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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



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.”*

Fifth Sunday of Lent April 6, 2025

FOCUS: Go, and from now on do not sin any more.

In this Lenten season, our readings reflect on mercy and repentance. Indeed, repentance is at the foundation of our Lenten calling. May we truly examine our hearts for ways we can seek God’s abundant mercy and grow in our relationship with him. Like the woman caught in adultery, we must be willing to allow Jesus to see our shortcomings if we wish to receive the forgiveness he offers.

ON BECOMING HUMAN FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Sometimes human beings seem to be evolving into more than what we have been. Gradually, we become capable of experiencing more than what we pick up through our five senses. We listen to our intuition; we pay attention to our sixth sense; we discover a spiritual side to our personalities. More and more, we notice people in need. We find ourselves becoming better listeners as people unburden themselves to us. We may be more aware of some stirring deep within ourselves. All such moments may be seen by people of faith as God bringing us to a new place in life. Just as Isaiah speaks of God doing something new among the Israelites in distant exile, God continues to guide us to becoming more completely human. By his life, passion, and death, Jesus shows us most clearly what sort of person our God is drawing us to be: compassionate and just, generous and merciful, loving in a wasteland of indifference. So, when we hear the story of Jesus not condemning the woman caught in adultery, we may find ourselves becoming conscious of our own need to stop judging, stop condemning. Most of us have not yet evolved to the point of doing what Jesus would do. Instead, we condemn others while overlooking our own culpability. We are still in the process of learning to follow Jesus, to act as he would act, to love as he would love. It is God at work in us.

● **Reflect:** Am I a condemning or a forgiving person? Do I accept forgiveness when it is offered?

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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

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 7:

6:50 AM Rosary
 8:00 AM Mass
 (+Rogelio C. Valdez - RS)

Tuesday, April 8:

6:50 AM Rosary
 8:00 AM Mass
 (+Segundino Guira - RS)
 7:00 PM Lenten Penance Service,
 OLPH, Ewa Beach

Wednesday, April 9:

6:45 AM Rosary
 8:00 AM Mass
 (Francisca Villegas - RS)
 5:00 PM Centering Prayer
 6:30 PM O.C.I.A.

Thursday, April 10:

No Mass

Friday, April 11:

6:45 AM Rosary
 8:00 AM Mass
 (Don Cabanatan - Birthday Blessings)
 4-6:00 PM Food Pantry
 4:30-6 PM KoC Fish Fry Pick Up
 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 12:

7:00 AM Palm Weaving (Hall)
 8:00 AM Church Cleaning
 9:00 AM Secular Franciscan Mtg.
 1:00 PM Sacred Heart Society
 Mtg. for Officers only
 4:00 PM Confessions
 4:15 PM Rosary
 5:00 PM Mass
 (Vinya Manianglung - Thanksgiving
 and the Gift of Life)

Sunday, April 13:

6:15 AM Rosary
 7:00 AM Mass
 (Lexinor Lagon - Healing)
 8:15-9:15 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)

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Apr. 12: Knights of Columbus
Apr. 19: Couples for Christ
Apr. 26: Chamorro Group



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCAM EMAILS

Please be aware that there are people pretending to be Fr. Sieg by sending emails to parishioners asking them for favors or to purchase gift cards. Please be cautious when you receive any emails that use Fr. Sieg's name and to double check the email sender, because Fr. Sieg will **never** ask parishioners to spend money through email. If the email does not come from Fr. Sieg's official Diocese of Hawaii email (which we have purposely omitted), please ignore the message and immediately delete it. Thank you to the parishioners that have reached out to the office regarding potential scam emails to bring this to our attention.



CHANGE OF TIME FOR OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS, APRIL 18th, GOOD FRIDAY @ 5:00 P.M.

The **Outdoor Stations of the Cross** was previously scheduled in our bulletin for 3:00 p.m. Instead, we're doing the Stations of the Cross at **5:00 p.m.**, as we did last year. Following the Stations of the Cross, we will observe Good Friday with Veneration of the Cross/Communion Service starting at 7 p.m.



PALM WEAVING, APRIL 12th, 7:00 A.M., PARISH HALL



This coming Saturday, April 12th, we need help weaving the palms into crosses for our Palm Sunday Masses. Please come to the Parish Hall at 7:00 a.m. and join us.

CHRISM MASS, TUE., APRIL 15th, 7:00 P.M.

