon after it. (The vernal, or Spring, equinox, is the date when the length of days and nights are the same. This is when spring begins, as the daylight, which was shorter all winter, now begins to grow longer.) The Council of Niceas (in 325) decided that Easter would be celebrated on the first Sunday after the full moon, which follows the vernal equinox. This means that Easter will be celebrated from about the third week of March to about the third week of April.

So, Ordinary Time counts the time between the end of the Christmas season and whenever Lent begins. Usually there are between four to nine weeks of Ordinary Time before Lent begins.

The last Sunday of the Christmas Season is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord - the Sunday following January 6th. Therefore, the next day becomes, "Monday of the First Week of Ordinary Time. The following Sunday is the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time.

When Ash Wednesday appears, Ordinary Time ends until after the Easter Season. Ordinary Time begins to be counted again, from where the season left off, beginning with the week after Pentecost. There are a total of thirty-three or thirty-four weeks of Ordinary Time which are laid out. (If necessary, sometimes one of the weeks is skipped so that the final weeks are able to be fit in.)

How the Sunday Readings are arranged.

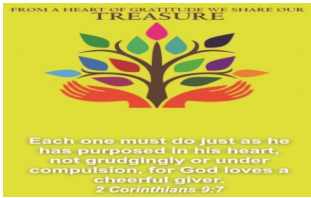
The Gospels are laid out so that we read through, in each of the three years, Mark, Matthew and Luke's gospels, one after another, taking us through the life of our Lord, as presented by the three gospels.

The First Reading is carefully chosen from the Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament) so that important passages are chosen to bring out a connection with the Sunday gospels. Sometimes, when we are preparing for Mass, it is helpful to read the Gospel reading first so that we can appreciate why the First Reading was chosen. Then, when we read the Gospel a second time, the connection helps us.

The Second Reading is taken from the letters of the Apostles Paul and James. These readings are arranged so that we can get a good sense of these important messages, but the readings are not linked to the Gospel. It can be important for us to take advantage of this journey through each of the letters to learn the message, which still has such important help for us today.

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God's Gift of Treasure



What's Up?

“Do not let your hand be open to receive, but clenched when it is time to give.” (Sirach 4:31)

“AS STEWARDS, LET US PUT LOVE IN OUR GIVING!”

SUMMARY COLLECTION FROM JUNE 26-27, 2021 TO July 31– AUGUST 01 WILL BE POSTED ON AUGUST 08, 2021 BULLETIN. MAHALO FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING!

**THANK YOU! SALAMAT PO! MAHALO!
AGYAMANNAK!**

Our parish is looking for people who, after receiving the Body of Christ in the Holy Eucharist, would like to be the Body of Christ in our Christian Community by serving as **Church and Hall Cleaners**. This will be a once week commitment, every Friday at 8AM. **This new ministry will start in August 2021**. If you are willing to be engaged in the life of the parish, please call the parish office to be listed on this new ministry. Mahalo!

CONTINUATION...

How the Weekday Readings are arranged.

The Gospel Weekday Readings also are arranged so that we read Mark's Gospel first, then Matthew and finally Luke. Following the daily readings gives us a blessed opportunity to get to know Jesus - his story, his encounters with people, and his message - so that our relationship with Jesus can grow in intimacy.

The First Reading during the weeks of Ordinary Time are not related to the Gospel. They are arranged so that we can experience a great amount of scripture, over a two year period. For example, we might have several weeks from one of the apostolic letters and then several weeks from one of the Hebrew scriptures, before returning to another letter - throughout the season, according to a two year cycle. This is a great opportunity to let our familiarity with these readings grow with our exposure to them each year.

Better understanding the Scriptures.

Once we understand how the scriptures are arranged for the Sundays and Weekdays of Ordinary Time, we can use our missalette or an online site like ours, to look ahead at what is coming. So, if we know we are beginning to read Mark's gospel for the next number of weeks - both on Sundays and during the week - we might pay special attention to how Mark approaches his story. It could be helpful to read a brief introduction to Mark's gospel. We can usually find a brief introduction in our Bible or in an online version. Just getting a sense of who Mark's audience was and what issues he was dealing with in helping them hear the Good News, will open up the story - and our experience of Jesus - very much. The same practice could be used when we are reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians or from a series of readings from the Book of Wisdom.

A simple prayer asking for the grace to hear the Word, as I need to hear it.

It can be very fruitful, whenever we begin to read the Scripture - whether in preparation for Mass or because we discovered a passage - is to ask our Lord to let me open my heart to hear what this Word can mean for me. Here is a possible example we can pray, using our own words and circumstances.

Dear Lord, I'm beginning to experience this Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time. I have really enjoyed reading how Matthew has been telling us your story. I've been fascinated by the Prophet Ezekiel last week and I look forward to more of his special style this week. Your words to your disciples has been filling me this week. I think when I start to pay attention to your message, as it applies to my life this week, it comes alive. Continue to give me this openness and keep speaking to me so directly. And, give me the grace of your Holy Spirit to be faithful to these gifts, in the way I give myself in loving my family and serving others.

A simple prayer like this, each day, could include specific parts of the message which touched me today, or which I found challenging, and need further help. Then, the readings and movements of this season can nourish my developing relationship with Jesus. And, **Ordinary Time** counting can become quite extraordinary.

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