December 17, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday Bulletin

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

What is the term "Gaudete" Sunday?

Gaudete is taken from the Entrance Antiphon: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near" (paraphrase, Phil 4:4-5). Advent is a time of joyful expectation and eager preparation for the Solemnity of Christmas. Rose represents joy and may be used as the liturgical color for *Gaudete* Sunday.

Multiple Reasons for Joy

There is joy in looking forward to the annual celebration of Christmas, but there is also joy in recalling the birth of Jesus on the first Christmas. The joy is heightened because he was born to save us from our sins (Mt 1:21b). The joy also extends to anticipation of the Second Coming, either at the end of physical life or the end of the world, the time when believers will be given the crown of righteousness (2 Tm 4:8) and a place in the Father's house (Jn 14:2) to dwell with God and his angels and saints for all eternity.

Special Piano Recital by Tony Lu on Wednesday, December 27 at SJV



Born in Wuhan, China in 1997, Tony Lu started learning and playing the piano at age 5. Due to his visual impairment, he has always learned music by ear. Tony began to study in the U.S. in 2013 and has performed with various chamber music groups and orchestras in both high school and college. Tony earned a B.A. from Bennington College with concentrations in mathematics, history, and piano performance. A teaching colleague of Robert Mondoy of SJV, Tony is well-known for his insightful and entertaining piano transcriptions of famous classical works and has a remarkable skill-set in improvisation and jazz. He is a faculty member of Sonata International Piano Camp and Summer Sonatina International Piano Camp in Bennington, VT. His piano concert at St. John Vianney Church is on Wednesday, December 27 at 7 p.m., two days after Christmas day. Continue celebrating a festive Christmas season by attending this concert, which is without cost and open to the general public.

Advent Penance Services for the Windward Vicariate

All are welcome to attend the final communal penance service of the Windward Vicariate on Tuesday, December 19 at 7 p.m., at St. Anthony of Padua, Kailua. 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.

Prayers for Healing

Ruth Alves Anna Asinsin Edward Balderston Jim Balderston Terry Barnaby Ralph Barney **Haves Beissel Clark Bernales Robert Bernales** Aileen Blanc Michelle Brown **Donovan Caldeira** Shervl Caldeira Rod Castanha Carolyn Chong Mollie Chun **Kathy Dean** John Dixon **Pat Drury Hamilton Durante** John Glorioso, Jr Tom Glorioso Angeline Goh Jayla Gomes Dan Gorecki Milli Gorecki Tim Hudson Svlvia Ann Pao Kruse **Bruce Kumashiro** Charlien Kumashiro 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 **Deni Smith Bernardo Soriano** John Sutton **Erin Tagupa Christine Taylor Gabrielle Taylor** Terri Taylor

Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 2nd Reading: Romans 16:25-27 Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Upcoming Events

- Sat, Dec 23, Daily Mass at 8 a.m.
- Sat, Dec 23, Mass at 5 p.m. and Sun, Dec 24 at 7, 9 & 11 a.m. are Masses for the 4th Sunday of Advent
- Sun, Dec 24, 5 & 9 p.m. are Christmas Vigil Masses
- Mon, Dec 25, 9 a.m. Christmas Mass
- (No 8 a.m. Daily Mass), Parish Office Closed
- Tues, Dec 26, Holiday—Parish Office Closed
- Mon, Jan 1, 2024, 9 a.m. New Year's Day Mass (No 8 a.m. Daily Mass), Parish Office Closed
- Tue, Jan 2, 2024—Holiday—Parish Office Closed
- Fri, Jan 5, 2024, 9 a.m., Stretch & Dance with Helen Klein in the Parish Lounge

Use the QR code at the entrance to the church to read the full edition of the Sunday Bulletin online or in myParish app for more announcements.

Download the music leaflet to sing along during Mass from your smart device.



SCHOOL NEWS

Every class at St. John Vianney School participated in our Christmas Pageant on Friday, December 15th and all students gave an awesome performance. It was truly a joyful celebration of the birth of our savior Jesus Christ.

Your remarkable parish school will be on winter intersession and Christmas break beginning on Monday, December 18, 2023. Our staff and all students will return to classes on Tuesday, January 8, 2024. We have a long tradition of promoting excellence in academics, encouraging spiritual growth, and assisting in the formation of students in mind, heart and spirit. Each student is guided in their academic journey by our dedicated teachers who set high standards and help students to succeed.

