

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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Open Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Closed from 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM Also closed on Saturdays & Sundays

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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

o 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."

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica November 9, 2025

FOCUS: We are called to be God's temple, giving life to the world.

In baptism, we became temples where the Spirit of God came to dwell. He remains in us so long as we do not drive him out by mortal sin; his presence influences our lives and transforms our hearts more when we put no obstacles in the way of his action. Just as Jesus drove the money-changers out of the Jerusalem temple, so we should ask him to drive out of our hearts all selfish desires so we can live fully for the glory of God and the service of others.

THE BODY OF CHRIST ON PARADE FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Singing together during the distribution of holy Communion is one way of expressing the reality that we are one in the Eucharist, the Body of Christ. I once was taught to pray quietly during this time. If I'm honest, however, what I find myself doing after I return to my pew is watching others process past as they return from receiving Communion. They are a parade of holiness on the way. They are the longtime parishioners who have been making their way back to their pews in this way for decades—some now using walkers or canes, others with a bit of a slow hobble.

There are teenagers, too. Some, from the expressions on their faces, look like their parents made them come, while others look impressively prayerful. Young parents, too, caring for a new baby in their arms, and another couple holding a two-year-old's hand as he tugs to escape and be free. And middle-aged single people, now halfway through this life's journey. Young couples, as well, those just married or engaged and so obviously in love, but also widows and widowers longing for the love they once knew.

All of these are the body of Christ, the very temple of God built upon the foundation that is Christ Jesus, as Paul notes so well. This is why I watch them processing back to their pews. This, too, is prayer.

• Reflect: How do I pray after I've received holy Communion?

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, November 10:

7:00 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass

(Eric and Randy Ann Andres - 25th Wedding

Anniversary)

6:30 PM Council of Ministries Mtg

Tuesday, November 11: Veterans Day

7:00 AM Rosary (Office Closed)

8:00 AM Mass (+Apolinar Varez - RS)

Wednesday, November 12:

6:50 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass (+Richard Alcos - RS)

6:30 PM O.C.I.A. Class 6:30 PM Liturgy Meeting

Thursday, November 13:

No Mass

Friday, November 14:

6:50 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass

(+Michael Motas - 1st Death Anniversary)

<u>Saturday, November 15:</u>

8:00 AM Church Cleaning

9:00 AM Secular Franciscans Mtg

4:15 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass

(+Michael Motas - 1st Death Anniversary)

Sunday, November 16:

6:00 AM Rosary 7:00 AM Mass

(+Dado Daclison & +Diega Agravante - RS)

8:15 AM CCD Classes

8:45 AM Rosary 9:30 AM Mass

(+Michael Motas - 1st Death Anniversary)

11:00 AM Parent Cafe 4:15 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass

(Mass for the People) 6:30 PM Youth Ministry Meeting



Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days."

John 2:19

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating Halloween the Catholic Way!

















Our Immaculate Conception Kids for Christ "All Saints' Day Celebration" was a truly joyful event, a wonderful way to nourish our faith and celebrate our true role models, the Saints. Instead of scary costumes, the children dressed as their favorite Saints, which was a fun and creative way to show that holiness is possible today! Other kids were also dressed as their favorite characters and superheroes.

The program kicked off with a prayer led by Father Sieg, followed by praise and worship. We then had a potluck dinner, a movie that featured the life of our Blessed Mother Mary, and a short teaching about Catholic traditions of All Saints and Halloween. Parents prepared small gifts, treats, or loot bags for the kids. The event wrapped up with announcements of the best costumes and best decorated trunks.

Let's keep reminding our children that true heroes are the Saints, those who followed Jesus with all their hearts!

Dear Padre,

November 9, 2025

Should the pope get involved in American politics?

No, the pope should not get involved in the politics of any country. However, politics often intersects with religious concerns and particularly gospel values. When this occurs, the Holy Father has a responsibility to preach the gospel and defend the values the gospel teaches, even when it might sound political. He pronounces and teaches the values of the gospel, regardless of what nation or politician might feel confronted or challenged by what he teaches. What often happens is, when politicians find themselves in conflict with the gospel values the pope is teaching, they choose to say, "The pope has no business in our politics," instead of listening. Completely understandable, at least from one perspective, but probably also disingenuous from another perspective. Politicians are fully aware of what is being proclaimed and why it is being proclaimed but choose not to listen. That, too, is completely understandable, if regrettable. One has to think only of the scribes and the Pharisees, and more particularly the high priest, who said, "Consider that it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish" (John 11:50).

ADVENT IS SOON UPON US!

The First Sunday of Advent is on November 30th. There is much to look forward to as we anticipate the Birth of Our Lord Jesus. We will be announcing the calendar events for our Novena and Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Simbang Gabi, and Christmas Masses in the upcoming bulletins.



HONORING OUR VETERANS

This weekend, we honor our Veterans at Mass with a special blessing and a small token of our appreciation for all those who have served or continue to serve our country. (The office will be closed on Tuesday, November 11th due to the Veterans Day Holiday.

THANKSGIVING MASS, NOVEMBER 27th



Our **Thanksgiving Mass** will be held on **Thursday, November 27th**, at **8:00 a.m.** Come, let us give thanks to God for the abundance of blessings we receive from Him. Also, the parish office will be closed on Thanksgiving and the day after, November 28th. We will reopen on December 1st.

