



# ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH *of the* IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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Contact us for the following:

**BAPTISM:** Inform the parish 2 months in advance to allow for baptismal preparation

**FAITH FORMATION (CCD & OCIA):**  
Contact coordinator.

**MARRIAGE:** Notify the parish 6 months prior to proposed date. Attending an Engaged Encounter Weekend is required prior to marriage ceremony.

**COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND:** Contact the office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick.

**FUNERALS:** Call the parish before making arrangements with the mortuary.

**FOOD PANTRY:** Distribution happens in Parish Hall, bring ID:

- First Friday hours: 3–5 PM
- Remaining Fridays: 4–6 PM



**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.”*

## 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 27, 2024

**FOCUS:** Have courage to follow the Lord on the way when he answers prayers.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus, What do you want me to do for you? Bartimaeus wanted his sight, and the Lord granted it. Bartimaeus then followed him on the way. As we encounter the Lord in the Eucharist, let us ask him for the courage to not only ask him for what we need but to follow him on the way when he answers.

## THE PATH TO FAITH

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The story of blind Bartimaeus is an illustration of how we come to be people of faith. Like Bartimaeus, we may find ourselves helpless and on the side of life’s road as we watch the world go by. And like him, we too then turn to God for help. Just as Jesus called Bartimaeus, we may sense that God is calling us to trust and surrender to his vision of life for us. Throwing aside the cloak that he would use to gather alms by the roadside, Bartimaeus comes to Jesus. That simple action displays his willingness to leave his old way of life behind in order to follow Jesus.

This is how we come to faith—we are given a glimpse of life from God’s perspective and must trust enough to cooperate with whatever God may bring our way. Such pivotal moments in life may come with the death of a loved one, the end of a relationship, or the loss of a job, when we need to trust that there is more to life in what lies ahead. Or it may come in those times when we need to learn how to cope with a lifelong illness, a failed dream, or growing old. It’s all about how we come to faith—by trusting that God will bring us to new life, even though we may be blind to the ways he will bring it about.

● Reflect: Have you ever experienced a hard ending that turned into a good beginning?

# SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

## Monday, October 28:

7:00 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(+Felipe Madamba, Jr. - RS)

## Tuesday, October 29:

7:00 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(Consuelo Velasquez - Safe Travels)  
6:30 PM Pastoral Council Mtg

## Wednesday, October 30:

6:40 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(+Nelson Alabanza - RS)  
5:00 PM Centering Prayer  
6:30 PM O.C.I.A.

## Thursday, October 31:

No Mass

## Friday, November 1:

6:40 AM Rosary  
8:00 AM Mass  
(Nhu Loan Nealon - Thanksgiving)  
3-5:00 p.m. Food Pantry

## Saturday, November 2:

8:00 AM Church Cleaning  
3:00 PM First Saturday Devotions  
4:00 PM Confessions  
4:15 PM Rosary  
5:00 PM Mass  
(Holy Souls in Purgatory)

## Sunday, November 3:

6:15 AM Rosary  
7:00 AM Mass  
(Mass for the People)  
8:15-9:15 AM CCD Classes  
8:45 AM Rosary  
9:30 AM Mass  
(+Lorraine Valencia - RS)  
4:15 PM Rosary  
5:00 PM Mass  
(+Alberto Alabanza - RS)

# CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

**Nov. 2:** Sacred Heart Society  
**Nov 9:** Knights of Columbus  
**Nov. 16:** Couples for Christ  
**Nov. 23:** Chamorro Group

# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES



Our All Souls envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please don't forget to take one, if you would like to remember your loved ones on All Souls Day. We ask that you write their names legibly. Envelopes must be in the office by October 31st in order for us to include them in the Masses that will be offered up for them.

## FIRST FRIDAY - FIRST SATURDAY

This Friday, November 1st is First Friday. We will honor our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament with Holy Hour starting at 7:00 a.m. followed by the recitation of the Rosary. The Mass will then begin at 8:00 a.m.  
On Saturday, November 2nd, the First Saturday Servants of Mary will lead everyone with devotional prayers, including the rosary, starting at 3:00 p.m. in the church. Mass will follow at 5:00 p.m.

## ADVOCATE TRAINING

Learn how to accompany the divorced who are in need



### ADVOCATE TRAINING

Offered by the Diocesan Tribunal Staff

For priests and deacons who were not previously trained and lay persons designated by their pastor

Pastors: Please select members of your ministerial staff who can serve as advocates, in addition to the clergy.

