



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)

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 21, 2021



God's Gift of Time

Attention!

Our 'new' IC Food Pantry Ministry will have a meeting on March 21, 2021 @ 10:45AM, inside the Church. We need more people to be engaged/involved in this new ministry. Please come and join us! Mahalo!

Gospel: John 12:20-33

The Glory of the Cross

Does the cross have any meaning in today's culture? Does the meaning culture gives the Cross have any connection to Christian faith?

References to "Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior" have become popular among sports figures and music stars. After a victory or during an award, stars will give "glory" to God for their accomplishments. As admirable as these testimonials might be, **do they really speak of God's "glory?" Have you ever noticed none of these testimonials ever mention the Cross?**

As we come closer to Easter, the cross looms larger. In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus stated his glory in plain terms. It was the Cross.
(word-sunday.com)

Catechism Theme: **Christ's Self-Giving Death on the Cross** (CCC 613-618)

Christ's death began something new. A new relationship with God in God's new time. The dying breath of Jesus released his Spirit upon the world. It established a new covenant and marked the beginning of the end times. Nothing would ever be the same.

How did the death of Jesus create this new relationship and new time? We can find the answer in his self-giving, his self sacrifice. The image of Jesus on the cross reveals what sort of God we believe in and what sort of response he asks for. First, when Jesus freely gave himself over to sinful men, he clearly showed the world his Father was full of love. His Father was willing to go to any length to bring all of us into a love relationship with himself. Second, the image of Jesus on the cross invites (does not demand) us to love God in return. Thus, through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, God offers himself to all of us in love, and, through the cross, we all can respond in kind.

Notice the cross marked the end of disobedience. His Son obeyed. And through his Son's obedience, we can participate in God's love, that which empowers obedience. Through his Son's obedience, we are justified before God, for we now can love as God loves us.

Love has a cost. It involves suffering and sacrifice. We, as Christians, follow Jesus to the Cross where he shows us the way to the Father.

What does the cross mean to you? Have you ever meditated on a crucifix, seen a Passion Play, or participated in a "Way of the Cross?" What happened?

(word-sunday.com)

God's Gift of Talent



LETTER FROM THE BISHOP!

Last March 5, 2021, Bishop Larry Silva, our Bishop here in the Diocese of Honolulu, issued a letter regarding the **RESUMPTION OF THE SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION**. Here is the excerpt of the letter.

"Effective Easter Sunday, April 4 (or as of the Easter Vigil, April 3), I am ending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, which has been in effect since mid-March, 2020. However, anyone who is sick, may have been exposed to anyone with COVID19, or who has a health condition that would endanger themselves or others by being present in church, continues to be dispensed."

To read the whole letter of our Bishop, please visit our parish website icchurchlihue.com. Mahalo!

"THE CROSS IS THE WAY TO PARADISE BUT ONLY WHEN IT IS BORNE WILLINGLY."

St. Paul of the Cross



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 MARCH 13-14, 2021

5PM Mass	\$788.00
7AM Mass	\$1,203.00
9:30AM Mass	\$939.00
4:30PM Mass	\$403.00
6:30PM Mass	\$454.00
Total	\$3,787.00
2nd Collection—CRS	\$464.00

THANK YOU! SALAMAT PO! AGYAMANNAK!
TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: icchurchlihue.com.

MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 13-14, 2021

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	93
7AM MASS	100
9:30AM MASS	127
4:30PM MASS	88
6:30PM MASS	56
TOTAL	464

Reminder!

You can still park next to the cemetery even though there is a fence now. Just open the small gate and close it afterwards. Mahalo!

Please support, subscribe, and share my new YouTube channel — [Fr. Edzky, MS](#). Go to YouTube and search for [Fr. Edzky, MS](#). MAHALO!

What's Up?



- **March 23 — CHRISM Mass with Bishop Larry @7PM, St. Catherine Church, Kapaa. Due to limited seating capacity, this will be by INVITATION ONLY.**
- **March 28 — PALM SUNDAY — Blessing of Palms in all the Masses. We encouraged you to bring your own palms for this Sunday.**
- **April 01 — HOLY THURSDAY — @ 7PM, MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (Washing of the feet and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament.) NO 7AM MASS.**
- **April 02 — GOOD FRIDAY**
12NN— Stations of the Cross
1PM— The Seven Last Words
3PM— Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross & Communion Service.
- **April 03 — Easter Vigil @ 7PM — NO 7AM Mass, NO 5PM Mass**

DIocese OF HONOLULU CALLS FOR PERMANENT DEACONS!

The Diocese of Honolulu is seeking men to become permanent deacons. Interested men (and their wives for those who are married) are required to attend an inquiry weekend at St Stephen Diocesan Center (SSDC) in Kaneohe. Scheduled weekends are:

- **March 12-14, registration deadline March 5**
- **April 9-11, registration deadline April 2**
- **May 14-16, registration deadline May 7**
- **June 11-13, registration deadline June 4**

Applications to enter the formation program will be accepted after attendance at one of the inquiry weekends. The formation cohort, consisting of the candidates and their wives, will undergo five years of intense classroom and hands-on experiences, generally one weekend per month at SSDC, designed to prepare the men for a life of pastoral service and liturgical responsibilities.

To reserve a space on an inquiry weekend, go to catholichawaii.org/formation. For more information or to ask questions, email deaconformation2@rcchawaii.org or phone (808)203-6777. **Perhaps, the Lord is calling YOU!**

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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