

FEBRUARY 22, 2026 — FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Sunday Bulletin

St. John Vianney Catholic Church, Kailua

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He fasted for forty days and forty nights,
and afterwards he was hungry.

Matthew 4:2

FAITH FIRST

As Lent begins, one of the frequently asked questions is about fasting. Why do we fast? Fasting is Biblical and there are many references to this throughout the Bible. For instance, praying for health: "David pleaded with God for the child. He fasted and went into his house and spent the nights lying on the ground" (2 Samuel 12:16); or before making an important decision: "While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.' So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off....Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust" (Acts 13:2-3; 14:23).

Who can fast? **Anyone over the age of 18, but under the age of 59 is required to fast.** While fasting takes the form of refraining from eating, it is primarily a spiritual discipline designed to tame the body so that we can concentrate on higher things. That is why fasting is usually mentioned along with **prayer and almsgiving (or charity)**. By controlling the passions of the body, we free our souls for prayer. And by refraining from eating, we free up food or money that we can give to those less fortunate than ourselves. The three spiritual disciplines go hand in hand, and the Church calls us to practice all three together, especially during the season of Lent. Catholics are expected to abstain from meat on all of the Fridays during Lent, called Abstinence Days. Meat is defined as the flesh of warm-blooded animals. On **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**, official fast days, **only one full meatless meal is allowed.** One may eat other small meatless meals, so long as they do not, when combined, add up to an additional full meal. These restrictions do not prevent you from adding your own Lenten disciplines.

DEAR PARISH

We have now entered the great season of Lent. Lent has always been one of the key periods of the Church year and it would be a great pity if we were to forget or miss its real meaning. Lent is a sacred season of renewal, humility, and transformation. It invites us to pause, step away from the noise of daily life, and look inward with honesty and hope. More than a ritual, it's a journey of forty days that mirror Jesus' time in the desert, where he faced temptation, embraced prayer, and prepared for his mission. The trials Jesus faced, resemble the trials that the people of God faced in their journey through the desert to the Promised Land, and they are the same trials which each of us has to face on our journey through life. Jesus fasted during those forty days. And the obvious consequence of his fasting was that at the end of it all, he was hungry. As we pass through this life, we are all hungry. Our appetites dictate the direction of our lives, whether it be the cravings of our stomachs, the passionate desire for possessions, power or false gods, or the longings of our spirits for the real God. How hungry are you for God's love? Like Jesus we might be tempted to try to satisfy our hunger on our own. It doesn't work. Jesus reminds us that our real hunger must be for communion with God.

Questions for Group Discussion: What "false gods" or distractions compete for my attention and devotion? How can I reorient my daily choices so they reflect my love for God above all else?

Challenge for the week: Choose one habit; spiritual, personal, or relational, that you will intentionally shift for the next 7 days. It could be adding something (like 10 minutes of daily prayer, journaling, or gratitude) or removing something (like unnecessary screen time).

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 23, 2026, 8 a.m. Mass

(+) Keith O'Brien

Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 8 a.m. Mass

(+) Beverly Chow

Thursday, February 26, 2026, 8 a.m. Mass

(+) Debbie Kirkpatrick

Friday, February 27, 2026, 8 a.m. Mass

(+) Charles Blake

Saturday, February 28, 2026, 8 a.m. Mass

(+) Archie Toledo

*There will be no Mass Intentions during Communion Service on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. Please note: Mass Intentions during the week are limited to ONE per Mass. A donation of \$10 per Mass Intention is appreciated and you may receive a Mass card for the intention. If you have a last minute prayer request for the *Repose of Soul*, it will be added to the weekend Masses which are designated for multiple intentions. (+) Deceased, (H) Healing, (B) Birthday, (A) Anniversary, (T) Thanksgiving, (S) Special Intention

FUNERAL SERVICES

+Ruth Alves, Funeral Mass on Mon, Feb 23 at 11 a.m., Burial on Tue, Feb 24 at 9:30 a.m. at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific

+George Ponciano, Funeral Mass on Sat, Mar 21 at 11 a.m.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

UPCOMING EVENTS

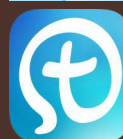
- Sun, Feb 22, 9 a.m. Rite of Sending
- Sun, Feb 22, 1 p.m. Rite of Election with Bishop Silva at the Co-Cathedral
- Sun, Feb 22, Catholic Ministries Appeal
- Mon, Feb 23, 7 p.m. OCIA
- Thu, Feb 26, 9 a.m. Sodality Rosary Making
- Fri, Feb 27, 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross in church every Friday during Lent
- Friday, Mar 6, Knights of Columbus Fish Fry at St. Anthony of Padua Church



Purchase fish fry tickets online with this QR Code.



