



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.

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)

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 24, 2021



God's Gift of Time

"We are bound to pray for our enemies in the same manner as we are bound to love them."

(St. Thomas Aquinas)

Third Week of Ordinary Time

This Sunday is the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**. The readings include the wonderful story from **Mark's Gospel** repeated from last week's weekday readings: Jesus calls Simon, Andrew, James and John. "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Monday is the **Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul**. Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops**. Thursday is the **Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church**.

The first reading this week continues with the **Letter to the Hebrews** which teaches that Jesus is mediator of a new covenant and a priest who "offered one sacrifice for sins. He took his seat forever at the right hand of God."

In **Mark's Gospel** this week, the ever-critical scribes accuse Jesus of being possessed by demons. Jesus responds clearly, "If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand." When told his family has arrived to see him, he replies that "whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." He tells the imaginative story of the sower and the seed and after the crowd dispersed, Jesus explains to the disciples that the seed is the word of God, accepted at various levels. He encourages his disciples to show their light: "Is a lamp brought in to be placed under a bushel basket or under a bed, and not to be placed on a lampstand?" Jesus compares the Kingdom with the tiniest of mustard seeds which grow to "the largest of plants." He calms the seas during a storm. His disciples wonder, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?"

On the **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** Mark's Gospel brings us the story of Jesus driving out unclean spirits from a man in the synagogue. The people are impressed because he taught with authority in ways the scribes did not and they marveled that even the unclean spirits obey him.

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God's Gift of Talent



"Every action of yours, every thought, should be those of one who expects to die before the day is out."

(Thomas a Kempis)

Daily Prayer This Week

This week is set at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the pictures we get of how challenged and pushed he is, help prepare us to hear the simple parables he tells us. All of us get challenged and pushed in our daily lives. Even when we are on the right road and following a faithful path, there are forces, conflicting demands, tempting alternatives, differing values that batter us. It takes grace and courage to trust our real mission and that our Lord will be with us through it all.

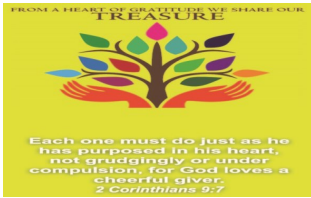
Each morning this week, we can take a moment, to ask for what we desire. The entire day will be different just by spending 20 seconds sitting at the edge of the bed saying, "Lord, I want to keep my eyes open today. Whatever comes at me today, I want to stay in touch with you. Thank you." Another morning I may be aware of a big decision I have to execute that day or a conflict I am planning to face, and I might pray, "Okay, Lord, this is the day. This is how I live out my relationship with you. Be with me and give me what I need. Keep reminding me I can't do it without you."

Each day will offer a different brief moment of connection with our Lord, but each will ground the day. Then it is so very easy, while in the shower or walking down a hall, for just brief moments here and there in the background of our day, to stay in touch with our Lord. These guides can help keep us focused on the nourishing Word which interacts with our daily life. Every day can seem like a living Parable of the Sower. There is seed being scattered all around us and we can see and experience our degrees of receptivity. And while we are doing the best we can, all day, every day, in a variety of things, we can be consoled by the Lord's smile reminding us that the Kingdom is like a mustard seed. The real graces come from very small seeds, the smallest of efforts that make a big difference. Most of all, when things get rough, during any day, we can pause and take a breath and ask him to calm the wind and sea in our hearts.

Every night we can thank him for his presence and ground our growing relationship with him.

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God's Gift of Treasure

“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 JAN. 16-17, 2021**

5PM Mass	\$1,060.00
7AM Mass	\$1,228.00
9:30AM Mass	\$974.00
4:30PM Mass	\$586.00
6:30PM Mass	\$280.00
Total	\$4,128.00

TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: icchurchlihue.com.

THANK YOU! SALAMAT PO! AGYAMANNAK!

MASS HEADCOUNT **FOR THE WEEKEND OF JAN.16-17, 2021**

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	106
7AM MASS	98
9:30AM MASS	102
4:30PM MASS	74
6:30PM MASS	42
TOTAL	422

Here in our ICP Christian community, we had the opportunity to encounter both the Religious priests and Diocesan priests. **Fr. Kyle Shinseki, SJ** and **Fr. Edison Pamintuan, MS** are Religious priests. On the other hand, **Fr. Anthony Rapozo** and **Fr. EJ Resinto** are Diocesan priests. Whether they are Religious priests or Diocesan priests, please include them in your daily prayers. Mahalo!

What's Up?



Jan. 24 — Liturgy Committee Meeting after the 9:30AM Mass.

Jan. 23/24 — 2nd Collection for Church in Latin America and Black and Indian Mission. Please be generous.

Feb. 17 — ASH WEDNESDAY! It is the beginning of LENT - a time for fasting and abstinence. A time to pray more! We will have 3 Masses on this day: 7AM, 12NN & 5PM

February 19 — Deaconate Ordination of Andy Ragasa and Averiet Soto @ 6PM. Due to limited seating capacity, the event will be BY INVITATION ONLY.

Feb. 20 — Blessing of the New Parish Hall by Bishop Larry Silva, after the 7AM Mass.

RELIGIOUS PRIESTS



Priests who are members of a religious order are not assigned to a particular diocese. Instead, the superior of the Order or Congregation tells a religious priest where he will live to carry out his ministry. It could be a different city or country. Religious priests live in a community with one another, which may vary in terms of rules and lifestyles. They own possessions communally, and pronounce the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

DIOCESAN PRIESTS



Diocesan priests serve in a particular geographical region of a diocese or archdiocese. Usually, a Bishop assigns them to a parish, where they live independently and interact with the parishioners. Diocesan priests sometimes live with other priests who serve at their parish church, but each can own his own property. They promise to recite daily the Liturgy of the Hours, obey the bishop and live a life of celibacy.



Sources: CatholicTV, Saints of Today

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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