December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent

Sunday Bulletin

St. John Vianney Catholic Church, Kailua

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Penance Services for the Windward Vicariate

A communal penance service includes a public prayer service including a Scripture reading, a brief exhortation by the priest, an examination of conscience, and then the entire community prays the Act of Contrition together. Individual confessions and prayer of absolution follows privately. All are welcome to attend any service in the below list which suits your availability. Priests from the Windward vicariate parishes will be available at each service to hear confessions.

- Tuesday, December 6 at 7 p.m., St. Ann, Kaneohe
- Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m., Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
- Wednesday, December 13 at 7 p.m., St. John Vianney, Kailua
- Thursday, December 14 at 7 p.m., St. George, Waimanalo
- Tuesday, December 19 at 7 p.m., St. Anthony Padua, Kailua

Next Week's Second Collection—Retirement Fund for Religious

You can help. "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

As we begin Advent, we are called to "Be watchful! Be alert!" as we stand in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives. Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul envelope will help the poor to celebrate the grace God's love this Christmas.

Holiday Concert 2023

Windward Choral Society presents "Home for the Holidays." Come one, come all! Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 3 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Kailua. All are invited! FREE. Donations welcomed and appreciated. WindwardChoralSociety.org

March for Life 2024—Aloha Kekahi i Kekahi, Love One Another

The Diocese of Honolulu's Respect Life Office has planned the following events:

- Thu, 1/18/2024, 6 p.m. Mass and Adoration with Bishop Larry Silva at the Co-Cathedral
- Fri, 1/19/2024, 3—6 p.m. March for Life at the State Capitol, Honolulu

Prayers for Healing

Ruth Alves **Anna Asinsin Edward Balderston** Jim Balderston Terry Barnaby Ralph Barney Hayes Beissel Clark Bernales **Robert Bernales** Aileen Blanc Michelle Brown **Donovan Caldeira** Sheryl Caldeira Rod Castanha Carolyn Chong Mollie Chun **Kathy Dean** Pat Drury John Glorioso, Jr Tom Glorioso **Angeline Goh** Jayla Gomes Dan Gorecki Milli Gorecki Tim Hudson Sylvia Ann Pao Kruse **Bruce Kumashiro** Charlien Kumashiro Malia Lambertson Tony Lambio Kailey Jong-Perez Myngoc Le

Annette Lewis **Emily Lim** Kasey Lopes Mike Lauriano Sylvia Manlutac Mary Matos Sandy McAulton **Gloria Medeiros Beverly Mink Bobby Mink** Linda Morgan **Audrey Motonaga** Hope Montalvo Jennifer Ann Ng Sharon Nisbet-Jones **Mary Odom** Stephanie Pahia **Cayetana Paras Marie Perreira** James Reis Jean Rich **Bill Roman** Antonio Salcedo Par Salehi James Severson **Deni Smith Bernardo Soriano** John Sutton Erin Tagupa Christine Taylor Gabrielle Taylor **Terri Taylor**

Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 2nd Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel: Mark 1:1--8

Upcoming Events

- Sat, Dec 2, 6 p.m.—8 p.m. Advent Wreath Making in the Parish Hall
- Sun, Dec 3, SJV School Open House after all Masses
- Fri, Dec 8, 8 a.m. & 7 p.m. Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics
- Fri, Dec 8, 9 a.m.—12 p.m. Seniors' Bingo and Potluck in the Parish Lounge. Bring a bagged gift and food to share.
- Sun, Dec 10, Hospitality Sunday and BSA Scouts Troop 311 Farewell and Sendoff
- Tue, Dec 12, 8 a.m. Mass, The Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Wed, Dec 13, 7 p.m. St. John Vianney Parish Communal Penance Service
- Sat, Dec 23 at 5 p.m. and Sun, Dec 24 at 7, 9 & 11 a.m. are Masses for the 4th Sunday
- Sun, Dec 24 at 5 & 9 p.m. are Christmas Vigil Masses
- Mon, Dec 25, 9 a.m. Christmas Mass

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SCHOOL NEWS

This Wednesday, December 6th, St. John Vianney School will be visited by Santa's elves (Fr. Vincent and Coach K). Students in ELC3 through grade 4 have been asked to bring new, unwrapped toys or gift cards to give to these Santa's helpers, who will then present them to our parish **Giving Tree and Toys for Tots.** Older students may also participate and bring their gifts to the school office. We will be taking pictures of our students with the elves.

