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Contact us for the following:

**BAPTISM:** Inform the parish 2 months in advance to allow for baptismal preparation

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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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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 23, 2025

**FOCUS:** Jesus is king of all creation.

Today’s solemnity, which marks the close of the liturgical year, reminds us that Christ is king, judge, and ruler of all. He is the image of the invisible God and the firstborn of all creation in whom all power and authority have been invested. By our baptism we share in that royal identity so that we might witness to his glory and kingship before the world.

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## THE HERO KING FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Some think of a myth as something once presumed to be true but discovered to be false. For example, we say it’s a myth that Christopher Columbus discovered America. There is, however, another quite different meaning to “myth,” as in a story that helps us understand life and how to negotiate it. Such myths are often centered around heroes who overcome great odds for the sake of the greater good. Star Wars and Luke Skywalker is one such myth. The Lord of the Rings trilogy and Frodo Baggins is another. These are myths capturing the need for courage and commitment to the good at the hero’s own expense. We often find ourselves wishing we could be like these heroes.

The biblical story of the Hebrew people can be thought of as such a myth, culminating in the story of Jesus. It differs from those other myths in that this story is not fiction. It is a saga that helps us understand and negotiate life as we live it. It culminates with the sacrificial death of the one we call King of the Universe. This King is a servant-king, one who gives his life for us so that we might live. Despite being urged by religious leaders and soldiers and the thief on the cross to save himself, he resists. Saving himself is not what he is about. Jesus is the King whose true myth we tell whenever we come together.

**Reflect:** What does servant-leadership mean to me in my job, my community, my home?

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Monday, November 24:

7:00 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(+Casey Walker Konuk - RS)  
6:30 PM PPBC Meeting

### Tuesday, November 25:

6:50 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(+Joel Racachot - RS and  
Maria Racachot - Birthday Blessings)  
6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting

### Wednesday, November 26:

6:50 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(+Carlito Flores Camat, Jr. - RS)  
5:00 PM Lectio Divina (Church)  
6:30 PM O.C.I.A. Class

### Thursday, November 27:

8:00 AM Mass  
(+Jasmine Justo - RS)

### Friday, November 28:

6:50 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(+Leona and +Querino Flores - RS)

### Saturday, November 29:

8:00 AM Church Cleaning  
10:00 AM Funeral Mass for +May Duponte  
4:15 PM Rosary  
5:00 PM Mass  
(Mass for the People)  
6:30 PM ICC Novena

### Sunday, November 30:

6:00 AM Rosary  
7:00 AM Mass  
(+Emiliana Marcos - RS)  
8:45 AM Rosary  
9:30 AM Mass  
(+Rudy Avera - RS)  
4:15 PM Rosary  
5:00 PM Mass  
(Andrea Yucoco - Birthday Blessings)  
6:30 PM ICC Novena  
6:30 PM Youth/YAM/Parent &  
Family Ministry (Hall)

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ICC NOVENA, November 29<sup>th</sup> - December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The Immaculate Conception **novena** of rosaries will begin this coming **Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**, at **6:30 p.m.** in the church. This novena will continue until December 7<sup>th</sup>. We pray this novena in preparation for the celebration of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, our Feast Day on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The celebration will include a procession, followed by the crowning of our Blessed Mother, Mass, and a dinner in the hall. Please mark your calendars and join us at the church.

### FUNERAL MASS FOR +MAY DUPONTE



A funeral Mass will be held for the late **+May Duponte** on Saturday, **November 29<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m.** at our parish. Fr. Sieg will preside over the Mass.  
**Burial** will take place at **St. Ann's Columbarium, Kaneohe at 1:00 p.m.**

### LIGHT A STAR



It is that time of the year where you can remember your loved ones during the Advent Season by offering the Masses up for them. Their names will be written on a special ornament and displayed on our **Light A Star Tree**. If you would like to offer up the Masses, please pick up a Light A Star envelope and write their names legibly. Envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church.

