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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.

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 27, 2026

FOCUS: God is just and rewards the humble and repentant heart.

One must be a disciple of Christ to enter the Lord’s kingdom. A disciple is one who has turned away from sin, repented, and through God’s grace, eagerly strives to follow his ways. No matter one’s past, anyone can enter the kingdom of God by turning to the Lord and offering his or her sincere “yes” to God in word and in deed.

WILL YOU WORK IN GOD’S VINEYARD? ANN M. GARRIDO

Most parents can resonate with today’s gospel. Who hasn’t had a child promise to do their chores and then neglect to do them? Or a child who threw a fit when asked to help but then pitched in after all?

Jesus’ parables intend to give clues about a mystery he called the kingdom of God—a revelation about what the world will look like when God’s dreams for it are realized. We get a good hint that this parable is meant to be about the kingdom of God because it speaks of a vineyard, and Jesus often compared God’s kingdom to a vineyard. Vineyards throughout the ancient world were associated with joy and abundance, but they also required much tending. They needed workers, and that is what God has called us to be for the kingdom.

Jesus observed that those who professed to support God’s coming kingdom often seemed to do little to help bring it about whereas those who historically had been viewed as resistant to God’s ways were more receptive to John the Baptist’s preaching—and, we can imagine, Jesus’ message as well. They were the ones who proved in the end more willing to lend a hand.

The vineyard of which Jesus spoke still requires workers. It still requires people willing to collaborate with God in gathering the abundant harvest that will mark a season of great joy. We can imagine that, like any parent, God’s greatest delight would be to have children who say “yes” and then follow through on their word!

● **Reflect:** When I am tempted to be resentful, what would be a healthy response?

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, September 28:

7:00 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(Rodolfo Rentiquiano – Birthday Blessings)
8:30 AM Rosary Novena for OL of Fatima
6:30 PM St. Michael Novena

Tuesday, September 29:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(Brandon Tamanaha, Christopher Santos, and +Michael Santos – Blessings and Thanksgiving)
8:30 AM Rosary Novena for OL of Fatima
6:30 PM Feast of St. Michael with Mass and Celebration

Wednesday, September 30:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Priscilla Fabro – 1st Death Anniversary)
8:30 a.m. Rosary Novena for OL of Fatima
5:00 PM Lectio Divina (Church)
6:30 PM OCIA

Thursday, October 1:

No Mass
8:30 a.m. Rosary Novena for OL of Fatima

Friday, October 2:

6:50 AM Rosary
7:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(David and Kevin Hudson – Birthday Blessings)
8:30 a.m. Rosary Novena for OL of Fatima
3–5:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday, October 3:

8:00 AM Church Cleaning
10:00 AM Funeral Prayer Service for +Douglas Fernandez at ICC, Ewa (Dcn. David Bruce)
3:00 PM First Saturday Devotions and Novena for OL of Fatima
5:00 PM Mass
(Holy Souls in Purgatory – RS)
6:00 PM Prayer Service for +Joseph Engbino at Mlilani Mauka (Fr. Victor Lanuevo)

Sunday, October 4:

6:00 AM Rosary
7:00 AM Mass
(Mass for the People)
8:15 – 9:15 AM CCD Classes
8:45 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Mass
(+Jacinto Bolo and +Jacinto Bolo, Jr. – RS)
10:30 AM Feast of St. Francis
11:00 AM Rosary Novena for OL of Fatima
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(+Rodolfo Agustin – RS)

Do you have a question for the Padre? Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. MICHAEL NOVENA & FEAST DAY CELEBRATION



The **San Miguel Society** has held their long-time tradition of honoring St. Michael on his Feast Day here in our parish, with a 9-day novena, Mass, dinner, and fellowship. They remain steadfast in upholding this tradition and invite all to join them as they continue praying the rosary nightly until **Monday, September 28th**, starting at **6:30 p.m.** in the church.

On **Tuesday, September 29th**, the **Feast of St. Michael**, we invite all to join in the celebration with **Mass** starting at **6:30 p.m.** followed by a **potluck dinner** in the **parish hall afterwards**. Fr. Melchor Palomares of St. Jude, Kapolei, will preside over the Mass.