Give the gift of a Catholic education to your child or grandchild. We strive to form each child as a person of integrity, compassion, faith and wisdom. Applications for new students for the 2024-2025 school year are available and may be downloaded from our website at sivkailua.org.



Mark your calendar for Breakfast with the Bishop

St. John Vianney Parish School invites you to have "Breakfast with the Bishop" on January 28, 2024. Plan to enjoy a delicious buffet served by our teachers, parents, and several local celebrities, along with delightful entertainment by students in our hula halau and our music department. Also attendance will be several local celebrities. Tickets go on sale December 30, 2023. This event supports the tuition assistance program in your parish school.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel John the Baptist says, "I am the voice of one crying in the desert; make straight the way of the Lord." Let us ask for the grace to help others to know the love of the Lord.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving; a time to give of yourself. Please join us in our work and please give to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who do not have clothes and food can share in the blessings of Christmas.

CATHOLIC FAITH CORNER



A YEAR OF EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Renew worshipping at Mass to encounter Jesus in a personal way.

Let us look at four ways in which we can engage with Jesus in a personal way: prepare, pray, participate, and serve.

PREPARE: Read and reflect on the Sunday readings in advance. This allows you to actively listen to the Word proclaimed during the Mass and allows God to speak to you personally through it.

PRAY: Ask God to reveal Himself more to you through the Mass. Pray for the people sitting around you, that they will have an encounter with God as well. Pray that we all will know God better, love Him more, and grow in desire to serve Him and others out of that love when we are sent forth at the end of Mass.

PARTICIPATE: Use whatever voice God gave you for spoken and sung prayers and psalms. Encourage others by lifting up your voice in prayer and worship. The beauty of the soul that sings cuts through any deficiencies in your tone, quality or pitch. ("Make a joyful noise." - Psalm 100)

SERVE: There are many ways to serve at Mass. You can be trained to serve the Eucharist as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion or proclaim the Word of God as a lector. You can sing in the choir, serve at the altar, usher, volunteer to help pass the basket, greet, clean, etc. Many hands make light work and the more you put into it, the more you will get out of it!



MARCH FOR LIFE 2024

ALOHA KEKAHI I KEKAHI, LOVE ONE ANOTHER

We are called to Love One Another. Our prayers and presence in the public square can change policies to promote a Culture of Life! 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 of St. Theresa
- Fri, 1/19/2024, 3—6 p.m. March for Life at the State Capitol

Thank you for giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious

Our women and men religious offer gratitude. A sister shares, "I thank the Lord for all who give. I don't think we would make it without them." Thank you for giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious last week and for making a difference in the lives of elderly women and men religious. To learn more about how your gift helps, visit retiredreligious.org.

OFFERTORY Our gifts to God to steward the Church

Goal % of Goal Week of Dec 2-8, 2023 **Envelopes/Loose Online Giving** Total \$3,675.65 \$23,813.00 **Sunday Offertory** \$27,488.65 \$8,763.33 313.68% \$1,385.00 \$1,758.00 Repair and Maintenance \$373.00 \$1,500.00 117.20% \$5.00 **Major Repair and Maintenance** \$55.00 \$60.00 \$576.92 10.40%





3rd Sunday of Advent

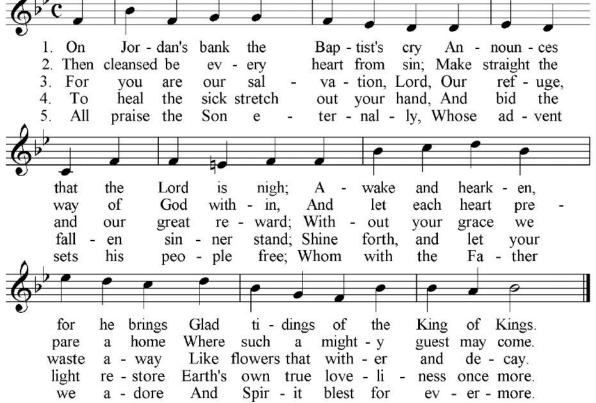
Thank you for placing the leaflets in the re-cycling box after Mass.

