

# ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH of the IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

#### **ADDRESS:**

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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**

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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."

## 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 12, 2025

**FOCUS**: If we persevere, we shall also reign with him.

Today's readings feature those in extremely difficult circumstances finding hope and new life in their faith. Naaman is cleansed, Paul hopes in God in the face of trial, and desperate lepers are completely healed. In each of these examples, we see the transformative power of faith and the abundant power and grace of God. May the Lord increase and sustain us in faith so as to be strident witnesses of his love and mercy to the world.

## GRATEFUL FOR BEING GRATEFUL FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Here is a quick self-test: Name three things in your life for which you are grateful. Finished? If you were able to name three things easily, your spirituality is probably in a good place. If you had difficulty, your spirituality may be in need of some work. Spiritual writers have long noted that living day by day with a sense of gratitude is one of the signs of holiness. Yet, a number of attitudes can get in the way of our being thankful. One is anger; it unsettles and focuses our attention on one issue, keeping us from seeing a bigger picture filled with blessings. Another is living with continual wanting; incessant desires for more prevent us from recognizing the beauty and goodness of what already is. Fear too keeps us from being grateful; it obliterates all the goodness that is present and focuses on an unknown and uncertain future that may never be.

Therapists have advised that, at the end of each day, people should take time to name three things that happened that day for which they are grateful, as doing so will often ease depression. Our religious tradition has been encouraging this for 2,000 years. Not all depression is due to life circumstances; some is the result of chemical or hormonal imbalances. But, if our sadness is the consequence of life events, naming three positive occurrences from each day not only brings a balance to our attitudes but also brings us to deeper faith, recognizing a power greater than ourselves at work in our lives. That power is God.

<u>Reflect</u>: What are three reasons I have for gratitude? What blessings do I forget?

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### Monday, October 13:

6:50 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass (+Chalita Valencia - RS)

#### Tuesday, October 14:

6:50 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass

(Brandon Tamanaha - Birthday Blessings)

#### Wednesday, October 15:

6:00 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass (+Henry Velasquez - RS) 6:30 PM O.C.I.A. Class

#### Thursday, October 16:

No Mass

### Friday, October 17:

6:10 AM Rosary 8:00 AM Mass

(Paulino & Primi Martins - Wedding Annv.)

4-6:00 PM Food Pantry

#### Saturday, October 18:

7:30 AM Marriage Enrichment

Program

8:00 AM Church Cleaning

9:00 AM Secular Franciscan Mtg.

4:15 PM Rosary 5:00 PM Mass (+ Kalena Wai - RS)

### Sunday, October 19:

6:00 AM Rosary 7:00 AM Mass (+Priscilla Fabro - RS)

8:15 AM CCD Classes
8:45 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Mass
(+Rosario Pascua - RS)
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(Mass for the People)

6:30 PM Youth Ministry Mtg

Pray the

rosary daily.

## **NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS - ANIMAL BLESSING

On Saturday, October 4th, we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis with the blessing of the animals. St. Francis was known for his humility, love of animals, and deep connection to nature. Below are some of our furry friends and their owners:









## **ROSARY in OCTOBER!**

## **OCTOBER** Is the month of the Holy Rosary Join us in praying the Holy Rosary Wednesdays in October October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22rd and 29th 5:30 pm at the ICC Grotto October 7, 2025 Feast of the Holy Rosary Rosary starts at 6:00 pm at the grotto October 13, 2025 The final apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary We will celebrate by praying the Holy Rosary at 6:00 pm at the Grotto. Led by: The Sacred Heart Society and First Saturday Devotion

We continue to honor Mamma Mary as we pray the rosary during the month of October. The Sacred Heart Society and the First Saturday Servants of Mary Immaculate will lead the rosary every Wed., at 5:30 p.m. near the grotto.

On October 13<sup>th</sup>, the final apparition at Fatima, we will gather again to pray the rosary at 6 p.m. followed by potluck and fellowship. Please join us.

## **PARENT CAFE**



Due to unforseen circumstances, the Parent Cafe was canceled last Sunday. We thank you for your

understanding. They would like to resume this event this **Sunday instead**, **Oct. 12th**. We urge all parents to attend the Parent Cafe **after** the **9:30 a.m. Mass** in the **Parish Hall**. Hope to see you there!