All are invited to attend our school **Holiday Concert** on Wednesday, December 6th at 6 p.m. in the church. The concert will feature our bands, orchestras and choir performing traditional holiday selections. On Friday, December 15th, the last day of 2nd quarter, our **Christmas Pageant** will also be held in the church at 10 a.m. The entire student body will participate in this very musical celebration. All are invited to join us as we joyfully celebrate the birth of our savior Jesus Christ.



CATHOLIC FAITH CORNER What is Advent?



Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas.

The Advent season is a time of **preparation** that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. From the earliest days of the Church, people have been fascinated by Jesus' promise to come back. But the scripture readings during Advent tell us not to waste our time with predictions. Advent is not about speculation. Our Advent readings call us to be alert and ready, not weighted down and distracted by the cares of this world (Lk 21:34-36). Like Lent, the liturgical color for Advent is purple since both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Advent also includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting, and disciplining our hearts for the full joy of Christmas.

As we prepare for Christmas, the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* notes some differences to the Mass that should be observed during the season. For instance, the priest wears violet or purple during Advent, except for the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) when rose may be worn (GIRM, no. 346). Aside from what the priest wears, other aesthetic changes in the Church can include a more modestly decorated altar.

The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, we focus on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord at Christmas. In particular, the "O" Antiphons are sung during this period and have been by the Church since at least the eighth century. They are a magnificent theology that uses ancient biblical imagery drawn from the messianic hopes of the Old Testament to proclaim the coming of Christ as the fulfillment not only of Old Testament hopes, but of present ones as well.

Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season. An Advent calendar can help you fully enter into the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES PARTICIPATE IN THE RITE OF ENROLLMENT

On December 2nd at the 5 p.m. Mass, this year's Confirmation candidates will participate in a Rite of Enrollment ceremony. It marks the "journey of faith" for children and their parents who are in the sacramental formation process. It is a sign to us as a parish community that we all have a role in the faith formation of anyone in our parish. It also shows children and their families that they are part of the larger faith community, as members of our parish community provide prayer and support which is needed for the children, their families, and their catechist throughout the formation period.

We ask that you keep in your prayers the 2024 Confirmation candidates, and also that you select one Confirmation Candidate from the names below and make a personal commitment to pray for him or her weekly. If fully prepared, they will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the year 2024.

River Fonseca, Ethan Kanahele, Remi Manchester, Luke Muniz, Teagan Muniz, Erik Rakotonirina, Reiss Soriano, Violet Schiltz, Waiale Terlep, Caleb Williams, Joshua Williams, and Francesco Zorilla.

OFFERTORY Our gifts to God to steward the Church

Week of Nov 18-24, 2023 **Envelopes/Loose Online Giving** Goal % of Goal **Total Sunday Offertory** \$6,114.00 \$2,147.00 \$8,261.00 \$8,763.33 94.27% **Repair and Maintenance** \$310.00 \$520.00 \$830.00 \$1,500.00 55.33% **Major Repair and Maintenance** \$170.00 \$215.00 \$385.00 \$576.92 66.73%





1st Sunday of Advent

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GATHERING SONG



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM



- 1. Hear us, Shepherd of Israel, leader of Joseph's flock. Gather your strength, gather your strength, gather your strength, come save us!
- 2. Turn our way, O God of might, look down from heaven; Cherish this vine, cherish this vine, tend to the vine which you planted.
- 3. Rest your hand upon your chosen one who draws strength from you. We turn to you, invoking your name; Give us new life O God.

