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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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Contact us for the following:

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

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.”*

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 13, 2025

FOCUS: We are to see our neighbor in all people, especially the most vulnerable.

Our Gospel challenges us with the question: Who is my neighbor? It is a question with profound implications for how we relate to and treat others in our world. As we hear the parable of the Good Samaritan, we are challenged by Christ to treat all with respect and love, especially the poor, the dispossessed, and the most vulnerable.

THE PASSION OF COMPASSION FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We tend to hear the parable of the Good Samaritan and place ourselves in the role of the Samaritan, thereby expected to be compassionate, as was the Samaritan. Those who heard Jesus tell the parable, however, would never have identified with the Samaritan. To them, the Samaritans were religious heretics who worshipped not in Jerusalem but at their own temple. Thus, the people of Jesus’ day would have seen themselves as the victim, the one on the side of the road. Who, then, would be the Samaritan, the surprising caregiver, the compassionate one? Because parables are about God and how God works, it would be God who is and has always been the one who heals and feeds and nurtures us back to life. The parable then surprises the hearer of Jesus’ day—God as a compassionate Samaritan! It is God’s compassion that we bring to those seeking forgiveness as well as to those who, for whatever reason, have not yet reached the point of asking for forgiveness. It is God’s compassion that we bring to the unborn, the immigrant, the homeless, the sick in need of healing, the jobless who have lost hope. It is God’s compassion that a nation brings to anyone who has lost his or her way, as it has been noted that the greatness of a nation is in how that nation deals with and cares for the weakest among them.

● Reflect: When have I needed a compassionate response? When could I have been more compassionate?

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 14:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(Manolito Somera - Birthday Blessings)
6:30 PM Council of Ministries Mtg.

Tuesday, July 15:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Maria Villacruz - RS)

Wednesday, July 16:

6:40 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(Maria Purificacion Villacruz and Teresita Bailey - RS)
5:00 PM Centering Prayer

Thursday, July 17:

- No Mass

Friday, July 18:

6:40 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(Bethany Yucoco - Birthday Blessings)
4-6:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday, July 19:

8:00 AM Church Cleaning
9:00 AM Secular Franciscan Meeting
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(Manolito Somera and Herminia Somera - Healing and Speedy Recovery)

Sunday, July 20:

5:40 AM Rosary
7:00 AM Mass
(Imelda Pajarillo Savellano - Healing and Speedy Recovery)
8:45 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Mass
(+Rosary Pascua - RS)
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(Mass for the People)
6:30 PM Youth Ministry Meeting



CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

July 19: Couples for Christ
July 26: Chamorro Group
Aug. 2: Sacred Heart Society
Aug. 9: Knights of Columbus



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FR. SIEG'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION, JULY 25TH



Fr. Sieg is celebrating his **50th Birthday** on **Friday, July 25th** and everyone is invited to join him on this happy occasion. We've adjusted the time to start at **6:30 p.m.**, Dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars. We've also placed a signup sheet on the back table for those who would like to share a dish. Come join him for dinner, music, and fellowship!

ROSARY RALLY - JULY 19th, 12:00 p.m.

This coming **Saturday, July 19th**, we will be praying the rosary at **12:00 p.m. under the tent**. The rosary rally is in response to the request of America Needs Fatima to pray for the unborn, vulnerable, and to make reparation for the sins committed against our Blessed Mother. All are invited to join us.



FUNERAL SERVICES FOR +ROSENA De GUIA

SHIMIZU



Funeral Services for the late **+Rosena Shimizu** will be held on Wednesday, **July 16th**, at **Mililani Mauka Chapel**. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m., followed by Prayer Service at **10:00 a.m.**

Burial will take place at **11:00 a.m.** at the **Mililani Cemetery**. Mrs. Shimizu was a long-time parishioner of

Immaculate Conception and belonged to the Sacred Heart Society. May she rest in God's eternal peace.

O.C.I.A. "ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION for ADULTS



The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and to receive their Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion. If you or know someone who would like to receive their Sacraments of Initiation, please call the parish office to set up an appointment with our OCIA Team.

Classes will be held every Wednesday at **6:30 p.m.** starting **August 13th** in the Parish Hall.

