# Roman Catholic Church of the



# Immaculate Conception

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**Office Hours:** Monday thru Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

# **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday**

7 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Mass 8:15 a.m. CCD (K--12 grade) \*

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 8:00 a.m. Mass

# Wednesday

6:00 p.m. OCIA (Adults)

# Thursday

No Mass

#### First Friday

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

#### Saturday

9:00 a.m. OCIA (Children) \* 3:00 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. Marian Devotion 5:00 p.m. Mass

# Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday

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

\*September – May (School year)

## **Pastor**

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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."







Thank you for your continued support for our parish. Your generosity is truly appreciated. It is through your contributions that we are able to be of service to the parish community.

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#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Parish Council of Ministries Finance Council Parish Planning & Building Extraordinary Ministers of Communion Music Ministry Bereavement Religious Education Lectors Ushers Altar Servers Flowers and Environmental **Event Planners** Food Pantry Sacred Heart Society **Knights of Columbus** Couples & Singles for Christ

# **Contact us for the following:**

#### **Baptism:**

Contact the parish to enroll in the baptism preparation for your children.

## **Faith Formation: CCD & OCIA**

Religious education for adults and children

#### Marriage:

Contact office at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. An Engaged Encounter Weekend is required prior to Marriage Ceremony.

# Communion to the Homebound

Contact parish office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick.

## **Funerals**

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.



# Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 17, 2023

Readings for next week:

Isaiah 55:6~9

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Matthew 20:1~16a

**FOCUS**: We cannot claim forgiveness only for ourselves; God's mercy is for all.

We are all the same flesh: fellow sinners, servants, and debtors, and God's mercy is for us all. We cannot seek pardon for ourselves yet refuse mercy to others. We must forgive as we have been forgiven. In the community of God's covenant, mercy is shared, *not seven times but seventy-seven times*, as Jesus teaches.

# **First Day of Religious Education Classes**



We welcome our students who attended religious education classes last week for the first time. On this day, the students gathered in the parish hall where they met with Sr. Mary Rose Atuu, and her Superior, Sr. Grace, of the Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate of Gulu, Africa. Sr. Grace shared on her family life growing up in Uganda, as the eldest of 8 children and having to set the

example for them. She also shared about the importance of children listening and respecting their parents, who should discipline them with love. She emphasized above all the importance of praying together as a family.

# **Catechetical Sunday**

Today is Catechetical Sunday. The following teachers will be commissioned at the 9:30 a.m. Mass: Sandra Mendonza, Mimi Mangrobang, Wileen Biscaino, Sherrie Alcos, Mady Agcamaran, Emy Keola, Normand Robert, Clarissa Duclayan, Lowena Nagamine, Wanda Bega, Sean Murata, Grace Rivera, Patrick Rivera, Sr. Mary Rose Atuu, and Rosie Nitta. This year's theme is: "Come to me all who labor and are burdened."

# Funeral Services for +Charles Norman Alcos



Services for the late +Charles Norman Alcos will be held on Friday, September 22, 2023. Blessing at 9:30 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:30 a.m. No burial at this time.

# Weekly Schedule

# Monday, September 18:

(+Pacita Mauleon) 8:00 a.m. Mass

# Tuesday, September 19:

(+John A. Tamboa) 8:00 a.m. Mass

# Wednesday, September 20:

(+Wendy Flores) 8:00 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

# Thursday, September 21:

- No Mass -

# Friday, September 22:

(+Herminio R. Martinez)

8:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Funeral Mass for +Charles

Norman Alcos

4 – 6 p.m. Food Pantry (Hall)

#### Saturday, September 23:

(*In honor of St. Padre Pio*) 4 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Mass

#### Sunday, September 24:

7:00 a.m. Mass (+Rufino Bacatat) 8:15 a.m. Religious Edu Classes 9:30 a.m. Mass (Mass for the People)

5:00 p.m. Mass (+Simplicio K.

