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Saturdays at 5:00 PM
Sundays: 7:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 5:00 PM
First Fridays: Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament: 7:00 AM. Mass at 8:00 AM

CONFESSION

Saturdays: 4 – 4:30 PM or by appointment

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FAITH FORMATION (CCD & OCIA): Contact coordinator.

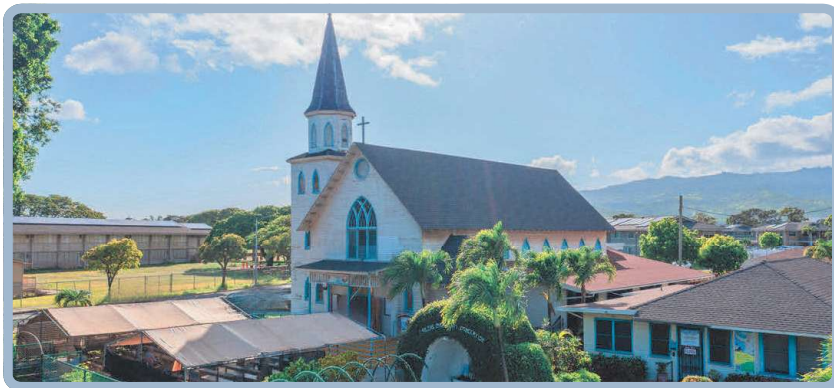
MARRIAGE: Notify the parish 6 months prior to proposed date. Attending an Engaged Encounter Weekend is required prior to marriage ceremony.

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND: Contact the office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick.

FUNERALS: Call the parish before making arrangements with the mortuary.

FOOD PANTRY: Distribution happens in Parish Hall, bring ID:

- First Friday hours: 3-5 PM
- Remaining Fridays: 4-6 PM



MISSION STATEMENT: “We, the people of Immaculate Conception Parish in Ewa, declare our firm loyalty to our Lord Jesus Christ, our Roman Catholic Church, and to the Diocesan Bishop of Honolulu. Our strength is in our unity as a Christian Family of Faith, and we inspire to reach out to everyone with the embrace of Christ.”

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 19, 2025

FOCUS: We have been equipped for every good work.

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching ... and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be ... equipped for every good work. With this statement Paul is asserting that whatever else we may need in our striving for holiness and in sharing the Gospel, the word of God is the basis for all truth and the foundation for every good thing. The Lord has provided us with all that is necessary to keep his Word; let us ask him in prayer to help us answer his call.

THE WIDOW GOD FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

I have a friend who likes to say that God always answers prayers; it's just that sometimes God says “no.” He'll say that not always getting what we pray for seems to fit the way life is. My difficulty with that piece of religious folk wisdom is that God then comes off as someone who sits around sorting out answers to prayers from the billions of daily requests sent God's way. When I object to my friend's saying, he's quick to remind me that God wants us to pray. Doesn't this week's parable about the widow who plagues the dishonest judge say just that? Don't give up praying.

Yet God isn't like a dishonest judge who cares not for any human being. It also presumes that the sheer multiplication of words sent God's way increases the chances that we'll get a positive hearing, and that God needs to be convinced to do good for us, or at least what we presume is good. But then that presumes that we know better than God. So perhaps God is not like the judge but like the widow, continually pleading that we might give him a hearing.

The purpose of our prayer, then, is not to get God to do what we want, but rather to open ourselves to what God wants for us. That does take some trust, but don't we believe that God knows us better than we know ourselves? That's why the parable ends with the question, “When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?”

● **Reflect:** When I talk to God, do I also listen?

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, October 20:

7:00 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Sheena Villanueva – RS)
6:30 PM Council of Ministries Mtg.

Tuesday, October 21:

7:00 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(Ernesto Holden – Birthday Blessings)

Wednesday, October 22:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Emeterio Guillermo, Jr. and +Felipe Madamba, Jr. – RS)
6:30 PM O.C.I.A. Class
6:30 PM Liturgy Meeting

Thursday, October 23:

- No Mass

Friday, October 24:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Emeterio Guillermo, Jr. – RS)
4–6:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday, October 25: – Ministry Fair

8:00 AM Church Cleaning
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(Anna Marie Bonilla – Birthday Blessings)

Sunday, October 26: – Ministry Fair

6:00 AM Rosary
7:00 AM Mass
(+Emeterio Guillermo, Jr. – RS)
8:15 AM CCD Classes
8:45 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Mass
(+Theogenes Behic – Death Anniversary)
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(Mass for the People)
6:30 PM Young Adult Ministry Mtg

ALISON ON VACATION

Alison will be on vacation from October 23 – 31, so the office will be closed. We will reopen on November 3, 2025.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Last Saturday, Oct. 11th, our parish held an Appreciation Luncheon for all our volunteers! Fr. Eesees “Ace” Tui was here to give a talk on **Stewardship and the Eucharist**. His talk inspired our volunteers even more to continue their service for our Lord. We are grateful for the generosity of his time and words of encouragement.