### LECTIO DIVINA

We will be starting Lectio Divina starting this Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. Lectio Divina is a practice of reading, reflecting, praying and contemplating sacred scripture. This form of meditation is a way to foster a deeper relationship with God. We invite everyone to come and join us every Wednesday starting at 5:00 p.m. in the church.

### THANKSGIVING MASS, NOVEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>



Our **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held on **Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**, at **8:00 a.m.** All are invited to join us at Mass as we give thanks to the Lord for His continuous blessings. The parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving and on Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. We will reopen on Dec 1<sup>st</sup>.

### ADVENT RECOLLECTION NIGHT, "LIGHT UP THE WORLD WITH HIS LOVE" - DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

Immaculate Conception Church will be hosting an **Advent Recollection Night** on **Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:30PM** in the Parish Hall with guest speaker, **Nellani Tabada**. We invite you to rekindle the flame of Christ's love within us. As we receive His Light, we are called to become His reflection -- lighting up the world with His Love in our families, parishes, and communities.

Dear Padre,

November 23, 2025

### Why is a US secular holiday like Thanksgiving on the Church's liturgical calendar?

Since November 1969, the Proper Calendar offers a Thanksgiving Day Mass for US dioceses. While it also includes Independence Day, no suggestion is made for other civic holidays (Memorial Day, Labor Day, etc.). Instead, the Roman Missal provides "Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions" that are suited to these observances (Ordo #5, GIRM 368-378). In the United States, November is associated with giving thanks to God. In 1623—three years after the Pilgrims sailed to this land on the Mayflower—a severe drought threatened their crops. Consequently, a day of prayer was observed, an abundant rain saved the harvest, and a Day of Thanksgiving was established. In 1863, President Lincoln issued a proclamation for "Thanksgiving and Praise to Our Beneficent Father" on the last Thursday of November (later moved to the fourth Thursday). However, thanking God isn't just a one-day event; it's meant to be a perennial practice. Recall the lesson of the ten lepers healed by Jesus, only one of whom returned to thank him. (See Luke 17:11-19.) People who don't take their blessings for granted return thanks to God in prayer. Therefore, offer brief prayers of gratitude to God throughout the day, every day, for such gifts as your health and faith, the freedoms allowed in this country, "thy daily bread," and the Eucharist—a word that means "thanksgiving." "Become what you pray"—a grateful disciple of our Lord!

● Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org



## SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

To the right, is the schedule of events for Advent and Christmas. Please mark your calendars and join us. Please note that our Diocese has only 2 Holy Days of Obligation and they are both in the month of December:

December 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception. There will be two Masses: 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

December 25 – Christmas. There will be four Christmas Masses: 7 p.m. (Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>), 12 a.m., 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Our **Advent Penance Service** will be held on **Friday, December 12, 2025**, at **7:00p.m.** in the church. Several priests from the Leeward Vicariate will be here for confessions. If you cannot make it to our penance service, below are the dates and times for the Vicariate:

Mon. Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Sacred Heart, Waianae, 7 p.m.

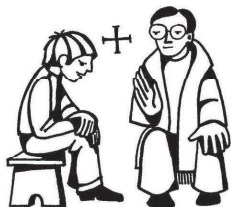
Tue., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – St. Joseph, Waipahu, 6:30 p.m.

Thu., Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> – St. Jude, Kapolei, 7 p.m.

Tue., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – St. Rita, Nanakuli, 7 p.m.

Wed., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> – OLPH, Ewa Beach, 7 p.m.

