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SACRAMENTS AND BLESSINGS



Baptism Preparations

Parents and godparents are required to attend two Pre-Baptism classes. The first class is on the **3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.** in the parish meeting room. The second class is on the **4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church. Please call the parish office to schedule a meeting with Deacon Dave Kane before the first pre-Baptism class.

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)

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 & 4:30 PM

Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturdays from 4:00- 4:30 PM or
by appointment

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)



God's Gift of Time

God's Gift of Talent



Pentecost and the Ninth Week of Ordinary Time

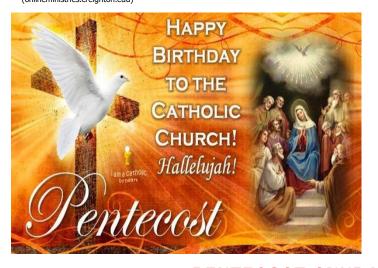
Sunday is **Pentecost Sunday**, as the readings and the whole Church celebrate the coming and ongoing presence of the Holy Spirit among us. Jesus breathes on his jittery followers and tells them, "Peace be with you" and fills them with courage.

Monday is the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. Wednesday is the **Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and his companions, martyrs**. Friday is the **Memorial of Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr**.

The first readings this week are from the **Second Letter of Peter**, who exhorts us to "be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace" and from the **Second Letter to Timothy**: "Stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control."

In **Mark's Gospel** this week, Jesus is in the midst of a struggle with the religious leaders in Jerusalem who do not like him. He tells them the Parable of the tenant farmers, telling them that the stone rejected by builders has become the cornerstone. They almost arrest him. His opponents try to ensnare Jesus with question about the temple tax, but he isn't trapped by them. When they question him about the resurrection, Jesus tells a parable which teaches that God is the God of the living. When asked which is the first commandment, Jesus gives two-highlighting the equal importance of love of God and neighbor. Jesus is both Son of David and Messiah and Lord. Jesus warns of those who abuse widows on spiritual pretexts and tells his disciples to notice the widow who gave from her poverty.

The **10th Sunday in Ordinary Time** allows us to reflect upon the call of the tax collector, Matthew, because Jesus is criticized for eating and drinking with sinners. Jesus calls his critics and us to go learn the meaning of these words, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." I did not come to call the righteous but sinners. (onlineministries.creighton.edu)



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

May 25, 2020

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Peace!

I would like to share with you the good news that we will be reopening our Church this coming May 30, 2020. I am truly excited to celebrate the Holy Eucharist with you again. As a reminder, though, our celebration will not be the same as before. We have to conform with the 'new normal' like social distancing, wearing a mask, sanitizing our hands to name a few. I hope and pray that we will be ready and patient with these changes. I do pray for patience with the process.

I am aware that in our weekend Masses we will have less people to be accommodated inside the Church. Therefore, I decided to add two more Masses. In addition to the two Masses, we will still continue to live stream our Masses on our parish Facebook page. Our weekend Masses schedules are the following:

Saturdays – 5PM Mass and 7PM Mass Sundays - 7AM Mass; 9:30AM Mass; 4:30PM Mass and 6:30PM Mass

I would like to inform you that these first two weekends we will implement the 'first come, first serve basis.' Our hospitality ministers will seat you inside the Church, 30 minutes before the Mass. Additional instructions will be shared with you as we go through the celebration.

Thank you and God bless!

Fr. Edison, MS







"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!"

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM YOUR PASTOR \$66,000 Grant for the Construction of our New Parish Hall

I am delighted to announce that our parish has been awarded a grant of \$66,000 from the **Antone & Edene Vidinha Charitable Trust, Bank of Hawaii, Trustee** to be used toward the construction of our new parish hall.

We are exceedingly grateful and, at the same time, humbled by the belief that the Trust has demonstrated in our project.

Following the death of Edene Vidinha in 1988, the Antone & Edene Vidinha Charitable Trust was established to benefit the people of Kauai. The Trust awards grants to qualified tax exempt, 501(c)(3) charitable organizations on Kauai. Support is provided for programs that better the lives of individuals and families on the island of Kauai with a focus on churches, hospitals, health organizations, and educational scholarships to colleges or universities in the State of Hawaii.

Thanks to your generosity and the benevolence of others like the **Antone & Vidinha Charitable Trust**, we now have over \$900,000 on hand to fund the remaining \$1.3 million needed to complete our project, which, when we are permitted to safely gather together again in Church, we will see is well underway. We continue to trust that the Lord will guide our efforts, and with your help we can complete the new parish hall project without going into debt.

May God bless all those who worked to bring about this generous grant from the **Antone & Edene Vidinha Charitable Trust.**

In Our Lady,

Fr. Edison, MS Pastor

"When pride comes, disgrace comes; but with the humble is wisdom."

(Proverb. 11:2)





ALL OUR PARISH SCHEDULES ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID-19. LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE END OF THIS PANDEMIC!

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)





THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SENDING YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS USING OUR PARISH ENVELOPS. MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN YOUR GENEROSITY!

To all our friends watching us via live streaming, you can visit our parish website for <u>online giving</u>.

Our parish website is icchurchlihue.com

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.