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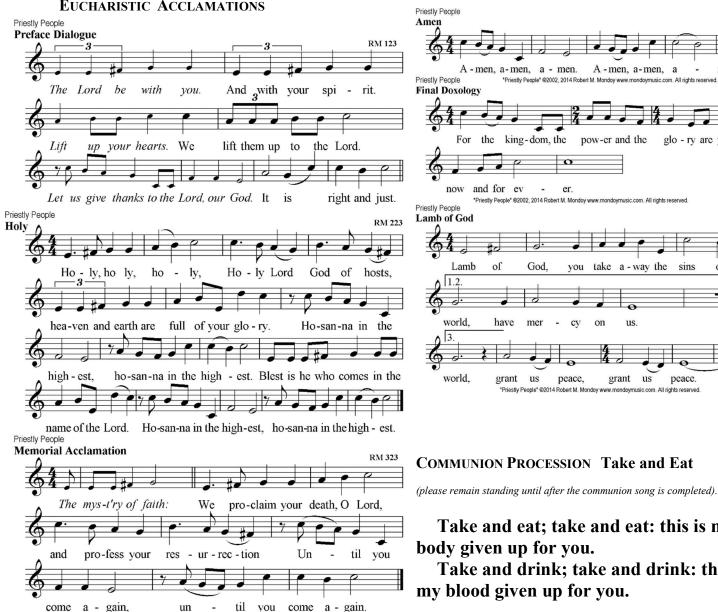
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PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates

Hymnal 10

- 1. Lift up your heads, O mighty gates; Behold the King of glory waits! The King of Kings is drawing near: The Savior of the world is here.
- 2. O blest the land, the city blest, Where Christ the ruler is confessed! O happy hearts and happy homes To Whom this King of triumph comes.
- **3**. Fling wide the portals of your heart; Make it a temple, set apart From earthly use for heav'ns employ, Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
- **4.** Come, Savior, come, with us abide; Our hearts to you we open wide: Your Holy Spirit guide us on, Until our glorious goal is won.

Text: Ps.224; *Macht hoch die thur*, Gerg Weissel (1590-1635), in *Preussiche Fest-Lieder*,1642, tr. By Catherine Wimkworth (1827-1878) in her *Chorale-Book for England*, 1863, alt. tune: Thomas William's *Psalmodia Evangelica*, Part II, 1789. All rights reserved, Used with permission



Take and eat; take and eat: this is my

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Take and drink; take and drink: this is

1. I am the Word that spoke and light was made; I am the seed that died to be reborn; I am the bread that comes from heav'n above; I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.

2. I am the way that leads the exile home; I am the truth that sets the captive free. I am the life that raises up the dead; I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.

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- 3. I am the Lamb that takes away your sin; I am the gate that guards you night and day; You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice; You are my own: your ransom is my blood.
- **4.** I am the cornerstone that God has laid; A chosen stone and precious in his eyes; You are God's dwelling place, on me you rest; Like living stones, a temple for God's praise.
- 5. I am the light that came into the world; I am the light that darkness cannot hide; I am the morning star that never sets; Lift up your face, in you my light will shine.

6. I am the first and last, the Living One; I am the Lord who died that you might live; I am the bridegroom, this my wedding song; You are my bride, come to the marriage feast.

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LEAVETAKING SONG



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St. John Vianney Parish Presents The 2nd Year of Eucharistic Revival The Year of Parish Revival



Renew our Celebration of Mass and Personally Encounter Jesus in the Eucharist

At the heart of this call is to rediscover the beauty of the liturgy and the deep meaning behind each word and action.