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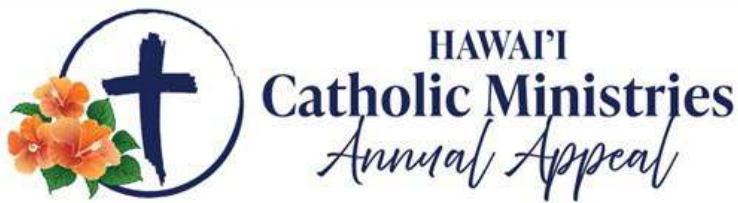


Read the full bulletin with the music leaflet and additional announcements in myParish App and on the parish website.

SCHOOL NEWS

When you choose St. John Vianney School for your child, you surround them with a community that shares your faith and your values. Your child will also learn discipline, respect, virtues, and morals that will serve them for a lifetime, and we partner with their parents to accomplish these. Our teachers are interested in your child becoming a good, kind, selfless person who makes their community a better place. Each student will experience God's grace and presence in their lives through their relationships with family, friends and teachers. These are the values of a Catholic school.

We offer an Early Learning Center for both 3- and 4-year-olds, an elementary school with grades K through 5, and a middle school with grades 6 through 8. Our curriculum offers an education that combines academic excellence with our Catholic faith and teachings. Enroll your child and have peace of mind knowing you've made the right choice for your child's future. For more information call 808-261-4651.



Join us today as we joyfully launch the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal! This is an exciting opportunity for our parish community to come together and Share God's Gifts in support of the vital ministries that strengthen our Church across the islands.

Make your gift by scanning the QR code or completing the pledge form in your pew. Your generosity supports Catholic schools and faith formation programs, outreach to individuals and families in need, evangelization efforts, and the formation of seminarians preparing for the priesthood. Together, we can make a lasting difference!

Lent: A Time of Preparation

CRS Rice Bowl brings Catholics across the United States together each Lent to respond to global hunger and poverty through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. During this holy season, let us recommit to sharing bread for life with our global family so that all people can reach their God-given potential. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-1 to read this week's Story of Hope. Pick up your CRS Rice Bowl from a pew in church and use the included printed calendar to track your Lenten devotions of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. CRS Rice Bowl donations will be collected on Holy Thursday, April 2.



Registration Open for Adult Bible Study in Spring

The Catholic Church is beautiful and extraordinary. Founded by Christ himself, the Catholic Church is where we encounter God in his Word, his sacraments, and his saints. The Church faithfully proclaims the fullness of faith, leaving no truth out. It proclaims the fullness of life, leaving no person out. It calls all to repent and to believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the source of all life and salvation. Maybe you've been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you're just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith.

Join us for *What We Believe: The Beauty of the Catholic Faith* beginning from May 4th to June 7th and continuing every Monday at 10 a.m. and Tuesday at 7 p.m. for ten weeks. For more information or to register for the study, contact the parish office. Cost is \$35 for materials. Register by March 26, 2026.

Lenten Mission

The Universal Call to Sainthood

The Lenten Mission will be guided by Father Dario Rinaldi, pastor of Holy Family Catholic Church in Honolulu. This year's theme, *The Universal Call to Sainthood*, invites us to rediscover what holiness looks like in everyday life. Come be encouraged and challenged as we look to the saints—not as distant figures, but as real, practical models who show us how to grow in our own journey toward God.



Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 7 p.m.
St. John Vianney Church, Kailua
Featuring Fr. Dario Rinaldi



Lent is a call to give alms for the poor.

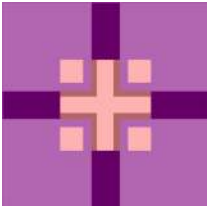
Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at (808) 456-7837 so that together we can help the suffering and poor.

