



Greater love has no one than this:
to lay down one's life for one's friends.
JOHN 15:13

WEEKEND MASSES

Saint Theresa Church,
Saturday, 5:30pm
Sunday, 10:00am

Holy Rosary Church,
Sunday, 7:30am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Saint Theresa Church,
Monday, 5:30pm
Tuesday, 5:30pm

Holy Rosary Church,
Wednesday, 8:00am
Thursday, 8:00am
First Friday of the month,
Mass 8:00am

ADORATION

Saint. Theresa Church,
Monday and Tuesday, 6:00pm

Holy Rosary Church,
Wednesday and Thursday,
8:30am Holy Rosary

RECONCILIATION

Saint. Theresa Church,
Every Saturday, 5pm - 5:30pm
Or by appointment

Holy Rosary Church,
During Adoration on Thursday
Or by appointment

Saint Theresa Parish Mission Statement 2022-2027

We are a community of disciples of Jesus Christ, called to give witness to God's love.

Drawing life from the Bread given for the life of others, we proclaim a more just and compassionate message so that Christ's reign may come and the glory of God be revealed to the world.

Inspired by Mary, our Lady of the Holy Rosary, and Saint Theresa, our patron, we see everything in the light of the Eucharist and seek to do ordinary things with extraordinary love.

SAINT THERESA PARISH

Saint Theresa Church,
Mt. View (established 1934)
18-1355 Volcano Road, PO Box 37,
Mountain View, HI 96771

Holy Rosary Mission Church,
Kea'au (established 1910)
16-537 Laukahia Pl,
Kea'au, HI 96749

Parish Hours: Mon. 9:00am-4:00pm, Tues./ Wed 9:00am-1:30pm
Office: (808) 968-6233

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Pastor: Father Samuel Loterte, SSS Deacon: Jim Dougherty, SOLT,
Deacon: Sukan Stephen Secretary: Dana Jones

4th Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.



Reflection Points

- Recall experiences when you tested God because you insisted on your plans.
- How can we guide the young people to be open to God's mysterious ways?

The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of the birth of Jesus from Joseph's perspective. Today's Gospel passage is the second movement in this story. In the preceding verses of the first chapter of Matthew's Gospel, the Evangelist has listed the genealogy of Jesus, tracing his lineage through King David to Abraham. In the chapter to follow, Matthew tells of the visit from the Magi, the Holy Family's flight into Egypt, and Herod's massacre of the infants in Bethlehem. We must not gloss over too quickly the difficult circumstances described in today's Gospel. The way that Joseph and Mary face these circumstances tells us much about these holy people and their faith in God. Joseph and Mary are betrothed to be married. This is sometimes described as an engagement period, but it is more than that. Betrothal in first century Jewish culture was in fact the first part of the marriage contract. A breach of this contract was considered adultery. Mary is found to be with child. If adultery is proven, the punishment might be death. Joseph has rights under Mosaic law, but chooses to act discreetly in his plans to break the marriage contract, so as to protect Mary. Then God intervenes.



Daily Scriptures

Sunday, November 21

Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24

Tuesday, December 23

Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24
Psalm 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14
Luke 1:57-66

Wednesday, December 24 (Midnight)

Isaiah 9:1-6
Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13
Titus 2:11-14
Luke 2:1-14

Thursday, December 25 (Day)

Isaiah 52:7-10
Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6
Hebrews 1:1-6
John 1:1-18

Saturday, December 27

1 John 1:1-4
Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
John 20:1a, 2-8

Monday, December 22

1 Samuel 1:24-28
1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd
Luke 1:46-56

Wednesday, December 24 (Eve)

Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29
Acts of the Apostles 13:16-17, 22-25
Matthew 1:1-25

Thursday, December 25 (Dawn)

Isaiah 62:11-12
Psalm 97:1, 6, 11-12
Titus 3:4-7
Luke 2:15-20
Acts of the Apostles 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17
Matthew 10:17-22

Sunday, December 28

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Colossians 3:12-21
Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Sanctuary Candle Offering Week of December 21, 2025



STC - The People of St. Theresa Parish
HRC - Valerie Relacion

Prayer Request

Please call the office every month to keep your prayer on the list. The list needs to be updated every month. Thank you.

