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**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Sunday**

7 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Mass  
8:15 a.m. CCD (K--12 grade) \*

**Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri**

8:00 a.m. Mass

**Wednesday**

6:00 p.m. OCIA (Adults)

**Thursday**

No Mass

**First Friday**

7:00 a.m. First Friday Benediction  
and Rosary  
8:00 a.m. Mass

**Saturday**

9:00 a.m. OCIA (Children) \*  
3:00 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. Marian Devotion  
5:00 p.m. Mass

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday**

4:00p.m. - 4:30p.m. (or by appt.)

\*September – May (School year)

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**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.”



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**Contact us for the following:**

**Baptism:**

Contact the parish to enroll in the baptism preparation for your children.

**Faith Formation: CCD & OCIA**

Religious education for adults and children

**Marriage:**

Contact office at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. An Engaged Encounter Weekend is required prior to Marriage Ceremony.

**Communion to the Homebound**

Contact parish office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick.

**Funerals**

Call the parish office *prior* to making arrangements with the mortuary.

**Food Pantry**

Every Friday except on holidays, between 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.



# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 27, 2023

*Readings for next week:*

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Romans 12:1-2

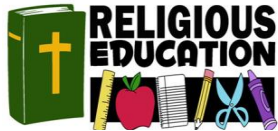
Matthew 16:21-27

**FOCUS:** Rely on God for wisdom.

Simon Peter didn't "figure out" Jesus' identity on his own. Rather, God himself revealed to Peter that Jesus is *the Christ, the Son of the living God*. Rather than relying only on our own intellect, we must be open to what the Lord is trying to tell us – or else we may miss something crucial.

### **Fr. Sieg's Installation Mass, Sat., Sep. 9<sup>th</sup>**

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Fr. Sieg's Installation on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at the 5 p.m. Mass. Potluck dinner to follow in the Parish Hall.



Today is the last day to register for Religious Education classes from 8:10 – 11:00 a.m. in the CCD Office. Please see Shirley Sunio, (DRE), to register your children. Classes start on September 10<sup>th</sup>.



### **MariaeGrace Olaya, World Youth Day**

**MariaeGrace Olaya**, one of our youth, attended the World Youth Day from August 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> in Lisbon, Portugal with the Neo-Catechumenal Group. She is the daughter of Laureanne Olaya and granddaughter of Connie Olaya, who are members of our parish. MariaeGrace said, *"My highlight about this year's WYD would be when we saw the Pope and had a vigil with him. I also liked being able to make friends there. The last thing I definitely liked was exploring many different cities in Spain and Portugal."*

### **Catholic University of America**

The Second Collection for the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. will be taken up next weekend, **Sept. 2-3**. This helps support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church & nation.

### **Weekly Schedule**

#### **Monday, August 28:**

8:00 a.m. Mass

#### **Tuesday, August 29:**

8:00 a.m. Mass

#### **Wednesday, August 30:**

8:00 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

#### **Thursday, August 31:**

- No Mass -

#### **Friday, September 1:**

7:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

4 – 6 p.m. Food Pantry (Hall)

#### **Saturday, September 2:**

(Julio Jose Iglesias - Sick)

3:00 p.m. First Saturday Devotion

4 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Mass

#### **Sunday, September 3:**

7:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Mass

(Mass for the People)

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**Reminder** of 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration and 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Marian Devotions this coming week.

### **Church Cleaning Schedule**

Sep 2: Sacred Heart Society

Sep 9: Knights of Columbus

Sep 16: Chamorro Group

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## Labor Day Picnic, September 4th

Don't forget to join us on **Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>** for our **Labor Day Picnic!** It will be a day to enjoy each other's company as we eat and play games! The keiki will have fun in the Funhouse Double Slide and Dunking Booth! Bring your meats (steak, hotdogs, ribs, etc.)! The

Knights of Columbus can grill them over the fire! Bring rice, salads, snacks, and non-alcoholic drinks to share! Let's celebrate and have some fun together!

## Bingo Night Fun!

Our Bingo Night was a success! Those in attendance had so much fun! We'd like to acknowledge all those who coordinated this fun night: **Rosie Tabaranza (Events Planning Committee), Jocelyn Roberts, Rose Dauphinee, Claire & Albert Somera, Clarissa Lacuesta, Sherrie Alcos, Dami Espiritu, Janice Trinidad, Jemmie Collins, Roxanne Whalen, Gelly Susa, Shirley Sunio, Liz Punzalan, Alison Harney, Vladimir Zymin, Lua Haukautai, Ayden Callaway, Isaiah Cruz, Shaydin Kin, and Trinity Araujo-Trinidad.** We'd also like to thank those who donated the food and prizes for our event. Congratulations to our Raffle prize winners: Shirelle Lopez (Ninja Food Processor), Josephina Naputi (Air Fryer), Maya Arigo (3-Tier Server), Jane Misola (Woozoo Fan), and Angela Somera (\$50 Gift Card to CPK). Pics below:



## Stewardship of Treasure

**August 19 - 20, 2023**

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Baptism		150.00
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Candles		75.00
Holy Water Donation		20.00
Bingo Tickets		<u>1,803.00</u>

**Total \$ 8,390.00**

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Maui Relief Fund	\$	1,709.00
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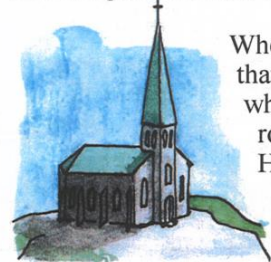
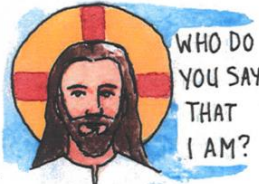


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Community Office  
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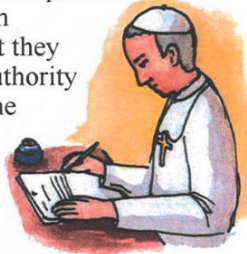
# "You Are Peter."

