



Maria Lanakila
Catholic Church
712 Waine'e Street
Lahaina, HI 96761

MARIA LANAKILA CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SACRED HEARTS MISSION CHURCH

THE BEACONS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON THE WEST SIDE OF MAUI



Sacred Hearts
Mission Church
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Parish Website:
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MASS, CONFESSION & ADORATION SCHEDULES

MARIA LANAKILA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM
Tuesday: 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Saturday: 7:00 AM & 5:30 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:00 AM / 10:30 AM
7:00 PM (Spanish)

Adoration

Every Friday after 7:00 AM
mass until 8:30 AM
and
Every First Friday after 7:00 AM
mass until 12:00 PM

Confession

Saturday at 4:30 PM or
by appointment

SACRED HEARTS MISSION CHURCH

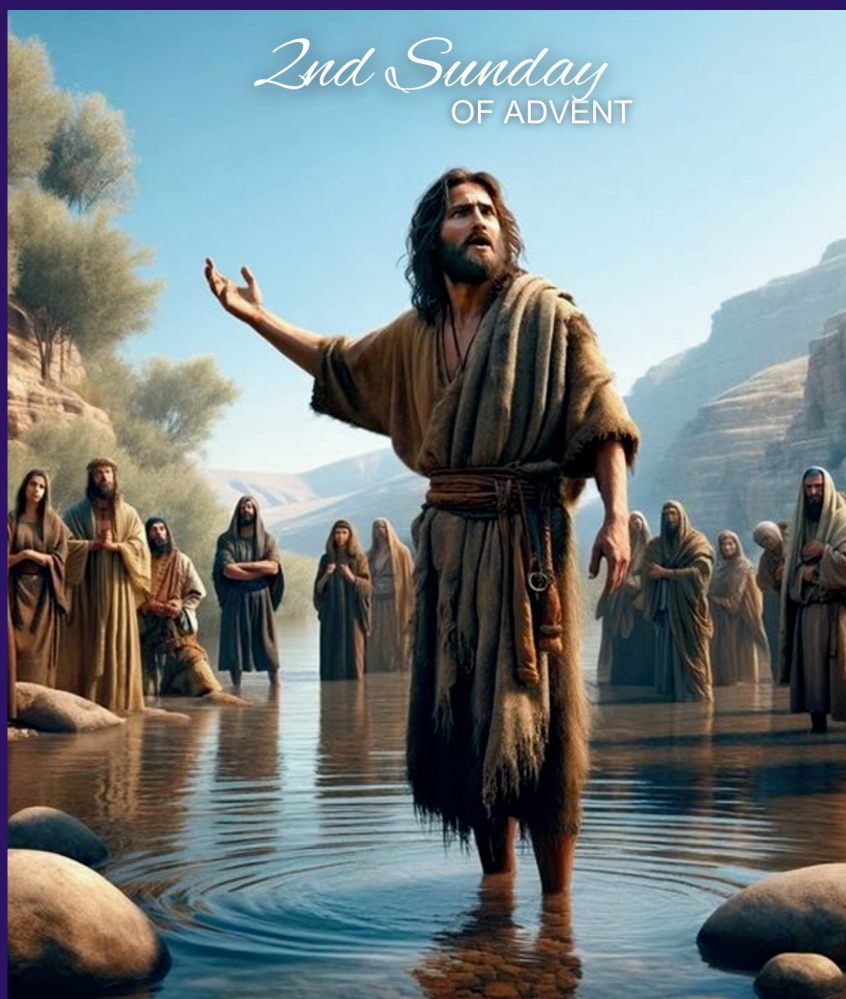
Saturday: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM / 8:45 AM

Confession

Saturday at 3:30 PM or
by appointment

December 7, 2025

2nd Sunday
OF ADVENT



"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

~ Matthew 3:1-12

SACRED HEARTS SCHOOL

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SHS Website



DAILY INTENTIONS AND TIMES

Monday, December 8

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS: Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm 98:1-4; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38

6:25am Rosary | Mass: MLC 7:00am, 8:30am, & 6pm; SHS 4:00pm

Tuesday, December 9

Memorial of Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

READINGS: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 96:1-3 and 10ac, 11-13; Matthew 18:12-14

6:25am Rosary | 7:00am Mass

Wednesday, December 10

Memorial of Our Lady of Loreto

READINGS: Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalm 103:1-4, 8 and 10; Matthew 11:28-30

