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Saturdays at 5:00 PM

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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.

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- First Friday hours: 3–5 PM
- 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.”*

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 6, 2025

FOCUS: If we share in Christ's suffering, we will share his joy.

Paul tells the Galatians that it is no longer circumcision or uncircumcision that sets God's people apart. Instead, at our baptism, we were marked for Christ with the sign of the cross. This indelible seal sets us apart to share in Christ's mission, but also in his suffering. We have hope that we who have died with Christ will also rise with him to live in the new Jerusalem, comforted in the arms of our loving God.

BLOOM WHERE YOU ARE PLANTED

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

If you could change one aspect of your life, what would that be? Financial instability? Arthritis? Addiction? A disruptive family member? Work's daily grind? Finding love? No doubt the answers are as varied as the people who answer the question.

Though the old poster advises us to “bloom where you are planted,” sometimes we can feel as if we've been planted among weeds—the people we've been given, the problems that continually pop up, the conflicts that all too often shut out the peace we seek. Just as Jesus sends disciples into every place he intends to visit, the reality for us may very well be that he sends us into the very lives we live even though we wish we could change them. Where we are is where we've been sent. It is in the lives we have that we work out our salvation, for Jesus said, “The kingdom of God is at hand for you” (Luke 10:9). St. Paul emphasized how important it is for disciples of Jesus to live out their identity as a new creation. British artist and sculptor Henry Moore made the observation that, in life, it is most important that we give ourselves over to a goal or dream, something so all-consuming that we live it morning, noon, and night. And the most important aspect of it, he said, is that it must be something we cannot possibly accomplish. For the followers of Jesus, it is the lifelong task to bloom where we've been planted.

● **Reflect:** What is the hardest part of my life right now? What is the most blessed?

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 7:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+German Tagama - Death Anniversary)

Tuesday, July 8:

6:50 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Lydia Pascua Ramelb - RS)

Wednesday, July 9:

6:40 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Lydia Pascua Ramelb - RS)
5:00 PM Centering Prayer

Thursday, July 10:

- No Mass

Friday, July 11:

6:40 AM Rosary
8:00 AM Mass
(+Lydia Pascua Ramelb - RS)
3-5:00 PM Food Pantry

Saturday, July 12:

8:00 AM Church Cleaning
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(+Lydia Pascua Ramelb - RS)

Sunday, July 13:

5:40 AM Rosary
7:00 AM Mass
(Mass for the People)
8:45 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Mass
(+Richard L. Alcos - RS)
4:15 PM Rosary
5:00 PM Mass
(+Felipe Madamba, Jr. - RS)
6:30 PM Young Adult Meeting

HAWAII FOOD BANK

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are still in need of **50 volunteers** to come and help at the **Hawaii Food Bank**, 2611 Kiliha St.,

Honolulu, 96819, on Saturday, July 26, 2025, from 8:00 am - 12:00 p.m. Volunteers must be 16 or older who can stand while packing. To sign up, please email Dami Espiritu, Food Pantry Coordinator at CoachD808@gmail.com For more info, you may contact Alison at the parish office.

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

July 12: Knights of Columbus
July 19: Couples for Christ
July 26: Chamorro Group
Aug. 2: Sacred Heart Society



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTALLATION OF THE NEW OFFICERS FOR OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 6734!



Newly elected officers for the Knights of Columbus, Council 6734, Columbian Year 2025-2026 are:

Chaplain: **Rev. Siegfred B. Dosdos**
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FR. SIEG'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION, JULY 25TH



Fr. Sieg is celebrating his **50th Birthday** on **Friday, July 25th** and everyone is invited to join him on this happy occasion. It will begin at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Parish Hall**. Let's get together and pah-ty! Come join him for dinner, music, and fellowship! It will be a blast! **SAVE-THE-DATE!**



FUNERAL SERVICES FOR +LYDIA PASCUA RAMELB



Funeral services for the late **+Lydia Pascua Ramelb** will be held on **July 12.**

9:00 a.m. - Blessing of casket followed by Visitation

10:00 a.m. - Family Program

10:30 a.m. - Funeral Mass

1:30 p.m. - Burial at Mililani Cemetery



PARKING LOT REPAIR/DEMOLITION OF DRIVEWAY

Many thanks to our hard-working **Knights of Columbus** for repaving a section in the parking lot that needed repair, and for demolishing the concrete in the front lawn. The concrete was once used as a driveway for the priest's parking lot. We are grateful for the manpower they provide to get the necessary work done around our parish facilities.



CELEBRATION OF THE SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS!



Mahalo to the **Sacred Heart Society** for their faithfulness in conducting the 9-day novena in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. They then gathered to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart on June 27th at the 8 am Mass. Afterwards, they celebrated with food and fellowship in the Parish Hall. Thank you to the members who provided a variety of delicious dishes that were served to everyone who attended. We thank all those who joined them for this joyous occasion! "Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You."

YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING - GROWTH IN SHARING!



This past Sunday, our Youth attended the regularly scheduled meeting after the 5 p.m. Mass. For some, it was their first meeting since the retreat last month.

Seminarian, Jesse Pascua, conducted an activity with them by asking them to write their answers to some questions he had on the board which led to a discussion between them. Questions such as, **"What do you appreciate the most about the Mass? What do I know (or think I know) about Jesus? What kind of distractions hurt your prayer life?"** These open-ended questions allowed the youth to express their opinions and to learn from each other's experiences. Afterwards, they had Praise & Worship. All youth, **ages 13 - 17** are encouraged to join them **every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, 6:30 p.m.** in the Hall.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

June 28 - 29, 2025

Weekly Offering	\$3,420.66
Sat. 5:00 PM -	\$679.00
Sun. 7:00 AM -	\$1,066.00
Sun. 9:30 AM -	\$953.00
Sun. 5:00 PM -	\$722.66
Repair & Maintenance	\$1,691.00
Building Fund	\$283.00
Candles	\$55.00
Book of Intentions	\$310.00
Mass Intentions	\$185.00
Wedding Renewal	\$100.00
Car Blessing	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$6,144.66



Second Collection

Peter's Pence \$100.00

Mahalo for your generosity!