VOCATIONS WEEKEND WITH THE CARMELITE NUNS



"Your life has a purpose, discover it in Christ!"
You're invited to a Vocation Weekend with the Carmelite Nuns on
December 6th from 7am - 5:30pm. at the Carmelite Monastery Chapel
located at St. Stephen's Diocesan Center, 631 Pali Highway, Kaneohe.
The age limit is 22 - 45 years old. For more information, email
carmeltrinityhawaii@outlook.com.

ADVENT RECOLLECTION NIGHT, "LIGHT UP THE WORLD WITH HIS LOVE" - DECEMBER 10TH

Immaculate Conception Church will be hosting an **Advent Recollection Night** on **Wednesday, December 10th, 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.

2nd COLL: ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SVCS, USA



This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS). The AMS is the Archdiocese for the Military Services, not of the Military Services. This is an important distinction, because the AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs,

and services to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – including those from our own parish. Please give generously.

2nd COLL: CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, NOV. 15-16



Next weekend, Nov. 15th–16th our special collection will support the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Nearly 38 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.

		OCT. 18 -19		OCT. 25-26		NOV. 1-2	
WEEKLY	<u>Day/Time</u>	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
	Sat. 5:00 PM	195	23	171	12	156	14
MASS	Sun. 7:00 AM	190	7	178	4	239	8
COUNT	Sun. 9:30 AM	231	35	222	34	226	29
	Sun. 5:00 PM	166	20	158	18	149	26

Readings for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Malachi 3:19–20a 2 Thessalonians 3:7–12 Luke 21:5–19

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

November 1 - 2, 2025

Weekly Offering \$3,914.25 Sat. 5:00 PM - \$1,022.25 Sun. 7:00 AM- \$1,220.00 Sun. 9:30 AM - \$783.00

Sun. 5:00 PM -\$889.00 \$1,923.50 Repair & Maintenance \$155.00 **Building Fund** \$2.50 **Flowers** Candles 75.00 **Book of Intentions** \$60.00 \$70.00 Mass Intentions **Funeral** \$350.00 Car Blessings \$30.00 \$25.00 All Saints Day All Souls Day \$1,398.00 Light A Star \$196.00 Word Among Us \$50.00 Pilgrim Rosary \$61.00

2nd Collection

\$8,310.25

Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA \$25.00

TOTAL

<u>A Quote from</u> POPE LEO XIV

Because of the Jewish roots of Christianity, all Christians have a special relationship with Judaism....The theological dialogue between Christians and Jews remains ever important and close to my heart.

Even in these difficult times, marked by conflicts and misunderstandings, it is necessary to continue the momentum of this precious dialogue of ours.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 19, 2025

Church Cleaning Schedule

Nov. 15: Couples for Christ Nov. 22: Chamorro Group Volunteers Needed Dec. 6: Sacred Heart Society

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS



Although National Vocations Awareness Week was celebrated this past week, Nov. 2nd - 8th, it is a

continuous call for discernment to the priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life. For those who are seriously considering a call to religious life, it's encouraged that they take advantage of the opportunities to discern further through prayer and education. For more information, please check out their website:

https://www.usccb.org/committees/clergy-consecrated-life-

vocations/national-vocation-

awareness-week

FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Leo the Great – Feast Day is November 10th. This feast day commemorates Pope Leo I, who was head of the Church for 21 years during the 5th c. and was the first pope to be called "Great." He's known for saving Rome from destruction from the Huns by discouraging Attila from invading Rome through persuasion. He was also a powerful theologian and Doctor of the Church, who was revered for his writings, especially his "Tome to Flavian," which defined the dual nature of Christ. His pastoral leadership provided spiritual guidance and helped to maintain church unity during a turbulent period. He did significant administrative work and had the ability to lead well, manage the finances, and aid the poor. He's the patron saint of doctrinal teaching, pastoral leadership, public administrators, and threats to peace.



St. Martin of Tours – Feast Day is November 11th. Born in Hungary, this 4th c. saint, who was also known as "Martin the Merciful," ministered in Gaul (now France). After serving as a young soldier in the Roman army, he changed course and became "Christ's Soldier." His conversion happened when he encountered a poor, nearly naked beggar, who was shivering in the cold on a winter's day. Moved by compassion, he cut his military cloak in half and gave one part to the beggar. That night, he received a vision of Jesus wearing the half cloak given to the beggar. Since he was already learning about Christianity, he was baptized soon after and dedicated his life to God. He left the army and became a monk and later the Bishop of Tours. His feast day coincides with Veterans Day and many believe it was chosen in his honor, as he's the patron saint of soldiers. He's also the patron of France, the poor, and tailors.



St. Frances Xavier Cabrini – Feast Day is November 13th. Named Maria Francesca Cabrini at birth, this 19th & 20th c. Italian nun became the first naturalized U.S. citizen to be canonized a saint. Her memorial is celebrated on her beatification date rather than her death date of December 22nd. Desiring to do missionary work in China, she was instead sent west to New York in 1887 to help the thousands of poor Italian immigrants already there by establishing schools, orphanages, and hospitals. She founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, who provided education and healthcare services to the poor in NY and eventually across the U.S. The Order continues to minister in 15 countries on 6 continents. She left a lasting mark in Colorado, where "Cabrini Day" was established – the first state holiday honoring a woman. After being canonized in 1946, she was named as the "Universal Patroness of Immigrants" by Pope Pius XII in 1950.