OFFERTORY—Our first fruits in thanksgiving to God for all our blessings

GIVE ONLINE

Week of Jan 31—Feb 6, 2026	Envelopes/Loose	Online Giving	Total	Goal	% of Goal
Sunday Offertory	\$10,078	\$5,489	\$15,567	\$9,460	165%
Repair and Maintenance	\$1,108	\$375	\$1,483	\$2135	69%





1st Sunday of Lent

February 21/22



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ENTRANCE PROCESSION



Grant to us, O Lord, a heart re-newed; Re-cre-ate in us your own Spir-it, Lord.

"Light of the Nations"

Penitential Rite



Have mer-cy on us, O Lord For we have sinned a - gainst you.

RM 7L



Show us, O Lord, your mer-cy. And grant us your sal - va - tion. A - men.



Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy
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Psalm 51⁹

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PSALM



Be mer-ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned a - gainst you. Be
E a - lo - ha mai i - a - 'u e ka Ha - ku 'o - lu - 'o - lu E a -



mer - ci - ful, O Lord, for we have sinned a - gainst you.
lo - ha ho - 'i j - a - 'u, ke mi - hi nei mā - ko - u

1. Have mercy, tender God, forget that I defied you. Wash away my sin, O wash away my sin, and cleanse me from my guilt.
2. I know my evil well, it stares at me in the face, Evil done to you, O evil done to you alone before your very eyes.
3. Creator, shape my heart, God steady my spirit. Do not cast me off, O do not cast me off, strip me not from your holy spirit.
4. Save me, bring back my joy, support me and strengthen my will. Then I'll teach your way, O then I'll teach your way and all sinners turn to you.

Gospel Acclamation for Lent

SM 92



Praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ, King of end-less glo - ry.

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PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**148. HOSEA**

1. Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let fear keep us apart.
Trees do bend though straight and tall; So must we to others call.

**Ref: Long have I waited for your coming home to me
and living deeply our new life.**

2. The wilderness will lead you to your heart where I will speak.
Integrity and justice with tenderness you shall know.
3. You shall sleep secure with peace; faithfulness will be your joy.



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EUCCHARISTIC Preface Dialogue**Fullness of Faith**

RM 124

PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And with your spir - it.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. It is right and just.

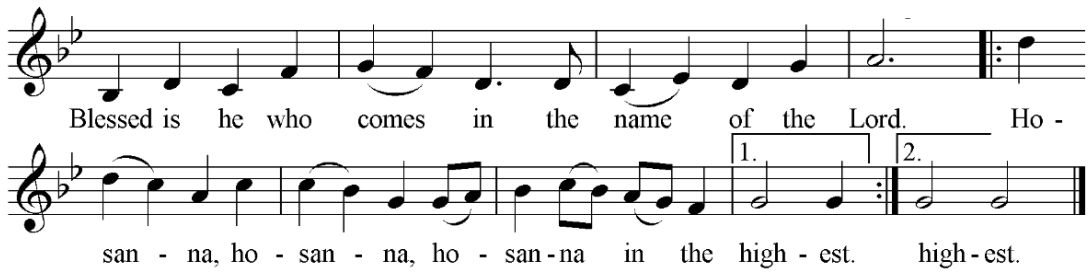
Holy

RM 224

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

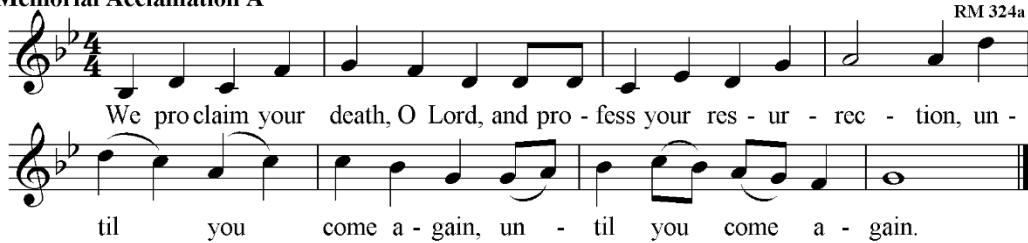
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. high - est.