Praying for Health, Comfort & Healing:

Jeff Gomes
Robert Aguiar
Ernest Correia
Jovita Ganancial
George S. Ginette
Perla Valdez
Ashley Ferraro
Craig Carvalho
Joseph Albert
Lia McKee
Lillian Wong
Elmer Palomares
Marianito Vicente
Bruce Silva
La'akea Hoopii
Jeffery Apostle
Lynette Amaral
Aloha Parks
Clement & Anita Andrade
Gertrude Calderon
Natividad Lodivero
Darell Albrecht
Earl Sagucio
Jerry & Dolly Veloria
Christopher Martin
Ashley Ferraro
David Russell
Carmelita Maranan
Jeffery Silva
Valentina Rivera

Praying for the Faithful Departed:

Eliza Struthers+
Juanita & Severo Ramirez+
William Chu Jr.+
Gloria Jean Frankovich+
Felicidad & Agaton Pasalo+
Gilbert Benevides Jr.+
Greg Maka'ala Branco+
Andrea Mejia+
Shayna Riveria+
Anne Keamo+
Elaine Austin+
Toribio Sagucio+
Victor Souza+
Deborah Dinneen Ruffin+
Lena Minh Bolevra+
Edward Jacob+

Rosaline Berrios+
Brian Ford+
Chas Huston+
Boyington Parks+
Leoncia Palos+
Edmund Wong+
Thomas Amar Sr.+
Meliton & Catalina Gamayo+
Venancia Lagronio+
Karol Dougherty+
Violet Albrecht+
Debra Saragosa+
Gloria Palacol+
Henry Real+
Florida Asejo+
Florencio Simeon+

**Mass Intentions**

5:30pm - St. Theresa - Saturday, December 20, 2025

The People of St. Theresa Parish

10:00am - St. Theresa - Sunday, December 21, 2025

7:30am - Holy Rosary - Sunday, December 21, 2025

Rodolfo Garlitos & Family

5:30pm - St. Theresa - Monday, December 22, 2025

Agaton Pasalo+ (Death Anniversary)

5:30pm - St. Theresa - Tuesday, December 23, 2025

5:30pm - St. Theresa - Wednesday, December 24, 2025

9:00pm - Holy Rosary - Wednesday, December 24, 2025

7:30am - Holy Rosary - Thursday, December 25, 2025

10:00am - St. Theresa - Thursday, December 25, 2025

St. Theresa

December 20 - 5:30 p.m.

December 21 - 10:00 a.m.

December 24 - 5:30 p.m.

December 25 - 10:00 a.m.

December 27 - 5:30 p.m.

December 28 - 10:00 a.m.

Holy Rosary

December 21 - 7:30 a.m.

December 24 - 9:00 p.m.

December 25 - 7:30 a.m.

December 28 - 7:30 a.m.

Lectors

Raquel F./ Gavin K.

Zoe B./ Beverly G.

Gavin K./ Alan H.

Sasa E./ Myleen E.

Cecilia A./ Raquel F.

Mela G./ Roquita K.

Leah P./ Shaun P.

Joyce P./ Jovylyn P.

Natasha M./ Nathalia M.

Nathan M./ Irene D.