**St. Stephen's Diocesan Center**  
6301 Pali Hwy, Kaneohe, Pali View room  
Tuesday, October 29 - 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Followed by lunch

Make sure your RCIA/OCIA catechumens/candidates are in valid marriages!

The workshop will provide training on:  
• how to assist those who are divorced with petitioning for a Declaration of Marital Nullity  
• when a Lack of Canonical Form applies  
• what is needed for a Pauline Privilege petition



Register so that we have sufficient supplies and lunches by contacting  
Roxanne Torres at  
rtorres@rcchawaii.org or (808) 203-6766



E. Roxanne Torres  
Moderator of the Tribunal  
Chancery

Fr. Sieg, along with some of our parishioners, will be attending the Advocate Training Workshop next Tuesday, October 29th. The purpose of the workshop is to learn how to assist those who are seeking annulments as well as Pauline Privilege petitions. The workshop will be held by Fr. Mark Gantley and Roxanne Torres, who both work out of the Tribunal Office here at our Diocese.

## VOCATIONS NIGHT

"You have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless, until they can find rest in you." -St. Augustine

**St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church**  
Invites You: Families High School Students  
Young Adults  
**Friday, November 8, 2024 6:00 to 9:00PM**  
**In the One Community Center**

Come learn about the priestly life, sister life, married life, and permanent deaconate. The evening begins with Liturgy of the Hours: Evening Prayer, dinner, talks, fun, prizes, and ending with Adoration.

Please RSVP to sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org by Friday November 1, 2024, for food count. You don't have to be thinking about becoming a priest or a religious clergy to attend. Bring a friend!



## CEMETERY WALK - BACK FROM THE DEAD

**Back from the Dead Cemetery Walk**

"Back from the Dead Cemetery Walk" is an engaging and inspiring "evangelization drama" to help teach the Catholic faith about the "Last Things" including teachings on the Communion of Saints, the angels, and the three great virtues: faith, hope and charity.

RSVP Now **Saturday** Nov 2nd, 2024 6:00 PM

Oahu Cemetery  
2162 Nuuanu Ave, Honolulu

Hosted by Aloha Council BSA Troop 531 with the Diocese of Honolulu Catholic Committee on Scouting

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# AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA PUBLIC ROSARY

With October as the Month of the Rosary, our parishioners have honored Our Lady by gathering near the grotto and inside of the church to pray. To the right, we honored her in a public rosary to make reparation for the sins committed against her Immaculate Heart. Below, our CCD students gathered in the church to pray the rosary along with their teachers and family members.



Pictured above are some of our prayer warriors who came out to pray the rosary in front of the grotto.

## CCD STUDENTS PRAY THE ROSARY



## ALOHA CARE FARM FRESH PRODUCE



Last week, our parish Food Pantry partnered with the Aloha Care Farm Fresh team to distribute fresh fruits and vegetables to the public. Pictured are some of our parish volunteers along with the Aloha Care Staff, who helped prepare the bags for distribution.



## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

October 19 - 20, 2024

Weekly Offering	\$3,420.75
Sat. 5:00 PM - \$ 823.00	
Sun. 7:00 AM - \$ 1,049.75	
Sun. 9:30 AM - \$ 1,110.00	
Sun. 5:00 PM - \$ 438.00	
Repair & Maintenance	\$1,637.00
Building Fund	\$60.00
Flowers	\$15.00
Candles	\$75.00
Book of Intentions	\$65.00
Mass Intentions	\$40.00
All Souls	<u>\$690.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,002.75</b>



### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate	<b>\$100.00</b>
Sacred Heart Society	<b>\$35.00</b>

**World Mission Sunday 2024**  
October 27th

**GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banquet (Mt 22:9)**

YOUR GIFT HELPS SUPPORT:

- 38,160
- 8,250
- 12,000
- 842,000
- 258,540

TEXT "MISSIONS" TO 4488  
SHARE THE FEAST  
Give now

WWW.ONEKINGDOMMISSIONS.ORG/NEWS

Please give generously to our second collection this weekend for **World Mission Sunday**. Mahalo for your support.

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I am an eighty-year-old with painful knee replacements. Am I allowed to remain seated during Mass? Also, at what age am I free to watch a televised Mass at home instead of going to Mass?

