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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
*September - May

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri

8:00 a.m. Daily Mass

Wednesday

RCIA (Adults) 6:00 p.m.

Thursday

No Daily Mass

First Friday

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

Saturday

RCIA (Children) 9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday

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

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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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Devotional Societies

Food Pantry

Knights of Columbus

Parish Planning &
Building Committee

Emergency Response Team

Contact us for the following:

Baptism:

An interview is required at least 2 months before the desirable month of infant baptism.

Faith Formation CCD & RCIA

Religious instruction for adults and children.

Marriage:

Please call at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. An Engaged Encounter Weekend is recommended prior to Marriage Ceremony.

Communion to the Homebound

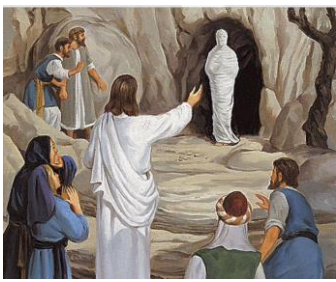
Please call parish office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to your sick family member

Funerals

Please 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.



Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2023

Readings for next week:

Isaiah 50:4-7

Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66

FOCUS: *I trust in the Lord; my soul trusts in his word.*

It takes courage to truly believe in God's promises. He promises to raise the dead from their graves and put his own Spirit in us so that we may live. What does this mean for us this Lent, when we journey with Jesus toward his cross? How can our Lenten observance bolster such courageous faith?

Parish Schedule

Monday, March 27:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, March 28:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, March 29:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday, March 30:

- No Mass -

Friday, March 31:

8:00 a.m. Mass

4:00 p.m. Fish Fry Pick Up (*Tent*)

4 – 6:00 p.m. Food Pantry (*Hall*)

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 1:

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, April 2:

7:00 a.m. Mass

9:30 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. Centering Prayer

5:00 p.m. Mass

HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday

April 2, Sunday - **Sat. 5p.m., Sun. 7 & 9:30 a.m., 5pm**

Holy Thursday

April 6, Thursday - **Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 p.m.**

Good Friday

April 7, Friday - **Passion of the Lord - 7:00 p.m.**

Holy Saturday

April 8, Saturday - **Easter Vigil - 7:00 p.m.**

Easter Sunday

April 9, Sunday - **Mass of the Resurrection - 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.**

Church Cleaning Schedule

Apr 1: Sacred Heart Society

Apr 8: Knights of Columbus

Apr 15: Chamorro Group

Apr 22: Couples for Christ

The month of April has 5 Saturdays. We're calling on volunteers to come help clean our church on Apr 29th.

Holy Hour of Holy Thursday

After the Mass on **Holy Thursday, April 6th**, we will have **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in the **Parish Hall till 12 Midnight**. We invite all to come and spend an hour with our Lord as we wait for His Resurrection.

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What happens during Holy Week?



Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday, which begins Holy Week, falls on **April 2nd** this year. It commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem just days before he was crucified. It was customary practice for people to wave palms or small branches as a show of respect. We will have palms available for Father to bless but you may bring your own.

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper



Holy Thursday is on **April 6th**. Jesus entered Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover with His Disciples in the Upper Room. It is here that he institutes the Eucharist with their Last Supper. After Supper, He washes their feet. In this act of humility, he teaches them that to be a leader, their role must be that of a servant.

Good Friday: Passion of the Lord



Good Friday is on **April 7th**. On this day, we commemorate the crucifixion, suffering, and death of our Lord Jesus. We will venerate the Cross and remember His Passion during our Communion Service. We are also bound by our baptism to fast on Good Friday.

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil



Holy Saturday is on **April 8th**. On this Easter Vigil, we will go from darkness into the light during the Service of the Light ceremony where the Paschal candle is lit. We will also have the Liturgies of the Word, Baptism, and Eucharist. The Catechumens and those in our OCIA program will receive their Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Easter Sunday: Mass of the Resurrection



Jesus is Risen! Alleluia! Easter Sunday is on **April 9th**. We celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord. Through His Death, he saved us! Mass times on Easter Sunday are: 7:00 & 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Return of the Cup!



