



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)

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPTEMBER 06, 2020



God's Gift of Time

God's Gift of Talent



The Twenty-Third Week of Ordinary Time

This Sunday is the **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**. As faithful followers, we are encouraged to "love one another" throughout the readings. **Ezekiel** tells us that we are responsible for each other and Paul's letter to the **Romans** offers: "Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another." In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus tells us to challenge each other on our behavior and to pray, **"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."**

Tuesday is the **Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** with its own special readings. Wednesday is the **Memorial of Saint Peter Claver**.

In our first reading, we continue with Paul's **First Letter to the Corinthians**, an intimate look at the struggles of an early Church community.

In **Luke's Gospel** this week we see how Jesus spends a night in prayer and calls his twelve closest followers. When people come to him from all over, he heals them. Jesus announces that the poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those hated or excluded or denounced because of him are the blessed. He warns those who are rich, filled, laughing and spoken well of, for their fates will be reversed. He cautions not to be quick to see the splinter in someone else's eye when we do not notice the "wooden beam" in our own eyes. Jesus says that we will be known by our fruit. It is only by building our lives upon him, as a firm foundation, can we hope to survive crises.

Next Sunday is the **Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Sirach asks, **"Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins?"** Jesus talks about mercy in the gospel. He tells the parable of the unforgiving servant. It's a powerful message for us.

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**"We cannot be saved by seeking just our own individual salvation; we need to look first to the good of others."
(St. John Chrysostom)**

**"If something uncharitable is said in your presence, either speak in favor of the absent, or withdraw, or if possible, stop the conversation."
(St. John Vianney)**

Daily Prayer This Week

This week's daily communion with our Lord can be about the mysteries of self-sacrifice and healing. In the back of our minds each day, we can celebrate Mary's birth and her role in the life of Jesus, the early church and in our lives now. We can reflect on how blessed care for those in need is for us and how impoverished we are without that care in our lives.

If we begin each morning by praying a desire, the rest will follow for the day. *"Good morning, Lord. Thank you for this day. Help me today to bring to you the parts of myself that need your healing. Be with me as I face the poverty, hunger or tears of this day."* We can go into this prayer, in more depth or detail while we are in the shower or getting dressed. If we let these desires make their way into the background of our day, we can focus our consciousness no matter what we are doing.

Even in activities that require "our full consciousness" and attention, it is possible to shape that consciousness in the context of our desires. For example, I might be in an important meeting, that doesn't allow me to go day dreaming. But, I can walk into that meeting room saying in my heart, *"Okay, Lord, be with me here. While I'm so tempted to be seen as a 'success' here, heal all of that focus on myself and free me to do my best and to be attentive to the needs of others. Let me focus on you and your desires for the greater good here."*

Especially when we are facing something that is quite difficult, requiring real self-sacrifice and genuine love, we can let our background conversation with the Lord release us from our "typical" response or behavior.

"Lord, I can be so judgmental! Help me in this day not to condemn others so quickly. Let me remember your words to forgive and remember how you will forgive me. Sign me with your cross today. Let Mary, the mother of all self-surrender be with me today. Thank you. Give me your love and your grace and I'll ask for nothing more."

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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 AUGUST 29-30, 2020

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| 5PM Mass | \$539.00 |
| 7AM Mass | \$931.00 |
| 9:30AM Mass | \$747.00 |
| 4:30PM Mass | \$765.00 |
| 6:30PM Mass | \$626.00 |
| Total | \$3,608.00 |

THANK YOU FOR BEING GENEROUS!

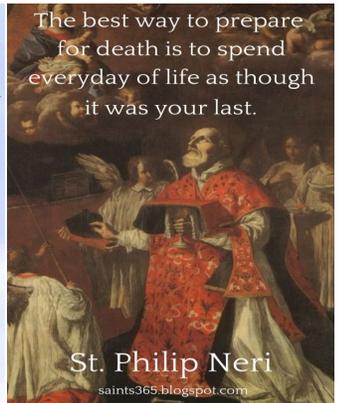
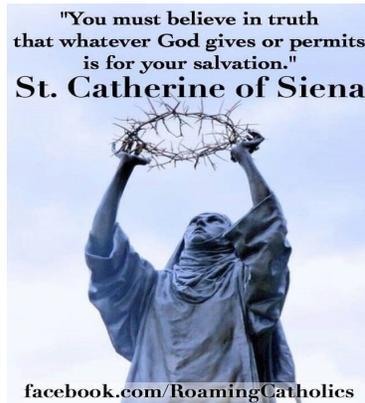
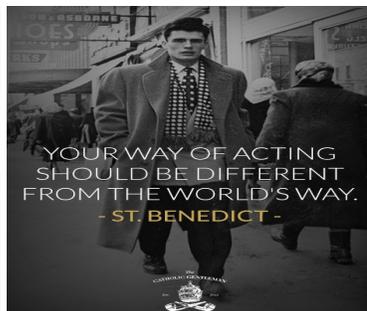
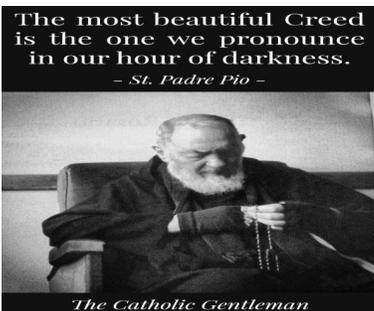
TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: icchurchlihue.com.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU

MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 29-30, 2020

| MASS TIME | HEADCOUNT |
|--------------|------------|
| 5PM MASS | 69 |
| 7AM MASS | 97 |
| 9:30AM MASS | 109 |
| 4:30PM MASS | 58 |
| 6:30PM MASS | 50 |
| TOTAL | 383 |

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



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?



Sept. 05-06 – 2nd Collection for the Building Fund. Please be generous.

Sept. 07 – Labor Day – Parish Office is closed.

Sept. 08 – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please join us for the 7AM Mass to celebrate her birthday.

Sept. 12-13 - 2nd Collection for the Catholic University of America. Please be generous.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION AGAINST CORONA VIRUS

Our Father, we trustingly pray to you, asking that the coronavirus may do no more harm, that the pandemic may be swiftly gotten under control, and that you restore the health of those affected and peace to the places where the virus has arrived.

Welcome into your kingdom the people who have died from this illness, and comfort their families.

Sustain and protect the healthcare personnel who are fighting it, and inspire and bless those working to control it.

Lord Jesus, doctor of our bodies and souls, we feel impotent in the face of this international health emergency, but we trust in You. Give us peace and health.

Mother Mary, protect us and continue to take care of us, and lead us through your love to your Son, Jesus. Amen.

(taken from aleteia.org)