



Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

7 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Mass
8:15 a.m. CCD (K--12 grade) *

Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. OCIA (Adults)

Thursday

No Mass

First Friday

7:00 a.m. First Friday Benediction
and Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday

9:00 a.m. OCIA (Children) *
3:00 p.m. 1st Sat. Marian Devotion
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday

4:00p.m. - 4:30p.m. (or by appt.)

*September – May (School year)

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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.”



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Contact us for the following:

Baptism:

Contact the parish at least 2 months in advance for baptism preparation for your children.

Faith Formation: CCD & OCIA

Religious education for adults and children

Marriage:

Contact office at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. An Engaged Encounter Weekend is required prior to Marriage Ceremony.

Communion to the Homebound

Contact parish office to arrange for someone to bring the Blessed Sacrament to the Sick.

Funerals

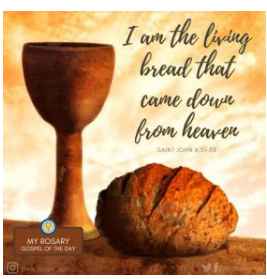
Call the parish office *prior* to making arrangements with the mortuary.

Food Pantry

First Friday hours: 3 – 5pm
All other Fridays: 4 – 6pm
Please bring an ID

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 2024



Readings for next week:

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Ephesians 5:21-32

John 6:60-69

FOCUS: The Eucharist is essential to life in Christ.

Jesus preaches that those who eat his flesh and drink his blood will remain in him and he in them. It is through our participation in the Eucharist that we are united most intimately to Christ. We need to eat to sustain our bodily life. We need to consume the bread of life to sustain our spiritual life with Christ.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, August 19:

(Maylene Batangan – Healing Mass)

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, August 20:

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, August 21:

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

(Church)

Thursday, August 22: No Mass

Friday, August 23:

(Nhu Loan Nealon - Thanksgiving)

7:15 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, August 24:

(Norma Favella - Thanksgiving)

4:15 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, August 25:

6:15 a.m. Rosary

7:00 a.m. Mass

(Mass for the People)

8:45 a.m. Rosary

9:30 a.m. Mass

(+Christopher Sabey – RS)

4:15 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Mass

(+Wendell Tolentino – RS)

Come and join us at our

Labor Day Picnic

Monday, September 2nd
9am - 3pm, Parish Hall

Dunking Booth Food Bouncer

Games & Prizes

Bring your favorite dish to share!

Labor Day Picnic

Our Annual Labor Day Picnic will be held on Monday, **September 2nd**, from 9am – 3pm in the Parish Hall. We invite you all to join us for a fun-filled day of food and fellowship. Bring a dish to share. There will be a dunking booth, bouncer for the keikis, and games and prizes. Please join us!

Funeral Service for +Florentino “Tino” Villanueva, Jr.

Funeral service for the late +Florentino “Tino” Villanueva, Jr. will be held on **Saturday, August 24th**, at **Immaculate Conception**. Visitation begins at 9:00 a.m., followed by **Mass at 10:30 a.m.** A reception will be held in the parish hall after the Mass.

Funeral Service for +Prescilla Marie Calimpong

A Prayer Service will be held on **Wednesday, August 28th**, for the late +**Prescilla Marie Calimpong** at **Mililani Makai, 10:00 a.m.**

Church Cleaning

Volunteers needed to help clean the church on Aug. 31st. Please call the office.

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During the weekend of August 31 – September 1, 2024, the Al-Sahouri family from **Little Bethlehem Christians** will be here to sell their olivewood merchandise. All items are handmade by the people in Bethlehem. The proceeds help support the Christians there. Please stop by the Parish Hall after all the Masses. Thank you for lending your support.



Stewardship of Treasure

August 10 - 11, 2024

Weekly Offering - \$ 3,790.00
 Sat., 5 pm - 571.00
 Sun, 7 am - 1,202.00
 Sun, 9:30am - 1,265.00
 Sun, 5 pm - 752.00

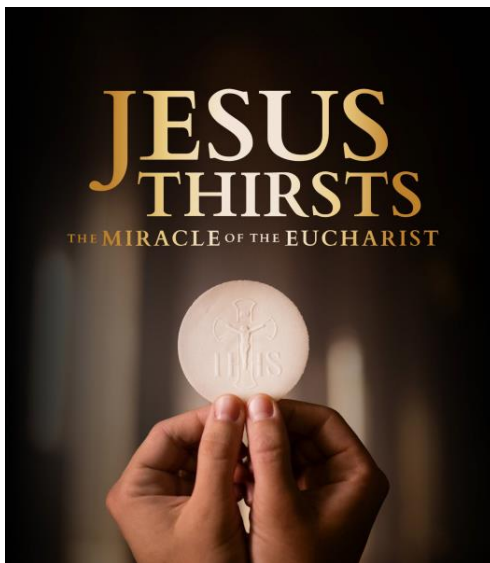
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 Building Fund 195.00
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 Candles 60.00
 Book of Intentions 90.00
 Food Pantry 50.00
 Bingo Tix 150.00
 Wedding 500.00
 Special Project 200.00

Total \$ 7,015.00

Sacred Heart Society \$ 85.00

Second Collections

Seminarian Edu Fund \$ 10.00
 Catholic Charities Hawaii 45.00



St. John Apostle Church in Mililani will be showing the movie “Jesus Thirsts” on Friday, August 23rd, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are only available for purchase on their parish website: stjohnmililani.org (Tickets will not be sold at the door.) For more info, call the parish office: (808) 623-3332.