"If we knew the value
of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass,
how much greater effort we would put forth
in order to assist at it!"
St. John Vianney

The Year of Parish Revival

Strengthen our worship at Mass to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist

- The Mass is the central action and aspect of our lives of faith and the primary way in which we Catholics worship God as a community. Mass offers a unique opportunity to encounter Jesus that is not available anywhere else.
- Attending Sunday Mass fulfills God's law. "Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day." Catholics keep the Sabbath holy by fulfilling our obligation to attend Mass.
- It is right and just to give thanks to the Lord our God, and the Mass is the best prayer to offer thanks. When we attend Mass on Sunday, we thank God for our many blessings, and also ask God for help in all the things that are happening in our lives.
- Jesus promises that "where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them." So sing and pray, knowing that Christ is among us during Mass.
- We are called to prayerfully consider what is taking place before our eyes at Mass both spiritually and physically.
- We encounter Jesus through the Word of God proclaimed, for it is He himself who speaks when the holy Scriptures are read.
- At each Mass, we witness the power of the Holy Spirit descending upon the bread and wine, and changing them into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, a truly miraculous event in which we are invited to receive this miracle.
- Every Sunday Jesus waits for us to encounter Him, knowing the gift he wants to give us is his body and blood and the promise of eternal life. Mass truly offers us a unique opportunity to recognize Jesus with us, around us and within us.
- Leave home in time to arrive at church before Mass begins. Getting to Mass early allows you to pray and better prepare yourself to encounter Jesus.
- Participate in the songs and prayers, follow the readings and listen attentively to the homily. We are not attending a performance and simply observing.
- God comes down to meet us at every Mass. So, why not dress modestly and appropriately? Formal attire is not necessary, but it should be at least respectful of such a Heavenly Banquet!
- We should attend each Mass as if it was our first and possibly even our last.

Our Parish Faith Formation Committee encourages everyone in our parish family to learn more about this specific topic.



Windward Choral Society's Annual Holiday Concert

~Susan McCreary Duprey, Founder/Artistic Director

Two Performances -

Saturday, December 9, 2023 at 7:30PM

Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 3:00PM

St. Anthony of Padua Church in Kailua

Hawaiian Choral Music Selections
and

Audience Carols

Dr. Tommy Yee, Accompanist & Featured Soloist
Kepa Stern, Special Guest

FREE (donations appreciated)
WindwardChoralSociety.org



We are called to Love One Another.
Our prayers and presence in the public square can change policies to promote a Culture of Life!

Friday, January 19, 2024

3 - 6 p.m.

State Capitol

Thursday, January 18, 2024 6 p.m. St. Theresa Co-Cathedral

Mass and Adoration with Bishop Larry Silva





POMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII DIOCESE OF HONOLULU WITNESS TO JESUS

Memorandum

TO: All Clergy, Religious Communities, and Parishes

FROM: Rev. Alfred Omar Guerrero, Director, Office of Worship

DATE: November 18, 2023

RE: 2024 LITURGICAL NOTES FOR THE DIOCESE OF HONOLULU -

(Year B, Sundays; Year II, Weekdays)

Miscellaneous Notes

- 1. As a reminder in our diocese the Holydays of Obligation are two: the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** (December 8, the Patroness of the USA); and **Christmas** (December 25). The faithful are encouraged to attend Mass on the other holydays of obligation celebrated in the United States of America (See Dates to Remember below.). Pastors are therefore asked to provide practical opportunities for more people to attend Mass on these days by celebrating a Vigil Mass (when permitted) or an extra Mass or two at hours convenient for the faithful.
- 2. The 2024 liturgical year begins on the First Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2023 (including its Vigil on Saturday, December 2).
- 3. Anniversary of the Dedication of the Parish Church This date should be celebrated as a Solemnity by the parish, unless impeded by a day of higher rank. (*The Order of the Dedication of a Church and an Altar*, Chapter II, para #27 and *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, para # [R10]).
- 4. Memorial of the Patron(s) of the Parish This date should be celebrated as a Solemnity by the parish, unless impeded by a day of higher rank. (*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar* (by Pope Paul VI in 1969) para # 59 (Table of Liturgical Days) I, #4a.)
- 5. The celebration of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord in our diocese is transferred to Sunday, May 12, 2024.
- 6. Outside Advent, Christmas Time, Lent, and Easter Time, on Saturdays which have

no commemoration having the rank of Obligatory Memorial or higher, a Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary may be celebrated. The readings and prayers may be selected from the *Collection of Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary*.

