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**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)

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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.”



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- Parish Planning & Building
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- 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**

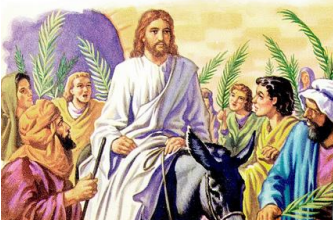
Contact parish office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick.

**Funerals**

Call the parish office *prior* to making arrangements with the mortuary.

**Food Pantry**

First Friday hours: 3 – 5pm  
All other Fridays: 4 – 6pm  
Please bring an ID



# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

## March 24, 2024

*Readings for next week:*

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Colossians 3:1-4

John 20:1-9

**FOCUS:** *Christ became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

During his journey to Golgotha, Jesus goes from hailed hero to crucified criminal. He surrenders out of obedience to his Father and love for us. As followers of Jesus, we, too, can face loss and sacrifice. Jesus knows what it means to sacrifice out of love. We journey together through loss, never alone, but always united with Jesus.

### Lent and Easter Schedule

**Holy Wednesday – Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 a.m. Mass and Anointing of the Sick**

**Holy Thursday – Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper and Washing of the Feet. After Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be transferred to the Parish Hall for Adoration till Midnight.**

**Good Friday – Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>:**

**5:30 p.m. - Outdoor Stations of the Cross**

**7:00 p.m. - Veneration of the Cross w/Communion Svc**

**Holy Saturday – Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 p.m. - Service of the Light**

**Easter Sunday – Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>,**

**7 & 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. - **Mass of the Resurrection****

### Holy Weekly Schedule

**Holy Monday, March 25:**

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

**Holy Tuesday, March 26:**

*(+Emily Santos – Birthday Blessings)*

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Chrism Mass (St. Theresa Co-Cathedral)

**Holy Wednesday, March 27:**

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass & Anointing Sick

**Holy Thursday, March 28:**

2:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper (till Midnight) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Hall)

**Good Friday, March 29:**

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. Veneration of the Cross

**Holy Saturday, March 30:**

7:00 p.m. Service of the Light

**Easter Sunday, March 31:**

6:15 a.m. Rosary

7:00 a.m. Mass (+Jose M. Sablan - RS Bailey Santos – Birthday)

8:45 a.m. Rosary

9:30 a.m. Mass (Mass for the People)

4:15 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Mass (+Angie Sexauer – 24<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary)

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday

We invite everyone to spend some time with Jesus after our Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration in the Parish Hall until 12:00 a.m.

### Church Cleaning:

Mar. 30 Volunteers needed.  
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## Easter Fun for the Keikis

Please don't forget to bring the keikis after the 9:30 a.m. Mass for an Easter event on March 31<sup>st</sup>, Easter Sunday!!! (Reminder, there are no CCD classes!) It'll be a fun afternoon for the family. The Event Planning Committee are asking for candy and small toys for the plastic eggs. If you can donate, please drop them off at the office during Holy Week. Mahalo!!!!

## Farm Fresh Fridays

Last Friday, our Food Pantry, in partnership with AlohaCare, held a Farm Fresh Friday event, where they supplemented families with fresh fruit and vegetables. There were many people that picked up food that day and we were happy to be a part of it. Mahalo to all the AlohaCare and Food Pantry volunteers from our parish!



## Knights of Columbus – Medical Mission, Guimba, Nueva Ecija

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” (1 Peter 4:10) The idea of having a Christ-based medical mission to the Philippines began in early 2022. The Knights of Columbus councils involved with this possible endeavor were: Council 3221, Council 1826, Council 15774, Council 17042, Council 18025, Council 6734 (Ewa), Council 14663 (Mililani) and Council 4074 (Guimba, Nueva Ecija province, Philippines). After several discussions among all councils, RJ Juanillo, Patrick Guzman, and Manny Meno, it was decided to move forward with the medical mission and begin the required fundraising piece of this endeavor. The fundraising piece began a year later leading to the medical mission beginning Dec. 2, 2023. Hawaii councils 6734 and 14663 provided 30 wheelchairs, 50 canes and medicine to support 200 people. The knights were able to raise a total of \$7,744 from a goal of \$7,000. Lastly, the following is a list of partners who donated their time, talent or treasure: Drs. Elizabeth L. Romano, Marriane R. Bajador, Arnel L. Romano, Gene Tadeo, Gian Tadeo, Manny Galapon, Felix Lumang, Adrienne Velasco, Glee Fuelles, Michael Fuelles and Beverly Ane Pineda; nurses Jocelyn Esteban, Rhea Rimocal, Teresa M. Mariano, Jenniper O. Pagbilao, Digna V. Esquivel, Mae Bangile Ria, and Ellen Joy L. Baldo; and pharmacists Eva M. Villamar and Mary Rose Cunanan. We will start a medical mission chapter of the Knights of Columbus, Hawaii Jurisdiction. We foresee the second-largest ethnic group in Hawaii, Filipinos, desiring to contribute to the motherland; we will do this every year. Knights provide the opportunity for charitable works. Albeit a decline, the poverty rate remains alarming. Vivat Jesus! (Reported by Normand H.J. Robert)