FUNERAL SERVICE FOR +DOUGLAS I. K. FERNANDEZ



A funeral service will be held for the late **+Douglas I. K. Fernandez** here at our parish on **Saturday, October 3, 2026**. **Visitation** begins at **9:00 a.m.** and a **prayer service** will be held at **10:00 a.m.** No burial at this time.

in loving memory

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR +JOSEPH ENGBINO

Funeral services for the late **Joseph Engbino** will be held at **Mililani Memorial Park Mortuary, Mauka Chapel**, on **Saturday, October 3, 2026**. Joseph passed away on August 4th. He was a great singer and musician who loved jazz and Bossa Nova music. He was also an aircraft mechanic working for the federal government. **Visitation** begins at **5:30 p.m.** followed by a **prayer service** at **6:00 p.m.**, presided by Fr. Victor Lanuevo. Burial will take place on Monday, October 5th at Punchbowl at 11:00 a.m.



Dear Padre,

September 27, 2026

Why must I choose practicing Catholics as my baby's godparents?

The Church is clear about the qualifications of godparents: at least sixteen years old; leading lives of faith; confirmed and having already received Communion, among others. (See the Code of Canon Law, 872–874.) "Godparent" isn't simply an honorary title we bestow on someone. It's an important role in a child's faith life. Parents and godparents introduce us to Jesus and teach us to pray. We talk to Jesus on our own and learn more about him through Scripture. Our parents take us to church. We watch their example and that of our godparents. It is the gradual process of being introduced to Jesus by those who know him that leads us to trust him and have faith in him. At baptism, a godparent lights a candle from the Easter candle and holds it for the child as the presider says, "Receive the light of Christ." That is how faith comes to us: a gift from God, but through other people. Parents and godparents must have the bright flame of faith in their own hearts if they hope to pass it to the child.

It is permitted to have only one godparent, fulfilling the requirements previously mentioned, and a special "witness" who is a person of faith but is not Catholic.

● Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSSR / DearPadre.org

FIRST FRIDAY – FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS



This coming **Friday, October 2nd**, is the First Friday of the month. We invite everyone to join us as we give honor to Our Lord Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament with Adoration starting at **7:00 a.m.** followed by the recitation of the rosary. **Mass** will begin at **8:00 a.m.** On **Saturday, October 3rd**, the **First Saturday Servants of Mary** will lead us in their **devotional prayers** starting at **3:00 p.m.** in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. All are welcomed to join them.

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS, ANIMAL BLESSING

St. Francis of Assisi was known for his love of nature and animals. Every year, the church honors his feast day, **October 4th**, with the blessing of animals. All are invited to bring their pet animals to church **between 10:30am – 1pm**, for a blessing. (Please knock on the door to the parish office if you don't see Fr. Sieg and he will come outside to bless them.)



OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Wednesday, October 7th is the **Feast of the Holy Rosary**. In honor of the month of the Rosary, we will be praying a 9-Day Novena in preparation to celebrate the Feast. The rosary will start on Monday, **September 28th** until Tuesday, **October 6th** at **8:30 a.m.** during the weekdays. On **Saturday, October 3rd**, the rosary will be prayed at **3 p.m.** along with the First Saturday Devotions. Then on **Sunday, October 4th**, the rosary will be prayed at **11:00 a.m.**

Then on Wednesday, **October 7th**, all are invited to join us as we celebrate the Feast Day with **Rosary at 11:00 a.m. and fellowship** after. Please bring a dish to share.

CONGRATULATIONS ON OUR NEWLYWEDS, LORETTA AND EDMAR YACAPIN



Congratulations to our newly married couple, **Edmar and Loretta Yacapin**, who celebrated the **Sacrament of Holy Matrimony** in our parish on Saturday

September 12, 2026 by Fr. Sieg. It was a happy day for them as well as the rest of their ohana, who were there to witness their union. Congratulations to the happy couple!



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YOUNG ADULTS: MEET & GREET BISHOP MICHAEL

Young Adults, ages 18 – 39, are welcomed to a **“Meet and Greet”** with **Bishop Michael Castori** on **Saturday, October 3rd**, at **Chaminade University**. The evening schedule is as follows:

- 5:00 p.m. – Mass at Mystical Rose Oratory
- 6:00 p.m. – Pupus and Fellowship
- 7:00 p.m. – Question and Answer session

Please scan the QR code to register. Please note that registration deadline is on September 30th.