December 14, 2025	
	OFFERINGS
ST. THERESA, 5:30 P.M.	\$ 470.00
ST. THERESA, 10 A.M.	\$ 587.50
HOLY ROSARY, 7:30 A.M.	\$ 854.95
CHUKESE MASS 11:45 A.M.	\$ 5.00
ST THERESA ONLINE OFFERING (5)	\$ 238.77
HOLY ROSARY ONLINE OFFERING (2)	\$ 60.75
ST. THERESA VOTIVE CANDLES	\$ 25.00
HOLY ROSARY VOTIVE CANDLES	\$ 27.00
ST. THERESA SANCTUARY CANDLES	
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$ 705.75
Maintenance Fund Online	\$ 10.00
Food Pantry	\$ 60.30
Building Fund Online	\$ 25.00
Mass Intention	\$ 20.00
Father's Annual Appeal	\$ 100.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 453.00
Maintenance and Repairs Fund	\$ 10.00
Building Fund	\$ 155.00
Outreach	\$ 15.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 55.00
Feed Children in Philippines	\$ 300.00
Rent	\$ 5,235.60
Total	\$ 9,413.62
<i>Build., Maint. & Savings Fund Amounts only change monthly</i>	
Build. Fund (per 10/31/2025 statement)	\$ 394,591.15
Maint. Fund (per 10/31/2025 statement)	\$ 101,917.54
Sav. Fund (per 10/31/2025 statement)	\$ 70,595.93

Stewards of the Gospel

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." MATTHEW 1:24

Stewards put our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

Diocese of Camden

In His Presence Christmas Eve Holy Rosary Church



WE ADORE YOU MOST HOLY LORD JESUS CHRIST HERE
AND IN ALL YOUR CHURCHES OF THE WHOLE WORLD
AND WE BLESS YOU CAUSE WE KNOW YOU HAVE
REDEEMED THE WORLD HAVE MERCY ON US

8:00 pm Christmas Eve Holy Hour
9:00 pm Christmas Night Mass



Roland and Irene were commissioned as Holy Rosary Religious Education assistants and support at the 12/7/2025 7:30 am mass. They were both at a mission immediately after Mass with the catechists. Thanks be to God.



Join us for the St. Theresa Parish Christmas Party on January 4, 2026, as we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord! The festivities will take place at Holy Rosary Church at 12 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together in joy and fellowship, and everyone is warmly invited to attend. Don't miss out on this special occasion.



Parish Directory

Religious Education Coordinator: Dana Jones

Saint Theresa: **Dana Jones (808) 557-4143**

Classes - Sunday, 9:00am - 9:50am

Holy Rosary: **Leah Pitoy (808) 443-6959**

Classes - Sunday, 8:45am - 9:45am

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) :

Saint Theresa: **DCN Jim Dougherty (808) 315-1319**

Holy Rosary: **DCN Jim Dougherty (808) 315-1319**

Youth Group Coordinator: Roquita Kaisen (808) 895-2067

Saint Theresa: **Adam Dvorak (951) 751-5836**

Lenny Adlawan (808) 960-0892

Holy Rosary: **Perla Valdez (808) 673-1209**

Micronesian Ministry: DCN Sukan Stephen (808) 300-2853

DCN Joseph Albert (808)-791-9319

Altar Server Coordinator:

Saint Theresa: **DCN Jim Dougherty (808) 315-1319**

Holy Rosary : **Jacob Perry (808) 796-0870**

Food Pantry: Raquel Ford (808) 365-4221

Bereavement Ministry: Melanie Galloway (808) 987-0695

Funerals: The family is strongly encouraged to contact the priest/ office, before scheduling with the mortuary of choice.

Music Ministry Directors:

Saint Theresa: **Eleanor Ginette (831) 236-9055**

Holy Rosary: **Craig Carvalho (808) 959-3348**

Baptisms:

Call the office for appointment.

Marriage:

Call the office 6 months before the proposed date.

Hospitality:

Saint Theresa: **Eleanor Ginette (831) 236-9055**

Holy Rosary: **Perla and Jimmy Valdez (808) 673-1209**

Parish Pastoral Council Chair:

Finance Council Chair: ZoeAnne Bianchi (808) 896-2648

Building Committee:

Saint Theresa, Chair: **Blaise Caldeira (808) 640-1896**

Holy Rosary, Co-Chair: **Danie Villena (808) 987-0359**

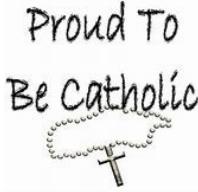
Stewardship Committee: Linda Villena (808) 557-1492

*Pastoral, Finance and Building Meetings
will be announced.*

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?
Do you know somebody who is interested in
becoming a Catholic?