## Stewardship of Treasure

March 16 - 17, 2024

Weekly Offering - \$	3,786.01
Sat., 5pm -	751.00
Sun., 7am -	1,316.00
Sun., 930am -	1,081.05
Sun., 5pm -	637.96

Repair/Maint. Fund	721.00
Building Fund	232.50
Book of Intentions	235.00
Mass Intentions	340.00
Flowers	72.50
Candles	60.00
Funeral	600.00
Easter	8.00
Hawaii Quilt Guild	20.00
KoC Books	5.00
Other: Use of Hall	300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,380.01</b>

## Second Collections:

Catholic Relief Services	\$ 1,276.80
CRS Rice Bowl -	2.48

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll: Catholic Relief Services

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***I am the divorced mother of three young children. My daughter is making her first Communion and I want to go to Communion with her. But I haven't been to Mass in three years because of my divorce. I am nervous and embarrassed about returning to the Church. What can I do?***

Sharing in your daughter's preparation for holy Communion is a lovely desire and a good chance to look closely at your own faith; it may be the "little push" you need. She needs to see in you someone who has faith and is committed to the Church. Taking your children to Mass each Sunday is a good start.

You mentioned that you haven't been to church in three years because of your divorce. You may be confused about the teachings of the Church concerning divorce. Divorced Catholics are still full members of the Church and can receive holy Communion. If you have remarried outside the Church, it is a more complicated issue, yet not hopeless.

Since you haven't been to Mass in three years, the first step is to talk to your pastor or another priest with whom you feel comfortable. Be honest. Explain why you have stayed away from the Church. Then set up a time to go to confession. And please don't be ashamed or embarrassed about coming back to church. No matter how long it has been, the Church welcomes you home. • *The Redemptorists/DearPadre.org*

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*What is amazing about the Lord and his Passover? It is the fact that he achieves*

*glory through humiliation. He triumphs by accepting suffering and death, things that we, in our quest for admiration and success, would rather avoid. Jesus—as St. Paul tells us—"emptied himself...he humbled himself" (Philippians 2:7-8).*

HOMILY, ROME, MAR 28, 2021

### Office closures

The parish office will be closed on **Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>** and **Easter Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**. We will reopen on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Saints and Feasts of the Week

**St. Oscar Romero** - Feast Day is March 24<sup>th</sup>. He was a 20<sup>th</sup> c. archbishop of San Salvador, who was appointed there in 1977. During this time of great violence and social injustices by the Salvadoran government and rebels, he advocated for the poor and the oppressed people. He spoke out against the strife in his radio sermons and became a "voice for the voiceless." In 1980 as he was saying Mass, this man of peace was assassinated with a single bullet. Pope Francis canonized him in 2018. He is the patron saint of El Salvador and of persecuted Christians. The United Nations has recognized his feast day as a day to remember those who work for human rights.

**Holy Thursday** - Thursday of Holy Week on March 28<sup>th</sup>. This feast, also known as "Maundy Thursday," marks the end of Lent and the beginning of the Holy Triduum. Maundy means "mandate" from the Latin word, "mandatum." Jesus's command was to "love one another." The Last Supper of Jesus with his apostles marked the institution of the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and his command to "do this in remembrance of me." At this Passover Seder meal, Jesus also instituted the priesthood as a Sacrament. This day symbolizes the virtues of humility, selflessness, and service to others, as Jesus washed his disciples' feet and that we should follow his example. This day also marks his agony, prayer, and arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane. The liturgy that we celebrate is the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.

**Good Friday** - Friday of Holy Week on March 29<sup>th</sup>. This feast commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at Calvary. Part of the Paschal Triduum, it's also known as Holy Friday, Great Friday, and Black Friday. The significance of this "good" day is that Jesus' death was for everyone with the forgiveness of sins, reference to being holy, and remembrance of leading to his Resurrection with his victory over sin and death. As Christians honor the sacrifice of Jesus and the events that led to his crucifixion and death, they reflect and observe them by fasting, abstaining from meat, praying, and attending church services. No mass is celebrated, but there is a liturgy with the Passion reading, veneration of the cross, and Holy Communion.

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