WEEKLY MASS COUNT	Day/Time	SEP 5 – 6		SEP 12 – 13		SEP 19 – 20	
		Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
	Sat. 5:00 PM	140	13	137	13	131	12
	Sun. 7:00 AM	276	4	170	4	159	7
	Sun. 9:30 AM	249	35	275	53	260	55
	Sun. 5:00 PM	120	27	173	15	167	12

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 5:1–7
Philippians 4:6–9
Matthew 21:33–43



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

September 19 – 20, 2026

Weekly Offering	\$4,109.40
Sat. 5 pm –	\$871.00
Sun. 7 am –	\$1,228.00
Sun. 9:30 am –	\$931.40
Sun. 5 pm –	\$1,079.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$2,164.00
Building Fund	\$250.00
Book of Intentions	\$90.00
Mass Intentions	\$200.00
Flowers	\$6.00
Candles	\$85.00
Funeral	\$300.00
Religious Ed fees/OCIA donation	\$280.00
Father's Day Mass	\$5.00
Total	\$7,489.40
Second Collection:	
Joseph Dutton	\$7.00

PARISH SOFT AUGUST 1 – 31, 2026

Book of Intentions	\$210.00
Building Fund	\$1,223.00
Candles	\$17.00
Catholic Charities	\$210.00
Flowers	\$60.00
Food Pantry	\$425.00
Mass Intentions	\$10.00
Monthly	\$2,200.00
One-Time Gifts	\$20.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$555.00
Weekly Offering	\$3,468.00
Youth & Young Adult Ministries	\$70.00
TOTAL	\$8,468.00

HAWAII STORM RELIEF & RECOVERY FUND



The **Hawai'i Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF)** has established the **Hawai'i Storm Relief and Recovery Fund**. Please scan the QR code to make a donation. Mahalo for your koku.

A Quote from POPE LEO XIV

Jesus taught us that in discerning how to help our neighbor, we must imitate the example of the Good Samaritan, who selflessly gave of his time and resources to someone whom he had never previously met.... When we help those in need, especially those who cannot repay us, we become the Lord's instruments.

MESSAGE TO FADICA NETWORK, ROME, FEB. 27, 2026

Church Cleaning Schedule

Oct 3:	Sacred Heart Society
Oct 10:	Knights of Columbus
Oct 17:	Couples for Christ
Oct 24:	Chamorro Group

FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Vincent de Paul – Feast Day is Sept. 27th. This 17th c. French priest & reformer was known as the "Apostle of Charity" as well as "Father of the Poor" for his dedicated service to the poor & marginalized. He resembled Jesus in his charitable mission & exhibited gospel values of simplicity, humility, compassion, generosity, & selflessness. He founded two religious orders: the Vincentians, who serve the rural poor & reform clergy and the Daughters of Charity along with St. Louise de Marillac, who care for the sick & poor. He also founded hospitals, orphanages, & homes for the elderly & mentally ill. He created a Catholic lay organization called the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in 1833, which provides assistance to those in need through various programs. It was established in the U.S. in St. Louis in 1845 and has centers worldwide as well. As a clergy reformer, he trained priests & organized parish missions. He's the Universal patron saint of all charitable associations, volunteers & charity workers, hospitals & their workers, prisoners & galley slaves, lost articles, & spiritual help.



St. Jerome – Feast Day is Sept. 30th. This 1st c. priest, also known as Jerome of Stridon in Dalmatia, was a confessor, theologian, biblical translator, & monastic leader and has been regarded as the most learned of the Latin Fathers. He's best known for his Latin translation of the Bible from Hebrew and Greek called the Vulgate. Designated as a Doctor of the Church, he was profoundly dedicated to Sacred Scripture & was also known for his teachings on Christian moral life in cosmopolitan areas. Despite being a brilliant scholar, he had a very fiery temper & sharp tongue in dealings with major church leaders. He spent many years as a hermit in a cave to punish himself for his anger. Embracing a monastic lifestyle, he spent his final years in Bethlehem, where he established a monastery & a convent for women and continued intense study of scripture. His famous quote was "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." He's the patron saint of librarians, translators, scholars, students, & archaeologists.



St. Therese of Lisieux – Feast Day is Oct. 1st. Also known as "The Little Flower of Jesus" & St. Therese of the Child Jesus, this 19th c. French Discalced Carmelite nun was especially known for her "Little Way," which focuses on doing ordinary, everyday tasks with extraordinary love & childlike trust in God. This showed that holiness is achievable for ordinary people. Elevated to Doctor of the Church in 1997, she was a model of humility, evangelical simplicity, & confidence in God. Many have been touched by her powerful presence from heaven, which has fulfilled her promise: "I wish to spend my heaven in doing good upon the earth." Despite living her adult life hidden inside an enclosed convent in a life of prayer, her spiritual impact was so vast that she was declared universal co-patron of missions along with St. Francis Xavier & co-patroness of France alongside St. Joan of Arc. She's also the patron of florists, pilots, loss of parents, & the sick. She's often depicted holding a crucifix covered with roses.

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