

St. CATHERINE *of Alexandria Parish*



Reverend EJ Resinto - Pastor

Reverend Francisco Sanchez - Parochial Vicar

MASSES

St. Catherine Saturday Anticipated: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am ♦ 9:30am ♦ 5:00pm

Monday - Saturday: 7:00am

St. Sylvester Saturday Anticipated: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:00am | Wednesday: 5:30pm

St. William Sunday: 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

St. Catherine: Saturday 4:15pm Wed 5:30pm

St. Sylvester: Saturday 4:15pm

St. William: Upon Request

PARISH OFFICE

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Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am-2:00pm

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Mass Intentions

St. Catherine of Alexandria

Monday, Oct 13 +Beatrice Tactay
Tuesday, Oct 14 +Francesca Aquino
Wednesday, Oct 15 +Stephen M. Pabustan
Thursday, Oct 16 +Felix Iloreta
Friday, Oct 17 Jerold Suarez (Bday)
Saturday, Oct 18 +Delpidio Labuguen
Sunday, Oct 19
7:30am +Harold Aiu, +Cesar Castro, +Wayne & Stephanie Rapozo, +Corazon Bodonia, and for Jessica Marchant (Healing)
9:30am +Taka Sokei, +Renee Thronas, +Juliet Aiu, +Catalina Bicara, Dye Ohana (Thanksgiving)
5:00pm +Antonio Valvieja

St. Sylvester Church

Wednesday, Oct 15 Nita Beltran (Bday)
+Rosalina Pascua
Sunday, Oct 19 +Paul Rapozo

St. William Church

Sunday, Oct 19 James Gonsalves (Healing)

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

Saturday 5pm Mass has been designated as Missa pro populo and no Mass intentions will be accepted



An Attitude of Gratitude

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

2 Kings 5:14-17 / 2 Timothy 2:8-13 / Luke 17:11-19

An “attitude of gratitude” is foundational in living out our Christian lives. Today’s readings demonstrate the power and importance of being grateful because it is through thanksgiving that we are drawn into worship of God — the giver of all things and the source of our salvation.

Both the Old and New Testament readings show people who experience healing and respond in joy and thanksgiving. In the First Reading, we meet Naaman, the commander of the Syrian army, who seeks healing from the prophet Elisha, the “man of God.” Elisha instructs Naaman to wash in the Jordan River, and upon doing so, Naaman is completely cured of his leprosy. Overjoyed, he returns to Elisha filled with gratitude to God and offers gifts in thanksgiving. Though Elisha refuses, Naaman proclaims that he will no longer offer sacrifice to any other god except the Lord. His healing leads him to faith and lifelong worship.

In the Gospel, ten lepers cry out to Jesus for mercy. He sends them to the priests, and as they go, all ten are healed. Yet only one — a Samaritan — turns back. “Where are the other nine?” Jesus asks.

That question still echoes today. It’s not just a question for the lepers — it’s a question for us. How often do we, too, forget to return to the Lord and give thanks? How many times have we received blessings, big or small — an answered prayer, a moment of peace, a healing of body or heart — and simply moved on without a word of gratitude?

The ingratitude of the nine is striking, but it mirrors the way we can overlook the countless ways God blesses us every single day. Every breath, every sunrise, every act of love we receive is a gift from Him. When we fail to recognize these gifts, we miss the opportunity to enter deeper into relationship and worship with the Giver Himself.

Gratitude begins within our hearts when we pause to recognize how blessed we truly are and humbly acknowledge the source of those blessings — our loving and merciful God. Like Naaman and the Samaritan, true gratitude leads us naturally to worship.

The very word Eucharist comes from the Greek **Eucharistia**, meaning “thanksgiving.” Each time we gather for Mass, we are offering our greatest act of gratitude to God for the gift of salvation and the blessings He pours upon us.

So, what are you grateful for today? Yes, there is much pain and division in the world — families torn apart, nations at war, hearts burdened by fear — but there is still goodness and grace all around us.

As for me, I am grateful for the gift of life — that I woke up this morning. I am grateful for my priesthood, which allows me to offer this sacrifice of thanksgiving on your behalf. I am grateful for my family — both my family by blood and you, my parish family — who share in this holy action of praise and thanksgiving.

Brothers and sisters, today, this week, and for the rest of our lives, may we live each moment with an awareness and attitude of gratitude.

October 12, 2025 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd Collection—Youth R.E. Ministry
6PM, SC Children's Choir Practice
Lector Commissioning—All SC Masses

10/15 Wednesday

5:30PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at
SC **Reconciliation during Adoration Hour**
6:30PM EMHC Workshop & Training

10/18 Saturday

8:30 AM EMHC Workshop & Training

11:00AM to 12:00PM Food distribution in the playfield

10/19 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

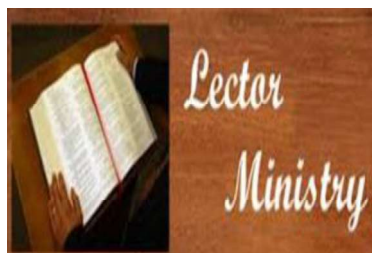
R.E. Classes at SS and SC
EMHC Commissioning—All SC Masses



Reminder to all St. Catherine's
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
and invitation to anyone interested in serving
as an EMHC, There will be a workshop and
training on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at
6:30 p.m. or Saturday, October 18 at 8:30 a.m.
at St. Catherine's Church.