7. It is appropriate to include in the Universal Prayer (General Intercessions) the Holy Father's intention for each month, found in the <u>Paulist Press Ordo</u> on the first day of each month.

Dates to Remember (2024)

Monday, January 1 – **Mary, the Holy Mother of God** (Solemnity)

Sunday, January 7 – **The Epiphany of the Lord** (Solemnity)

Monday, January 9 – **The Baptism of the Lord** (Feast)

Tuesday, January 23 - **Memorial of Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin** (Obligatory Memorial in the Diocese of Honolulu.)

Sunday, January 21 – **Sunday of the Word of God -** Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, Motu proprio "Aperuit illis" published on September 30, 2019, establishes that "the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God.")

Wednesday, February 14 – **Ash Wednesday** (Ash Wednesday is a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church.)

Sunday, February 18– First Sunday of Lent – Rite of Election for Catechumens to be initiated at the Easter Vigil.

NOTES:

- 1. If the Scrutinies for the Elect are celebrated on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent, the readings for those Masses should be for those of Year A.
- Priests should be sure to schedule one or more occasions for the anointing of catechumens with the Oil of Catechumens during the Season of Lent, not at the Easter Vigil.
- 3. Chrism Masses are tentatively scheduled as follow:
 - a. Tuesday, March 5 Kauai Vicariate
 - b. Thursday, March 14 East/West Hawai'i Vicariates
 - c. Tuesday, March 21 Maui/Lanai Vicariate
 - d. Tuesday, March 26 Oahu/Molokai Vicariates

Tuesday, March 19 – Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity).

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Thursday, March 28 – Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Friday, March 29 – **Friday of the Passion of the Lord** (Good Friday)

Saturday, March 30 – The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Sunday, March 31 – **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord** (Solemnity, at Masses with a congregation, the rite of the renewal of baptismal promises, used at the Easter Vigil, may take the place of the Creed after the homily.)

Friday, May 10 – **Memorial of Saint Damien de Veuster** (Obligatory Memorial in the Diocese of Honolulu.)

Sunday, May 12 - **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** (Celebrated on Sunday in the Diocese of Honolulu.)

Sunday, May 19 – **Pentecost Sunday** (Solemnity)

Monday, May 20 – The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Memorial)

Sunday, May 26– **The Most Holy Trinity** (Solemnity)

Sunday, June 2 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi (Solemnity)

Friday, June 7 – **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** (Solemnity)

Saturday, June 8 – The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial)

Monday, June 24 – **The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist** (Solemnity)

Saturday, June 29 – **Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles** (Solemnity)

Tuesday, July 9 – **Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Principal Patroness of the Diocese of Honolulu** (Celebrated as a Solemnity in the Cathedral Basilica. In the rest of churches of the Diocese of Honolulu it is observed as a Feast.) (*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*, para # 59 (Table of Liturgical Days, section I & II.)

Thursday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

Friday, August 16 – **181**st **Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace** (Celebrated as a Solemnity in the Cathedral Basilica and with all the proper prayers in all other churches of the Diocese of Honolulu.) (*Dedication of a Church and an Altar,*" Chapter II, para # 26.)

Friday, November 1 - All Saints (Solemnity)

Saturday, November 2 – The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed – All Soul's Day (Not a holyday of obligation anywhere in the USA, but pastors are encouraged to add Masses for the convenience of the faithful. Note that there is a wide selection of possible Scripture readings, so the parish or community should choose beforehand the Scriptures it prefers.)

Sunday, November 24 – **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe** (Solemnity)

Monday, December 9 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Celebrated (Solemnity, observed as a holyday of obligation in the Diocese of Honolulu. In the rest of the dioceses of the United States, it is not this year. Additional Masses should be offered for the convenience of the faithful.)

Wednesday, December 25 – **The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas** (Solemnity, holyday of obligation in the Diocese of Honolulu and throughout the world; additional Masses should be offered for the convenience of the faithful.)

Please feel free to contact the Office of Worship, 808-585-3342 or email at <u>alguerrero@rcchawaii.org</u> should you have any questions. Blessings!