## FATHER AWAY AT CONFERENCE THIS WEEK

Fr. Sieg will be away this week at a Conference for Canon Law. Fr. Preston Castro will preside at the 5pm Mass on Sunday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>.

We will continue to have daily Mass. Below is the schedule of priests who will be here in his absence to preside over the 8am Mass.

Mon., Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> – Fr. Kurt Meyer Tue., Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> – Fr. Preston Castro Wed., Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> – Fr. Preston Castro Fri., Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> – Fr. Preston Castro

## Dear Padre,

October 12, 2025

Are people born with the Holy Spirit, or do they have to be baptized in order to receive the Holy Spirit? If we are not born with the Holy Spirit, is it just our conscience that is bothered when we are doing wrong?

Your question is suggesting that the Holy Spirit is "in" or "out." St. Paul teaches us, "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). In other words, the Spirit of God is always with us, and we are dependent on that Spirit for life. There is no beginning and there is no end; the Spirit always was, and is, and will be. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains that "Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right" (1778). We have an obligation to form our consciences to know what is right and to help our children form theirs. It is with the cooperation of the Spirit that a "good conscience" is formed. When we celebrate the sacraments, including the Sacrament of Baptism, we are confirming the life of the Spirit that is within is. We are acknowledging and proclaiming the abiding presence of the Spirit of God.

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## **ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES**



**All Souls Day** is on **November 2<sup>nd</sup>**. On this day, we remember our loved ones who have been called back Home by our Lord. If you would like to remember your loved ones during our All Souls Day Masses, we ask that you pick up an envelope at the entrance of the church and write their names on it. Please write legibly to prevent any misspellings.

This year, we invite everyone who would like to remember their loved ones at the Masses, to **send a picture** of them via the church email: iccewa@rcchawaii.org. We will place their pictures on our **tree of remembrance**. Please be sure to include their names in your email. If you have any questions, call the parish office.

## **MINISTRY FAIR, OCT. 25-26**

Our Ministry Fair is coming up soon — after all Masses on October 25th and 26th.

Come meet our ministry leaders and volunteers, learn how you can get involved, and discover new ways to share your gifts of time, talent, and treasure with our parish 'ohana. We look forward to seeing you there!



## **MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM**



The Couples for Christ Ministry invite couples to a Marriage Enrichment Program on October 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:30am – 4:00pm. in the Parish Hall. For more information or to register, please click on the QR code above or email the coordinators Rico and Vinya Manianglung at ricvin.cfchis@gmail.com

## ICC T-SHIRTS - LAST MINUTE ORDERS





The ICC T-Shirt Committee has decided to give one last chance for everyone to place their t-shirt order. The last day to submit your orders is TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14th. After that, we cannot take any orders because we must submit the count in order for us to get the t-shirts back in time. If you would like to place your order, please call the parish office at (808) 681-3701. Once the shirts come in, we will distribute them after the Masses.

## **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**

Our second collection for the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (which replaces the 'Ohana in Christ' Appeal) started last weekend. So far, we collected \$905, but this will be an-going appeal till next year. The Diocese has not determined our goal yet, but we will be collecting donations until we've met our goal. If you would like to give to this Appeal, which helps with Evangelization and Catechesis, Clergy Support, Pastoral and Social Ministry, and Communications, please mark your envelopes "Catholic Ministries." Your support will be appreciated.



Ministries
Appeal

|        |                 | SEP 20 -21   |       | SEP 27 -28   |       | OCT. 4-5 |       |
|--------|-----------------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------|----------|-------|
| WEEKLY | <u>Day/Time</u> | <u>Adult</u> | Child | <u>Adult</u> | Child | Adult    | Child |
| MACC   | Sat. 5:00 PM    | 151          | 23    | 161          | 20    | 142      | 8     |
| MASS   | Sun. 7:00 AM    | 211          | 12    | 208          | 13    | 225      | 13    |
| COUNT  | Sun. 9:30 AM    | 212          | 40    | 218          | 49    | 201      | 39    |
|        | Sun. 5:00 PM    | 167          | 21    | 182          | 18    | 174      | 23    |

Readings for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 17:8–13 2 Timothy 3:14–4:2 Luke 18:1–8

