

Reverend Francisco Sanchez ~ Parochial Vicar

St. Catherine	Sat Vigil: 5:00pm Sun: 7:30am ◇ 9:30am ◇ 5:00pm Mon-Sat: 8:00am
St. Sylvester	Sat Vigil: 5:00pm Sun: 7:00am Wed: 5:30pm
St. William	Sun: 9:00am

St. Catherine: Saturday 4:15pm | St. Sylvester: Saturday 4:15pm | St. William: Upon Request

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May 18, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year C
2nd Collection - Youth/ R.E.
Religious Education at St. Catherine and St. Sylvester
High School or Middle School Ministry

05/21 Wednesday - 5:15PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament, SC

05/24 Saturday - 11:00AM to 12:00PM Food distribution in the playfield

05/25 Sixth Sunday of Easter
2nd Collection - Thailand/Myanmar Disaster
Religious Education at St. Catherine and St. Sylvester
High School or Middle School Ministry
6:00PM - St. Catherine Children's Choir Practice



Fr. Nick's FAREWELL POTLUCK is scheduled for Friday, June 6, in Coyle Hall at 6PM. This dinner is being held on a Friday to enable other parishes on Kauai to bid aloha to Fr. Nick. If you would like to share a few words or share a particular talent (singing/dancing) at this event contact the church office.

St. Sylvester Church has scheduled a FAREWELL POTLUCK for SaturdayJune 7th after their 5PM Mass. See Nelly for information.

BACCULAUREATE MASS - Sunday , June 1
St. Catherine Church - 5PM Mass

Graduates of High Schools and Colleges are invited to a Baccalaureate Mass . Come join their families to congratulate and celebrate their educational milestone.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

St. Catherine of Alexandria

Monday, May 19

Tuesday, May 20

Wednesday, May 21

Thursday, May 22

Friday, May 23

Saturday, May 24
 +Mary Ann Bender

Sunday, May 25
 7:30am +Annabel Bunao-Ragasa,
 +Victoria Toki, +Lonnie & Pat
 Tiner, +Brian Labuguen,
 +Matthew Mendoza

9:30am +Bernard Ancheta, +Rosie
 & Benoi Hacosolin

5:00pm

St. Sylvester Church

Wednesday, May 21

5:30pm

Sunday, May 25

St. William Church

Sunday, May 25

Personal Mass intentions will be accepted for all daily and Sunday Masses at all three Churches.

Saturday 5pm Masses has been designated as Missa pro populo and no Mass intentions will be accepted at that particular Mass.

Mass Intention will be published in bulletin.

Deadline for publication will be noon on each Wednesday.

Weekly Stewardship Reflections

May 18, 2025 - Fifth Sunday of Easter
ACTS 14:21-27; PS 145:8-13; REV 21:1-5A; JN 13:21-22A, 34-35

Today's readings on this fifth Sunday of Easter contain inspiring but challenging messages for us Christian stewards.

The Gospel from John includes this well-known verse: "My children...I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."

What a succinct description of a stewardship way of life. It sounds so simple. But simple does not necessarily mean easy.

How exactly is Jesus Calling us to love? As He, Himself loved. Jesus loved (and loves) by serving us and by making a sacrifice of His very life for us. That is a tall order.

Living a life of service and self-sacrifice is not easy because it requires us to continuously fight against our selfish inclinations. But the more we empty ourselves of "self" by serving others, the more room we make in our hearts for God to pour His grace into us. Amazingly, the more we give our lives away to others, the more He fills us up with Himself who is love itself.

And amid the inevitable challenging moments this way of life entails we can be assured that the Lord who loves us so much that He died for us and established the Eucharist to be our strength and nourishment, is right here with us every step of the way.

As we face the hardships that come with living as Christian stewards, we can continue to rejoice in the wonder of the Resurrection this Easter season, finding great joy in following in our Lord's footsteps and in loving as He loves.

Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants



New titles for our Parish Library located in the back corner of St. Catherine's! Look for books on newly placed shelves at St. Sylvester's! Deepen your Faith be encouraged!

Contact Maria through the Church office if you have Catholic books to donate.