Today in the Gospel reading, Jesus asked His disciples who people thought that He was. Everybody seemed to think He was someone special, but none of them knew who He really was. When Jesus asked the disciples themselves who they thought He was, Simon said that He was "the Christ, the Son of the living God!" Simon only knew this because God had put it into his mind.



When Simon had said this, Jesus said that his name would now be Peter, which means rock, and that on this rock He would build His Church. He made Simon Peter the first pope. He also said that the gates of Hell would not prevail against the Church. Jesus was assuring us that He would always protect the Church from error.

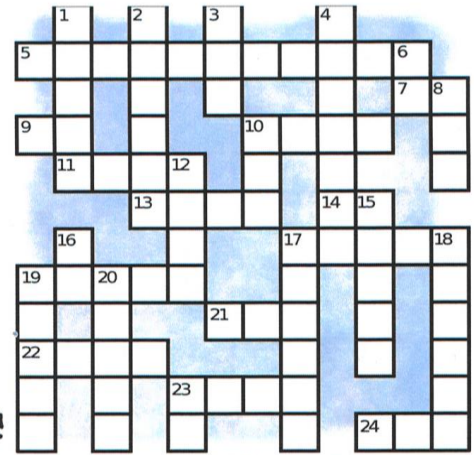
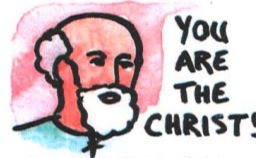
Now whenever the pope, or the bishops who are agreeing with the pope, proclaim something about God, we know that they are right. Jesus gave the teaching authority to Peter, and he passed it down to the bishops through all the centuries until now. Isn't that pretty amazing?



*Kid's Bulletin, 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Aug. 27, 2023*

## "Who do you say that I am?" CROSSWORD

See how well you know what happened in today's Gospel story!



- ACROSS**
5. "...the gates of the \_\_\_\_\_ will not prevail..."
  7. "...this rock I will build my Church..."
  9. "Whatever you bind on earth shall \_\_\_\_\_ bound in Heaven."
  10. "I will \_\_\_\_\_ you the keys of the kingdom..."
  11. "On this \_\_\_\_\_ I will build my Church."
  13. Jesus made Peter the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Church on earth.
  14. "Whatever you loose on earth will be loosed \_\_\_\_\_ Heaven."
  17. "\_\_\_\_\_ and blood have \_\_\_\_\_ revealed this to you..."
  19. \_\_\_\_\_ asked them, "Who do you say that I am?"
  21. God \_\_\_\_\_ Peter in charge of His Church on earth.
  22. Jesus changed Simon's \_\_\_\_\_ to Peter.
  23. "Flesh and blood \_\_\_\_\_ not revealed this to you..."
  24. "...You are the Christ, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the living God!"
- DOWN**
1. \_\_\_\_\_ said, "You are the Christ..."
  2. "On this rock I will build my \_\_\_\_\_."
  3. "Blessed \_\_\_\_\_ you, Simon..."
  4. "...the gates of the netherworld shall not \_\_\_\_\_..."
  6. "Who \_\_\_\_\_ people say that the Son of Man is?"
  8. "Flesh and blood have \_\_\_\_\_ revealed this..."
  10. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living \_\_\_\_\_!"
  12. "I will give you the \_\_\_\_\_ to the kingdom of Heaven."
  15. When will the gates of the netherworld prevail against the Church?
  16. \_\_\_\_\_ belong to the Church that Jesus started.
  17. The Heavenly \_\_\_\_\_ revealed to Simon who Jesus was.
  18. "...the keys to the kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_..."
  19. "Blessed are you, Simon, son of \_\_\_\_\_..."
  20. Peter's name before Jesus changed it.
  23. Jesus ordered the disciples to tell no one that \_\_\_\_\_ was the Christ.



### Foodland's Give Aloha

**give aloha** Our parish is participating in Foodland's Give Aloha Program. During September, when you shop at Foodland, a portion of your donation will be matched up to \$249. Please provide our code: **88709**. Donors must be Maikai Reward members.

**Mahalo** to our Knights for their assistance in the Maui Relief Collection, Event Planners for the Bingo Night, and our volunteers and ministers who help us every week at our parish. Your time for the church does not go unnoticed. We are truly appreciative.

### Saint of the Week



**St. Augustine** - St. Augustine was a theologian, philosopher, skilled preacher, & bishop of Hippo (now Annaba, Algeria) in North Africa. His writings influenced the development of Western philosophy & Western Christianity and most notably include "Confessions" & "The City of God." He was one of the most important Church Fathers of the Latin Church in the Patristic period as well the most significant thinker after St. Paul. He is the patron saint of brewers, printers, theologians & some cities & dioceses. His feast day is Aug. 28th.



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