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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 & 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)

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 09, 2020



The Nineteenth Week of Ordinary Time

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.

Monday is the Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr. Tuesday is the Memorial of Saint Clare. Friday is the Memorial of Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest and martyr. Saturday is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, with its own special readings.

This week we begins a two week series of readings from the **Prophet Ezekiel**. He his vivid visions tell of the destruction of Israel to come and the salvation that will follow.

Matthew's Gospel offers us a number of familiar and powerful stories as we reflect upon God's mercy and our call to imitate God's love. Jesus predicts his passion and miraculously resolves a conflict over temple tax. It is not the temple tax for which he will be executed, but for what he reveals about God's love and mercy to sinners. Unless we are humble and trusting like children, we will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus tells us the hard work we should go through to reconcile with a sinner. He says that whenever we are gathered together, in his name, he is with us. He tells us to forgive - over and over again - and tells the parable of the servant who is forgiven but won't forgive a fellow servant. Children were not regarded very highly and the disciples tried to bar them from bothering Jesus. Jesus welcomes them - and all the powerless they represent: "for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

God's love belongs to all of us, according to the readings of the **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. In **Isaiah**, God promises "my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." Paul, in his **Letter to the Romans**, tells us "the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable" and refers to himself as the "apostle to the Gentiles." In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus hears the pleas of a "foreign" woman, a Canaanite who begs Jesus to heal her daughter. (onlineministries.creighton.edu)



God's Gift of Talent



Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33 Trust in Times of Stress

When do you find trust in God the most difficult?

In these times, the pace of life escalates. Multiple responsibilities and conflicting schedules frazzle most of us. No wonder cell phone and pocket computer organizer sales have sky rocketed. We need any kind help to organize our increasingly fragmented lives!

Stress, stress, stress. Modern life runs thick with stress. Add just one disaster to our stressed lives and we fall apart. Imagine, then, the stress Jesus' followers endured as they sailed during an all night storm on the Sea of Galilee.

Have you ever prayed for strength in the face of doubt or stress? How has God answered that prayer? Did God work through other Christians to help you? Explain.

Again a simple gospel passage presents us with so many levels of meaning. The boat, the storm on the lake, the power of Christ in the midst of chaos, and the response of the disciples, all make this passage so accessible, yet so deep. Accessible in the emotions of the moment: stress, fear, doubt. Deep in the mysterious yet powerful ways God responds to that moment.

Let us praise God for his love and guidance through times of stress. For, he truly controls that which we cannot, and is present to us in ways we will never understand.

Take a moment and reflect on the moments of stress you endured this week. How was God in control of the situation? How was God present to you in those moments? How did you respond to him? Thank him for the opportunity to say "yes" to him, even when the situation made him seem so distant. (word-sunday.com)



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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 01-02, 2020

5PM Mass	\$884.00
7PM Mass	\$366.00
7AM Mass	\$958.00
9:30AM Mass	\$319.00
4:30PM Mass	\$531.00
6:30PM Mass	\$325.00
Total	\$3,383.00
2nd Collection—Bldg. Fund	\$3,604.00

THANK YOU FOR BEING GENEROUS! IF YOU ARE INTERESTED TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE icchurchlihue.com.

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)

What's Up?



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 AUGUST 01-02, 2020

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	84
7PM MASS	16
7AM MASS	95
9:30AM MASS	86
4:30PM MASS	57
6:30PM MASS	39
TOTAL	377

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



"A firm and living faith is one which, day by day, is expressed in acts of humility, prayer,

and sacrifice."

(St. Pius XII)

Prayer for a Stewardship Parish

(from the Archdiocese of Detriot)

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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