To our Lectors:

Thank you so
much for being a
voice that speaks
from the heart to witness to God's word.



Could you spare an hour or two giving back to the community?



The St. Catherine's Parish Food Pantry and Kauai Food Bank is looking for
volunteers to help bag produce and other food items on Saturday Mornings
from 10:30 a.m. To 12 noon at St. Catherine's Church. Look for the Food
Bank truck in the field and show up!

**Mahalo for YOUR
Stewardship of Treasure:**



QR code for Online Giving

**Week of October 5
2025**

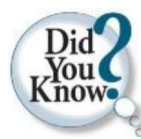
Sunday Offertory

\$ 8027.00

On-Line Offertory	\$ 3962.00
Offertory- direct giving	\$ 1245.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 608.00
Parish Reserve	\$ 523.00
Catholic University	\$ 10.00
Ohana in Christ	\$ 2479.00
Parish Food Pantry	\$ 100.00
All Souls Day	\$ 1817.00
Gift Shop	\$ 316.00
RE & Youth Ministry	\$ 268.88
Roof	\$ 310.00

**YOUTH R.E. COLLECTION
Oct 11/12**

This Collection will be specifically funding the
parish Religious Education program. This will
encompass the sacramental preparation for First
Eucharist, Confirmation and the Youth and Middle
School programs as well as Adult Faith
Formation. Your donation supports catechetical
workshops, teaching implements, student retreats,
an in-depth curriculum filled with engaging
lessons with a multitude of meaningful activities.
We are grateful for your support.



... that parishioners are able to rent Coyle
Hall for private parties? Call the church
office to inquire about holding your birth-
day or graduation parties, family reunions,
weddings or any gatherings in our parish hall.
Conveniently located and lots of parking.

Liturgy of the Day:

We gather as a community of faith to worship God, to thank God for the blessings we've received, and to be nourished by the Eucharist. It is quite fitting that we give thanks to God when we celebrate the Eucharist, since *eucharistia* is Greek for thanksgiving. Today's readings can remind us how appropriate it is to give thanks to God, just as we would thank a neighbor who does something special for us. Let us be a thankful people, expressing a spirit of gratitude throughout our lives.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Today's readings extol the virtue of gratitude. We hear first of Naaman, a foreigner, who is so grateful to Elisha and the LORD for curing his leprosy that he returns to offer gifts. In the Gospel, another foreigner ---a Samaritan--- returns to Jesus to offer thanks after his leprosy is cured. May we be as grateful as them for God's blessings upon us, starting with our "Thanks be to God" for the saving power of God's word.

Reflection:

The story of Naaman has many lessons for us. The prophet, Elisha, told him to bathe in the Jordan to be cured of his leprosy but he resisted -- it was beneath him. His servant convinced him to do it and he was cured. How often do we resist the Spirit because we feel doing something would make us look silly? The more we ask the Spirit to guide us, the more we discover what seemed silly to us, is really God's wisdom at work in us. *Sing to the Lord a new song, For he has done marvelous things. Psalm -98:1*

Mary Lardizabal and Sr. Rachel are cordially inviting children of all ages to join St. Catherine's Children Choir. Practice will be held the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 6PM after the 5PM Mass starting, Sunday September 14th. Contact Sr. Rachel or Mary Lardizabal at rmaurius@rcchawaii.org. When you sing in church you're praying twice.



Mass Intention

A mass intention in the Catholic Church is for a specific purpose or person for whom a priest offers a Mass, bringing the prayers and needs of the faithful before God during the Eucharistic celebration. It's a way to pray for the deceased, give thanks, or ask for support for the living during special occasions like a birthday, marriage or anniversary. The graces from the Mass are applied to the intention, making it a profound spiritual act of love, faith, and hope for the person or intention being prayed for.

By Decree Canon 952: 1 – Council of American Bishops has designated that an offering can be made for the celebration and application of a Mass. This decree has set \$10 per intention for publicly announced Mass Intentions in the Ecclesiastical Province of San Francisco which includes Honolulu Diocese.

IN ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA PARISH

- Single Mass Intentions will be accepted on a FIRST COME / FIRST SERVED basis at SC daily 7AM MASS

- Multiple Mass Intentions will be accepted at

St. Catherine-Sunday Masses

St. Sylvester-Wednesday & Sunday Masses

St. William- Sunday Mass

Feast Day Masses

- If requested date is filled, the Mass Intention will be assigned to next available Mass at requested church

- NO Mass Intentions will be accepted at any 5PM Masses which has been designated Misa pro populo

- Mass Intentions will be published in bulletin and announced at pulpit if received by Wednesday noon.