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Memorial Acclamation A



We pro claim your death, O Lord, and pro - fess your res - ur - rec - tion, un -
til you come a - gain, un - til you come a - gain.

RM 324a

Amen



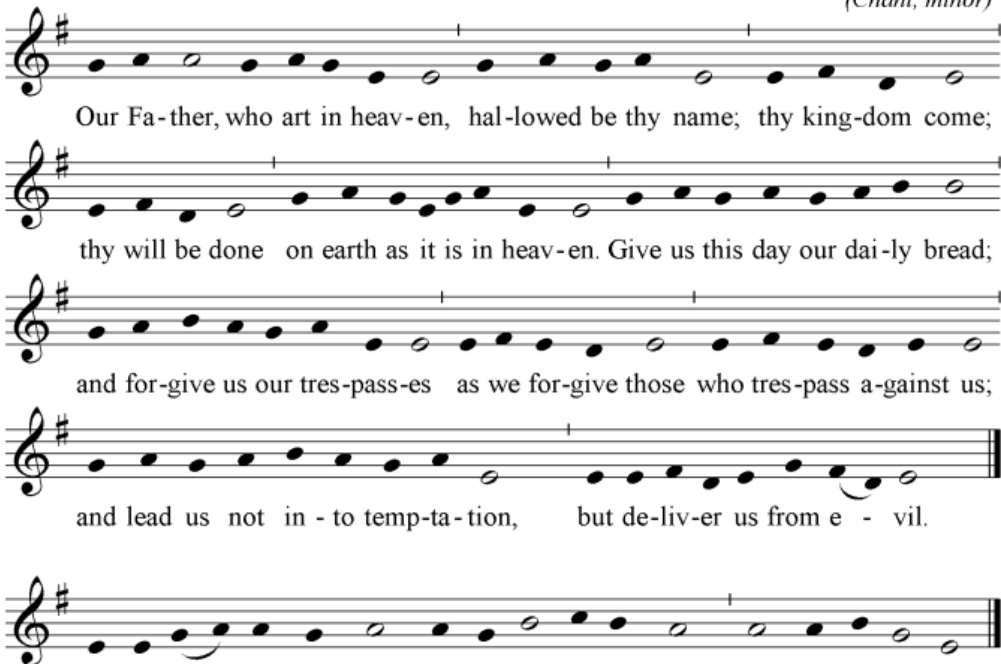
A - men, a - men. A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

RM 424

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LORD'S PRAYER (*chanted*)

(*Chant, minor*)



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en, hal-lowed be thy name; thy king-dom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;
and for-give us our tres-pass-es as we for-give those who tres-pass a-against us;
and lead us not in - to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e - vil.

For the king-dom, the power and the glo - ry are yours, now and for-ev - er.

Adapted after Sacramentary 1985, p.561 [Alexander Peloquin, 1974]

Lamb of God

SM 600

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us,
Lamb of God. Grant us peace, grant us peace. Peace.

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COMMUNION PROCESSION 200. TASTE AND SEE

Ref: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times. Praise shall always be on my lips;
my soul shall glory in the Lord for God has been so good to me.
2. Glorify the Lord with me Together let us all praise his name.
I called the Lord who answered me; from all my troubles I was set free.
3. Worship the Lord, all you people. You'll want for nothing if you ask
Taste and see that God is good; in God we need put all our trust.

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LEAVETAKING SONG

274. Forty Days and Forty Nights

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| 1. For - ty days and for - ty nights | You were fast - ing in the wild; |
| 2. Shall not we your sor-row share | And from world - ly joys ab - stain, |
| 3. Then if Sa - tan on us press, | Flesh or spir - it to as - sail, |
| 4. So shall we have peace di - vine; | Ho - lier glad-ness ours shall be; |
| 5. Keep, O keep us, Sav-ior dear, | Ev - er con-stant by your side; |

For - ty days and for - ty nights	Tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
Fast - ing with un - ceas ing prayer,	Strong with you to suf - fer pain?
Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness,	Grant we may not faint nor fail!
Round us, too, shall an - gels shine,	Such as served you faith - ful - ly.
That with you we may ap - pear	At th'e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

