



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) *

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."







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.

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Contact us for the following:

Baptism:

Contact the parish to enroll in the 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



Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024

Readings for next week:

Ephesians 1:17-23

Mark 16:15-20

FOCUS: Remain in my love.

This Easter season, as the paschal mystery continues to unfold before us, Jesus focuses our attention on love being at the heart of discipleship. Jesus' words and actions were always rooted in his profound love for us. As disciples, we grow closer to Jesus and his mission by sharing God's love with others. In God's love, he is revealed.

May, the month of Mary

The month of May is dedicated to our Blessed Mother "Mamma Mary," and in her honor, we invite everyone to pray the rosary. The rosary times are mentioned in the weekly schedule for those who can join us. If you cannot join us during the Mass, we encourage everyone to pray at home.



Our Lady of Fatima Rosaries

Acts 1:1-11

On May 13, 1917, Lucia dos Santos and her cousins Francisco and Jacinta Marto were tending sheep in central Portugal, about 70 miles northeast of Lisbon, when they had a vision of a woman surrounded by light who identified herself as the Lady of the Rosary. They saw her five more times, once each

month through October. On her last appearance, October 13th, she made good on a promise she had given them so that all would believe. It was the **Miracle of the Sun**. Our Lady of Fátima gave the children three secrets during her appearances and repeatedly asked them to pray the rosary. She emphasized the necessity of devotions to her Immaculate Heart in order for souls to be saved. We will honor Her request by praying the rosary this month, particularly on 2 dates: Saturday, May 11th and Monday, May 13th both starting at 12 p.m. at the church. All are welcomed to join us.



Mother's Day

Please submit the names of your Mothers by this Wednesday, May 8th, if you would like to offer the Mass for them. Envelopes can be found in your pews or at the back of the church. We ask that you please write **legibly** to prevent any misspelling of their names. Also indicate (+) if your moms are in heaven.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 6:

7:15 a.m. Rosary 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, May 7:

7:15 a.m. Rosary 8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, May 8: Rosary

7:15 a.m. 8:00 a.m. Mass

5:00 p.m. Centering Prayer (*Church*)

Thursday, May 9: (No Mass)

Friday, May 10:

7:15 a.m. Rosary 8:00 a.m. Mass

4-6:00 p.m. Food Pantry

Saturday, May 11:

(Holy Souls in Purgatory)

1 – 3:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Society Mtg.

4:15 p.m. Rosary 5:00 p.m. Mass Sunday, May 12:

6:15 a.m. Rosary

7:00 a.m. Mass (Cynthia Uytiepo – BD)

8:45 a.m. Rosary

9:30 a.m. Mass (+Horatio Sanchez)

4:15 p.m. Rosarv

5:00 p.m. Mass (Mass for the People)

Church Cleaning:

Knights of Columbus May 11 May18 Couples for Christ May 25 Chamorro Group Jun 1 Sacred Heart Society

Mahalo to all who faithfully clean every week!

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CCD Retreat





Last Saturday, April 27th, our CCD students attended a retreat here at our Parish Hall in preparation for receiving their Sacraments of Communion and Confirmation next month. **Catechist Wanda Bega** led the retreat on the Trinity: "**God the Father**, **God the Son**, **and God the Holy Spirit**." They read 6 different scriptures on the Holy Spirit and participated in three different activities: planting seeds with positive words, learning about the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and offering their gifts to Jesus in their journals in front of the tabernacle. Prior to offering their gifts, they did a meditation in front of the Tabernacle, and it was so powerful, that the parents and other catechists who were there, felt their faith renewed by the Holy Spirit. It was an awesome day of prayer, learning, and reflection for all. Many thanks to Wanda, as well as our Director of Religious Education, Shirley Sunio, for making this retreat a success. Our students will receive their sacraments this month on May 26th at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Bishop Larry will preside.



Annual Memorial of St. Damien Friday, May 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

All are invited to attend the annual Memorial of St. Damien on **Friday**, **May 10th**, **2024** which will be the 151st anniversary of the date of his arrival in Kalaupapa, Molokai. Father Ed Popish will

celebrate the Mass at the historic Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, Honolulu.