COME AND SEE. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Youth Ministry Registration



Calling youth grades 7-12!

The Youth Ministry Meetings will be held on the **first and third Fridays of the month, starting on September 6th, at 6:30 p.m.** We encourage parents of our youth to get them involved in the life of the church!

Registrations are being held after all the Masses throughout the month of August. Please pick up a registration form at the entrance of the parish and fill it out.

Volunteers Needed to help with Youth Ministry

Our Youth Ministry is looking for volunteers to help them on their Friday night meetings. If you are interested in being a part of their ministry, please call the office and leave your contact info. All volunteers are required to participate in the Diocese Safe Environment, which includes training and a background check. Call the parish office for info.

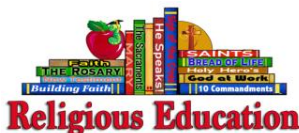
Children's Liturgy

We are requesting volunteers to help with our Children's Liturgy during the 9:30 a.m. Mass at the hall. Volunteers teach our children about the gospel reading for the day. If you are interested, please see Shirley after all the masses during August.

Registration for Religious Education

Registration for CCD and O.C.I.A. (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) is being held during the month of August outside after all the Masses. CCD classes will be held every Sunday beginning Sept. 8th at 8:15 a.m.

O.C.I.A. classes will be held every Wednesday starting on September 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall. Please see Shirley Sunio, DRE, to register or for information. Volunteers are needed to help with both CCD and O.C.I.A. classes. If you are interested, please see Mrs. Sunio. You may also email her: ssunio@rccchawaii.org.



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Mass Count

AUGUST	Aug 3-4		Aug 10-11	
Day/Time	AD	CH	AD	CH
Sat 5pm	102	11	120	12
Sun 7am	271	7	214	8
Sun 9:30am	263	46	274	60
Sun 5pm	129	26	141	14
TOTALS	765	90	749	94

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Are naked statues, like Michelangelo's David, really appropriate for public viewing?

It is helpful to consider if the artwork depicts the body to heighten transcendence, or to objectify the body to satisfy basic instincts. Art is admittedly subjective, and the interpretation of nudity in true art is in the eye of the beholder. Nudity can evoke feelings of shame for some; for others, the nude body in art can be an aesthetic experience of illuminated grace in humanity, and ultimately in the glory of our Maker for all his gifts—including the gift of Christ's resurrection that restored us to the original image and likeness intended by our Creator.

Since ancient times, the nude human form was a common subject in art. The intention is to draw the viewer to a better appreciation of the human body's natural beauty. However, nudity is often associated with sexuality, and for some, sexuality is equated with sin.

In his series of addresses about the theology of the body, St. John Paul II expounded on original nakedness that was referred to in Scripture: "Man tries to cover the real origin of fear with the shame of his own nakedness" (Genesis 3:10). "In the state of original innocence nakedness did not express a lack. Rather, it represented full acceptance of the body..." (*Real Significance of Original Nakedness*, 1980).

So to answer the question, assuming the purpose of the artist is to inspire, and the atmosphere in which the statue is viewed is conducive to such inspiration, yes, such a public display is appropriate. ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR /DearPadre.org

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Around the altar we find what spiritually feeds us and quenches our thirst today and for eternity...The Eucharist. It shapes us, so that we live not only for ourselves but for the Lord and for our brothers and sisters. Life's happiness and eternity depend on our ability to render fruitful the evangelical love we receive in the Eucharist.

Angelus, Rome, August 19, 2018

Feasts and Saints of the Week



St. John Eudes - Feast Day is August 19th. A 17th c. French priest, he was noted for being a parish missionary and founder of two religious communities. He was a great promoter of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The central theme of his writings was Jesus as the source of holiness and Mary as the model of Christian life. He was also concerned with spiritual improvement of the clergy and seminarian formation. During severe plagues, he even volunteered to take care of those who were stricken in his diocese and lived apart from his community in a barrel in a field, so he wouldn't spread the disease. He's the patron saint of missionaries and the Congregation of Jesus and Mary.



The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Feast Day is August 22nd. The importance of this feast is that it represents the life of Mary, who is body and soul in heaven and was the first one to share fully in the redemption of Christ as his mother. Since her Divine Son is King, she reigns as Queen (in ancient Israel, it was the king's mother who reigned instead of the king's wife). Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954 after declaring the dogma of the Assumption of Mary into heaven. This memorial is considered a prolongation of the celebration of the Assumption, which is eight days earlier. We can celebrate her queenship by praying the "Hail Holy Queen" or the "Magnificat" on this day.



St. Rose of Lima - Feast Day is August 23rd. She was a 17th c. member of the Third Order of St. Dominic in Lima, Peru. She was known especially for her extreme piety, severe asceticism, care of the needy, deep faith, and complete devotion to God. Miraculous healings have been attributed to her during her lifetime and after her death. One legend states that after her death, all of Lima smelled of roses that fell from the sky. She also practiced heroic charity. Being very beautiful, she refused to marry and helped her family by doing needlework and growing flowers. She inspires us today as a model of doing small, wonderful things with great love. She's the patron saint of embroiderers, gardeners, and florists as well as of the indigenous peoples of the Americas, Peru, India, and the Philippines.

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