Text: George H. Simpson (1822-1870), alt.
Tune: HEINLEIN, attr. to Martin Herbst (1654-1681)

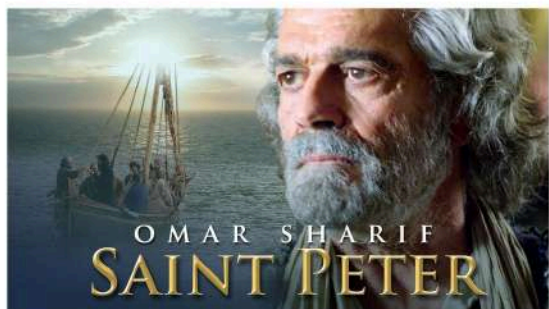
This Week on Formed

Week of February 22, 2026



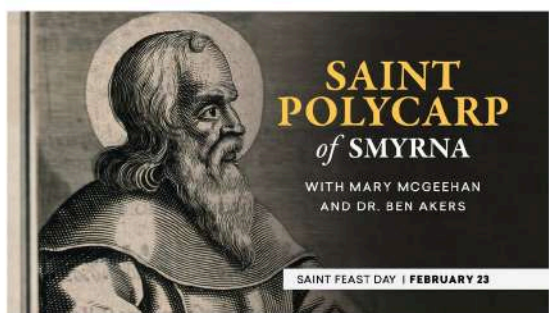
Foretold

From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled. But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch Foretold to rediscover God's providential love for you.



Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.



St. Polycarp | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of St. Polycarp, a second century bishop and martyr. St. Polycarp was a student of St. John the Apostle, defended the faith against early heresies, and offered his life like Christ as a martyr.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
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WITNESS TO JESUS

Memorandum

TO: All Clergy, Religious Orders, Catholic Schools & Parishes

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

DATE: January 29, 2026

RE: **Diocese of Honolulu 2026 Lenten Regulations**

FASTING

- ❖ In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (**February 18, 2026**) and Good Friday (**April 03, 2026**).
- ❖ To *fast* means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (excepting water and medicine) is not permitted on days of fasting.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

- ❖ Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.
- ❖ To abstain means refraining from eating the flesh, marrow and blood products of beef, veal, pork, or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

EASTER DUTY

- ❖ All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year. This precept is to be fulfilled during the Easter Season unless it is fulfilled, for a just cause, at some other time during the year. This period is extended to include all the weeks of Lent and the Easter Season up to Trinity Sunday (**May 31, 2026**).

LENTEN PRACTICES

- ❖ The faithful are encouraged during Lent to attend daily Mass, receive Holy Communion, participate in penance services, and receive sacramental absolution; to take part in public and private exercises of piety, give generously to works of religion and charity, perform acts of kindness toward the sick, aged, and the poor; to practice voluntary self-denial, especially regarding food, drink, and worldly amusements; and to pray more fervently, particularly for the intentions of the Holy Father.

- ❖ Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, falls this year on **February 18, 2026**. Ashes are to be blessed as a sign of our entry into a season of conversion, repentance, and reconciliation. Ashes are to be blessed by a bishop, priest, or deacon. Others may be associated with the clergy in the distribution of ashes.
- ❖ Funeral Masses may not be celebrated on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday, nor on the Sundays of Lent. When pastoral reasons require that a funeral be celebrated on these days, only a Funeral Outside of Mass may be held.
- ❖ To afford the faithful opportunities to participate in Lenten prayer services, pastors are encouraged to have such prayer services at least twice a week, including the Way of the Cross on Fridays, Exposition and Benediction, Evening Prayer, and evening Masses. A homily or instruction should be included.