SCAN HERE QR code for Online Giving



**Mahalo for YOUR
Stewardship of
Treasure:**

Week of May 11, 2025

Sunday Offertory	\$ 8372.00
On-Line Offertory.....	\$ 3193.22
Offertory- direct giving	\$ 3162.00
Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 3673.07
Repair & Maintenance.....	\$ 308.00
Parish Reserve	\$ 120.00
Food Pantry	\$ 20.00
Youth Ministry- High School.....	\$ 25.00
Cause for Joseph Dutton	\$.....25.00

Liturgy of the Day:

Spring can be a delight for our senses. We see trees starting to bud, flowers poking their heads out of the ground, and grass turning a lovely shade of green. We hear migrating birds and feel the warm sun on our faces. God's words in Revelation seem especially apt: "Behold, I make all things new." Much as we can behold spring making all things new, when God raised Jesus, freeing our lives from sin and death, we too were made brand new. Let us give thanks to God for continually renewing our world and our lives.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment: love one another. As his disciples now, we are commanded to do the same. May listening to God's word – of Paul and Barnabas making disciples all over Asia Minor, of John's vision of God dwelling with the human race, and of Jesus' words to his disciples – strengthen our spirits as we live out that command.

Reflection: Consider God's love for you. How would you describe it? Do you really believe God cares for you? Do you believe God has forgiven you when you have sinned? Can you think of some examples of when you have experienced God's love for you? If you are having trouble answering, spend some time in prayer and reflection on these questions. If you can remember how God has loved you, then consider how you reflect that love in how you treat others. There is only one commandment that Jesus gave us: Love one another. *Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for each other.* -John 13:34

YOUTH/ R.E. COLLECTION: May 17 & 18

Monies will be used for the parish religious education program which encompasses the sacramental preparation for First Eucharist, Confirmation and the Youth and Middle School programs as well as Adult Faith Formation. It is said that the youth is the future of our church.... nay.... the youth is already in our pews and continues to flourish in our parish.

MAY MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

May 17-18.....2nd Youth / R.E. Collection

May 19-23.....Priests' Retreat in Honolulu

8AM Communion Svc (M-F)

May 24-25..... 2nd Collection- Thailand/Myanmar Disaster

May 26... ..Memorial Day- Holiday

May 31..... ...Confirmation/First Communion

SC 5PM Mass with Bishop Larry

May 31/June 1...2nd Collection-Catholic Communication

May 31/June 1.....Hospitality Sunday at SS & SC

**June 6.....FAREWELL POTLUCK FOR FR. NICK
6:00PM in Coyle Hall**

June 7.....FAREWELL POTLUCK for FR. NICK-SS



Congratulations to St. Catherine Church for surpassing its Fiscal Year goal of

\$19,071 for Ohana in Christ. Your prayerful act of Stewardship will greatly contribute to Bishop Larry's ability to address the needs of many of the Diocesan and Parish ministries throughout the State.

Everyone is invited to witness our children receive the Sacraments of First Eucharist and



Confirmation on Saturday, May 31st at Saint Catherine's 5:00PM Mass. Come celebrate and congratulate them as they culminate their two-year journey. They are very excited that Bishop Larry will officiating at this very important milestone in their lives.

BEREAVEMENT When a catholic dies, the Church celebrates a particular set of liturgical rites to help those through the immediate days of grieving. This committee supports the priests or deacon in the funeral celebration by providing logistical and liturgical support.

Contact:

St. Catherine Church: Deacon Andy Ragasa 645-1710

St. William & Sylvester: Raina Bautista 634-0756

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY is a place where members of our parish ages 18-39 can come together for fellowship and faith formation. Life at this age is a very formative time for all, and we recognize the importance of offering a safe space for us to come together as a faith community during this pivotal time in our lives. We invite all of our parish young adults to join us at our Young Adult nights as we live out our mission to support and grow with one another-with our Catholic faith serving as our foundation.

Contact Raina Bautista

MEN'S MINISTRY Men of all ages are invited to join in fellowship. Meeting quarterly to discuss all aspects of family and faith life. This group meets to share what's happening in their lives among men of diverse yet similar backgrounds.. If that sounds simple and straightforward, it's because it IS a simple and straightforward way to build deeper relationships.

Contact Deacon Andy at 645-1710

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS As our three churches continue to age, many items are needing attention to prevent further damage and maintain a welcoming and safe environment. Simple plumbing & electrical work is always on-call, broken windows, plugged toilets and jammed doors are a few items that frequently occurs. *Call the Church office for more information*

OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

The Catholic Church has always offered methods for people who were not Catholic to learn more about the Catholic faith. The Order of Christian initiation is designed for adults, who, after hearing the mystery of Christ proclaimed, consciously and freely seek the living God and enter the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts. We accompany you on your journey to help you understand and embrace the Deposit of Faith in its fullness.

