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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

<u>Reconciliation (Confession)</u> 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)

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - AUGUST 23, 2020



The Twenty-First Week of Ordinary Time

Keys are central to readings for the **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.** The first reading from **Isaiah** offers the story of the faithful servant Eliakim, who will be given the keys for his master's palace. Paul's brief reading from the **Letter to the Romans** is a moving prayer filled with awe at the depth and unknowing ways of our Lord. In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus asks his followers what people are saying about him. Then he asks the real question, **"Who do** *you* **say I am?"** Peter's direct answer, "You are the Christ" prompts Jesus' reply that Peter would be given the keys to the kingdom of heaven and would be the rock upon which his Church would be built.

Monday is the Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle. Thursday is the Memorial of Saint Monica. Friday is the Memorial of Monica's son, Saint Augustine, bishop and doctor of the Church. Saturday is the Memorial of the Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist, with its own readings.

For the first reading we begin with a few selections from the **Second Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians** and then we move to readings from the **First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians** for the next several weeks.

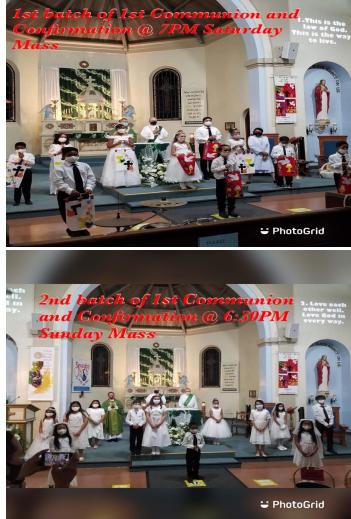
We continue to reflect on Jesus' words from **Matthew's Gospel** Jesus condemns the ways of the Pharisees, calling them hypocrites, "blind guides" and "whitened tombs:" "on the outside you appear righteous, but inside you are filled with hypocrisy and evildoing." In contrast to the ways of the hypocrites, Jesus tells his disciples to "Stay awake!" We are called to be faithful and prudent servants, stewards of what our Master has entrusted to us. If we are this kind of disciples, we will be blessed. Then he tells them the Parable of the talents. A master goes off on a journey, entrusting his wealth to three servants. Two invest the money and earn twice as much for their master. The third, out of fear and laziness, won't take any risks and buries his master's wealth, which was entrusted to him.

Our week ends as we look to the **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**. We see a glimpse of the Prophet **Jeremiah** who understands the pain of following the Lord and decides not to speak the Lord's name again, "but then it becomes like fire burning in my heart." Paul's letter to the **Romans** encourages those ancient Romans and us - not to conform to this age but to discern the will of God. In **Matthew's Gospel**, Jesus corrects his disciples' resistance to his own passion and death, telling them that if they try to save their lives, they'll lose them. **"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."**

> "With the Name of Jesus we shall overthrow the demons; we shall put them to flight." (Catechism of the Cure de Ars)

God's Gift of Talent





A Matter of Relationship (Read Matthew 16:13-20)

Most relationships we have with others assume some honesty. We like to believe that others see us the way we see ourselves, or others will be honest enough with us to mention ways of improvement. Of course, there are times we need feedback, so we ask: **"How am I doing?"**

When Jesus asked his followers a question about his identity, he wasn't asking them for feedback. Instead, he was asking for honesty. He wanted to know where they stood. **Did his followers really know him and his mission?** Were they really with him? Those are questions that are still pertinent with us today. (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 15-16, 2020

5PM Mass	\$570.00
7PM Mass	\$381.00
7AM Mass	\$980.00
9:30AM Mass	\$534.00
4:30PM Mass	\$502.00
6:30PM Mass	\$710.00
Total	\$3,677.00
2nd Collection for the Cathedral	\$499.00

THANK YOU FOR BEING GENEROUS! TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: <u>icchurchlihue.com</u>. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU

MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 15-16, 2020

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	63
7PM MASS	117
7AM MASS	90
9:30AM MASS	78
4:30PM MASS	54
6:30PM MASS	118
TOTAL	520

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

"Look at His adorable Face. Look at His glazed and sunken eyes. Look at His wounds. Look Jesus in the Face. There, you will see how He loves us." (St. Therese of Lisieux)





BUILDING FUND REPORT

Account in the Diocese as of June 30, 2020 = \$ 732,365.61 Account in the parish as of July 31, 2020 = \$68,460.00 Construction in Progress invoices = \$291,413.64 Total = \$1,092,239.25 This is the money that we have raised since

February 2016. We still need to raise **\$407,760.75** to reach our goal of **\$1,500,000.00**. Mahalo!



"Jesus gave Himself wholly to you: He left nothing to himself." (St. John Chrysostom)

"Your every act should be done with love." (1 Cor. 16:14)

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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