BLESSING OF THE OILS AND CONSECRATION OF THE CHRISM

- ❖ In order to allow participation of Catholics throughout the islands, the Sacred Oils will be blessed during the Chrism Mass to be celebrated in several locations. All the faithful are encouraged to join in one of the following celebrations:
 - a. Maui-Lanai: **Tuesday, March 3rd at 7 p.m., St. Anthony Church, Wailuku.**
 - b. Big Island: **Tuesday, March 24th at 5:30 p.m., St. Joseph Church, Hilo**
 - c. Kauai: **Thursday, March 26th at 6:00 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church, Lihue.**
 - d. Oahu-Molokai: **Tuesday, March 31st at 7 p.m., Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa, Honolulu.**

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

- ❖ “Since Christ accomplished his work of human redemption and of the perfect glorification of God principally through his Paschal Mystery, in which by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising restored our life, the sacred Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord shines forth as the high point of the entire liturgical year” (*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, #18*). Three major liturgical principles may be of help here:
 - a. The Triduum may be viewed a single liturgical action that occurs over a period of three days.
 - b. The Triduum is not part of Lent, but in its entirety, celebrates the Easter event.
 - c. The entire focus of the Triduum is on the Triumph of the Cross and the Resurrection.
- ❖ The Paschal Triduum begins on Holy Thursday, **April 02, 2026**, with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper until the evening of Easter Sunday, **April 05, 2026**. Good Friday of the Lord’s Passion is on Friday, **April 03, 2026** and the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil is on **Saturday, April 04, 2026**.

NOTE: The above directives should be published in parish bulletins for the benefit of the faithful, adding any specific parish or vicariate events. What follows pertains only to clergy and liturgy planners and need not be published for parishioners.

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WINDWARD VICARIATE

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES 2026

*love &
mercy*

**BEGINS
AT 7PM**

MAR

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WED

**SAINT GEORGE
WAIMANALO**

MAR

6

FRI

**SAINT ROCH
KAHUKU**

MAR

11

WED

**SAINT ANN
KANEOTE**

MAR

17

TUE

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
WAIKANE (BEGINS AT 6:30 PM)**

MAR

18

WED

**SAINT JOHN VIANNEY
KAILUA**

MAR

24

TUE

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA
KAILUA**

St. John Vianney Parish
Presents

THE YEAR OF APOLOGETICS

How to Explain and Defend our Catholic faith



Why We Confess Our Sins to a Priest

The practice is rooted in Scripture,
where Jesus gave authority to the Apostles
and their successors to forgive sins.
(see back side)

"In Confession we find the mercy of God."
(St. Therese of Lisieux)

APOLOGETICS

DEFENDING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

“Why we Confess our Sins to a Priest”



- The confession of sins to a priest to receive the sign of God’s healing forgiveness is called the Sacrament of Penance or the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Jesus said , “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” (John 20:21-22)
- Since Jesus would not always be with us physically and visibly, He delegated the power to forgive sins to other men so that His Church would be able to offer forgiveness to future generations
- “Amen I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” (Matthew 18:18)
- “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)
- “Therefor confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.” (James 5:15-16)
- And to whom you have pardoned anything, I also. For, what I had pardoned, if I have pardoned anything, for your sakes have I done it in the person of Christ. (2 Cor. 2:10)
- Only God can forgive sin, and it is He who forgives sins in the Sacrament of Confession and not the priest.
- Confessing sins to a priest fosters humility & accountability within the individual. Catholics demonstrate contrition and commitment to rectify their behavior.
- In Confession, Jesus welcomes us with all our sinfulness, to give us a new heart, capable of loving as He loves.
(Pope Francis)

Our Parish Faith Formation Committee encourages
all parishioners to learn more
about this specific topic during the month of February

Join Us Friday, March 6, 2026 at
St. Anthony of Padua Parish Hall 5:00-7:30 pm



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2026
FISH FRY

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SJV'S LENTEN DONATION DRIVE

**Kahauiki Village
and IHS Women &
Families Shelter**



Please join us in collecting donations to support local families in need this Lenten season. Every donation makes a difference!

Items Needed:

Toys: Children's toys, and art supplies

Hygiene Products: shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, etc.

Towels and Blankets: blankets, bath towels, loofas

Clothing: clothing for children ages 0-17



Drop off donations to respective collection bins in Ms. Busekrus' 3rd Grade classroom no later than FRIDAY, March 6, 2026

Questions? Please email: abusekrus@sjvkailua.org

What We Believe

THE BEAUTY OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

EXPLORE THE **AMAZING RICHES** OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH



The Catholic Church is extraordinary. Founded by Christ himself, the Catholic Church is where we encounter God in his Word, his sacraments, and his saints.