PREPARING OUR HANDS FOR BATTLE



Jesse Romero, dynamic Catholic author, speaker, and radio host will present a talk called, "Preparing Your Hands for Battle." We are in a spiritual battle between good and evil, and Jesse will teach us how to combat evil. All are encouraged to join him.

When: **Sun - Tue., July 13 - 15, 2025**

Time: **6:00 p.m.**

Place: **Blessed Sacrament Church, Hnl.**

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At Mass during the Our Father, should we hold hands, lift our hands up, or keep our hands to ourselves?

Among many ancient religions, it was common to extend one's hands toward heaven while praying. This practice has continued in the Mass, where the rubrics indicate that the priest should extend his hands at certain points, including during the Our Father. The celebrant represents all the people with this gesture. The deacon is expressly forbidden to hold his hands up in prayer. There is no particular gesture assigned to the rest of the congregation. Some may be holding hands, some lifting their hands, some standing with arms crossed. The variety of postures is not a problem in itself. The problem is when people become distracted or judgmental of others. As a rule of thumb, I suggest doing what the rest of the congregation does. As stated in the "Order of the Mass," written by the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy in 2003, "The people are called as members of an organic whole, not as disparate individuals. A Christian assembly that worships 'with one heart and mind' (Acts 4:32) naturally moves toward and consciously chooses a common posture as a sign of its unity. Such common posture 'both expresses and fosters the intention and spiritual attitude of the participants'" (28). The gestures at Mass are not as important as the essence of the Mass, and part of that essence is our unity in the body of Christ.

● Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION



Our second collection this weekend, **July 5-6**, will be taken up for the annual Peter's Pence. This collection supports the Holy Father's mission of proclaiming the Gospel by promoting the human development, education, peace, and brotherhood among God's people. It supports the numerous charitable works in aid of people and families that are in difficulty, such as natural disasters and wars, and in need of humanitarian assistance. We ask that you be generous in your giving. For more info, please log onto their website: <https://www.usccb.org/national-collection/peters-pence>

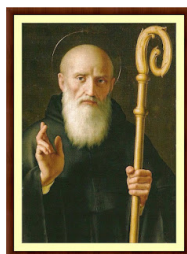
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- Food Pantry
- Couples for Christ
- Youth & Young Adult Min.
- Sacred Heart Society
- Secular Franciscans
- Chamorro Group

FEASTS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK



St. Maria Goretti – Feast Day is July 6th. Named Maria Teresa Goretti, this 19th c. Italian virgin and martyr was one of the youngest saints to be canonized (at age 11). Born into a farming family, she is the patron saint of purity, chastity, rape victims, and forgiveness as well as a protector of youth. Known as "The Little Saint of Great Mercy," she was committed to purity and showed courage in defending her faith, as she resisted a sexual assault by her neighbor, Alessandro Serenelli, who stabbed her 14 times before she died. She has produced countless miracles, including an appearance to her attacker in prison to forgive him, which led to his repentance and conversion to life in Christ. He became a lay brother in a Franciscan Capuchin monastery and was present at her canonization by Pope Pius XII in 1950. She is often pictured with a palm (for martyrdom) and lilies.



St. Benedict – Feast Day is July 11th. Also known as Benedict of Nursia, this 6th c. Italian monk was the "Father of Western Monasticism." He's noted for establishing the Benedictine monastic order and for being the author of a set of guidelines for monastic life, entitled "The Rule of St. Benedict." His rule has been the standard for monastic life in Western Europe and emphasizes prayer, work, and community life. He founded 12 monasteries, including the famous one at Monte Casino. He's venerated for being the patron saint of Europe, monks, and students and is associated with protection from poison, temptation, evil, and various afflictions. The St. Benedict medal is worn by devotees for protection against evil. By his life and writings, he continues to inspire those seeking a life of faith, discipline, and service to God. His twin sister, St. Scholastica, founded the Benedictine nuns.



Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin – Feast Day is July 12th. Sts. Louis and Azélie-Marie "Zélie" Martin were a 19th c. French Catholic couple, who were the parents of 9 children, including Carmelite nun, St. Therese of Lisieux. They were the first married couple to be canonized together and that occurred in 2015 by Pope Francis. Their lives showed us how holiness could be achieved within the context of family life by centering the home and work around love for Christ and for one another. Both Louis, a watchmaker by trade, and Zélie, a skilled lacemaker who managed a successful business in her home, had originally wanted to enter religious life, but it wasn't in God's plan for either of them. They're also known for their strong prayer life, generosity to the poor, and commitment to raising their 5 surviving children (daughters who all became nuns) in a devout environment. They're the patron saints of marriage, parenthood, and those facing illness or loss.

WEEKLY MASS COUNT	Day/Time	JUN 14 -15		JUN 21 -22		JUN 28 -29	
		Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
	Sat. 5:00 PM	140	25	128	12	116	9
	Sun. 7:00 AM	256	15	222	5	219	4
	Sun. 9:30 AM	240	25	230	31	258	41
	Sun. 5:00 PM	181	18	157	18	188	26

**Readings for the 15th
Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Deuteronomy 30: 10-14
Colossians 1: 15-20
Luke 10: 25-37