6:25am Rosary | 7:00am Mass

Thursday, December 11

Memorial of Saint Damasus I

READINGS: Isaiah 41:13-20; Psalm 145:1 and 9, 10-13ab; Matthew 11:11-15

6:25am Rosary | 7:00am Mass

Friday, December 12

READINGS: Zechariah 2:14-17; Judith 13:18bcde, 19; Luke 1:26-38

6:25am Rosary | 7:00am Mass

Saturday, December 13

Memorial of Saint Lucy

READINGS: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

6:25am Rosary | 7:00am Mass

Remembering Our Loved Ones

+Charley Cobb, +Nick & Mary Provci, +Alice Provci, +Deceased members of the Provci, Avery, Luptak and Cobb families, +Mary Nguyen Tien Thien, +Losa Taufa, +Zacarias & Conchita Bucaneg, +Lloyd Akiona, +Vicenta Tolio, +Roulie Andres, +Tom Croke, +Johnny Espiritu, +Dr. Vina Villanueva, +Lori Gomez Karinen, +Roel Malijana, +Illuminada Sinogo, +Louise Abihai, +Mauu Filipino & Analosa Mauu families. +Helen Nelson, +Betty & Phil Fisher, +Irenio, Timotea, Juanito Corpuz, +Drake Corpuz Lung, +Simeon & Concordia Curimao, +Enriqueta Nava Santiago, +Deceased member of the Gazmen & Fernandes families

Special Intentions

Del Castillo family, Merlita & Jerome Andres, Martina Castillo, Rarogal family, Shekinah Bailey, Huelo Koula, Barbara Smith, Members of the Tynan & Soares Families, Shekina Bailey, John Salcedo, Seilala Samisoni

Mass Intentions will be said on the Mass requested day

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School Board Chairman - Alton DeGama, Jr

SPIRITUAL CORNER

PAROCHIAL VICAR'S MESSAGE

Fr. Peter Laupapa Tauf A'Asau , MF

The first reading describes how God will reform the lives of His Chosen People by sending the Messiah. Because of the bad example of the unfaithful successors of King David, the Chosen People were wavering in their loyalty to Yahweh. Hence, in the first reading, the Lord God, through His prophet, Isaiah, tries to dispel their fears and to stir up hope among His people with His promise of a new Davidic King (a son of Jesse), who will establish peace and a glorious Kingdom of justice on earth.

In today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 72), the Psalmist pictures the Messiah as one who will show compassion to the poor, the lowly, and the afflicted. In the second reading, Paul is praying for the reformation of the Jewish Christians of Rome and instructing them to draw endurance and encouragement from the Old Testament books. They are to live in harmony with Gentile Christians, accepting them as equals, brothers and sisters, while they wait together for the second coming of Jesus.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptizer urges the Pharisees and Sadducees to give evidence that they mean to reform their lives to recognize and be ready to meet and accept the promised Messiah. He challenges them to repent, conversion, and renewal. He tells the common people, who expect the Messiah to come soon, to act with justice and charity, letting their lives reflect the transformation that will occur when the Messiah enters their lives. In the same way, as we prepare to welcome Christ at Christmas, John advises us to "prepare the way of the Lord."

We need to prepare for Christ's coming by allowing him to be reborn daily in our lives. Advent is the time for us to make this preparation by repenting our sins and renewing our lives through prayer, penance, and the sharing of our blessings with others. Let us humbly admit the truth with the German mystic Angelus Silesius "Christ could be born a thousand times in Bethlehem, but all in vain until He is born in me." He means that Jesus must be reborn in our heart during this season of Advent and every day of our lives, radiating his love, kindness, mercy, forgiveness, and spirit of humble service to the world through our lives.

We need to answer the call for a change of life. John the Baptist challenges our superficial attempts at change, demanding that, while we are obeying the commandments faithfully, we must correct our relationships with others, mend ruptures, soothe frictions, face family responsibilities, work honestly, and treat our employers and employees justly. Let us share our love with others as selfless and humble service. "Do small things but with great love" advise St. Theresa of Lisieux and St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)

TODAY'S READING

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

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The second Sunday of Advent marks a time of reflection and anticipation as

Christians prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. This day emphasizes the themes of peace and hope, symbolizing the inner peace that Christ brings to the world. It is a time to reflect on the prophecies regarding the Messiah and to prepare spiritually for His coming.



RENGA ESPIRITUAL

Capellán de la Comunidad Hispana de P. Ornelo Cherrez

Hermanos y hermanas, estudios bíblicos juiciosos muestran que la intención fundamental de esta predicación escatológica de Cristo no fue causar miedo sino invitar a la vigilancia. El sentido no es: "¡Preocúpate!" sino: "Mira cómo hay que obrar para que no tengas que preocuparte."