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

## October 4 - 5, 2025

| Weekly Offering      |             | \$4,746.00 |
|----------------------|-------------|------------|
| Sat. 5:00 PM -       | \$1,276.00  |            |
| Sun. 7:00 AM-        | \$935.00    |            |
| Sun. 9:30 AM -       | \$1,380.00  |            |
| Sun. 5:00 PM -       | \$1,155.00  |            |
| Repair & Maintenar   | \$649.00    |            |
| Building Fund        | 0. 0 %      | \$140.00   |
| Flowers              | 200-102-0-  | \$5.00     |
| Candles              |             | \$61.00    |
| Book of Intentions   | A Je Jug    | \$60.00    |
| Mass Intentions      | A           | \$135.00   |
| All Souls Day        | \$105.00    |            |
| Father's Special Pro | \$100.00    |            |
| Funeral              | \$500.00    |            |
| St. Michael Feast Do | \$1,000.00  |            |
| T–Shirt Fundraiser   | \$3,953.00  |            |
| TOTAL                | \$11,454.00 |            |
|                      |             |            |

#### 2nd Collection:

Catholic Ministries Ann. Appeal \$905.00

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

The deepest purpose of the Church's social doctrine is a contribution to peace and dialogue in the service of building bridges of universal fraternity....
The Risen Lord always goes before us, even at times when injustice and death seem to prevail. Let us..."build bridges through dialogue and encounter, joining together as one people, always at peace."

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 17, 2025

## Church Cleaning Schedule

Oct 18: Couples for Christ
Oct. 25: Chamorro Group
Nov. 1: Sacred Heart Society
Nov. 8: Knights of Columbus

## **PARISH MINISTRIES**

- Parish Pastoral Council
- Parish Council of Ministries
- Finance Council
- · Parish Planning & Building
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Stewardship Committee
- Music Ministry
- Money Counters
- Bereavement
- · Religious Education
- Lectors
- Ushers
- Altar Servers
- · Flowers & Environmental
- Knights of Columbus
- Event Planners
- Food Pantry
- · Couples for Christ
- · Youth & Young Adult Min.
- Sacred Heart Society
- Secular FranciscansChamorro Group

## FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Carlo Acutis – Feast Day is October 12<sup>th</sup>. This 21st c. Italian teenager, who was just canonized on Sept. 7, 2025 by Pope Leo, was born in London, but was raised in Milan. He was primarily noted for his devotion to the Eucharist and for his use of digital media to promote Catholic devotion. Being tech-savvy, he developed an early interest in computers and video games and taught himself programming and web design. He worked on digital projects for his parish and school, while serving as a catechist and inspiring others to convert to Catholicism. He's popularly known for creating a website, which documented Eucharistic miracles and Marian apparitions. His relics have been on display in a church in Assisi and his Eucharistic miracle displays have been traveling all over the world. He's considered to be the "Patron Saint of the Internet," God's influencer," and the

"First Millennia



**St. Teresa of Avila** - Feast Day is October 15th. Also known as "St. Teresa of Jesus," this 16th c. saint was considered a "woman for God" for her prayer, discipline, and compassion. She's especially known for being a Carmelite nun, prominent Spanish mystic, and religious reformer. She founded 17 Carmelite convents throughout Spain, as well as the Discalced Carmelite Order. As a mystic, she experienced visions and even did levitation during prayer. She reformed the Carmelite Orders of both women and men. She faced much opposition as a reformer, administrator, and diplomat, but persevered in her spiritual endeavors. Being the 1st woman Doctor of the Church, she was noted for her spiritual teachings and writings, that have been very influential in Christian

spirituality. Her famous works were "The Interior Castle" and "Way of Perfection." She's the patron saint of Spain, those with headaches, lace makers, and persons who need grace.



St. Luke - Feast Day is October 18th. One of the 4 Evangelists, this 1st c. saint is known primarily for being the author of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. Prior to that, he was known as "Luke, the beloved physician." He became a loyal friend and traveling companion of St. Paul and accompanied him on his missionary journeys. He was a Greek and likely a Gentile (non-Jew). He was the most educated and literary of the NT writers, who came to the faith through the preaching of the Apostles after Christ's death. His Gospel was written after consulting with eyewitnesses, who were with Jesus in his life and ministry, and focused on the life story of Jesus and his healing miracles. He documented the early Christian Church in the Acts of the Apostles. As an artist, he's regarded as the founder of Christian iconography and painted the first images of the Blessed

Greece at the end of the 1st c.