



# Stewards of God's Gifts



## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

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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

(6th to 8th Grade)

Every Sunday @ Parish Hall -  
3:00PM - 4:00 PM  
(Ends with the 4:30PM Mass)

#### Jesus And Me (JAM) Ministry

(9th to 12th Grade)

Every Monday @ Parish Hall -

5:30PM - 7:00 PM

#### 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)

**24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPTEMBER 12, 2021**



## God's Gift of Time

Discipleship had real dangers. To become a follower, one must fulfill two conditions: give up all claims and be ready to die. Jesus meant releasing claims on conflicting personal relationships and be ready to undergo persecution. In other words, to become a Christian meant leaving one's non-believing clan for the Christian community. Giving up family brought group ostracization and backlash, both on the family level and the neighborhood level. Depending upon the poor and lowly Christian community alone had its own dangers. (Consider Acts 8:1-3, for example.)

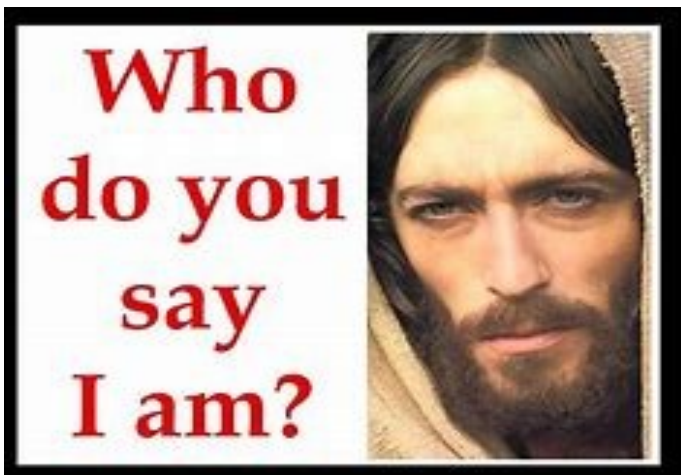
**Cultural Christianity has its comforts. But, living the Christian life has its challenges. Have people criticized you for your virtue, prayer life, or faith practices? How?**

**"You are the Christ!"**

Peter had his expectations and his vision of commitment. He wanted a Messiah to lead to glory among people. But Jesus had different expectations and vision of commitment. Jesus' vision would lead to shame among people but glory before God. When we proclaim Jesus the Christ, let us remember the responsibility those words bring. And the risks those words bring. In the end, they will not make us popular or comfortable. But they will bring us to eternal life.

**Reflect on Peter's proclamation. How can you proclaim Jesus as the Christ this week? How can you live the message, in spite of the dangers?**

(word-sunday.com)



## God's Gift of Talent



### Twenty-fourth Week in Ordinary Time

On the **Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time** we hear in **Mark's Gospel** as Jesus tell his disciples about his passion, death and resurrection to come in Jerusalem. Peter tries to prevent him from going there. Jesus rebukes him and tells the disciples and us that to be a disciple is to follow him, not trying to save one's life, but by dying to ourselves and losing ourselves for his sake and that of the Gospel. That is the only path to real life.

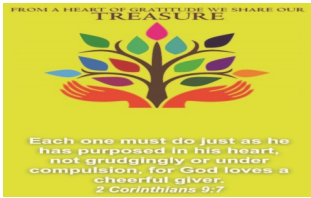
Monday is the **Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**. Tuesday is the **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross** and Wednesday is the **Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**. Both days have their own special readings. Thursday is the **Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs**.

We continue reading from Paul's **First Letter to Timothy**. It begins this week with the great prayer for our leaders. He then says how bishops and deacons should behave. He urges Timothy to be especially caring for the youth. Paul warns Timothy of the troubles of riches. Finally, Paul encourages Timothy to be faithful.

In **Luke's Gospel**, Jesus praises the faith of the Roman centurion who understands Jesus' power to heal. Jesus then raises from the dead the son of the widow of Nain. In response to constant criticism from religious authorities, Jesus compares the critics to children taunting their playmates. We read of the woman who entered a dinner Jesus was attending and wept over his feet, washing them with her tears, showing what real love is. Luke, who highlights the role of women in his gospel, tells us of women who accompanied Jesus and his disciples. Finally, Jesus gives us the Parable of the Sower and its interpretation about how temptations and shallow roots can prevent the Word from growing in us or how "the anxieties and riches and pleasures of life" can choke the Word.

On the **Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time** we hear Jesus tell his disciples about his passion, death and resurrection a second time. It is clear to him that they didn't understand the first time. He knew that, along the way, they had been arguing about who was the greatest. He gathers the Apostles and says to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

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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!”**

**THE SUMMARY COLLECTION AND MASS HEADCOUNT FOR SEPTEMBER 04-05, 2021 WILL BE POSTED ON THE SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 PARISH BULLETIN. MAHALO!**

**THANK YOU! SALAMAT PO! AGYAMANNAK!  
MAHALO FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!  
TO GIVE ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: [icchurchlihue.com](http://icchurchlihue.com).**

### DO YOU WANT TO LEARN THE FAITH?

Last June, we started again our subscription with FORMED.org. It is very easy to register now. There is no need for password unlike before. Here is how...

1. Go to FORMED.org and click Sign up. The screen will show - How would you like to sign up? Click "Sign up as a parishioner."
2. Enter your parish zip code or name (Immaculate Conception Church Lihue) to select your parish.
3. Enter your name and email. Click Sign Up again and you can now start using the programs like bible studies, movies etc.

**THIS SUBSCRIPTION IS FREE FOR PARISHIONERS! THE PARISH PAYS FOR IT!**

**Our ICP Food Pantry Ministry is continuously accepting donations such as toiletries, canned goods and brown bags. Please don't give rice, pasta and potatoes anymore due to our storage problem. Kindly look for Ms. Carol Simon for more information. Mahalo! God bless!**

### 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?



**PLEASE WATCH OUR DAILY MASS (LIVE STREAMING) AT 7AM VIA OUR FACEBOOK PAGE— Immaculate Conception Church Kauai. Please LIKE and SHARE it.**

**September 11/12 — 2nd Collection for the Catholic University of America. Please be generous.**

**September 18/19 — Special 2nd Collection for the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette. Please be generous.**

**September 19 — 175th Year of the Apparition of Our Lady of La Salette. Please include Fr. Edison, MS and his Religious Community as they celebrate the Feast Day of Our Lady. Thank you!**

**WE NEED YOU! WE NEED MORE PEOPLE TO HELP THE YARD CREW ON WEDNESDAYS @8AM AND CHURCH & HALL CLEANERS ON FRIDAYS @8AM. THANKS!**

Family Activity (Mk 8:27-35)

### "Being A Christian" Poster

Many scholars believe these passages signify the transition point in Mark's gospel. No longer does Jesus hide the fact he is the Messiah. Indeed, he proclaims the type of Messiah he will be, a Suffering Servant. This message takes Peter and the others completely by surprise. Wasn't he to be the One to lead God's army against the Romans? Wasn't he to be the One to rule as God's Chosen in Jerusalem forever? Of, course, Peter and the others missed the point.

Jesus revealed the true meaning of "Christ" and "Christian." Both mean "selflessness." Both mean sacrifice. To make this point, create a poster labeled "Being a Christian." Have your family draw a winding road to the cross. Then, brainstorm and write down ways to be selfless as road signs on the way to the cross. Place the poster in a place all can see. Use it to generate discussion during the week. (word-sunday.com)