Lo fundamental y lo que él repite es: "¡Estén preparados!" Los ejemplos que da, como aquello del tiempo de Noé, aluden a lo que sucede cuando uno no se prepara. Pero los versículos que siguen al pasaje que hemos oído muestran bien que Cristo no estaba haciendo terrorismo psicológico o pescando conversiones a base de miedo. En esos versículos siguientes habla de todo lo bueno que sucederá al criado que permanece atento y vigilante, mostrando así lo que quiere para nosotros.

La primera lectura había acentuado aún más ese tono positivo con el que vamos iniciando este Adviento. Lo más notable tal vez es esa hermosa visión de paz con que Isaías nos invita a lanzarnos con empeño hacia el futuro. Desde la certeza de la fe, el profeta Isaías describe maravillas: "De las espadas forjarán arados y de las lanzas, podadera; ya no alzarán la espada pueblo contra pueblo, ya no se adiestrarán para la guerra." ¿Cómo no anhelar esa imagen preciosa en tiempos turbulentos como los que nos ha correspondido vivir?

Notemos de inmediato, sin embargo, que esa paz no existe como en abstracto; no es un ideal que se sostenga solo: va unido a la idea de una peregrinación cosmopolita hacia Jerusalén, como lugar de la luz, de la ley y de la Palabra del Señor. Que la paz la anhelamos, está claro; que estemos ya convencidos de que queremos recibir esa paz como Dios nos la quiere dar, es lo que no parece tan claro. Isaías habla de paz pero también habla de acercarnos a la luz del Señor, oír su voz, obedecer su ley. Una buena pregunta al inicio del Adviento es: queremos el fin que Dios promete, que es la paz; ¿queremos igualmente los medios que el nos indica para alcanzarla?. Nuestro Adviento, sólo puede ser visto como un caminar hacia la luz. Para muchos de nosotros puede ser un camino largo, pero será más corto si lo empezamos hoy mismo.

Feliz inicio de este tiempo de Adviento.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Brotará un retoño del tronco de Jesé. Juzgará a los pobres con justicia y herirá al violento con el látigo de su boca (Isaías 11:1-10).

Salmo — Que en sus días florezca la justicia y la paz abunde eternamente (Salmo 72 [71]).

Segunda lectura — Vivan en perfecta armonía unos con otros. Por lo tanto, acójense los unos a los otros como Cristo los acogió a ustedes, tanto circuncidados como gentiles (Romanos 15:4-9).

Evangelio — Juan Bautista predica, "Arrepiéntanse, porque el reino de los cielos está cerca" (Mateo 3:1-12).

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El segundo domingo de Adviento marca un tiempo de reflexión y anticipación mientras los cristianos se preparan para la celebración del nacimiento de Jesucristo. Este día enfatiza los temas de paz y esperanza, simbolizando la paz interior que Cristo trae al mundo. Es un momento para reflexionar sobre las profecías respecto al Mesías y para prepararse espiritualmente para Su llegada.



PARISH CORNER



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."
~ Matthew 24:42*

Stewards who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.



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November 23, 2025

1st Collection MLC & SMH:	\$ 5,484.00
2nd Collection: Catholic Campaign	\$ 3,845.00
Hispanic Mass:	\$ 399.00
Miscellaneous:	\$ 7,358.00

Next Week Second Collection:
NONE

Please remember Maria Lanakila Catholic Church in your will.

Baptism Classes

Date: Monday, Dec. 1 & 8, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Maria Lanakila Catholic Church

**Please call the rectory at
(808) 661-0552
for more information.**



The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a process by which the Catechumens (not baptized), Candidates (baptized but not part of the Catholic Church), Sponsors (mentor/prayer partner), Team, and Community, journey together. It is a journey of faith through which an awakening of faith and a growth of faith (conversion) takes place. Although we are on the journey together, each one of us has a different, unique, path and length of time it takes. This journey is taken in stages and lasts as long as it needs to last.

The Period of Evangelization and Precatechumenate

This is a time of asking, reflecting, and exploring. "Where is God in my life?" "How has God been working in my life?" "What does God desire for me?" We reflect on who God has sent us to help us on our journey. This period helps us focus on how God is working in us.

All are welcome!

When: Saturday, December 13, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Where: Rectory Conference Room

If you or someone you know is interested in beginning this faith journey, we encourage you to contact the parish office at (808) 661-0552 or e-mail secretary@marialanakila.org for more information.