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Ignacio)

# **Church Cleaning Schedule**

Sep 23: Couples for Christ Sep 30: Volunteers needed Oct 7: Sacred Heart Society

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# Fr. Sieg's Installation Mass

What a beautiful day the Lord blessed us with to celebrate the installation of our new pastor, Fr. Siegfred Dosdos! With the presence of Bishop Larry Silva, as well as our diocesan clergy who concelebrated the Mass: Fathers Greg Honorio, Francis Sanchez, William Kunisch, Ed Barut and Frankie delos Reyes, it made for a joyous occasion! We were especially happy to welcome Fr. Sieg's sisters, Cheryl and Viza Mae, and his nephew, Marco, who joined in the celebration all the way from Reno and Las Vegas. Special guests included members of St. Anthony and St. Benedict (former parish). We are so very grateful to all our ministries who made this occasion possible: Event Planning Committee, Chamorro Group, Knights of Columbus, Couples for Christ, Environmental, Parish Planning and Building Committee, as well as our Liturgy Committees: Musicians, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Ushers, etc.

The food was delicious and there was plenty of it! Mahalo to all who contributed the many dishes, salads, and desserts, which included the main dishes from the parish. We cannot forget our entertainers: the musicians Uncles John and Johnathan and dancers Sherrie Alcos, Bunny Rizando, Dolly Willing, Leonie Asprec, and Editha Baguio. We thank everyone for all the hard work and dedication, that was put into making this evening a special one for Fr. Sieg. We are truly blessed to have him and look forward to many years with him. (More pictures will be posted on our website soon.)

































#### Foodland's Give Aloha

Don't forget to give to our parish this month through Foodland's Give Aloha fundraiser. When you shop throughout the month of September, we ask that you give the clerk our unique code so that a portion of your donation will be matched up to \$249 to our parish. Use **88709**. Donors must be Maikai Reward members.



The Ohana in Christ Diocesan Appeal is an annual tax-deductible collection to help provide needed funding for diocesan ministries, programs, and

services formerly funded by the With Grateful Hearts Capital Campaign and other efforts that individual parishes cannot sustain on their own. Each parish is required to reach at least 75% of its goal as set forth by the Diocese. The collection will take place on the weekend of Sept. 30th - Oct 1st.



# 43rd Regional Charismatic Catholic Conference, Saturday, October 7th

Join the HCCRS Regional Charismatic Conference on October 7th from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Catholic Charities Hawaii, 1822 Keaaumoku St., Honolulu. The conference will feature speakers: Fr. Greg Honorio, Fr. E.J. Resinto, Fr. Romple Emwalu, Fr. Mario Palanca, and Fr. Bill Petrie. Admission is free. For more information, please email info@hccrs.org or call (808) 990-8153. The theme is "Remain in Me."

# **Weekend Collection** Sep 9-10, 2023

Weekly Offering	\$ 4,067.76
Repair/Maint. Fund	1,660.30
Building Fund	370.00
Mass Intentions	375.00
<b>Book of Intentions</b>	320.00
<b>Religious Education</b>	465.00
Funeral	400.00
Food Pantry	50.00
Flowers	12.50
Candles	 90.00

**Total** 7,810.56

## **Second Collection**

Maui Relief Fund \$ 200.00 Catholic Charities Hawaii 5.00



# Saints of the Week



St. Matthew - He was one of the 12 Apostles (the 1st to respond to the call to follow Jesus) & one of the 4 evangelists. He was called by Jesus, while working as a tax collector. The key message of his gospel was to present Jesus as a teacher even greater than Moses. He is the patron saint of bankers, accountants, bookkeepers, stockbrokers, security guards, & tax collectors. He is represented by a winged man or angel. His feast day is Sept. 21st.



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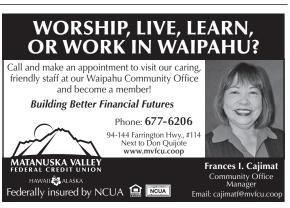
St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) - He was an Italian Capuchin friar, priest, stigmatist, & mystic. He was a miracle worker & healer, whom God worked hundreds of miracles through on others, curing them of all kinds of sicknesses. He experienced the stigmata for 50 years & established 5 rules of spiritual growth weekly confession, daily communion, spiritual reading, meditation, & frequent examination of conscience. His famous saying is: "Pray, hope, and don't worry" & taught that suffering is a special sign of God's love. He is the patron saint of adolescents, stress relief, civil defense volunteers, & January blues. His feast day is Sept. 23rd.



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