Call Sr. Rachel or Raina Bautista listed in bulletin

Stewardship at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish

Giving of ourselves • our time, talent, and treasure - takes many forms. We can be of service to others by helping out at the food pantry or beautifying the church grounds. we can join others in prayer at church and by offering our prayers at home. We can take a bible study, borrow books from the church library, or listen to a Catholic app to take part in formation. When we learn about the Faith, we can share with others. We can be welcoming when we come to church showing hospitality and care for others. There is something for each of us to do to strengthen God's Church on earth.

Parents & Families at the Center of Faith Formation:

NCCL's Parents and Families at the Center of Faith Formation Project will establish a solid foundation of knowledge about how faith transmission is (or is not) being practiced in Catholic families so that new approaches and strategies can be designed that are reflective of the family research and current thinking on faith transmission. The Project seeks to build on how Catholic families are already transmitting faith and values so that new approaches and strategies support parents. The new approaches and strategies will be developmentally appropriate, culturally responsive, personalized to diverse parental religiosities, and responsive to diverse family structures.

Call Raina Bautista listed in bulletin

LECTORS AND COMMENTATORS MINISTRY

The Lector/Commentator Ministry is a Ministry as our Faith Community meets Jesus in His Word through the Proclamation given by the Lector. The effective Proclamation can evoke increased Faith in the listener. It arouses the connection to the Word and one's life and his/her relationship with God. This act of delivering the Word with conviction and clarity inspires unity among the listener and the need of comfort and hope.

Contact Bronwyn Farias: 808-635-2339

PRISON MINISTRY Ministers are needed to bring the Word to our brothers and sisters incarcerated at Kauai Community Correctional Center. An annual mandatory training session is offered by KCCC to be able to enter the facility. *Call the Church office for more information.*

PARISH STAFF

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St. Mary's Convent 808-320-3445
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St. Catherine: Sr. Lucy Salboro
St. Sylvester: Nelly Bautista 634-0756
St. William: Violet Yagihara

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Call Parish Office. After hours, call Residence

Baptism

First Holy Communion

A 2 year program. Religious Education classes run from August to May

Want to have your child Baptized, please call the church office 822-7900 at extension 2, to set-up a date for this wonderful celebration.

Eucharist to Homebound

Deacon Andy 645-1710

Confirmation

A 2 year program of instruction, August to May

Holy Matrimony

Contact Priest 6 months before the wedding.
Diocesan Engaged Encounter required

Funeral

Arrangements to be confirmed with parish office first to confirm date and priest.

Adoration 5:15pm & Adult Faith Formation 6:30pm
St. Catherine Church on Wednesday s

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Every Thursday in Coyle Hall from 8:00am-11:00am.
More information call Patricia Saturnino 822-7900

Miraculous Medal Devotion

St. Catherine Church every Monday after Daily Mass

Divine Mercy Devotion

St. Catherine Church every day after Daily Mass

Rosary

St. Catherine Church 7:30am, before Daily Mass

St. Sylvester on Wednesday at 5:00pm, before Mass

Food Pantry Sam Knepper 808-826-1944

St. Williams every Thursday 4:00pm-6:00pm

St. Catherine every Saturday 11:30am-1:00pm—822-7900

Lending Library at St. Catherine Church

Located on the back wall of St. Catherine Church in Kapaa is a bookshelf full of Catholic reading materials for you to borrow. Kindly share with family and friends but please return so others may enjoy. Contact Maria at 808-212-1453 if you have books to donate or drop off at church office.

Healing Prayer Ministry

Every Tuesday after morning Mass, All Are Welcome
Terri D. Mansfield 602-885-9058

Respect Life - Prisma Brewer 530-356-7643

Prison Ministry ~

Hospitality Ministry ~ Inocenta Ragasa 651-2481

Bereavement Ministry

St. Catherine: Deacon Andy Ragasa 645-1710

St William & St. Sylvester: Raina Bautista 634-0756

Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

Kauai Family of God

~1st Tuesday, Intercessory Prayer at Viado Home

~2nd & 4th Tuesday, St. Catherine Church @ 6:00pm

Brenda Viado 808-346-1436.

Text for Prayer Line and more information.