Please join Bishop Larry and representatives from the different parishes here on Oahu, for the Chrism Mass, which will take place on **April 15th** at the **Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa** at **7:00 p.m.**

We thank our representatives, **Sean and Lenny Sabado**, who will receive the oils for our parish. These oils, which Bishop Larry will bless, will include the **oil of the sick, oil of catechumens, and the chrism oil.**



NO FOOD PANTRY, GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18th

Our Food Pantry will be closed on April 18th, Good Friday. We will reopen the following Friday, April 25th, from 4 - 6:00 p.m.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, FRIDAYS, 7:00 P.M.



Our last Stations of the Cross will be held this **Friday, April 11th**, starting at **7:00 p.m.** in the Church. If you haven't had the chance of experiencing the Way of the Cross, we encourage you to join us on this journey with Christ. The last ministries leading us in the Stations are the Couples for Christ, Baptism, and Parent & Family Ministries.

LAST PENANCE SERVICE - OLPH, EWA BEACH

If you haven't had a chance to attend any previous Lenten Penance Services, you still have a chance to go to **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** Church, Ewa Beach. Their penance service will be held this **Tuesday, April 8th**, starting at **7:00 p.m.**



FUNERAL SERVICES FOR +SEGUNDINO F. GUIRA



Deepest condolences to the family of the late **+Segundino F. Guira**. Services will be held on:

Thu., April 10th, 630 p.m. - Wake Service at Mililani Mauka.
Fri., April 11th, 11:00 a.m. - Funeral Mass at Immaculate Conception.

LAST FISH "FRY-DAY", APRIL 11th

Next Friday, April 11th, is the last Friday of Lent before Good Friday. It is the last day of our Fish Fry! Please pick up your tickets from our Knights after the Mass! Tickets are \$20 each. Mahalo for your kokua!



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 3 - 7:00 p.m. - Lenten Penance Service
Saturday, April 5 - 6:30 p.m. - Movie Night, "Stolen Summer"
Sunday, April 13 - Regular Mass - Palm Sunday
of the Lord's Passion
Holy Monday, April 14 - 8:00 a.m. - Mass
Holy Tuesday, April 15 - 8:00 a.m. - Mass
" 7:00 p.m. - Chrism Mass, Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
Holy Wednesday, April 16 - 8:00 a.m. - Mass with Anointing of the Sick
Holy Thursday, April 17 - 7:00 p.m. - Lord's Supper/Washing of Feet
Good Friday, April 18 - 5:00 p.m. - Outdoor Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. - Veneration of the Cross/Comm. Svc.
Holy Saturday, April 19 - 7:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil/Service of the Light
Easter Sunday, April 20 - 7:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. -
Mass of the Resurrection

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Mar. 29 - 30, 2025

Weekly Offering	\$4,428.00
Sat. 5:00 PM -	\$895.00
Sun. 7:00 AM -	\$2,146.00
Sun. 9:30 AM -	\$779.00
Sun. 5:00 PM -	\$ 608.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$372.00
Building Fund	\$775.00
Flowers	\$140.00
Candles	\$106.00
Book of Intentions	\$110.00
Mass Intentions	\$140.00
Stations of the Cross	\$10.00
KoC Books	\$5.00
Hawaii Quilt Guild (B/F)	\$40.00
TOTAL	\$6,126.00
Second Collections	
Rice Bowl Collection	\$20.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$1,637.50



STEWARDSHIP

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The total collected for our Catholic Relief Services second collection was **\$1,637.50**, so far. If you would like to continue your support, please go to www.support.crs.org/donate. Your generosity is truly appreciated by our brothers and sisters around the world who need help.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

On **Holy Thursday**, April 17th, the second collection will go toward **Operation Rice Bowl**. Your donations help provide lifesaving support to more than 200 million people in more than 120 countries. But, did you know that twenty-five (25%) percent of every donation stays in our community to help fight hunger and poverty? Again, if possible, we are requesting that your coins be converted into paper bills or a check. This would help our money counters. Thank you for your continued generosity.

HOLY LAND

Every year on **Good Friday**, at the request of the Pope, a collection is taken up in Catholic Churches to support the work of the Franciscans working in the **Holy Land**. Christians there rely heavily on the help that comes to them from this worldwide collection. Your contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be generous in your giving. Mahalo!

