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MASS TIMES

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.”

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 2, 2026

FOCUS: Nothing can separate us from God’s love.

Daily life brings with it both blessings and trials. It is easy to think we walk alone when we are in the midst of especially difficult times. This is when it is most important to remember that Jesus is with us always: nothing will be able to separate us from [his] love. Our challenge is to remain rooted in our faith and trust this promise.

SEEING AS GOD SEES FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

Even when the apostles think they have anticipated what is needed, they often come up short. Not a lack of preparation or a lack of talent, but something is missing, nonetheless. In the gospel, they announce to Jesus that there is not enough food to eat. The crowds are too massive. They are too far away from the resources they need. But Jesus is not concerned. He sees what they are incapable of seeing. He believes in ways they cannot even begin to comprehend.

In blessing the limited amount of food they scrounge up for him, Jesus reveals to them an abundance they were unable to see. Not only is there enough for all who have assembled, there is more than enough, beyond their wildest imaginings.

How did the apostles understand what they experienced this day? How did they react to the miraculous, overflowing abundance where there was once scarcity? How could there be something where there was nothing?

The real lesson of the gospel is not necessarily the miraculous. Rather, the real lesson of the gospel is found in the invitation to see, to hope, to anticipate that with God all is possible. Even when it seems like a dead end. Even when nothing adds up. Even when you come up short.

● **Reflect:** Do you wish you could see a certain person or situation more like the way God sees?

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, August 3:

7:00 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

(+Severino, +Carmelina, & +Jerry Daquioag - RS)

Tuesday, August 4:

6:50 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

(Nancy Bumanglag - Birthday Blessings)

Wednesday, August 5:

6:50 AM Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

(+Rodolfo Agustin - RS)

5:00 PM Lectio Divina (Church)

Thursday, August 6:

No Mass

Friday, August 7:

7:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Rosary

8:00 AM Mass

(Don & Adelaida Cabanatan - Thanksgiving)

3-5:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday, August 8:

8:00 AM Church Cleaning

1:00 PM Sacred Heart Society Meeting

4:15 PM Rosary

5:00 PM Mass

(Nhuri John Martin - Birthday Blessings)

Sunday, August 9:

6:00 AM Rosary

7:00 AM Mass

(Mass for the People)

8:45 AM Rosary

9:30 AM Mass

(+Erenio & +Irenio Agustin and +Joel Ayson - RS)

4:15 PM Rosary

5:00 PM Mass

(+Benita Hayes - Death Anniversary)



PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

Alison will be out of the office from Monday - Wednesday this week and will return on Thursday, August 6th.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALOHA & WELCOME, NEWLY ORDAINED BISHOP MICHAEL CASTORI!

This past Tuesday, **July 28th**, the Diocese of Honolulu was blessed to receive our newly ordained Bishop, **Most Reverend Bishop Michael J. Castori!!!** He was ordained by **Most Reverend Salvatore J. Cordileone**, who was the Principal Consecrator, and is the Archbishop of San Francisco, and with **Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ**, Bishop of Oakland, Co-Consecrator and Homilist; **Most Reverend Bishop Larry Silva**, Co-Consecrator and Bishop Emeritus of Honolulu; **Most Reverend Gabriele G. Caccia**, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, and Papal Representative. There were a couple of attending Cardinals, **His Eminence, Soane Patita Paini Cardinal Mafi**, Bishop of Tonga and Niue, and **His Eminence Roger Cardinal Mahony**, Archbishop Emeritus of Los Angeles.

We witnessed a historical moment in time in our Diocese of Honolulu today, and we look forward to a new journey with our new Bishop, filled with hope and gratitude to God for His blessings.



MOST REVEREND MICHAEL T. T. CASTORI, SJ

Most Reverend Michael Castori, SJ, is the 6th Bishop of Honolulu. To the right are the succession of Bishops and Missionaries who arrived here 200 years ago to begin the Catholic Church here in Hawaii.

PAST BISHOPS OF HONOLULU

MISSIONARY PERIOD (1827-1940)



Stephen Rouchouse, SS.CC.
(1833-1843)



Louis Maigret, SS.CC.
(1847-1882)



Herman Koeckemann, SS.CC.
(1882-1892)



Gulstan Ropert, SS.CC.
(1892-1903)



Libert Boeynaems, SS.CC.
(1903-1926)



Stephen Alencastre, SS.CC.
(1926-1940)

DIOCESAN BISHOPS (1941-2026)



James J. Sweeney
(1941-1967)



John J. Scanlan
(1967-1982)



Joseph A. Ferrario
(1982-1993)



Francis X. DiLorenzo
(1993-2004)



Clarence "Larry" Silva
(2005-2026)

Dear Padre,

August 2, 2026

Jesus gave his disciples both bread and wine and said, "Do this in memory of me." But our priest decided that we cannot receive from the cup at Communion. Does he have the right to deny his parishioners the Precious Blood?

The diocesan bishop may lay down norms for the distribution of Communion under both kinds for his own diocese, which must be observed" (Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds in the Dioceses of the United States of America, 24). (Also see General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 283.) After the COVID-19 pandemic, many parishes did not resume Communion under both kinds. Some opted instead to make the Precious Blood available only on major solemnities. However, "Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it takes place under both kinds" (GIRM 281). "It is most desirable that the faithful, just as the priest himself is bound to do...partake of the chalice (cf. no. 283), so that even by means of the signs Communion may stand out more clearly as a participation in the sacrifice actually being celebrated" (GIRM 85). Still, pastors should instruct the Christian faithful...that Christ, whole and entire, and the true Sacrament, is received even under only one species, and hence...those who receive under only one species are not deprived of any grace that is necessary for salvation" (GIRM 282).

● Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org

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FATHER SIEG'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION!

This past Saturday, July 25th, we celebrated the 51st Birthday of our priest, Fr. Sieg! It was an evening of good food, good company, and a joyful celebration. We are grateful for our shepherd whom God has graciously blessed us with. We pray for continued blessings upon him and our parish ohana. Happy Birthday, Fr. Sieg!!!!



Happy
51st
Fr. Sieg!



WEEKLY MASS COUNT

Day/Time
Sat. 5:00 PM
Sun. 7:00 AM
Sun. 9:30 AM
Sun. 5:00 PM

JUL 11 - 12		JUL 18 - 19		JUL 25 - 26	
Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
134	18	126	14	127	13
208	6	234	6	214	5
232	41	222	39	248	46
175	28	167	14	116	17

Nineteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:22-33

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

July 25- 26, 2026

Weekly Offering	\$3,737.00
Sat. 5 pm -	\$834.00
Sun. 7 am -	\$1,083.00
Sun. 9:30 am -	\$1,114.00
Sun. 5 pm -	\$706.00

Repair & Maintenance	\$1,006.00
Building Fund	\$245.00
Book of Intentions	\$80.00
Mass Intentions	\$317.00
Flowers	\$53.00
Candles	\$75.00
Baptisms	\$60.00
Holy Water Bottle donation	\$3.00
Sacred Heart Society	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$5,676.00



Second Collection:

Joseph Dutton	\$1,336.50
Seminarian Education Fund	\$20.00

2nd COLL: CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

This weekend, our second collection is taken up for Catholic Charities Hawaii. There is a flyer in our bulletin. Envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generous support.

FARM FRESH FRIDAY

AlohaCare Farm Fresh Pop Up Event!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14th
10AM - 12PM

Drop in, First-Come, First-Served

Food Distribution of fresh fruits and vegetables while supplies last.

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A Quote from POPE LEO XIV

[Friendship with the Lord] is achieved first of all in liturgical and community prayer, in which we do not decide what to hear from the Word of God, but it is he himself who speaks to us through the Church; it is then achieved in personal prayer.... Only when we speak with God can we also speak about him.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME,
JANUARY 14, 2026

Church Cleaning Schedule

Aug 8:	Knights of Columbus
Aug 15:	Couples for Christ
Aug 22:	Chamorro Group
Aug 29:	Volunteers needed

FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. John Vianney – Feast Day is August 4th. As the patron saint of parish priests & confessors worldwide, this 19th c. Cure d'Ars (Priest of Ars in France) was a Catholic priest, who was a model of holiness & dedication to the priesthood. He's remembered for his humility, unwavering faith, selflessness, profound spiritual guidance, & pastoral work and is especially known for his dedication to the Sacrament of Confession. He spent up to 18 hours a day hearing confessions and had the ability to "read souls" by revealing hidden sins, that penitents either forgot or were afraid to mention. He's also known for his profound teachings on the Eucharist. Several miracles have been attributed to him, including the "miracle of conversion," which many experienced through his guidance & prayers. Other miracles include the multiplication of food for orphans & healings. Being an inspiration to all parish priests, he was proclaimed "the heavenly patron of all parish priests throughout the world" by Pope Pius XI in 1929.



The Transfiguration of the Lord – Feast Day is Aug. 6th. This important feast, which is observed on this date each year, commemorates the dramatic transformation of Jesus' appearance in divine glory on Mount Tabor in the presence of Apostles Peter, James, & John. The main significance of this event was the revelation of Jesus as the radiant, divine Son of God, which was a bridging of heaven & earth. It also showed Jesus' fulfillment of the Old Testament scriptures of Moses representing the Jewish Law & Elijah representing the prophets. This event was preparation for Jesus' Passion, when his upcoming suffering & death on the cross indicated that these were part of God's divine plan, which would ultimately lead to his glorious resurrection. It was also a preview of eternal life & a sign of hope with a glimpse of heavenly joy, when our bodies will be transformed into a glorified state in heaven. Lessons for us today point to the importance of listening to Jesus & prioritizing his teachings, applying faith to our everyday lives, & keeping focused on the ultimate goal of God's heavenly kingdom.



St. Dominic – Feast Day is Aug. 8th. Named Domingo de Guzman at birth, this 13th c. Spanish priest was honored with this universal feast day, which is a Memorial. He's best known for founding the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans), which is dedicated to the 4 pillars of prayer, study, community, & preaching. It was created to preach the gospel and to defend Church teachings through intellect rather than force with a focus on highly educated clergy. This saint integrated his religious order in major urban educational areas in Europe. Combating heresy through dialog was important to Dominicans by relying on debate, education, & poverty. St. Dominic lived a simple life to model the lifestyle of the apostles. Receiving a vision from the Virgin Mary in 1214, he promoted devotion to her by popularizing the Rosary as a primary tool for prayer & meditation. The order's mission continues to flourish through preaching the Word of God with emphasis on scholarship. St. Dominic is the patron saint of astronomers, the Dominican Republic, & the falsely accused.

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