



# Stewards of God's Gifts



## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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Deacon Dave Kane

### 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 & 7PM  
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.

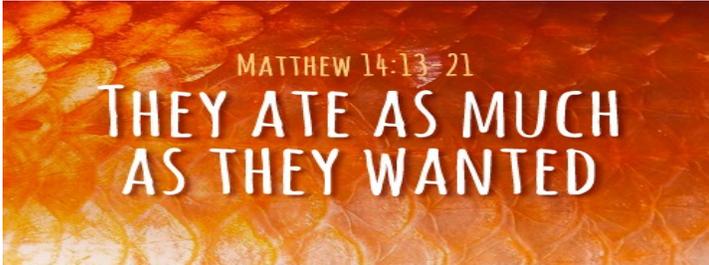
**"The Mass is the most beautiful thing in the Church."**

(St. Alphonsus Liguori)

**18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 02, 2020**



## God's Gift of Time



### The Eighteenth Week of Ordinary Time

On the **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** we celebrate how Jesus fed the crowds by making it possible for the disciples to give the people what they had. It was not enough, but became enough because of the compassion Jesus had for the people. **Isaiah 55** invites us to come to the water when we are thirsty, to come and eat though we have no money. We can stop spending on what fails to satisfy. Paul consoles us, too, by reminding us that nothing can "separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint John Mary Vianney**. Thursday is the **Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord** with its own special readings. Saturday is the **Memorial of Saint Dominic**.

This week we complete our readings from the **Book of the Prophet Jeremiah**. Saturday has the consoling reading from the **Prophet Habakkuk**, "the vision still has its time."

We continue to read from **Matthew's Gospel** this week. The disciples watch Jesus walk across the water to reach them in a storm. "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." On Tuesday there is a choice of repeating that gospel or using another from Matthew. The Pharisees ask why Jesus' disciples don't follow the dietary laws and Jesus says, "It is not what enters one's mouth that defiles the man; but what comes out of the mouth is what defiles one." "Who do you say I am?," Jesus asks. Peter declares for all of the disciples, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus sums up our discipleship wonderfully: *"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?"* The disciples wonder why they could not drive out a demon from a boy, Jesus answers, "Because of your little faith." Faith "the size of a mustard seed" is enough.

On the **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**, Elijah finds God not in the thunder and driving wind, but in a gentle breeze. Peter's fear gets the best of him, when Jesus calls him out of his boat in a stormy sea. Peter takes his eyes off of Jesus and would have perished without Jesus' rescuing him.

(onlineministries.creighton.edu)

## God's Gift of Talent



Catechism Themes: **The Eucharist** (CCC 1324-1328, 1348-1355)

For Catholics, the Eucharist sums up the Christian life. Christ calls his faithful together under headship (represented by the ordained presider) to hear his Word, to present all they have to share (symbolized by the bread and wine), and to receive the life-giving "bread of heaven." In the Eucharist, we see various aspects of the life Christ has called us to. A life together, a life of sharing especially with the needy, and life that comes from and is fed by God himself.

The core of the Eucharist lies in the prayer of thanksgiving (and consecration) called the **anaphora**. The prayer contains:

- 1) *A thanksgiving preface.*
- 2) *An epiclesis, a prayer that asks the Father to send the Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine.*
- 3) *An institution narrative, where the Word that remembers Christ's self-giving at the Last Supper is proclaimed. Catholics believe the risen Christ himself proclaims the Word ("This is my Body... This is my Blood...") through the ordained presider (bishop or priest who acts "in persona Christi," in the person of Christ). And, through the power of the Spirit, the risen Christ makes himself present (Body, Blood, soul, and divinity) in the bread and wine.*
- 4) *An anamnesis, a declaration of remembrance. The assembly (the Body of Christ) recalls the mystery made present in the bread and wine: Christ's self-giving on the cross and his risen life.*
- 5) *Intercessions for the whole Church, both the living on earth and in heaven, both universal leaders and local ministers.*

The Eucharist, through people God has called together, through the ordained minister who is Christ's instrument, through the Word proclaimed, and especially through the Bread of Life broken and shared, realizes what it proclaims: the presence of God's Kingdom in the risen Lord.

**Have you ever experienced God taking the little you had and turning it into an abundance? When was the last time you felt close to Christ in the Eucharist? Was there a connection between the two experiences? Explain.**

Take an inventory of blessings and tests from the past week. Set some time aside to thank and bless God for these experiences. For, in them, he calls you closer to him.

(word-sunday.com)

**"Eucharistic worship constitutes the soul of all Christian life" (St. John Paul II)**

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## God's Gift of Treasure

Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. *2 Corinthians 9:7*

**“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!”**

### **SUNDAY SUMMARY COLLECTIONS for JULY 25-26, 2020**

5PM Mass	\$647.00
7PM Mass	\$207.00
7AM Mass	\$801.00
9:30AM Mass	\$562.00
4:30PM Mass	\$168.00
6:30PM Mass	\$328.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,713.00</b>

**THANK YOU FOR BEING GENEROUS!**  
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED TO GIVE ONLINE,  
PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE  
[icchurchlihue.com](http://icchurchlihue.com).

Gospel: Matthew: 14:13-21

### **God Blesses Our Scarcity with Abundance**

**What was the last truly memorable meal you ate? Why does the memory stand out?**

Since the beginning of civilization, meals have signified a time of social interaction. We meet friends for lunch, spend quality time as a family at dinner, and honor community leaders with banquets. While the different meals require different dress, manners, and conversation, every meal can begin or deepen relationships.

**What turns a simple meal into an event, something that people talk about for years afterwards?** Jesus created such an event when he took food for two and fed over five thousand people.

(word-sunday.com)

**“You pray for the hungry. Then you feed them. This is how prayer works.”**  
Pope Francis

### **Prayer for a Stewardship Parish**

(from the Archdiocese of Detroit)

Dear Heavenly Father, my parish is composed of people like me; I help make it what it is.

It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.

It will do great work, if I work. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.

It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I invite and bring them.

It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a parish with a noble spirit, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with Your help, O God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be. Amen.

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## What's Up?

**Aug. 01-02** — 2nd Collection for the **Building Fund**. Please be generous.

**Aug. 04** — Parish Pastoral Council Meeting @6PM, Youth Ministry Room.

**Aug. 15-16** — Special 2nd Collection for the **Diocese Renewal Campaign**. Please be generous.

**\* Due to the low turn out of the 7PM Saturday Mass it will be cancelled. The last 7PM Saturday Mass will be on August 15th!**

### **MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF JULY 25-26, 2020**

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	81
7PM MASS	14
7AM MASS	70
9:30AM MASS	93
4:30PM MASS	17
6:30PM MASS	14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>284</b>

**COME AND JOIN US! LET US CELEBRATE AND PRAY TOGETHER THE HOLY EUCHARIST!**



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