**Fri., Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> – ICC, Ewa, 7 p.m.**



## ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

NOV. 29 – DEC. 7 6:30 P.M. – ICC NOVENA

DECEMBER 8

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



8:00 A.M. – MASS  
6:00 P.M. – PROCESSION  
– CROWNING & OFFERING OF FLOWERS TO OUR LADY  
7:00 P.M. – MASS, PRESIDER FR. MANUEL HEWE, PASTOR OF ST. THERESA CO-CATHEDRAL and FORMER VICAR FOR CLERGY

DECEMBER 10

8:00 P.M. – DINNER & FELLOWSHIP – HALL

DECEMBER 12

7:00 P.M. – PARISH ADVENT RECOLLECTION

DECEMBER 12

7:00 P.M. – PARISH ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

DECEMBER 15 – 23

MISA AGUINALDO/SIMBANG GABI MASSES:  
7:00 PM, DEC. 15, MON. – FR. REYNATO MALIWAT  
7:00 PM, DEC. 16, TUE. – FR. MELCHOR PALOMARES  
7:00 PM, DEC. 17, WED. – FR. JOEY RANCHO  
7:00 PM, DEC. 18, THU. – FR. ED BARUT  
7:00 PM, DEC. 19, FRI. – FR. KURT MEYER  
5:00 PM, DEC. 20, SAT. – FR. SIEG DOSDOS  
5:00 PM, DEC. 21, SUN. – FR. SIEG DOSDOS  
7:00 PM, DEC. 22, MON. – FR. PRESTON “PJ” CASTRO  
7:00 PM, DEC. 23, TUE. – FR. LEONARD TUBANA

DECEMBER 24

8:00 A.M. MASS

DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASSES  
7:00 P.M. – CHRISTMAS EVE MASS  
11:30 P.M. – CHRISTMAS CAROLING  
12:00 A.M. – MIDNIGHT MASS

DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES  
7:00 A.M. – CHRISTMAS MASS  
9:30 A.M. – CHRISTMAS MASS  
(NO 5:00 P.M. MASS)



DECEMBER 27 – 28

REGULAR MASSES – HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH (BLESSING OF FAMILIES)

JANUARY 1, 2026

8:00 A.M. – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

## QUARTERLY PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT: JUL – SEP 2025

### INCOME:

Offertory Collection	\$70,785.49
Other Regular Income	\$9,030.85
Revenue Subject to GET	\$6,115.00
Unusual (Non-Scheduled) Income	\$8,492.69
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$94,424.03</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$94,424.03</b>

### EXPENSES:

Employment Costs	\$40,637.02
Professional Services	\$1,047.90
Leadership Development	\$1,792.88
Supplies and Other Services	\$9,935.38
Fundraising Expenses	\$2,592.21
Repairs and Maintenance	\$5,960.97
Utilities	\$8,316.22
Contributions and Assessments	\$15,615.00
Taxes	\$150.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$86,047.58</b>

### NET ORDINARY INCOME

**\$8,376.45**

### OTHER INCOME/EXPENSE:

Temporarily Restricted Assets	\$34,170.99
Total Income	<b>\$34,170.99</b>

### NET INCOME

**\$34,170.99**

### NET INCOME

**\$42,547.44**

	NOV. 1-2		NOV. 8-9		NOV. 15-16	
WEEKLY MASS COUNT	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
Sat. 5:00 PM	156	14	147	19	95	8
Sun. 7:00 AM	239	8	222	25	220	6
Sun. 9:30 AM	226	29	221	36	224	42
Sun. 5:00 PM	149	26	157	25	171	19

Readings for the  
1st Sunday of Advent:

**Isaiah 2:1-5**  
**Romans 13:11-14**  
**Matthew 24:37-44**

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

**November 15-16, 2025**

Weekly Offering	<b>\$3,524.50</b>
Sat. 5:00 PM –	\$730.00
Sun. 7:00 AM –	\$1,110.00
Sun. 9:30 AM –	\$659.00
Sun. 5:00 PM –	\$1,025.50
Repair & Maintenance	<b>\$601.00</b>
Building Fund	<b>\$40.00</b>
Flowers	<b>\$58.00</b>
Candles	<b>\$65.00</b>
Book of Intentions	<b>\$80.00</b>
Mass Intentions	<b>\$50.00</b>
Funeral	<b>\$300.00</b>
Thanksgiving	<b>\$685.00</b>
Hawaii Quilt Guild (R/M)	<b>\$70.00</b>
Light A Star	<b>\$20.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,493.50</b>