Second Collection: Catholic Communication Campaign



Next weekend our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Honolulu to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! Learn more at www.usccb.org/ccc.

Stewardship of <u>Treasure</u> April 27 – 28, 2024

Weekly Offering - \$ 3,666.00

Sat., 5 pm - 754.00

Sun, 7 am - 1,262.00 Sun, 930am -1,024.00 Sun, 5 pm - 626.00 Repair/Maint. Fund 779.50 **Building Fund** 25.00 **Flowers** 17.50 Candles 45.00 **Book of Intentions** 207.00 **Mass Intentions** 100.00 **Food Pantry** 200.00 **KoC Books** 20.00 Mother's Day 190.00 Christmas 20.00 Easter 10.00 Hawaii Quilt Guild (R/M) 40.00 **Carpet Donation** 500.00 **Total** \$5,820.00

Second Collections:

Diocesan Priests' Retirement
Fund \$ 100.00

Joseph Dutton

\$ 1,517.00



CORRECTION TO LAST WEEK'S BULLETIN:

Last week, we announced that

the last day of CCD Classes was on May 5th, **BUT** classes actually end on **MAY 19th!** We **apologize** for any inconvenience! So, parents, please continue to bring your children for the next couple of Sundays! Thank you!





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Dear Padre

May 5, 2024

Please clarify for me what the Church considers as "gossip." Is it that bad?

Human beings have the great gift of speech. We continually talk to one another, and we talk about one another. Gossip, at its most basic level, is just idle talk. It is neither good nor bad. But it is a tool we can use to build up another human being or tear a person down.

Gossip is sinful when we use our words to unjustly hurt the reputation of another or to judge another person rashly. The two words that the Church uses to describe this evil side of gossip are "detraction" and "calumny." The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us that detraction is "without objectively valid reason, disclosing another's faults and failings to persons who did not know them." Calumny occurs when a person, "by remarks contrary to the truth, harms the reputation of others and gives occasion for false judgments concerning them" (*CCC* 2477).

To judge whether your own gossip is good or evil, simply ask yourself: Do the words I am saying help others or hurt others? Am I building them up or tearing them down? Hopefully, as a Christian, you are committed to the commandment of Jesus we hear in today's Gospel: "This is my commandment: love one another as I love you" (John 15:12).

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS



To love as the Lord loves us means to appreciate the people beside us, to respect their freedom, to love them as they are, not as we want them to be; as they are, gratuitously...not controlling, serving them. Opening our heart to others, this is love, to be trusting, giving ourselves to others.

Regina Caeli, Rome, May 9, 2021

Daily Devotions before Mass

Please join us for our daily devotions of Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and Sacred Heart of Jesus after the 7:15 a.m. rosary before all the weekday Masses. The Divine Mercy is prayed every day except Thursdays. Our Lady of Perpetual Help devotion is held every Wednesday and the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is held every Friday.

Feasts and Saints of the Week



Ascension of the Lord - Feast Day is May 9th. Historically known as "Ascension Day," this feast commemorates the bodily ascension of Jesus into heaven. It's celebrated 39-40 days after the Resurrection on the Thursday during the 6th week of Easter. This holy day marks the completion of Jesus' time on earth. After preparing his disciples for his departure by encouraging them to continue in their faith and to wait for the coming of the Holy Spirit, he was taken up into heaven before their very eyes. It is a holy day of obligation in some mainland dioceses, but not here in

Hawaii. This feast was allowed to be transferred to the following Sunday in many dioceses and will be celebrated this year on the 7th Sunday of Easter.



St. Damien of Molokai - Feast Day is May 10th. Born Jozef de Veuster, he was a priest from Belgium of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. Known for his compassion, courage, and selflessness, he ministered to those suffering from leprosy on Molokai by providing physical, emotional, and spiritual care and comfort. He also undertook many projects to improve the conditions there by arranging for the building of houses, schools, roads, hospitals, and churches and was greatly respected and loved by his patients and the community. Having taught the people about the Catholic faith as well, he earned the title of "Apostle to the lepers." After caring for his patients for 16 years, he contracted this debilitating and incurable disease and died. He was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2009.