- Donations in excess of \$10 will be given to a charity at the discretion of the celebrating priest.

- Intentions are being accepted for 2026 calendar.

OCTOBER MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

October 1 to 31.....SC: FCC Rosary

Oct 11/12.....Lector Commissioning-All SC Masses

Oct 11/12.....2nd Collection : Youth R.E. Ministry

Oct 13.....Discovers' Day- Office Closed

Oct 15 or 22.....SC-EM Training

Oct 18/19.....EM Commissioning – All SC Masses

Oct 25/26.....2nd Collection-World Mission Sunday



Every October, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month. This Year's materials are inspired by the Jubilee Year of Hope. The message, "Life: Our Sign of Hope," reflects the call to be signs of hope to all facing trials and difficulties. The 2025 poster features an image of an infant receiving the sacrament of Baptism. Through the Gift of our Baptism, Our Lord calls us to be members of his body thereby demonstrating the invaluable dignity of the human person. This mystery invites us to be witnesses to the hope of the resurrection by promoting and defending the precious gift of life.

USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

OCTOBER MONTH OF ROSARY DEVOTION

FILIPINO CATHOLIC CLUB SCHEDULE at St. Catherine Church

Monday & Tuesday 5:00PM

Wednesday 4:30PM

Thursday & Friday 5:00PM

Saturday & Sunday 4:00PM



WOMEN APOSTLES FOR CATECHESIS (WAC)

Sr. Rachel and Sr. Lucy of the Missionary Sisters of Christians (MSMHC) cordially invite the women of the parish to join WAC. This group collaborates with the MSMHC in its endeavor to carry out the mission of the Church. The Spirituality of WAC is based on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ. The members of WAC are called to follow Jesus faithfully and to share in HIS mission. Are you interested in developing a deeper relationship with Jesus? Join the MSMHC as a lay apostle. Contact Sr. Rachel listed in the back of the bulletin. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21st in St. Damien Room. See you there !!!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday at 5:30PM – 6:30PM with confession

Come to me, all of you who are weary and loaded down with burdens and I will give you rest. Mt.11:28



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament overcomes hardships by fostering a direct, transformative encounter with Christ, offering spiritual strength, peace, and clarity through silent contemplation and prayer. By spending time in His Real Presence, individuals can experience renewed hope, healing for their souls, and a deeper trust in God's love to guide them through overwhelming difficulties.

How Adoration Provides Strength for Difficult Times

Deepened Connection to Christ: Adoration is a time to be in Jesus's physical presence, which allows for a profound communion with Him, fostering a closer relationship that provides comfort and understanding during struggles.

Spiritual Healing and Peace: Being in the presence of Christ, even without speaking, can bring a sense of healing, peace, and calm to the heart and mind, which is especially needed when facing overwhelming challenges.

Clarity and Guidance: The quiet atmosphere of adoration helps to silence the distractions of the world, allowing for personal reflection and a clearer hearing of God's voice, which provides guidance and wisdom for difficult decisions.

Inner Strength and Resilience: Just as prolonged exposure to the sun transforms skin without effort, prolonged exposure to Christ's presence in the Eucharist can transform the soul, strengthening one's spirit to face trials.

A Sacred Pause: Adoration offers a vital "sacred pause" from life's demands, providing a place for the soul to breathe and receive God's love and support.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. EJ Resinto Fax 822-3014 ext 225

Rev. Francisco Sanchez ext 224

Deacon Andy Ragasa 645-1710

Administrative Assistant: Carmen Nakasone 822-7900

Stewardship Coordinator:

EM& Lector: Bronwyn Farias 635-2339

Faith Formation Director: Sr. Rachel Marius 822-7900

Music Ministry

Music Director: Sean Texeira 651-0454

Larry Rosa 651-5499

OCIA: Raina Bautista 634-0756

OCIC: Sr. Lucy Salboro

Young Adults: Clay Levinthol 346-1350

Youth Ministry

St. Catherine: Sundays at 8:15am

Shanlee Gusman, Jonah Stein, & Iyanah Wiltshire-Stein

St. Sylvester: Kierstyn & Jimmy Guerrero. 8:15am Sundays

St. Mary's Convent 808-320-3445

Sacristans

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**

Religious Education classes run from September to May.

Core classes run January to May

Eucharist to Homebound

Deacon Andy 645-1710

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.

Confirmation

Religious Education program of instruction, September to May. Core classes run January 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 Wednesdays

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 6:30am, 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 & St. Sylvester

Located on the back wall of St. Catherine Church and on the side alcove at St. Sylvester Church, 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 808-228-4471 if you have books to donate or drop off at church office.

Healing Prayer Ministry

Every Friday after morning Mass, All Are Welcome

Terri D. Mansfield 602-885-9058

Respect Life - Prisma Brewer 530-356-7643

Prison Ministry ~ Kenneth Ponce 808-822-7650

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.