SCHOOL CORNER



SACRED HEARTS SCHOOL
H.E.A.R.T.S. of Resilience

Hope. Empowerment. Advocacy. Resource.
Transformation. Sustainability.

For over 150 years, Sacred Hearts School in Lahaina has offered a Catholic education rooted in faith, compassion, and excellence. As we look to the future, we invite you to help ensure this legacy thrives for generations to come.

Join us on this extraordinary journey
—make a gift today.

From the Heart of Lahaina

Sacred Hearts School was founded in 1862 by Maria Lanakila Catholic Church to bring Christ-centered education to Lahaina's children.

What began as a modest mission grew into a beloved school—where generations of Maui families found academic strength, spiritual grounding, and a place to belong.

Then came August 8, 2023.

The wildfire that devastated Lahaina also destroyed our campus. But it did not destroy our mission. Within weeks, we reopened in Kapalua. By the following school year, we welcomed students to a new temporary campus in Ka'anapali. What carried us through was faith—and the unbreakable spirit of our 'ohana.

Today, we write a new chapter. A story of resilience, rooted in love, and built on the strength of our community.



Lahaina campus in the aftermath of the 2023 wildfire.



Faith in the Future

Even before the fire, Sacred Hearts was more than a school—it was a home for Lahaina's keiki.

Today, our needs have grown. More than half of our students and teachers lost their homes. In 2024, we provided over \$800,000 in tuition assistance. In 2025, that need rose to over \$1 million.

To meet this need not just now—but well into the future—we've launched the **H.E.A.R.T.S. of Resilience Campaign**, beginning with a \$20 million Tuition Endowment Fund.

This fund, managed by the Augustine Educational Foundation, will grow over time and offer sustainable support—so that no child is turned away from a Sacred Hearts education because of financial hardship.

It began with a \$1 million anonymous gift. Now, we're inviting you to help us raise the next \$19 million.

Together, we can secure their future—and the future of Lahaina's only Catholic school.

For more information and to make a donation, visit www.shsmaui.org. Mahalo for believing in our mission, our children, and our future.

Mahalo Nui Loa Hawaii' Nature Center



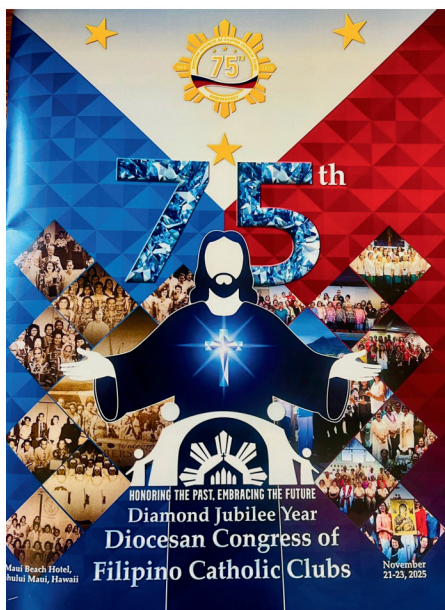
for facilitating an enriching Learning Journey — beginning with an engaging classroom visit and demonstration that beautifully prepared our students for their trip. They thoroughly enjoyed learning about native plants, expanding their vocabulary, exploring native animals, and discovering the many native foods found in our natural environment. We are grateful for the experience and the learning it inspired!



PARISH EVENTS

75th Diamond Jubilee of the Diocesan Congress of Filipino Catholic Clubs (DCFCC)

was celebrated with Mass at Maria Lanakila Catholic Church on November 22nd, presided by Bishop Larry Silva. Members from across the Maui Vicariate joined in this joyful and faith-filled celebration.



Children's Mass & Advent Penance Service

Saturday, December 20, 2025
9:00 AM

Maria Lanakila Church

Join us for a joyful celebration led with the participation of our parish children. Families are encouraged to attend together.

Immediately following Mass, priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is a beautiful opportunity to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ.



After the Penance Service, families are invited to stay for fun games and a light lunch. Enjoy fellowship and community as we celebrate the Advent season.

All families and parishioners are warmly invited.

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."
— Mark 1:3

PARISH ADVENT MISSION

WITH FR. JIM SICHKO

Come and be inspired as Fr. Jim leads us into a deeper experience of Advent through laughter, witness, and heartfelt reflection. Let this mission be a time of renewal as we prepare our hearts for Christ's coming.

December 15-17, 2025
6:30 PM

Maria Lanakila Church

