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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.

This is our call.



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.



Why do we sit during the first reading, responsorial psalm and second reading but stand during the GOSPEL READING?

During Mass, we sit during the first reading, responsorial psalm, and second reading as a posture of listening, learning, and reflection like a disciple at the Lord's feet.

We stand for the Gospel as a sign of highest reverence, alertness, and readiness to honor Jesus Christ speaking directly through his words.

Why We Sit (The Readings and Psalm)

Posture of the Learner:

Sitting allows us to be physically relaxed yet mentally focused to attentively take in and meditate on scripture.

Receptivity:

It symbolizes a quiet, receptive heart allowing the Word from the Old and New Testaments to take root.

Why We Stand (The Gospel)

Sign of Honor:

Standing is an ancient sign of respect used when greeting a king, a high authority, or an important guest.

Attention and Readiness:

It shows our eager readiness to hear the actual words and actions of Jesus Christ, who is considered uniquely present during this proclamation.

The High Point:

The Gospel is the peak of the Liturgy of the Word, which is why extra honors like incense, candles, and chanting accompany it. —Fr. Jeffrey Dawang—

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 9, 2026

MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass (Monday-Saturday)
7:00 AM

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 4:30 PM

Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 4:00 PM—4:30 PM

Weekdays: By Appointment Only

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month—6:15 AM
(Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus)

2nd, 3rd, 4th Fridays—6:00 PM @ Sisters' Convent

Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesday @ 6:30 AM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday @ 8:00—12:00 Noon

Gift Shop

8:00AM to 12nn Monday to Friday

Sunday—after 7:00 & 9:30 AM Mass

SACRAMENTS AND BLESSINGS

Baptism Preparations

Please call Deacon Dave Kane to arrange your child's baptism.

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).

Becoming A Catholic-For Adults

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Registration forms are available in the office. Sessions will begin in September.

FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION CLASS

Sunday, Monday & Thursday

Please call the Parish Office for more details

FAITH FORMATION

LIFETEEN, EDGE, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT

Continuing formation journey for youth age 13 to 35.

Every 1st & 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM

YOUTH & CHILDREN CHOIR

Schedule of practice:

Every 3rd & 4th Saturday of the Month @ 3:15 to 4:30 PM

Mass sponsorship:

3rd Sunday @ 4:30 PM

4th Sunday @ 9:30 PM

OTHER MINISTRIES

Hospitality Sunday

Every 2nd Sunday of the month

After 7:00 & 9:30 AM Mass

General Cleaning

of Church & Parish Hall

Every Friday right after the Mass

Stewards of God's Gift *God's gift of Time, Talent & Treasure*

Faith Formation

REGISTER NOW

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION CLASS FOR CHILDREN

Classes start on August 24, 2026

LIFETEEN

Kick-off

September 6 after 4:30 PM Mass

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Session will begin in September.

Registration forms are available in the office.

SUNDAY SUMMARY COLLECTION-August 1/2, 2026

5PM Mass	\$ 1,392.52
7AM Mass	\$ 1,545.00
9:30AM Mass	\$ 1,680.00
4:30PM Mass	\$ 1,181.68
Total	\$ 5,802.52

Calendar 2026

August 8/9	Second Collection (Catholic Charities) Coffee-Donut Sunday (<i>Tongan Community</i>)
August 15	Altar Server Training @ 9:00 AM
August 24	Faith Formation Class for Children starts
September 6	LIFETEEN Kick-off (after 4:30 PM Mass)
September 20	Catechetical Sunday
September 26	Catechist Retreat
September 25	Welcome Mass for Bishop Michael Castori

Today's Readings Reflection

The readings for this week speak of God's saving presence among His people, our need for trusting Faith in our loving and providing God Who always keeps us company, and our need for prayer in storms of life.

The first reading shows us how Elijah the prophet who had defeated the 450 false priests of Baal with the help of just such a trusting Faith in the power of Yahweh, fled to the Lord God for help and strength on Mt. Horeb, and encountered Him there in His mercy.

In the second reading, Paul, addressing the Romans laments and mourns over the Jews who, having lost their Faith in Yahweh and His prophets, had rejected their promised Messiah, Jesus.

The Gospel episode occurred during an unexpected storm on the Sea of Galilee in the early morning hours. As Jesus approached the apostles, miraculously walking on water, he allayed their fears by telling them, "It is I."

Life messages:

1) We all need to call Jesus in the storms facing us in the Church and in our lives. Let us approach Jesus with strong Faith in his ability and willing availability to calm the storms in the life of the Church and in our own lives.

2) We need to imitate the short prayer of sinking Peter: "Lord, save me!" or the prayer of the mother of the possessed girl: "Lord, help me!" or the blind man's prayer: "Son of David, have mercy on me!" or the repentant sinner's prayer: "Lord, have mercy on me a sinner!" We get plenty of time during our travels to say the short prayers like the "Our Father", "Hail Mary" and "Glory be...." We can begin every day by offering all our day's activities to God and asking for His grace to do His will; then we can conclude every day before we go to sleep, by asking God's pardon and forgiveness for our sins. Keeping a Bible on our table will encourage us to read at least a few words of the Bible and thus listen to what God is telling us to do.

- - Fr. Gus, MS. - - -

Weekend Mass Intentions:

To include your weekend Mass intentions, please submit them to the parish office **no later than Friday** for printing, since handwritten requests are hard to read.



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Diocesan Prayer for the 200th Anniversary of Catholicism in Hawai'i

Heavenly Father, With grateful hearts, we
praise and thank You for two hundred years
of Catholic faith in these Hawaiian Islands.

We remember with deep gratitude the
courageous pioneers of the Gospel: the
missionaries of the Congregation of the
Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, who
crossed oceans; the Native Hawaiian faithful
who embraced Christ; the clergy, religious,
and lay leaders who planted, nurtured, and
strengthened Your Church throughout the
generations.

Bless all those who have gone before us,
marked with the sign of faith. May their
witness continue to inspire us to live as
faithful disciples of Your Son. We thank
You for the Church of today, whose
members continue the mission of
proclaiming the Good News through prayer,
service, and love. Renew us in faith,
strengthen us in hope, and unite us in
charity, that we may be living witnesses of
Your presence in our islands.

As we look to the future, pour out Your
Holy Spirit upon the generations yet to
come. Raise up holy vocations to the
priesthood, diaconate, consecrated life, and
married life. Guide our young people to
know and follow Your will. Grant that the
faith handed down to us may flourish in
every heart and every home. Through the
intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Our
Lady, Queen of Peace, Saint Damien of
Moloka'i, Saint Marianne Cope, and all the
holy men and women who have served the
Church in Hawai'i, lead us ever closer to
Your Son, Jesus Christ.

May the next century of faith be marked by
holiness, missionary zeal, and steadfast love,
so that all people may come to know and
glorify You. We ask this through Christ our
Lord. Amen.

Safe Environment - Child and Youth Protection

The Office of Safe Environment and Charter Compliance

The Office of Safe Environment and Charter Compliance is responsible for implementing and overseeing the full Diocesan response to the [Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People](http://www.catholic-hawaii.org/charter) (The Charter). By providing online and in-person educational training programs, presentations and resource materials, we are able to assist church personnel in responding to the mandates of The Charter. In addition, this office organizes the annual audits required by The Charter and, with the offices of Human Resources, and Clergy, oversees background screening of adults whose duties include contact with minors, and the internal investigation process relating to child abuse allegations involving church personnel.

<https://www.catholic-hawaii.org/diocesan-offices/safe-environment-child-and-youth-protection.aspx>