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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)

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 06, 2020



# God's Gift of Time

# God's Gift of Talent



### Second Week of Advent

In the **Second Sunday of Advent** we hear Isaiah write of a voice that cries out in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!" These lines from the prophet are repeated in the Mark's Gospel as we are introduced to John the Baptist who prepares the way for Jesus. John says, "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

December 12th is the Feast- of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in the U.S.

We focus on the first readings from Prophet **Isaiah** this week. With the Babylonian Captivity, the temple was destroyed, the leaders of the people were taken away to Babylon and a remnant was left behind. A life-threatening desert separated the people. In this context, proclaims God's vindication of the people in exile. The desert will be reborn. A highway will bring their liberation. And the signs will be that there is healing and peace. "Comfort, give comfort to my people," says the Lord. The valleys will be filled in the mountains leveled - every obstacle will be overcome to build a highway for our God to come and save us. The people can hardly believe the good news. They are weak and weary of their captivity. Isaiah proclaims, "They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagles' wings." The people have been at a distance from the Lord for some time and were not obeying the commandments. The Lord says, "I am the LORD, your God, who grasp your right hand; It is I who say to you, 'Fear not, I will help you." God promises them that if they follow his teachings, "Your descendants would be like the sand... their name never cut off or blotted out from my presence." The final first reading this week is a piece from the book of **Sirach** in which the prophet Elijah is praised. Elijah, who was destined to come again to restore order before the day of the Lord, is seen in the reading from **Matthew's Gospel** to be John the Baptist.

The Third Sunday of Advent offers us more of the promise. The words used by the **prophet Isaiah** to describe God's vindication are the ones Jesus points to as describing his own mission: "The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God.' (onlineministries.creighton.edu)

**Daily Prayer This Week** 

Finding intimacy with God in the midst of our busy lives begins with getting in touch with our own desires. Advent is a wonderful time to ask myself, "What am I looking for? What do I desire? What longing can I recognize in my heart?" The answers to those questions will be our best guide for daily prayer. The readings this week offer some ways to talk with the Lord about our desires.

We can begin by trying to get in touch with a part of my heart that is divided, perhaps with a desert separating the two parts. For example, is there a disconnect between my primary commitments and the amount of time and attention that I give to them? Is there a distance between who I say I am, and who I actually am? Do I experience something missing between what I believe and how I live those beliefs? We all have these contradictions and inconsistencies within us. These are the places into which we can let our Advent desiring grow. This week, we can imagine the prophet saying, "there will be a path between what is separate or divided or at a distance in your life!" "What is desert, barren, dry, life-less in you will come to life!" "You will find freedom and comfort, where you have been finding yourself in a captivity to pattern and routine, where you have felt weak and weary." "Learn from the Lord and learn real wisdom."

When one or more of these desires really strikes a chord in our hearts, Advent begins for us. Each morning this week, we can turn to our God, when we first wake up, while in the shower or getting dressed, and simply ask: "Come, Lord. Come into this place, into this embarrassing place of need in my life." We may be able to be specific and ask, "Please, Lord, come and be with me and bring life and hope into my morning as I face this meeting." As we go to work or do laundry or go shopping, or head home from work, we might ask even more specifically for the grace to love - to take the liberating journey across the desert and let the Lord bring us home to a place of comfort, healing and peace.

Advent is about our coming to a felt sense of our need for a Savior and letting our Savior into our hearts to save us. Advent comes alive for us as we identify our desires and let them be expressed as longing and expectant hope. Into this space our Lord comes with good news, healing and a peace the world can't give. As we taste our desires and longing grow, we can give thanks each evening before we go to bed, to acknowledge we are being given a great grace of a growing intimacy with our God, right in the mist of our very busy days.

(onlineministries.creighton.edu)



What's Up?



"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. 28-29, 2020**

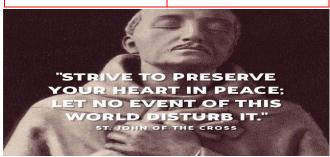
5PM Mass	\$852.00
7AM Mass	\$1,140.00
9:30AM Mass	\$657.00
4:30PM Mass	\$267.00
6:30PM Mass	\$608.00
Total	\$3,524.00

## **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!

## MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOV. 28-29, 2020

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	76
7AM MASS	106
9:30AM MASS	120
4:30PM MASS	48
6:30PM MASS	45
TOTAL	395



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

(4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Readings) **December 20 @ 6:30PM** 

(4<sup>th</sup> 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)

**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.

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

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

Dec. 13 — ICP Food Bank Meeting after 9:30AM Mass, inside the Church.



#### **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.