



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)

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING – NOVEMBER 22, 2020



God's Gift of Time

MASS HEADCOUNT FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOV. 14-15, 2020

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	86
7AM MASS	112
9:30AM MASS	91
4:30PM MASS	59
6:30PM MASS	54
TOTAL	402

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Care for Others

How do we await Christ to return? Do we stop our lives and wait? Or, do we act as if Christ had already returned? If we presume Christ is present, how do we treat others? Do they become the focal point of his presence? Does our care for them become a sign of our faithfulness?

Sunday Studies

FIRST READING (EZ 34:11-12, 15-17): Ezekiel gave comfort to the exiles in Babylonian with the image of God as a shepherd. He would give the lost together, bind up the wounds of the injured, and care for his flock with tender loving care. But, he would separate them, good from bad.

PSALM (PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6): "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want..." The famous opening line of Psalm 23 described the hopes of a pilgrim on his way to Jerusalem for a festival. The singer prayed for a safe journey and inspired arrival, both at the hands of God.

SECOND READING (1 COR 15:20-26, 28): St. Paul wrote to the church in Corinth about the resurrection and the end times. Many in that local community viewed the notion of the resurrection as an analogy for a spiritual awakening, a heightened consciousness. By describing the flow of the end times, St. Paul sought to correct their understanding of the resurrection and quell the scandals that flowed around the concept.

GOSPEL (MT 25:31-46): Matthew presented arguably the most recognized image of the end times: the Final Judgment. The great King would gather everyone before him in a final judgment. Jesus used the image of the shepherd to describe the judgment. He would call the sheep (the docile faithful) from the goats (the obstinate) and praised them for their charity. The saved treated the needy, the sick and the imprisoned as if they were Christ himself.

(word-sunday.com)

God's Gift of Talent



Daily Prayer This Week

This week we might be inspired by the gospels to ask God to help us be attentive for the signs of God's presence in our lives each day.

We can ask Jesus to help us open our hearts and be more generous in our daily lives. Inspired by the poor widow, we can ask ourselves, in faith, "How willing am I to share? Do I give from my surplus or is it a real sacrifice?" Are we generous with our time and talents? Perhaps we spend too much time at the computer or at work or in various other projects, neglecting our family or other relationships. Are there places where we could give more of ourselves to people who need us?

When Jesus speaks of the "tribulations" that are ahead for all Christians, this might prompt me to ask myself how willing I am to live my faith courageously. Caring for the poor, seeking justice and self-giving love are basic elements of following Jesus, but they are not valued by our culture. Am I willing to face the objections of family and friends for being so "counter-cultural" in following the gospel?

Perhaps we are distracted by the pressures of daily life, or as Jesus says so aptly, we allow our hearts to grow drowsy from "carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise...." What is it in our lives that keeps us from recognizing God's Kingdom here on earth? Maybe we abuse alcohol, are greedy, or know deep inside there is a basic selfishness we don't even want to recognize in ourselves. We can only rely on Jesus for an "awakeness" that will help us to see ourselves as Jesus sees us, with love and forgiveness. It is in that moment, when we recognize that we are "loved sinners" that we can ask for the strength to make changes in our lives.

As we awake each morning and sit by the side of the bed before we begin our day, we can ask Jesus for the grace to see his presence in our lives in this day, and beg him for the help that we need. And in all of the smallest moments of the day, we can ask him from the deepest part of our hearts for the mercy and grace that will keep our eyes and hearts open this day. Then we can say, from our hearts, "Thank you."

(onlineministries.creighton.edu)

"It is better to be the child of God than king of the whole world."
(St. Aloysius Gonzaga)

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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 NOV.14-15, 2020

5PM Mass	\$865.00
7AM Mass	\$1,010.00
9:30AM Mass	\$429.00
4:30PM Mass	\$404.00
6:30PM Mass	\$472.00
Total	\$3,180.00
2nd Collection—Priests Retirement Fund	\$864.00

MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN YOUR GENEROSITY!

The Thirty-fourth Week of Ordinary Time

Sunday is the **Thirty-Fourth or Last Sunday in Ordinary Time** and the **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**. Jesus tells the marvelous parable about how we will all be judged - as a shepherd separates sheep from goats, based upon our care for the poor: "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me."

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and martyr, and his companions, martyrs**. Thursday is **Thanksgiving Day** in the United States, with its own special readings about gratitude. The first reading all week is continues from the mystical **Book of Revelation**.

In this last week of Ordinary Time, we have readings from **Luke's Gospel**, which grow more explicit about the end time as Jesus and his disciples draw closer to Jerusalem. Jesus watches rich people make donations at the Temple but when a poor widow drops in two small coins he notes that her donation is far larger for "she, from her poverty, has offered her whole livelihood." He speaks of the end time, and cautions that many will claim to come in Jesus' name. "Do not follow them!" He says that the cost of following him may be high, and may lead to trials and divisions in families. But, he says, "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Just as we know what the signs in nature tell us - fig trees in bloom announce the coming of summer - Jesus want us to be aware of the signs of the coming of the Kingdom: "when you see these things happening, know that the Kingdom of God is near." Finally, he tells us not to let our "hearts be drowsy" from drunkenness or anxiety but to be vigilant at all times and to pray for the strength we will need for the "tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

Sunday is the beginning of a new liturgical year with the **First Sunday of Advent**. The first reading from the **Prophet Isaiah** as the people repent before God: "Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways!" **Mark's gospel** offers the image of the master who leaves his servants in charge while he is away. Be watchful! Be alert!

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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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What's Up?



Nov. 22 — Q and A with Caven Raco about the New Parish Hall @ 8:30AM.

Nov. 25 — Anticipated Thanksgiving Day Mass @ 6PM.

Nov. 26 — Thanksgiving Day — 7AM Mass

Nov. 26-27 — The parish office is CLOSED.

Nov. 29 — 1st Sunday of Advent — New liturgical season starts.

We will have SIMBANG GABI and MISA DE GALLO this year. Watch out for the schedules on these Masses. Mahalo!

TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: icchurchlihue.com. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!