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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
*September - May

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Wednesday

RCIA (Adults) 6:00 p.m.

Thursday

No Daily Mass

First Friday

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

Saturday

RCIA (Children) 9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday

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

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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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- Parish Council of Ministries
- Finance Council
- Choirs
- CFC Youth Activities
- Couples & Singles for Christ
- Devotional Societies
- Food Pantry
- Knights of Columbus
- Parish Planning & Building Committee
- Emergency Response Team

Contact us for the following:

Baptism:

An interview is required at least 2 months before the desirable month of infant baptism.

Faith Formation CCD & RCIA

Religious instruction for adults and children.

Marriage:

Please call at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. An Engaged Encounter Weekend is recommended prior to Marriage Ceremony.

Communion to the Homebound

Please call parish office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to your sick family member

Funerals

Please 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.



Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2023

Readings for next week:

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45

FOCUS: *Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness.*

Sometimes doing God's will can seem strange, foolish, or even wrong to others. Jesse assumed his youngest son couldn't be the next king, so David was left to care for the sheep when Samuel came. The Pharisees thought Jesus sinned by healing on the sabbath. Are we preoccupied with what others will think, or are we focusing on doing God's will?



Palm Sunday

We are halfway through Lent already and soon it will be Holy Week. **Palm Sunday**, which begins Holy Week, falls on **April 2nd** this year. It commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem just days before

he was crucified. It was customary practice for people to wave palms or small branches as a show of respect. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw their clothes and waved their palms in front of him as a sign of homage. The palms are widely known as a symbol of peace and the use of a donkey represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed of war. (www.catholic.org/lent/palmsunday.php). Palms will be provided, but you are more than welcomed to bring your own palms.

Parish Schedule

Monday, March 20:

8:00 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Penance Service, ICC, Ewa

Tuesday, March 21:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 22:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 23:

- No Mass -

Friday, March 24:

8:00 a.m. Mass

4:00 p.m. Fish Fry Pick Up (*Tent*)

4 – 6:00 p.m. Food Pantry (*Hall*)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 25:

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, March 26:

7:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. Centering Prayer

5:00 p.m. Mass

HOLY WEEK

April 2, Sunday	Palm Sunday	Sat. 5p.m., Sun. 7 & 9:30 a.m., 5pm
April 6, Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00 p.m.
April 7, Friday	Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)	7:00 p.m.
April 8, Saturday	Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday)	7:00 p.m.
April 9, Sunday	Mass of the Resurrection (Easter Sunday)	7:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Church Cleaning Schedule

Mar 25:	Couples for Christ
Apr 1:	Sacred Heart Society
Apr 8:	Knights of Columbus
Apr 15:	Chamorro Group

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Lenten Season Fish Fry



The Knights of Columbus, Council 6734, are sponsoring our **Annual Fish Fry** which take place on the Fridays of Lent. **Tickets are sold after all the Masses.** Each plate costs \$15. See menu below. All proceeds benefit our Repair & Maintenance Fund.

March 24th - Honolulu Kitchen
 March 31st - Bebots
 April 7th - TBD

**\$ 15 ea.
plate**

Bebots: Pompano fish, rice, and tossed salad.

Honolulu Kitchen: Sweet & Sour Fish, Rice, Noodles, & Stir Fry



CRS Lenten Journey of Hope

When we participate in the Rice Bowl Collection, we support organizations that provide housing for victims of natural

disasters, pastoral ministries to travelers and migrants who lack consistent access to the sacramental life of a parish community, legal services for immigrants and asylum seekers needing help to understand and comply with complex immigration laws, and refugees displaced by the violence of war. To learn more about the Catholic Relief Service and how you can give through the Rice Bowl, log onto www.crsricebowl.org. Pick up a Rice Bowl today.

Scrutinies

The Scrutinies are a series of rites for adults who wish to be baptized. They are celebrated in the third, fourth, and fifth weeks of the Lenten season. This is considered a period of purification and enlightenment for the elect. There are prayers of exorcism, which are intended to help purify the elect from sin and sinful desires. The overall prayers and laying on of hands are to help the elect be enlightened by the Word and grace of God.

- **Jesus encountering the Samaritan woman at the well**, where He offers Himself as the Living Water,
- **Jesus healing the man born blind**, where He gives Himself as Light of the World, and
- **Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead**, where He reveals Himself as the Resurrection and the Life.

Lenten Penance Services



Our Lord gives us an opportunity to be reconciled with him through the Sacrament of Penance. Below is the schedule for the Lenten Penance Services in the Leeward Vicariate. These services start at 7 p.m.

March 20th - Immaculate Conception, Ewa
 March 23rd - Sacred Heart, Waianae
 March 30th - OLPH, Ewa Beach

Stations of the Cross

Our Stations of the Cross continue every Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. The following ministries have volunteered to help lead us in the Stations:

March 24th: - Couples for Christ
 March 31st: - Sacred Hearts/Flowers



MOVIE NIGHT!

April 21st @ 6:00 p.m.

“Song of Bernadette”

Come join us for fun!

Save-the-Date

Feedback on the Teaching Masses



The Eucharistic Revival Task Force invite everyone to participate in the survey of the Teaching Mass, please do so by clicking on the QR Code.

Haircuts by Rebecca – Mar. 21st, Tue.

Call the office to schedule an appointment for a haircut by Rebecca, this Tue., Mar. 21st. 9am-3pm.



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Catholic Relief Services

This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



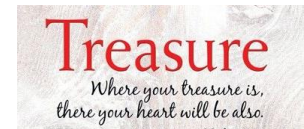
Stewardship of Treasure

March 11 - 12, 2023

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,895.75
Repair/Maint. Fund	1,423.50
Building Fund	316.50
Book of Intentions	245.00
Mass Intentions	110.00
Flowers	113.00
Candles	70.00
All Souls	55.00
Funerals	200.00
Fish Fry (KoC)	105.00
T-Shirts	141.05
Total	\$ 5,674.80

Second Collections

Rice Bowls	\$ 40.00
Catholic Relief Services	100.00



Pathways to Holiness

for youth in grades 7-12

March 25, 2023
at St. Stephen Diocesan Center (6301 Pali Hwy.)
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Questions? Contact the OYYAM at oyyam@rcchawaii.org

Pathway to Holiness

This retreat will help teens understand their current universal vocation and explore the possibilities of their personal vocations through the lives of the saints. Cost is only \$10 per person. We do have a limited number of scholarships available. If needed, please contact the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. More information here:

<https://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/yam/retreat>. Retreat hosted by the Office of Vocations and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

World Day of Prayer



Our prayer warriors got together on March 3rd to pray for peace on World Day of Prayer.

Feast of St. Joseph



St. Joseph, spouse of the Virgin Mary and earthly father of Jesus, was a just and holy man. He was a carpenter by trade and was believed to have died before Jesus' mission. He is the Patron Saint of the Universal Church. His Feast Day will be celebrated on March 20th. St. Joseph, guardian of the Holy Family, protect us.

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