Bishop Larry Silva has announced that on Holy Thursday [April 6] Communion via the cup can be given for the first time since 2020. Please be advised that there will be **NO INTINCTION**, the dipping of the host in the Precious Blood before consumption except by concelebrating priests. Intinction by laity dipping the host is considered "self-communication" which the church does not allow. You are not required to partake of it if you're not comfortable. You still receive the fullness of the sacrament, whether you can only consume the sacred host or if you cannot take the host and you can only consume the precious blood because some people are allergic. Please be advised if we run out of the precious blood, you will still receive the fullness of the sacrament.

Chrism Mass



The Chrism Mass on Oahu will take place on **Tuesday, April 4, 7:00 p.m.** at **Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa**. Representatives of each parish will bring the oils. The bishop will bless the oils: the **oil of catechumens, the oil of the infirm, and holy chrism**, which will be used in the administration of the sacraments for the year.

Lenten Penance Services



The last of the Lenten Penance Services will take place on **Thursday, March 30th** at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Ewa Beach, 7 p.m.**

Stations of the Cross

This Friday, the **Stations of the Cross**, which begins at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Church** will be led by our volunteers from the **Sacred Heart Society** and **Flower Ministry**. All are invited.



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Lenten Season Fish Fry

We thank the Knights of Columbus, Council 6734, for their continued support of the **Annual Fish Fry**. They are selling tickets for this Friday's Fish Fry. Each plate costs \$15. All proceeds benefit our Repair & Maintenance Fund.

Catholic Relief Services

Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection and for revealing Christ's love to those who are poor and marginalized around the world. Our parish collected a total of \$ **1,189.00**. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more info.



FOOD PANTRY CLOSED

The Food Pantry will be **closed** on **April 7th, Good Friday**. We will reopen the following Friday.

First Friday/First Saturday

This Saturday, April 1st is First Saturday. All are invited to join the First Saturday Servants of Mary for their monthly devotion to Our Lady beginning at 3:00 p.m. in the Church.

The following Friday, April 7th, is Good Friday. We will not be having our Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, as we normally do, but we will have our Good Friday Communion Service beginning at 7:00 p.m. All are welcomed to join us.

SAVE THE DATE

Family Movie Night

Come join us for night of Fellowship as we gather to watch:

"St. Bernadette of Lourdes"

Friday, April 21st

at the Parish Hall, 6:30 p.m.



Stewardship of Treasure

March 18 - 19, 2023

Weekly Offering	\$ 2,737.65
Repair/Maint. Fund	1,919.00
Building Fund	370.00
Book of Intentions	162.50
Flowers	60.00
Candles	20.00
Holy Water	<u>165.00</u>
Total	\$ 5,434.15

Sacred Heart Society **460.00**

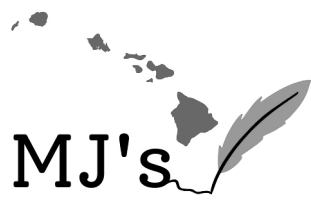
Second Collections

Catholic Relief Services	1,189.00
Rice Bowl	310.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement	10.00

Holy Week Collections: Rice Bowl and Holy Land

On Holy Thursday, we will be collecting your Rice Bowls. These rice bowls go to Catholic Relief Services (CRS), which distributes the collection to those in need. Please bring your rice bowls on or before that day. (We encourage all to write a check for your collection rather than turning in all your coins, if possible, to make it easier for the money counters.) Mahalo for your help.

On Good Friday, we will be taking up a collection for the Holy Land. It is a collection which supports the work of the Franciscans working in the Holy Land. The work they do helps to deepen the faith of those who live there, as well as prepare them to become self sustaining. Please give your support. Mahalo.



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