Rachel's Vineyard

Apr 25 - 27, 2025

Healing the pain of abortion....one week at a time.
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Closed Wednesday
Weekend Appointments Available

A friend of mine told me he was looking forward to celebrating the Triduum. What does that word mean?

The word triduum is a Latin word meaning “three days.” In this context, it refers to the paschal Triduum: the three days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, when we celebrate Christianity’s most sacred events—the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. The official beginning of the paschal Triduum takes place the evening of Holy Thursday, when we celebrate the Mass of the Lord’s Supper. This day is also referred to as Maundy Thursday, because Jesus gives a command (mandatum) to his followers to be an example of love and service to others. The Mass of the Lord’s Supper ends in stillness as the tabernacle is emptied, and the altar is stripped bare. The priests, ministers, and congregation then exit in silence. Good Friday is a day of somber quiet as we relive the passion and death of Jesus. The service centers on the solemn veneration of the cross. Holy Saturday is characterized by a spirit of waiting and quiet anticipation until the festive Easter Vigil, celebrated in the evening, when the Church comes alive with the new Light of Christ and catechumens are joyfully received into the eucharistic community. These are the Christian high holy days.

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FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK

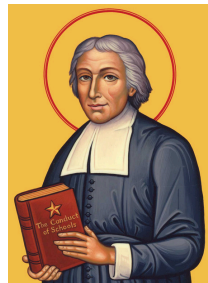
A word from POPE FRANCIS

We can always run the risk of... having [Jesus’] name on our lips but denying him by the way that we live...How, then, can we prove whether or not we are true disciples of the Master? We do so by the way we regard our neighbor and the way we regard ourselves.

ANGELUS, ROME, MARCH 27, 2022

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 and Environmental
- Knights of Columbus
- Event Planners
- Food Pantry
- Couples for Christ
- Youth & Young Adult Min.
- Sacred Heart Society
- Secular Franciscans
- Chamorro Group



St. John Baptist de la Salle – Feast Day is April 7. This 17th – 18th c. French priest and educator is the patron saint of teachers and was the founder of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. He focused his ministry on teaching the poor and saw the need for accessible education for them as well as for disadvantaged children, which led to his establishing this Institute. In 1950, Pope Pius XII declared him as the Patron Saint of “All Teachers of Youth.” He founded schools in 22 cities and contributed significantly to the field of education through his inspirational writings and methodology. He’s also noted for emphasizing teaching in the vernacular instead of Latin, founding teacher training colleges, and establishing schools for those who were unable to obtain an education.



St. Stanislaus of Szczepanow – Feast Day is April 11th. An 11th c. Bishop and martyr, he is the patron saint of Poland and the city of Krakow. He was known for his preaching and was sought by many as their spiritual advisor. He was very outspoken in his opposition to the evils of an unjust government. He denounced King Boleslaw II the Bold’s cruelties and injustice and even excommunicated him. This contributed to St. Stanislaus’ martyrdom. Since the king’s own men wouldn’t execute the Bishop, as they didn’t dare to touch him, he was killed by the king himself while he was celebrating Mass. This saint was beloved by the Polish people for being one of the first native Polish bishops and influencing Polish politics. He had brought in papal delegates to Poland and had encouraged the king to help spread Christianity by establishing Benedictine monasteries.



St. Gemma Galgani – Feast Day is April 11th. Also known as Gemma of Lucca, she was a 19th c. Italian virgin, mystic, and tertiary of the Passionist Order. She has been called “The daughter of the Passion.” Her life was one of humility and love for Christ and of reparation for the sins of men. Orphaned while a teen, she cared for her younger siblings and performed works of charity for the poor. When she contracted meningitis and lost her hearing and loss of limbs, she remained cheerful while accepting God’s will. She developed a devotion to St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows, a Passionist, who encouraged her to make her vows to that Order. She was eventually cured through his intercession and that of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. In 1899, she received the stigmata. Even though she was turned down to become a Passionist, she continued to meditate on the Passion of Christ and lead a life of prayer and penance.

WEEKLY MASS COUNT	Day/Time	MAR. 15-16		MAR. 22-23		MAR. 29-30	
		Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
	Sat. 5:00 PM	144	10	146	12	159	10
	Sun. 7:00 AM	217	14	213	19	227	9
	Sun. 9:30 AM	238	60	225	54	251	48
	Sun. 5:00 PM	168	21	169	26	146	29

Readings for Palm Sunday:
Isaiah 50: 4-7
Philippians 2: 6-11
Luke 22:14-23:56