



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)

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – NOVEMBER 29, 2020



God's Gift of Time

MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOV. 21-22, 2020

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	76
7AM MASS	94
9:30AM MASS	122
4:30PM MASS	75
6:30PM MASS	65
TOTAL	432

First Sunday in Advent (B)
November 29, 2020

Wait For The Lord

Advent is the liturgical season for waiting. The readings urge us to wait, to anticipate for the coming of the Lord in glory and the arrival of the Christ Child at Christmas.

Sunday Studies

FIRST READING: (Isaiah 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7) The so-called "Third Isaiah" wrote to a nation in a spiritual funk. His words mixed lament with hope, faith with self-examination. Still, he sought the Lord to come and come soon.

PSALM: (Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19) Psalm 80 was a song of desperation, but not despair. The author called out to God for salvation, yet admitted sin. It praised God for his power and hoped for his return.

SECOND READING: (1 Cor 1:3-9) We await the Lord to come in glory. After two millennia, that spirit of anticipation has dulled. But, as we read St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, we realize that the Spirit has enriched us with the same gifts he gave early Christians. Our faith confirms that enrichment. Both faith and the gifts of the Spirit will sustain us in this life and the next as we wait for the Lord to return.

GOSPEL: (Mark 13:33-37) Jesus commands his followers to stay awake. We do not know the right time or conditions for the Lord's return, but we should remain vigilante, just like night watchman waits for the dawn.

(word-sunday.com)

God's Gift of Talent



Daily Prayer This Week

Despite all of the distractions at this time of year, we really can focus on Advent during these weeks. We seem to get very busy, and at times have to go to a number of social events or wrestle with budgets and shopping, but the heart of this season is all about expectant hope. So, we begin our Advent journey by giving ourselves some time - just a few minutes each day - to reflect on how much God promises us.

Each morning this week, while we are first coming to consciousness, we can name a desire, name an emptiness or feeling of anxiety or worry which we can feel. It is into the raw places in our lives such as these, that our Lord came to be with us. So, this week, we can begin to invite our Lord to be Incarnate in our lives, in the places we need him the most.

Our goal this week is to let ourselves feel like those to whom the promises of our God are made. We want to get in touch with ourselves, especially those parts of ourselves that are in need of a Savior. We do this by keeping our focus on the places that feel like a desert, the places that feel like we've been through a war, the places that feel like a lifeless stump. When we have a hard time seeing, we ask for the grace to be able to believe the promise that we shall see. When we seem deaf, we place our trust in the One who assures us that we will hear. And when we feel beaten down and awfully lowly, we turn to the One who promises that we will "find joy in the Lord." And, who among us doesn't have days on which we are aware of various kinds of wounds? On the day of promise, "the Lord binds up the wounds of his people."

As we let these deep realities of our daily, busy lives come into focus and interact with the readings, something wonderful happens. We become more and more aware of our need for God. Very naturally and quite spontaneously, a prayer comes forth from deep within us, which we can say in the smallest moments of our busiest days. "Come, Lord." "Come and save me." "Come and be with me in all of these messy, empty, dry and disordered places in my life." "Come, Lord. I feel my longing for you grow. I feel my hope grow. And, as I place my hope in your promises, Advent begins to come alive in me."

All of this preparation can happen in the simplest way, before the first Christmas decoration goes up. And, for each moment of each day that we encounter a place that we desire, that we long for our Lord's coming, we can express our thanksgiving. Each night we might pray: *The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?* (Ps. 27)

(onlineministries.creighton.edu)

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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 NOV.21-22, 2020

5PM Mass	\$688.00
7AM Mass	\$973.25
9:30AM Mass	\$637.00
4:30PM Mass	\$672.00
6:30PM Mass	\$604.00
Total	\$3,574.25
2nd Collection—for CCHD	\$334.00

MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN YOUR GENEROSITY!

**TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: icchurchlihue.com.
 THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!
 IN YOUR GENEROSITY!**

ADVENT WREATH SYMBOLS

(1) **Evergreen Wreath** - The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God (the Alpha and Omega). The evergreen is chosen as the base because God is the foundation of all good. Green is the color that represents hope and new life.

Four Candles - represent the four (4) weeks of Advent. Traditionally, each week represents one thousand years, to sum to the 4,000 years from Adam and Eve until the Birth of the Savior. The first two purple candles symbolizes (2) hope and (3) love respectively. The (4) third candle (which is pink/rose) symbolizes joy. The fourth and last purple candle represents (5) peace. The light of the candles signifies the light of Christ to mankind.

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What's Up?



SIMBANG GABI 2020
Dec. 15 @ 6PM
 (Use Dec.16 readings)

December 16 @ 6PM
 (Use Dec.17 readings)

December 17 @ 6PM
 (Use Dec.18 readings)

December 18@ 6PM
 (Use Dec.19 readings)

December 19 @ 5PM
 (4th Sunday of Advent Readings)

December 20 @ 6:30PM
 (4th Sunday of Advent Readings)

December 21 @ 6PM
 (Use Dec.22 readings)

December 22 @ 6PM
 (Use Dec.23 readings)

December 23 @6PM
 (Use Dec.24 readings)

Dec. 01 – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting @ 6PM
 – IC School 2nd Grade classroom.

Dec. 08 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 – Holy Day of Obligation – 7AM & 5PM Masses

Dec. 09 - Finance Council Meeting— @4PM, IC Youth Ministry Room

MISA DE GALLO 2020
Dec. 16 @ 5AM

Dec. 17 @ 5AM

Dec. 18 @ 5AM

Dec. 19 @ 5AM

Dec. 20 @ 5AM

Dec. 21 @ 5AM

Dec. 22 @ 5AM

Dec. 23 @ 5AM

Dec. 24 @ 5AM

NO 7AM Weekday Mass!
 The 7AM Mass on Sunday remains as is.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, we will NOT have our usual fellowship after the Mass.



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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