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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 Liquori)

**26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 26, 2021** 

God's Gift of Time

God's Gift of Talent



## MASS HEADCOUNT FROM 2016 – 2020

## WEEKEND AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AND PER MASS ON WEEKENDS BASED ON OCTOBER HEADCOUNTS

- 2016 = Weekend AVERAGE = 706 per MASS on weekends = 235
- **2017** = Weekend AVERAGE = **735** per MASS on weekends = **245**
- 2018 = Weekend AVERAGE = 748 per MASS on weekends = 249
- 2019 = Weekend AVERAGE = 775 per MASS on weekends = 194
- 2020 = Weekend AVERAGE = 389 per MASS on weekends = 78

Based on our records, we only had 3 weekend Masses from 2016 to 2018. In 2019, we added the 4:30PM Mass on weekends. Due to the pandemic that started in March 2020, we decided to add the 6:30pm Mass to accommodate the faithful with social distancing requirements.

If you notice, prior to the pandemic, our faith community was growing in numbers. Now, it is down. With the addition of Masses, **how can we, on our part, encourage our brothers and sisters to come back to Church? How can we convince them that it is safer to celebrate it here in our Church?** If they are still afraid, **do we encourage them to join us via live streaming of our Masses?** 

Mahalo! Fr. Edison, MS



Catechism Theme: **Respect for the Dignity of Persons** (Scandal) (CCC 2284-2287)

"Scandal is an attitude or behavior which leads another to do evil." (CCC 2284) The sin of scandal depends upon the reasons of those who cause the scandal or the weakness of the scandalized. Those who have power to influence others (people in media, teachers, law makers, etc.) have a particular responsibility to avoid causing scandal. The content of scandal can be institutional (i.e., a law or exercise of power). It can also be a matter of fad or opinion.

Those within the Church have a particular need to avoid scandal, so the Church can promote evangelization. But, the Church and Christians can never completely avoid scandalizing those who oppose Christ. Living out the faith can divide people, as much as it invites people to the Lord.

#### How has your practice of the faith challenge others? Did it invite others to join? Or, did it cause others to step away? What happened?

What is worse, to cause scandal or to be scandalized? Neither advance faith, only egos. Both can destroy faith and community participation. Both can lead to spiritual death.

Jesus gave us guidelines to address scandal. Encourage the faith of those outside the community. Know yourself and your weaknesses that can cause scandal. And, do not aspire to offices where you can cause scandal. Jesus wanted an increase in faith, not scandal. We should, too.

When believers cause scandal, it is a challenge away from faith. But, when God causes scandal, it is a challenge to faith. God's will (his "scandal") requires openness of mind and heart. What time and energy have you spent seeking God's will, hearing his voice?

(http://word-sunday.com)

<b>Twenty-Sixth Sunda</b>	y in Ordinary Time, Year B
First Reading	Numbers 11:25-29
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14
Second Reading	James 5:1-6
Gospel Acclamation	John 17:17B, 17A
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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!"

#### SUMMARY COLLECTION FOR SEPTEMBER 18-19, 2021

5PM Mass	\$1,060.00
7AM Mass	\$1,092.00
9:30AM Mass	\$1,940.00
4:30PM Mass	\$760.00
6:30PM Mass	\$488.00
Total	\$5,300.00
2nd Collection— La Salette	\$1,717.00

## MASS HEADCOUNT FOR SEPTEMBER 18-19, 2021

MASS TIME	HEADCOUNT
5PM MASS	110
7AM MASS	115
9:30AM MASS	118
4:30PM MASS	112
6:30PM MASS	57
TOTAL	512

Celebrate!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDA

September 26, 2021 Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one.

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 26** — **Priesthood Sunday.** Please include all the priests, living and dead, in your prayers.

**October 03** — **Respect for Life Sunday.** Please continue to pray for the protection of life from conception to natural death.

**October 02/03 — 2nd Collection for Ohana in Christ Annual Appeal.** Please be generous. Our regular Building Fund 2nd collection will be done next week.

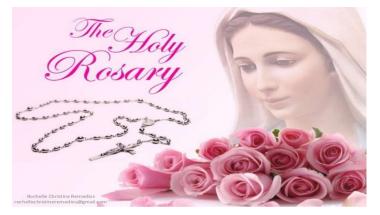
**October 04** — **Jesus And Me (JAM) Ministry** for our youth, 9th t0 12th grade, will start from 5:30pm to 7pm at our new parish hall.

**October 05 — Parish Pastoral Council Meeting,** 6PM @ new parish hall.

October 07— Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

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

The Month of October is also the Month of our Blessed Mother Mary. We do encouraged you and your whole family to pray the Holy Rosary.



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.

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