



# Immaculate Conception Church



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## 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.

***This is our call.***



## 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.



Our Altar Server Ministry had a short training and certificate distribution last week Sunday.



Our youth ministry attended the Christian Leadership Institute on O'ahu from June 22—27.



**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time– July 13, 2025**

### MASS TIMES

**Weekday Mass (Monday-Saturday)**  
7:00 AM

### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 7:00 AM; 9:30 AM;  
4:30PM

### Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 4PM -4:30PM  
Weekdays: by appointment only.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month at 6:15 AM  
(With Devotion to the Sacred Heart  
of Jesus)

2nd, 3rd, & 4th Friday at 6:00 PM @  
Sisters' Convent

### Novena to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesday @ 6:30 AM

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Friday @ 8:00—12:00 Noon

### Gift Shop

8:00AM to 12nn Monday to  
Friday  
Sunday—after every Mass

### 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).

#### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for

**Adults)** You may contact Mrs. Millie Cur-  
tis for more details. Please call the parish  
office.

### FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

Two-year formation program

Classes start on

September 14, 2025

### FAITH FORMATION

#### LIFETEEN, EDGE, YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT

Continuing formation program for  
youth age 13 to 35.

#### YOUTH & CHILDREN CHOIR

##### Schedule of practice:

Every 3rd & 4th Saturday of the  
Month @ 3:15 to 4:30 PM

##### Mass sponsorship:

3rd Sunday @ 4:30 PM

4th Sunday @ 5:00 PM

### OTHER MINISTRIES

#### Hospitality Sunday

Every 2nd Sunday of the month

#### General Cleaning

#### of Church & Parish Hall

Every Friday right after the Mass

## Stewards of God's Gift *God's gift of Time, Talent & Treasure*

### Join us for two powerful events!

#### July 18: Night of Worship @ 6PM

*Come and worship with us.*

#### July 19: Day of Study @ 9:00AM-3:00PM

*Dive deeper into your faith and grow in  
knowledge and wisdom.*

These events are open to ALL: families, children,  
youth, young adults, and adults. We can't wait  
to share these experiences with you!

Please see flyers for more details.

### SUNDAY SUMMARY COLLECTION-July 5/6, 2025

5PM Mass	\$1,860.00
7AM Mass	\$1,449.00
9:30AM Mass	\$3,673.00
4:30PM Mass	\$1,382.00
Total	\$8,364.00
Second Collection	\$3,726.00

### Calendar

July 13	Hospitality Sunday (OCIA, Church and Hall Cleaners)
July 16	Technology Workshop hosted by Skyler Tanicala (All are welcome)
July 18	Night of Worship @ 6:00PM
July 19	Day of Study (@9:00AM to 3:00PM)

**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time— July 13, 2025**



## Today's Readings Reflection

**The central theme of today's Scripture readings is that we gain eternal life through loving God living in our neighbors by becoming good neighbors.**

**The first reading**, taken from Deuteronomy, reminds us that God not only gives us His Commandments in Holy Scriptures, but that they are also written in our hearts so that we may obey them and inherit eternal life with God.

**In the second reading**, St. Paul reminds the Colossians, and us, that just as Christ Jesus is the "visible image of the invisible God," so our neighbors are the visible image of Christ living in our midst.

**In today's Gospel**, a scribe asks Jesus a very basic religious question: "What should I do to inherit eternal life?" In answer to the question, Jesus directs the scribe's attention to the Sacred Scriptures. The Scriptural answer is, "love God and express it by loving your neighbor." However, to the scribe the word "neighbor" means another scribe or Pharisee – never a Samaritan or a Gentile. Hence, the scribe insists on clarification of the word "neighbor." So, Jesus tells him the parable of the Good Samaritan. The parable clearly indicates that a "neighbor" is anyone who needs help. Thus, the correct approach is not to ask, "Who is my neighbor?" but rather to ask, "Am I a good neighbor to others?" Jesus, the Heavenly Good Samaritan, gives us a final commandment during the Last Supper, "Love one another as I have loved you," because the invisible God dwells in every human being.

### **Life messages:**

**1)** Let us remember that the road from Jerusalem to Jericho passes right through our home, parish, school and workplace. We may find our spouse, children or parents lying "wounded" by bitter words or scathing criticism or by other more blatant forms of verbal, emotional or physical abuse. Hence, Jesus invites us to show our love to others, in our own home, in school, in the workplace, and in the neighborhood, as the Good Samaritan did.

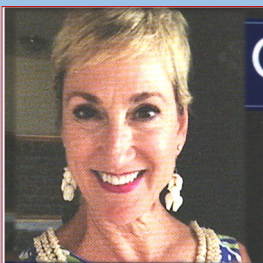
**2)** Let us check to see if we are good neighbors. We become good neighbors when we are people of generosity, kindness, and mercy toward all who are suffering. Our sincere smile, a cheery greeting, an encouraging word of appreciation, a heartfelt "thank you" can all work wonders for a suffering soul.

**3)** Let us allow the "Good Samaritans" to touch our lives. Let us be willing to touch, or be touched by, persons we have once despised. For some of us, it may be persons of another color or race; for others, it may mean persons of a different political persuasion.

**4)** Let us accept the invitation to be loving and merciful to our enemies. This means people we hate, as well as those who hate us. It is an invitation for people of all times to love their enemies--to love those they have previously hated.

- - -Fr. Gus, MS. - - -

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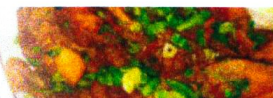
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**Sunday - CLOSED**

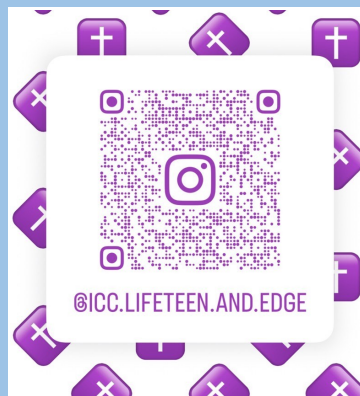


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