Your health condition permits you to remain seated while others in the congregation kneel or stand. Of primary importance is your valued presence, and your full, active participation with fellow members of your Catholic faith community. At Mass, "the faithful form a holy people...so that they may give thanks to God and offer the unblemished sacrificial Victim not only by means of the hands of the Priest but also together with him..." (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 95).

However, if someone is incapable of attending Mass, then the obligation is abrogated, regardless of age. The Church allows a televised Mass primarily for people who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes, and prisons. "The televised Mass is never a substitute for the Church's pastoral care for the sick in the form of visits by parish ministers who share the Scriptures and bring Communion, nor is it ever a substitute for the Sunday Mass celebrated within a parish faith community each week" (Guidelines for Televising the Liturgy, USCCB, 2014). If you are unable to be present at Mass, you have an opportunity to identify with a worshiping community, hear the word of God, be moved to expressions of praise and thanksgiving, and unite with Christ in spiritual communion.

● Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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## A word from POPE FRANCIS

Jesus hears [Bartimaeus'] plea. When he goes to him...he takes time to listen. This is the first step in helping the journey of faith: listening. It is the apostolate of the ear.... For Jesus, the cry of those pleading for help is not a nuisance but a challenge. How important it is for us to listen to life!?"

HOMILY, ROME,  
OCTOBER 28, 2018

## PARISH MINISTRIES

- Parish Pastoral Council
- Parish Council of Ministries
- Finance Council
- Parish Planning & Building
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Stewardship Committee
- Music Ministry
- Money Counters
- Bereavement
- Religious Education
- Lectors
- Ushers
- Altar Servers
- Flowers and Environmental
- Knights of Columbus
- Event Planners
- Food Pantry
- Couples for Christ
- Youth & Young Adult Ministry
- Sacred Heart Society
- Secular Franciscans
- Chamorro Group

## FEASTS & SAINTS OF THE WEEK



**Sts. Simon and Jude** - Feast Day is October 28th. These two 1st c. saints, who share the same feast day, preached the gospel (St. Simon in Egypt and St. Jude in Mesopotamia) and then traveled together to Persia, where they were both martyred in AD 65. Both were Apostles of Jesus and were faithful and zealous in their missions. St. Simon the Zealot, who is the patron saint of saw workers and tanners, was sawed in half. St. Jude Thaddeus, who is the patron saint of hope, desperate causes, and lost causes, died from being beaten with a club. Through

the power of the Holy Spirit, St. Jude made a profound difference in people's lives and is often depicted with a flame above his head, when the Holy Spirit descended upon him and others at Pentecost.



**Feast of All Saints** - Feast Day is November 1st. Also known as "All Saints' Day" and "All Hallows Day," this day commemorates all the saints of the Church, both known and unknown, who are in heaven. This day started in the 4th c. as a feast commemorating Christian martyrs and was held in various places and various dates near Easter and Pentecost. In the 9th c. some churches in The British Isles began commemorating saints on November 1st and then Pope Gregory IV extended this to the whole Catholic Church. In Western Christianity, many

Protestant churches also celebrate it along with Catholic churches on this same day. This feast serves as a reminder that God should be at the heart of all we do and that He continues to be at work in the world.



**Feast of All Souls** - Feast Day is November 2nd. Also known as "All Souls' Day" and "The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed," this feast commemorates all those who've passed within the faith. It's a day of remembrance and prayer for those departed souls, especially our loved ones, who are believed to be in purgatory. With the faithful on earth praying for them, those souls can be cleansed, so that they may be reconciled to God in heaven. As part of the culture in the Philippines, Filipinos pay respect to those who have passed by visiting cemeteries.

This feast has been observed on this date since the 11th c., when it was established by Benedictine Abbot Odilo for his monastery to pray for souls in purgatory and then it quickly spread throughout the Christian world.

## WEEKLY MASS COUNT

	OCT 5-6		OCT 12-13		OCT 19-20	
Day/Time	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child
Sat. 5:00 PM	144	17	144	17	146	20
Sun. 7:00 AM	190	9	190	9	200	7
Sun. 9:30 AM	230	51	230	51	224	49
Sun. 5:00 PM	133	18	133	18	157	21

Readings for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Deuteronomy 6: 2-6  
Hebrews 7: 23-28  
Mark 12: 28b-34