ALL SAINTS DAY FOR THE KEIKIS

Parents, bring your keikis to our All Saints Day Celebration on **Saturday, November 1st** starting at **7:00 p.m.** Dress your keikis as saints or a superhero! (*No costumes that glorify evil.*) At 7:30 p.m. the keikis will walk around the parking lot for our **Trunk ‘o Treat** event. If anyone is interested in dressing your trunks up or donating candies, please contact Allen or Jaclyn Gervacio at allen.gervacio@gmail.com or jaegervacio@gmail.com



MAHALO, FR. KURT MEYER AND FR. PRESTON “PJ” CASTRO!

We'd like to take this time to thank Fr. Kurt Meyer and Fr. Preston “PJ” Castro for presiding over our daily and weekend Masses this past week while Fr. Sieg was away. We're truly grateful for their presence here and ask God to bless them abundantly.

FOOD PANTRY CLOSED ON

OCT. 31st:

We will resume the following Friday, Nov. 7th, from 3 – 5 p.m.

Dear Padre,

What is the Church's view on having crystal stones or sage in the home to bring in positive energy?

The Church does not have an official position on every possible human action or activity. The Church believes in the discerning principle of maturity and fully expects that the people of God will use the ability that has been entrusted to them by the Creator in a positive manner. The Church understands the power of mystery and the power of symbols but rightfully assigns any “energy” that mystery and symbols may generate to the power of the Holy Spirit. Inanimate objects, by the very definition of “inanimate,” do not generate energy. They may be symbols of energy, but they do not have energy in and of themselves. If you enjoy crystals because of their beauty or because of the way they diffuse light, then there is no harm in having them in your house. If you like the smell of sage, then use it and enjoy it. All symbols have different meanings, depending on how they are understood and used by the people who gathered, collect, and store them for use. These symbols have no power in and of themselves for good or for evil. However, if you live in a culture that has identified the meaning of a symbol, and that assigned meaning contradicts Christian belief and practice, it would be best to avoid that symbol.

October 19, 2025

●Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES DUE BY OCTOBER 26TH!



All Souls Day is on **November 2nd**. On this day, we remember our loved ones who have been called back Home by our Lord. If you would like to remember your loved ones during our All Souls Day Masses, we ask that you pick up an envelope at the entrance of the church and write their names on it. Please write legibly to prevent any misspellings.

This year, we invite everyone who would like to remember their loved ones at the Masses to **send a picture** of them via the church email: iccewa@rcchawaii.org. We will place their pictures on our **tree of remembrance**. Please be sure to include their names in your email. If you have any questions, call the parish office. Names are due by **October 26th**. Names given after this date aren't guaranteed to be included on the tree.

MINISTRY FAIR, OCT. 25-26

*Our Ministry Fair is coming after all Masses on
October 25th and 26th.*

The Ministry Fair is happening next weekend!!!

Come meet our ministry leaders and volunteers, learn how you can get involved, and discover new ways to share your gifts of time, talent, and treasure with our parish 'ohana. We look forward to seeing you there!



WELCOME, KEILA CUADRO, TO OUR PARISH OHANA!



Congratulations to the parents and family of **Keila Grace V. Cuadro** who was baptized here at our parish on Saturday, October 11th. We ask for your prayers as she begins her journey in the life of the Church. We ask for the guidance of her parents and godparents as they instill the teachings of the faith.

Congratulations Keila Grace!

ROSARY RALLY, OCT. 11th



We continue our celebration of the month of the rosary

by the gathering of some of our parishioners under the tent. As a request from America Needs Fatima, we were asked to pray for peace and for the reparation of sins committed against Mamma Mary. Many thanks to Letty Legaspi and Susan Duffy for organizing the rally. Note: We will continue to pray the rosary every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in front of the Grotto throughout the month of October. Please join us.

SECOND COLLECTION: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend, **Oct. 25-26th**, our second collection will be taken up for **World Mission Sunday**. The theme for this year is **"Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples,"** which was chosen by Pope Francis before his death and is tied to the Jubilee of Hope. Missionary priests, sisters, and lay faithful help to bring the light of Christ into places darkened by suffering, war, and poverty. It's a day when the entire Church gathers in prayer & sacrificial giving to proclaim the Gospel to all peoples in all lands. Please give generously. Mahalo!