The Church faithfully proclaims the fullness of faith, leaving no truth out. It proclaims the fullness of life, leaving no person out. It calls all to repent and to believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the source of all life and salvation.

Maybe you've been Catholic your entire life. Maybe you're just beginning to explore the Catholic Faith. Wherever you may be in your journey, you will be profoundly moved by the beauty and the richness of the Catholic Church.

DATES | TIMES | LOCATION

10 SESSIONS at St. John Vianney Church

May 4 through July 6, 2026
Mondays from 9-10:30 a.m.

May 5 through July 7, 2026
Tuesdays from 7 - 8:30 p.m.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

REGISTER BY MARCH 26, 2026
at the Parish Office.

Cost is \$35 for materials and shipping.

Visit ascensionpress.com for more details.

Biblical Truth, Human Dignity & Today's Public Policy

How we understand the human person shapes everything — our relationships, our culture, and even our laws. This presentation brings together two important perspectives: a biblical vision of human dignity through Theology of the Body, and a practical look at current legislative issues affecting families in Hawai'i today. Together, these talks will help you connect faith and citizenship, understand what's happening at the Capitol, and gain tools to thoughtfully engage the issues that matter most.



February 28, 2026 (Saturday)

St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



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Peace be with you!

The Office of Evangelization and Catechesis is proud to announce the **THIRD season of *The Huaka'i Project***. *The Huaka'i Project* is a 12-week small group journey designed to help young adults grow in faith, build community, and serve others.

In collaboration with EPIC Ministry, we have partnered with the McGarth Institute for Church Life (University of Notre Dame) to bring *The Huaka'i Project* to life.

We encourage young adults (from ages 18-39) within your parish in joining a small group. The third season will begin in March until May 2026. We will have our **Season 3 Kickoff Night on Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 6:30pm at St. Ann's Church in Kaneohe.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to *contact Kristine Arnaldo at 808-630-1584 and/or Nellani Tabada at 808-227-5513.*



Sincerely in Christ,

The Huaka'i Project Team
Office of Evangelization and Catechesis & EPIC Ministry



THE HUAKA'I PROJECT

Find your people.



Kickoff Night - Feb 24 | 6:30 PM
St. Ann's Church, Kāne'ohe



Belong
Faith-filled friendships.



Grow
Faith for real life.



Serve
Make a difference.

JOIN US!

**WELCOME
Young Adults!**



GET CONNECTED!

Huaka'i: Journey Together

Through small groups rooted in faith, fellowship and service, young adults grow as compassionate disciples, inspired by Christ's self-giving love. Guided by Catholic Social Teaching, we walk together to serve others and bring Christ's love to our communities one act at a time.



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Friendships
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Service

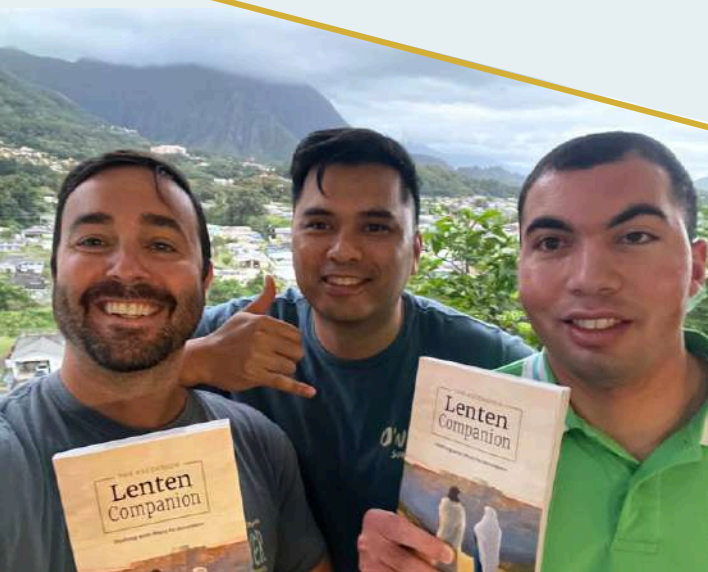
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Why Join HUAKA'Ī?