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

If you would like to offer a Mass Intention for a loved one, please visit or call the parish office. We offer one intention per day. If the day you are requesting already has a Mass Intention, you can either choose another day or write the names of your loved ones in the Book of Intentions. The Book of Intentions is located in the church. The Mass Intention book gets filled quickly, so we suggest that you call early to reserve the day that you would like to offer up the Mass.

HAWAII FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are still in need of **50 volunteers** to come and help at the **Hawaii Food Bank**, 2611 Kiliha St., Honolulu, 96819, on Saturday, July 26, 2025, from 8:00 am - 12:00 p.m. Volunteers must be 16 or older who can stand while packing. To sign up, please email Dami Espiritu, Food Pantry Coordinator, at CoachD808@gmail.com. For more info, you may contact Alison at the parish office.

'OHANA MASS, SATURDAY, JULY 26TH

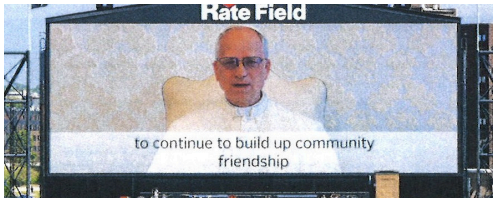


At Mary, Star of the Sea Church on Oahu, parishioners established their Ministry for Persons with Disabilities by welcoming persons with varying gifts and abilities to celebrate the "'Ohana Mass." Ushers who are members of the Knights of Columbus offer a warm welcome and escort them to the designated pews where they are able to better participate in the Eucharist. After Mass, the community continues fellowship together through a potluck supper where all joyfully serve each other with nourishing food and aloha. These "'Ohana Masses" and potluck fellowship normally take place on the fourth Saturday each month, 5:30 PM at Mary, Star of the Sea where all are welcomed to celebrate and share their gifts as one 'Ohana.

DATE: Saturday, July 26, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Honolulu

"LIVING EXAMPLES OF CHRIST'S LIGHT..."



In the last issue of the Hawaii Catholic Herald, there was an article received by the Office of Social Ministry, which spoke about the recent celebration of **Pope Leo XIV's** election to the papacy at Chicago's White Sox Rate Field on June 14th. Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, Archbishop

of Chicago, led a sold-out Mass which featured a video message from Pope Leo XIV himself. Pope Leo said in his message, *"In this Jubilee Year of Hope, Christ, who is our hope, indeed calls all of us to come together, that we might be that true living example: the light of hope in the world today."* This message reminds us that we are all invited to be and to share living examples of Christ's light, especially with the most vulnerable. We pray that in this Jubilee Year, we all continue finding ways to be pilgrims of hope always and wherever we are.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

July 5 - 6, 2025

Weekly Offering	\$4,618.75
Sat. 5:00 PM -	\$1,067.00
Sun. 7:00 AM -	\$1,398.00
Sun. 9:30 AM -	\$1,110.00
Sun. 5:00 PM -	\$1,043.75
Repair & Maintenance	\$797.00
Building Fund	\$133.00
Flowers	\$4.00
Candles	\$45.00
Book of Intentions	\$85.00
Mass Intentions	\$280.00
Funeral	\$300.00
Car Blessing	\$60.00
Fr.'s Special Project	\$100.00
Hawaii Quilt Guild (R/M)	\$34.00
TOTAL	\$6,456.75



Second Collection

Peter's Pence **\$1,596.32**

PETER'S PENCE COLL.

Mahalo for your generosity to the **Peter's Pence Collection**. Together we've collected over **\$1,754.32**, so far, including monies collected thru Faith Direct. Your generosity will allow the Holy Father to continue his humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as the support of the Holy See.



PREPARING OUR HANDS FOR BATTLE

Jesse Romero, dynamic Catholic author, speaker, and radio host will present a talk on, "Preparing Your Hands for Battle." We are in a spiritual battle between good and evil, and Jesse will teach us how to combat evil.

When: **Sun - Tue., July 13 - 15, 2025**

Time: **6:00 p.m.**

Place: **Blessed Sacrament Church, Hnl.**

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I have a question about the prayer the priest says after the Our Father. Someone told me it's called an "embolism." Why don't we just end with "Amen" like when we say it at home?