WEEKLY MASS COUNT	Day/Time	SEP 27-28		OCT. 4-5		OCT. 11-12	
		Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
	Sat. 5:00 PM	161	20	142	8	159	15
	Sun. 7:00 AM	208	13	225	13	224	9
	Sun. 9:30 AM	218	49	201	39	218	37
	Sun. 5:00 PM	182	18	174	23	188	34

Readings for the 30th
Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

October 11 - 12, 2025

Weekly Offering	\$4,441.00
Sat. 5:00 PM -	\$1,113.00
Sun. 7:00 AM -	\$1566.00
Sun. 9:30 AM -	\$836.00
Sun. 5:00 PM -	\$926.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$2,067.00
Building Fund	\$320.00
Candles	\$55.00
Book of Intentions	\$239.00
Mass Intentions	\$55.00
All Souls Day	\$105.00
Hawaii Quilt Guild	\$60.00
Funeral	\$300.00
Food Pantry	\$27.00
T-Shirt Fundraiser	\$32.00
Sacred Heart Society	\$2,000.00
TOTAL	\$9,701.00

2nd Collection:

Catholic Ministries Ann. Appeal **\$25.00**

A Quote from POPE LEO XIV

Peace is first and foremost a gift. It is the first gift of Christ: "My peace I give to you" (John 14:27).... It engages and challenges each of us...demanding that first of all we work on ourselves. Peace is built in the heart and from the heart, by eliminating pride and vindictiveness and carefully choosing our words. For words, too, not only weapons, can wound and even kill.

AUDIENCE OF THE HOLY FATHER, ROME,
MAY 16, 2025

Church Cleaning Schedule

Oct. 25: Chamorro Group
Nov. 1: Sacred Heart Society
Nov. 8: Knights of Columbus
Nov. 15: Couples for Christ

PARISH MINISTRIES

- Parish Pastoral Council
- Parish Council of Ministries
- Finance Council
- Parish Planning & Building
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Stewardship Committee
- Music Ministry
- Money Counters
- Bereavement
- Religious Education
- Lectors
- Ushers
- Altar Servers
- Flowers & Environmental
- Knights of Columbus
- Event Planners
- Food Pantry
- Couples for Christ
- Youth & Young Adult Min.
- Sacred Heart Society
- Secular Franciscans
- Chamorro Group

FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Ursula – Feast Day is Oct. 21st. The story of this 4th c. virgin martyr has generally been considered a legend. This British princess, daughter of a Christian king, went on a pilgrimage to Rome to delay an arranged marriage with a pagan prince. It was said that she set off with "11,000 virgins" and was massacred for her faith along with them by the Huns on their return to Cologne, Germany. She was chosen as the model and patroness of the Ursuline Order of nuns, which was founded in 1535 by St. Angela Merici, because of her courage, fidelity to Christ, and leadership. This order is one of the first teaching orders of nuns, whose work is to educate girls. She's one of the most represented saints in art. The Church of St. Ursula in Cologne on the site of her martyrdom houses many of her relics. Christopher Columbus named the Virgin Islands after her and her companions.

St. John of Capistrano – Feast Day is Oct. 23rd. An Italian Franciscan friar and priest, this saint was noted for being a famous preacher, theologian, and inquisitor. He studied law, practiced as a lawyer in a court in Naples, and then was appointed Governor of Perugia. After an imprisonment, he joined the Franciscans and did brilliant preaching of penance and simplicity in several European countries, where he established several communities of Franciscan renewal. He led a crusade against invading Turks, when he marched at the head of 70,000 Christians and gained victory in the Battle of Belgrade in 1456. His nickname became "the Soldier Saint." He's the patron of jurists and military chaplains and is also noted for instituting devotion to the holy Names of Jesus and Mary. Two Spanish mission churches have been named after him in California and Texas and are known as "Mission San Juan Capistrano."



St. Raphael the Archangel – Feast Day is Oct. 24th. One of 7 archangels standing before God's throne, this saint was only 1 of 3 mentioned in the Bible and was known for his healing powers. His name in Hebrew, "Rafa-EL," means "God heals." In the Old Testament book of Tobit, there's the passage of Raphael in human disguise accompanying Tobias on a journey to collect some money lost to her father, Tobit. Not only did he protect and help Tobias, but he also saved him from being eaten by an unspecified fish and bound a demon in the desert. He also facilitated a marriage of Tobias to Sarah after driving out an evil spirit from her and cured Tobias from his blindness. He showed healing powers as well by moving the waters at the pool of Bethesda. These events showed how God has entrusted humans to angels for care and protection. He's the patron saint of travelers, medical workers, the blind, bodily ills, and happy meetings.

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