



Holy Rosary Church

A Century of Faithfulness through Mary's Fullness of Grace

GRACE

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 27-28, Second Collection - Holy Father (Peter's Pence)

July 1, 5PM First Wednesday - Rosary and Divine Mercy Prayer

July 3, 5PM First Friday - Prayer, Mass, and Adoration of the Eucharist

August 15, Golf Tournament - 7 AM at Dunes at Maui Lani. Please contact Karen Laborte at 808-264-1076 if you would like to sign up. The tournament committee is accepting donations or prizes to help offset expenses. We are also accepting healthy snack options to place in the golfer's goody bags (health bars, trail mix, snack packs of fruit/nuts, etc.). **The golf tournament committee thanks all of you.**

Holy Rosary Church Legacy Tiles Project: Check with James or John to purchase tiles for the project.

Please send your contributions for the bulletin to s_almie@yahoo.com or to marycostales21@yahoo.com.

Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:00PM, Sunday 8:00AM. Weekday mass: 7:00 AM except on Tuesday (Fr. Jose's day off). Confessions by appointment; contact the office or Fr. Macoy. Parish office hours: Monday, Wednesday 9AM-12N; Friday 9AM-2PM.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to his apostles: "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

(Full text: Matthew 10:37—42, uscbb.org)

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In the first reading we hear about the woman from Shunem who served God by her hospitality to his servant, Elisha. She served Elisha because she knew he was a holy man of God. Jesus promises that whoever receives those he has sent receives not only him, but his heavenly Father as well. When we open our hearts to receive the Lord and his messengers, we receive the best reward: God's divine presence with us.

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THROUGH HER CHILDREN’S EYES: THE LIFE AND FAITH OF “COOKIE” SOMBELON

by Mary Beth Costales | June 21, 2026

Through the eyes of two of her five children, Ivan Sombelon and Marie Sombelon Gaskin, we are honored to focus on Margaret Mary “Cookie” Souza Sombelon, a faithful servant of the Lord for all of her life.

Born at Paia Hospital on July 31, 1932, Cookie was raised in Hamakuapoko by her parents, Antone and Margaret “Poopaa” Souza, as well as by her grandparents, Pantelone and Sindina (Vaz) Souza, who immigrated from Portugal to work for the sugar cane plantation.

Her pet name “Cookie” was given to her by her grandfather because she was cute, little, and sweet. When she was staying at her grandparents’ home, she was the youngest child of 14, and when she stayed with her mom and dad, she was the oldest of four children.

Margaret attended Holy Rosary School and graduated from St. Anthony Girls’ High School in 1950. Together with her husband, Harry Sombelon, Sr. (deceased), they raised five children: (Ann) Marie Gaskin, Harry Paul Sombelon, Jr., Beverly Boteilho, Roy Sombelon (deceased), and Ivan Sombelon.

Attending church was an integral part of their family life. In fact, it seemed like destiny that every home the family lived in was within sight or close proximity of a Catholic church. In Hamakuapoko, they lived right across from St. Ann’s; in Kahului, their home was on the grounds of Christ the King Church; in Makawao, close to St. Joseph; and presently, at Halalani Subdivision in Paia, near Holy Rosary Church.

It was of utmost importance to Cookie and her husband that every one of their children attend Catholic schools, including Holy Rosary, Christ the King, and St. Anthony. Both parents worked incredibly hard to accomplish this; Cookie cleaned the classrooms at Christ the King School to reduce tuition costs. As the children grew older, they all contributed to cleaning those classrooms, and money earned from the children’s additional summer jobs when they became old enough to work was also utilized to pay for their Catholic school education.



Marie and Ivan recall also cleaning Holy Rosary Church on many Saturdays, a huge task completed by the entire family, including her grandchildren and great-grandchildren when they were old enough. And “spic and span” was the way it had to be, kind of like a white glove inspection by Grandma!

Prior to Sunday Masses, Mom reminded her children that they were expected to be still and to behave. She had the best “stink eye” that worked instantly. If someone said they were feeling sick, Mom would say, “Give it to the Lord. He will never give you more than you can handle.”

Cookie devoted much of her time, talent, and treasure to the church. It was her “How can I help? What do you want me to do?” drive to be immersed in the church, which resulted in her being involved in so many capacities, including the Liturgy Committee, Parish Council, Cantor/Choir Participant/Choir Leader, Lector, Church Cleaner, and Decorator. She earned her basics in liturgy, taught catechism, and participated in the Neocatechumenal Ministry, even holding meetings in her home.

She bought Santa bags of apples and candy at Christmas, roses for Mother’s Day, and even curtains for the sanctuary. There were workshops to attend on various islands, including Welcoming Parish and Grateful Hearts, bringing back her knowledge to our parishioners. She was always busy doing one thing or another and loved every minute of it!

Cookie is no longer able to physically attend Mass but receives the Eucharist whenever possible. Her family asks for your continued prayers and uplifting thoughts. About his mom, Ivan says, “She is a worker and a mover, always. Marie tells of how the quote Mom often shared with them has been a solace in her life. “The Lord will never give you more than you can handle.”

INCOME SUMMARY		06/21/2026	
Weekend Collection	\$1845.00	Building Fund	70.00
Donation Box	60.00	Mass Intention	40.00
Candles	236.50	Catholic Ministries Appeal	433.00
Catholic Communication Campaign	20.00	Peter’s Pence	5.00
Seminary Education	246.00		
TOTAL DEPOSIT		\$2955.50	
ONLINE GIVING		\$70.00	