GATHERING SONG



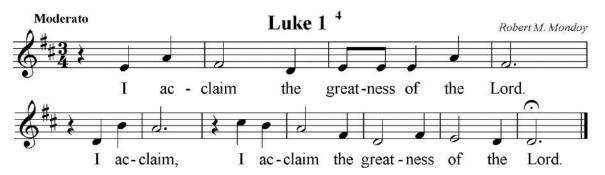


14. On Jordan's Bank



Text: Jordanis oras praevia, Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. by John Chandler (1806-1876) Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, adapt. fr. Musikalisches Handbuch, Hamburg, 1690

RESPONSORIAL **PSALM**



- 1. I acclaim the greatness of the Lord, I delight in God my savior, who regarded my humble state. Truly from this day on all ages will call me blessed.
- 2. For God, wonderful in pow'r, has used that strength for me. Holy is the name of the Lord! whose mercy embraces the faithful one generation to the next.
- 3. The Lord, fills the starving and lets the rich go hungry. God rescues lowly Israel, and recalls his promise, the promise of mercy. ©2020 Mondoy Music. All rights reserved. [8] Used with permission. Go listen: mondoymusic.com

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

1. Come, Lord, and Tarry Not



- 1. Come, Lord, and tar ry not! Bring the long looked-for day!
- for your saints still wait; Dai ly as cends their sigh; Come. The
- for cre a tion longs, Im pa-tient de - lay, Come.
- and make all things new, Come, save this long ing earth; Trans -4. Come,
- 5. Come. and be - gin your reign, Of ev - er - last - ing peace; Come,



why these years of wait - ing here. These a - ges of and the Bride say, "Come!" Do you not hear the Spir - it yearns for end - less years of good, Bright a - ges of your stay. Cre - a-tion's sec - ond birth. crea-tures in your love. Great King of right-eous-ness! take the king-dom your - self, to

Text: Attr. To Horatius Bonar, 1808-1899, in his Kelso Tracts, 1846, alt.

Tune: ST. BRIDE. Samuel Howard, 1710-1782, in Williams Riley's Parochial Harmony, 1762



Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

- **2**. O come Thou Wisdom from on high, Who ord'rest all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
- **3**. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height In ancient times didst give the law, In cloud and majesty and awe.
- **4.** O come, Thou Rod of Jesse's stem, From ev'ry foe deliver them That trust thy mighty pow'r to save, And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
- **5**. O come, Thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heav'nly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery.
- **6.** O come, Thou Dayspring from on high And cheer us by thy drawing nigh; Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadow put to flight. (*Next side*)

7. O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all humankind; Bid thou our sad divisions cease, And be thyself our Prince of Peace.

Text: Veni, Veni, Emmanuel fr. the Great O Antiphons, ca 12th century., tr. By John Mason Neale (1818-1866) in his Mediaeval Hymns and Sequences, 1851, alt. Tune: 15th Cent. Plainchant, Mode I, adapt. By Thomas Helmore (1811-1890) in Hymnal Noted, Part II, 1854.



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December 3
First Sunday of Advent

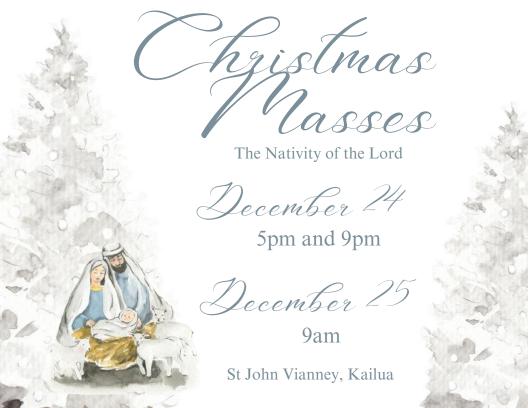
December 8, Hofy Day
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
Masses at 8 am. and 7 p.m.

December 10 Second Sunday of Advent

December 13 Communal Penance Service at 7 p.m.

December 17
Third Sunday of Advent

December 23
5 p.m. Mass
December 24
Fourth Sunday of Advent
7, 9 and 11 a.m. Masses



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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





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"Breakfast with the Bishop" on Sunday, January 28, 2024.

Plan to enjoy a delicious buffet served by our teachers and parents along with delightful entertainment by students in our hula halau and our music department.

Also, in attendance will be several local celebrities.

This event supports the tuition assistance program in your parish school.

Tickets go on sale December 30, 2023

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.