



Immaculate Conception

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Office Hours: Monday thru Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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."







Thank you for your continued support for our parish. Your generosity is truly appreciated. It is through your contributions that we are able to be of service to the parish community.

As we continue to serve our brothers and sisters in our parish, please consider our eGiving program, *Faith Direct*. Online-giving takes away the hassle of writing checks and using envelopes. Once your account is set up, nothing else is required and you'll have the satisfaction that your donation is taken care of. I encourage all of you to consider eGiving.

Please visit <u>www.faithdirect.net</u> and use our church code: **HI842**

God bless you, Fr. Nick



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PARISH MINISTRIES

Parish Council of Ministries

Finance Council

Choirs

CFC Youth Activities

Couples & Singles for Christ

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 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 18, 2022

Readings for next week::

Amos 6:1a-4-7

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Luke 17: 5-10

<u>FOCUS</u>: The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones.

Loving God and neighbor are the highest priorities for Christians. The prophets challenged the Israelites when their love of wealth led to neglecting God and warned them against treating others unjustly and dishonestly. Jesus reinforces the message: Our relationship with God requires a commitment to a higher calling by remaining true to him and treating others with honesty, generosity, and justice.

<u>Catechetical Sunday - This is My Body Given for You</u>



Today is Catechetical Sunday. It is a day we recognize the catechists in our parish who have given their Stewardship of Time to teach our young children about God's Love. Our CCD and RCIA program help prepare our children and adults to receive the Sacraments of the Penance, Eucharist, and Confirmation. We thank **Mrs. Shirley Sunio, Director of**

Religious Education, as well as the following catechists for all they are doing in our parish:

CCD

Elizabeth Punzalan Mimi Mangrobang Sandra Mendonza Madie Agcamaran Normand Robert Clarissa Duclayan

R.C.I.A.

Sean Murata Lowena Nagamine Wanda Bega Grace Rivera Anja Cordero Juan Cordero

Feast of San Miguel (St. Michael)

Please mark your calendars for the annual Novena and Feast Day Celebration of St. Michael. The novena will start on September 21, Wednesday through September 29^{th,} Thursday beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the church. For more information, please contact Bunny at (808) 450-5745.

Parish Schedule

Monday, Sep 19:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, Sep 20:

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, Sep. 21:

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. San Miguel Novena

Thursday, Sep. 22:

- No Mass

8:30 a.m. San Miguel Novena

Friday, Sep. 23:

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. San Miguel Novena

4:00 p.m. Food Pantry

Saturday, Sep 24:

10:30 a.m. San Miguel Novena

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, Sep 25:

7:00 a.m. Mass

8:15 a.m. CCD Classes

9:30 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. San Miguel Novena

5:00 p.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (Chu)

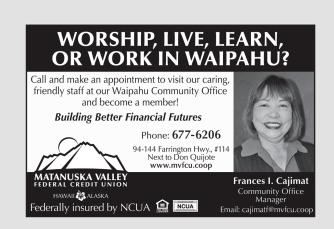
Church Cleaning Schedule

Sep 24: Couples for Christ
Oct 1: Sacred Heart Society
Oct 8: Knights of Columbus
Oct 15: Chamorro Group



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"Haircuts by Rebecca"

Rebecca our parish volunteer who has offered her time on Tuesdays to cut our parishioners' hair will be in

the Parish Hall between the hours of 9 a.m. - 12 noon, and 1 - 3 p.m. Donations offered will now go toward the Repair/ **Maintenance** instead of the Building Fund. The reason for the change is that when you donate to the Building Fund, it is a "restrictive" fund which means it can only be used for the Building Fund. The Repair and Maintenance Fund is a non-restrictive fund and can be used to repair and maintain the buildings. Mahalo for your support. Please call the office to make an appt.