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections

Catholic Campaign for Human Development	<b>\$1,235.75</b>
Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund	<b>\$5.00</b>

## A Quote from POPE LEO XIV

Listen to [Christ's] offer of love and become his one family: in the One Christ, we are one. This is the path to follow together, among ourselves but also with our sister Christian churches, with those who follow other religious paths, with those who are searching for God, with all women and men of good will, in order to build a new world where peace reigns!

HOMILY, MAY 18, 2025

## Church Cleaning Schedule

<b>Nov. 29:</b>	Volunteers Needed
<b>Dec. 6:</b>	Sacred Heart Society
<b>Dec 13:</b>	Knights of Columbus
<b>Dec. 20:</b>	Couples for Christ

## ICC T-SHIRTS 4 SALE!



We have a limited number of T-shirts left, so we will be selling them after the Masses this weekend under tent. If you haven't picked up your shirts, please do so after any of the Masses. We are asking for those who purchased a shirt to wear them on December 8<sup>th</sup>, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

## NO FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry will not be open on **Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.**

## NO CCD CLASSES

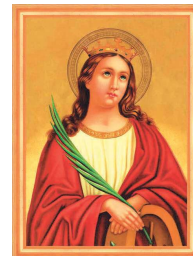
CCD Classes will not be held on **November 30<sup>th</sup>** due to the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

## FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



**St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions** – Feast Day is November 24<sup>th</sup>. This feast day commemorates St. Andrew Dung-Lac as well as 116 others, who were martyred for their faith in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. They included 96 Vietnamese, 11 Spaniards, and 10 Frenchmen composed of 8 bishops, 50 priests, and 59 lay Catholics. St. Andrew was a Catholic convert, who was ordained to the priesthood and worked in missions in Vietnam. He along with the others suffered severe persecutions and martyrdom, which were ordered by the emperor. This feast celebrates their courage and sacrifice for the Christian faith and serves as an inspiration for the faithful on their faith journeys. This group, along with members of a companion group who also gave their lives between the 17th and 19th c., were all canonized in 1988 by Pope St. John Paul II. The message of their martyrdom is this: "Life on earth is very short and what truly matters is our faithfulness to God."

**St. Catherine of Alexandria** – Feast Day is November 25th. This 3rd & 4th c. virgin martyr was born in Alexandria, Egypt. and died there at the age of 18. After receiving a vision, she converted to Christianity and was known for her intellect, faith, wisdom, and debating skills. She debated 50 pagan philosophers, who became Christians and were all martyred. Since she refused to marry the emperor, she was condemned to death. Bound to a spiked wheel which was supposed to kill her, she instead broke and shattered it, which injured her executioners. She was then beheaded and it was said that angels carried her body to a monastery at the foot of Mt. Sinai. She became one of the 14 Holy Helpers, who have been venerated together, especially in Germany and Hungary. She's the patroness of philosophers, librarians, students, teachers, and lawyers. She is also believed to help protect against sudden death.



**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** – Feast Day is November 27th. This feast commemorates the 2nd apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to St. Catherine Laboure in Paris in 1830, in which she revealed to her the design for a special medal to be struck. It was to include symbols of her immaculate conception and her role in salvation history. She promised abundant graces to those who wear it with devotion, confidence, sincere faith, and prayerfulness. The first medal was produced in 1832 and it quickly became a popular and treasured sacramental in the Catholic Church, due to the many miracles that were attributed to it. It was originally called the "Medal of the Immaculate Conception," but then quickly became known as the "Miraculous Medal" due to its many miracles of healings, conversions, and other ones including protection from harm.

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