Benefits of Small Groups

- * **A Place to Belong**
Small, welcoming groups where real friendships can grow.
- * **Faith That Makes Sense**
Practical formation that connects Catholic teaching to everyday life.
- * **Support on the Journey**
Consistent community that walks with you through life and faith.
- * **Ways to Serve With Impact**
Meaningful service opportunities that put faith into action.
- * **Purpose Beyond Yourself**
A chance to live your faith through compassion, leadership, and service.



What is the Huaka'ī Project?

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2 Seasons: Spring (March–May) & Fall (September–November)
(12 weeks per season)

Young adults between the age 18–39 years old
are invited to join a small group. Be a part of the journey.



BELONG



Be your authentic self
enabling faith to thrive.



GROW



Rooted in faith,
flourish without limits.



SERVE



Engage in acts of love
and compassion that
mirror the life of Christ.

Additional Support

The Huaka'ī Project provides additional support throughout the season such as:

- ★ Reflective Journals
- ★ Prayer Tools
- ★ Peer-Led Community Activities
- ★ Spiritual Direction from Clergy



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I OFFER MY LIFE

Retreat

What does it mean to truly hold nothing back?

In the hustle of daily life, we often offer only pieces of ourselves—our time, our energy, our spare moments.

But what happens when we offer the whole?

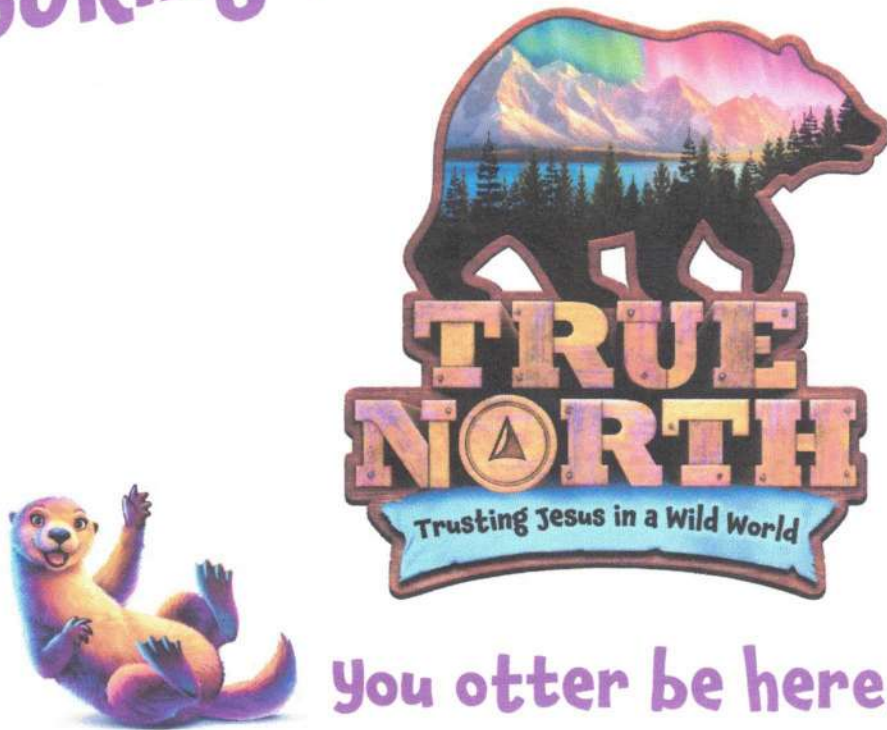
Join us for a transformative weekend retreat, where we will explore the profound theme: "I Offer My Life."

This is an invitation to pause, breathe, and surrender the burdens of control.

Through quiet reflection, guided sessions, and shared community, we will explore what it means to live a life fully offered—in service, in love, and in faith.

MARCH 20-22, 2026 in Honolulu

Looking for mountains of fun?



You otter be here!

New friends ▶ Amazing experiments ▶ Creative games
Super-fun snacks ▶ Surprising adventures ▶ Incredible music

Location: St. John Vianney Church, Parish Hall
(church name)

Save these dates: June 15-19, 2026
(VBS dates)

Each day's fun happens from: 1pm -4pm
(daily start and end times)

For more information, call or visit: michelecsjv@gmail.com
(church phone number and web address)

Register online here: Vacation Bible School is coming soon!
(registration web address)