You have correctly identified the "embolism" or "interpretation" that has been added to the Lord's Prayer during the sacred liturgy. It reads, "Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ." This addition, ancient in its use during the eucharistic liturgy, is a further explanation of the content and the intercessory nature of the prayer. It develops the last petition of the Lord's Prayer and asks for deliverance from the power of evil for the whole community of the faithful. It is an appropriate insertion, reflecting the purpose of the eucharistic gathering as spiritual but also as a celebration of the Lord's words and directions to us. In private prayer, the embolism would be out of place. The sacred liturgy is filled with intercessory prayers, acclamations, and bits and pieces of ancient eucharistic prayers and blessings. Everything has been carefully chosen and placed within the celebration of the sacred liturgy to assist the faithful who gather to lift their minds and hearts to the Heavenly Father, through his Son Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

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A word from POPE FRANCIS

"Lord, that I might see and have compassion just like you see me and have compassion on me"—that we might have compassion on those whom we encounter along the way, above all on those who suffer and are in need....

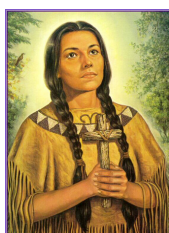
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- Stewardship Committee
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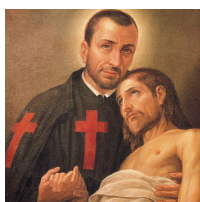
FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Kateri Tekakwitha – Feast Day is July 14th. This 17th c. young virgin was the 1st Native American saint and known as the "Lily of the Mohawks." Born with the name "Tekakwitha" in a Mohawk village in what's now New York, her parents were a Mohawk chief and an Algonquin Christianized mother. At the age of 4, she contracted smallpox during an epidemic and lost her immediate family to the disease. Her face became permanently scarred, which contributed to impaired eyesight. She was baptized as a Catholic at age 20 and given the name "Kateri" (a variation of Catherine). She incurred great hostility from her tribe, causing her to flee to Canada, but she remained firm in her faith. She was committed to charity and chastity, spent much time in prayer, tended to the sick, practiced penances, and did God's will in all things. She died of TB just before her 24th birthday and is the patron saint of ecology and the environment.



St. Bonaventure – Feast Day is July 15th. A 13th c. Italian Franciscan OFM, this saint was a bishop, cardinal, scholastic theologian, and 7th Minister of his Order. Known for his teaching, writing, preaching of the Word of God, stainless character, spiritual power to reconcile opposites, and miracles, he was one of the greatest Doctors of the Church and philosophers of the Middle Ages. Given the name "Giovanni di Fidanza" (John) at birth, he received the name "Bonaventure" meaning "good fortune" later on after being healed of a childhood bowel disease through the intercession of St. Francis of Assisi. He became very devoted to him and the Franciscan way of life, especially of the virtue of humility. A famous quote of his was: "Learn to be really humble and not, as the hypocrites, humble merely in appearance." He's known as the patron saint of bowel disorders.



St. Camillus de Lellis – Feast Day is July 18th. This 16th – 17th c. Italian priest founded a religious order known as the Camillians, who are dedicated to caring for the sick and marginalized with compassion and dignity. They are also called Clerics Regular, Ministers to the Sick and wear a large red cross on their cassocks. This was actually the "Original Red Cross," which was hundreds of years before the formation of the International Red Cross Organization. He experienced a conversion in his own life of being a fierce fighter and compulsive gambler after hearing a church homily, which moved him to penance and afterwards, devotion of his life to caring for the sick. The virtue of hospitality was always present in his heart, and there were many miracles of his restoring the sick in an instant. He's the patron saint of the sick, hospitals, and healthcare workers. A famous quote of his was: "Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a man go to heaven."

WEEKLY MASS COUNT	Day/Time	JUN 21 – 22		JUN 28 – 29		JUL 5 – 6	
		Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
	Sat. 5:00 PM	128	12	116	9	136	7
	Sun. 7:00 AM	222	5	219	4	247	13
	Sun. 9:30 AM	230	31	258	41	270	49
	Sun. 5:00 PM	157	18	188	26	167	28

**Readings for the 16th
Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Genesis 18: 1-10a
Colossians 1: 24-28
Luke 10: 38-42