Blessing Bags

Our Respect Life Ministry will be putting the Blessing Bags together on Monday, Sep. 19, between the hours of 5-6

p.m. m me rarish Hall. If anyone can help at that time, please call the office. Mahalo to those who donated items for the bags.

Note: If there are anyone in our parish ohana that knits or crochets, we are asking for anyone who can knit or crochet to help make baby hats/beanies for our ministry. We will be using them for our blessing bags next campaign. More info to follow.

Priesthood Sunday

Next week Sunday, September 25th, is Priesthood Sunday. It is a day to affirm the role of the priest as central to the life of the Church. We are grateful to the priesthood of Fr. Nick, and all the priests of our Diocese. Please keep them in prayer as they continue to be a shepherd for their flock.



THE ANNUAL APPEAL for the CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

An Appeal from Bishop Larry Silva:

"Aloha to All,

Peace be with you!

Amen, for I am very thankful for your generous response to the initial 'Ohana in Christ appeal.

Along with the faithful support of your pastoral leaders and fellow parishioners, nearly one million dollars was raised in its first year.

With 'Ohana in Christ we are able to unite our efforts and Witness to Jesus to impact our "family" of parishes, pastors, schools, social agencies, and communities across the islands. In turn, the funds raised strengthen many important ministries and services – some of which are listed below.

Although the purpose of this letter is to ask for your continued financial support, I also want to encourage you to seek a renewed understanding and devotion of Jesus' love and real presence in the Eucharist. As 'Ohana in Christ, we are called to emulate His sacrificial giving of self and reach out to those in need to further build the Catholic Church in Hawaii.

Therefore, I humbly ask for you to prayerfully consider making a generous gift again to this year's appeal. Please know that I pray for you and your loved ones each day. I will remember all donors in a special Mass for your kind Stewardship of Treasure. Together, we will respond to the Lord' call to build His Kingdom as 'Ohana in Christ.

Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend Larry Silva Bishop of Honolulu

Some examples of how your donations help:

Priests & Deacons: professional development, recruitment & assignment, etc. *Parishes*: emergency preparedness, stewardship tech assistance, etc. **People:** evangelization & Respect Life, Young Adult Faith Development, etc. Administration: Hawaii Catholic Herald, St. Stephen's Diocesan Center, etc.





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better through innovative research initiatives and training programs, such as the Catholic Project, a program that brings clergy and laity together to address the challenges that the Church faces in the U.S.A.

40-Days for Life Campaign

The 40-Days for Life Campaign begins on September 28th and will run through November 6th (Mondays to Saturdays) at the sidewalks in front of Planned Parenthood, 839 Beretania St., Honolulu. All are invited to pray and fast for an end to abortion which remains legal here in Hawaii. A special opening Mass and Rally is scheduled on Saturday, October 1st. More details to follow. Please sign up to pledge an hour to pray, 1 hour a week at www.40dfaysforlife.com/honolulu.

Empty Churches: Where have all the Young People gone?



Sunday, October 9, 2022 at 4:00 p.m., Mystical Rose Oratory, Chaminade

Join the upcoming Marianist Lecture, "Empty Churches: Where have all the young people gone?" with Fr. James L. Heft, S.M.

A study by the Institute for Advanced Catholic Studies found that the Catholic population, like that of other faith communities, has been declining in the U.S. and the majority of millennials raised Catholic typically now report that they are unaffiliated. Fr. James Heft, SM will explore the social phenomena of the growing number of individuals who no longer affiliate with a religious tradition, the impact non-affiliation has on society and what the future will look like for faith communities like Catholicism. Livestream available.

Pearson Place - Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Please don't forget to bring your spare change for the Baby Bottle Fundraiser which benefits Pearson Place. The purpose of this fundraiser is to help the mothers who walk through the doors of Pearson's Place by giving them hope in choosing Life. We want to

make a positive difference in their lives. A penny turns into a nickle, a nickle into a dime, & a dime into a quarter so please bring your spare change and watch it grow! We will be collecting through October 23rd.

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