Would you like to know more and explore the
Catholic Faith?

Contact the office at (808) 968-6233



Gathering Prayer

Pilgrims of Hope Prayer

O God,
who sent your Son Jesus Christ to be our
true hope,
we are grateful for your gift of Eucharist,
the promise that refreshes and nourishes
our joy in hope and your grace.

As we begin the season of Advent
renew our spirit
and provide love, faith, and peace
to a world in need of hope, justice, and
goodness.

Bless our efforts, strengthened by your
grace,
to be the life-giving leaven
that bursts forth
a new resolve to give witness to God's
love,
to build the Body of Christ
and be food for others
in sharing the journey to the eternal ban-
quet.

Bless our ministries
and unite us in a communion of joy
where we are sanctified by your protection
to feed the hungers of the human family.

Through Christ, our only hope. Amen.

Our Lady of The Rosary, Woman of the
Eucharist, Pray for us..

St. Theresa, adorer of the Eucharist,
Pray for us

Do you know a Catholic
that is Home Bound and
would like to receive the
Eucharist? Call the
office with their name, address and phone
number at (808) 968-6233



At the most recent monthly Chuukese Mass at Holy Rosary Church in Kea'au on the east side of the Big Island, nearly 80 former members of Holy Cross Parish from Uman Island in Chuuk State gathered on December 7, 2025, for a special blessing. The blessing that occurred was for those men who are forming three associations that supported their faith life when they lived on their home island of Uman in the Chuuk lagoon.

Each of these associations is linked to one of the five chapels or the main parish church in Uman, Holy Cross Church. The main church as well as the five chapels, are located in separate villages around the island. These associations include a parish council, a youth association, and a community association, all supporting the framework of their Catholic parish life as lived originally on their home island. Chuuk is one of four island states in the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). Besides Chuuk, there is Yap, Kosrae, and Pohnpei. During World War II the United States Navy built a Naval Base at Uman Island, which was an anchorage for PT Boats.

DCN Sukan Stephen blesses men who represent Holy Cross Parish on Uman, as well as smaller chapels: Assumption of Our Lady, St. John, St. Peter, St. Paul, and Our Lady of Fatima.



“apostleship of prayer association initiated on Uman Island called “Nopina”. The Nopina is responsible for 9-day novenas for the deceased, as well as for regularly praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Rosary, as well as other devotionals in support of their fellow islanders and their living and deceased family members.

Having these groups now more active in their communal religious life on Hawaii Island is a significant development for these former Uman Islanders. They are continuing important religious and cultural traditions of their former island life in their present homes and churches on Hawaii Island, where so many of them have relocated. They are a wonderful asset to the Catholic parishes on the east side of Hawaii Island, and ardent and prayerful Catholics who manifest their faith in beautiful Chuukese customs, music, and practice to all who worship with them.

The blessing was given by Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, pastor of St. Theresa Parish, as well as by two Chuukese deacons assigned by the Diocese of Honolulu to St. Theresa Parish: Deacons Sukan Stephen and Joseph Albert. Holy Rosary is one of two churches in St. Theresa Parish, with St. Theresa Church, office, and rectory located in Mountain View, about halfway up the highway leading to Kilauea Volcano. Holy Rosary also has a Micronesian Ministry office with a computer and printer, and office space for meetings for the local Micronesian population. Because of their unusually close family relationships within their culture, many Chuukese from Uman Island live and associate frequently on the east side of Hawaii Island.

The Chuukese women from Uman already have an

DCN Joseph Albert distributes Holy Communion on December 7, 2025, Chuukese Mass at Holy Rosary Church.

