

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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Mass Intentions

St. Catherine of Alexandria

Monday, Nov 24 +Florentino Salvador Jr
Tuesday, Nov 25 +Angela & Camilo Ofamin
Wednesday, Nov 26 +Robert Francis Noguchi
+Vincent Lizama

Thursday, Nov 27 +Henry Ibia

Friday, Nov 28 +Florentino Salvador Jr

Saturday, Nov 29 +Florentino Salvador Sr

Sunday, Nov 30

7:30am +Florentino Salvador Jr., +Emelia Sanchez,
+Delphin Labuguen, +Antonia Sanches Sr.,
+Celemente Agas

9:30am +Leroy Newman, +Kekoa Blevins, +Alan
Reyes, +Carmelina Reyes, Delia Ibia (Healing)

5:00pm +Dalmacia Venida

St. Sylvester Church

Wednesday, Nov 26

Sunday, Nov 30 +Pierre Pavao

St. William Church

Sunday, Nov 30 Ints of Dye Ohana

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
at that particular Mass.

November 23, 2025 Feast of Christ the King

2nd Collection—Ohana in Christ

R.E. Classes at SS and SC

6:00PM—SC Children's Choir

11/25 Tuesday - Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria
See bulletin for details

11/26 Wednesday

5:30PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at SC
Reconciliation during Adoration Hour

11/27 Thursday - Thanksgiving, Office Closed Thurs & Fri

11/29 Saturday

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

11/30 First Sunday of Advent

2nd Collection—Parish Repair & Maintenance

NO R.E. Classes at SS and SC

NOVEMBER 30TH – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Advent is a season of preparation for Christmas in the Catholic Church, observed during the four weeks leading up to December 24th. It is a time of prayer and reflection, focusing on the "comings" of Christ: his birth at Christmas, his presence in the Church, and his eventual second coming. Key practices include lighting an Advent wreath, wearing purple vestments to signify both penitence and royalty, and observing specific readings and liturgical themes of hope, peace, joy, and love.

What Advent is about

- Hope and anticipation: The season is a time to reflect on the hope for the Savior's coming, both to celebrate his birth and to prepare for his second coming.

- The "comings" of Christ: It acknowledges Jesus's past arrival at Christmas, his ongoing presence in the Church, and his future return.

- Spiritual preparation: Catholics focus on prayer, reflection, and a spirit of penitence, similar to Lent, to prepare their hearts for Christmas.

- The colors of Advent have symbolic meanings: purple represents penance, preparation, and royalty; pink (or rose) signifies joy, and is used on the third Sunday (Gaudete Sunday); and white re-presents purity, hope, and the celebration of Christ. In some traditions, a blue candle is used for hope, and a green or gold candle can symbolize faith or love, respectively.

Mahalo for YOUR Stewardship of Treasure:



QR code for Online Giving

**Week of November 16
2025**

Sunday Offertory

\$ 8519.00

On-Line Offertory

\$ 1307.00

Offertory-direct giving

\$ 1635.00

Archdiocese of Military

\$ 45.00

Campaign for Human Development

\$ 3065.00

Repair & Maintenance

\$ 226.00

Parish Reserve

\$ 45.00

Youth Ministry –High School

\$ 25.00

Ohana in Christ

\$ 25.00

World Mission Sunday

\$ 20.00

Youth Ministry and RE

\$ 1010.00

CCHD COLLECTION — Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised \$3065.00 to support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States and also support local programs.

SECOND COLLECTION-OHANA IN CHRIST November 22 and 23

As one 'ohana in Christ, each of us is called to play an important role in our parishes, our communities, and in the lives of others. We are called to support our brothers and sisters in need and share the Good News of Christ's love for all by the love we show, the hope we provide, and the gifts we give. By supporting the 'Ohana in Christ, you and our entire 'ohana in Christ, work together to answer this call. Thank you for your support, for caring for those around you, and for being a member of this Catholic 'ohana of faith.



**WE pray for the
recently deceased**

Name: **Isaac Guerrero**

Funeral: St. Catherine
Church, December 6



Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria

November 25 – St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish, Kapa'a

Over these past weeks on pilgrimage through Portugal and Italy, one grace kept surprising me: St. Catherine of Alexandria kept finding me. Twice — entirely by chance — I wandered into shrines and chapels dedicated to our parish's patroness. And in each encounter, I felt the Lord reminding me that the saints walk with us far more closely than we recognize.

One of the most moving moments came inside the Sistine Chapel. As I stood beneath Michelangelo's breathtaking Last Judgment, surrounded by the stories of salvation and the drama of eternity, my eyes were drawn to a powerful figure — a woman of fierce strength, gripping the broken wheel of her martyrdom as if ready to defend every soul entrusted to her.

It was St. Catherine of Alexandria.

Michelangelo depicts her not as delicate or timid, but as robust, muscular, and intensely alive — a warrior of faith. Her posture is one

of battle: not violence, but a courageous fight for the salvation of souls. Seeing her painted in such strength stirred something deep. In that moment I realized: **This is the woman who watches over our parish - This is the saint who intercedes for Kapa'a, for Kīlauea, for Hanalei. - This is the patroness who fights for us.**

A Heritage Rooted in Mission

Our parish story is woven with the same resilience and missionary zeal that defined Catherine's life.

In 1864, a small church dedicated to St. Maxime was built near the Hanalei Pier, serving as the heart of Catholic life for the North and East Shores. When the population shifted toward the plantation community of Kīlauea, Catholic families carried their faith with them. Even after St. Maxime's was demolished in the 1930s, Mass and catechism continued in homes across Hanalei, Wainiha, and Hā'ena — proof that the Church lives wherever the faithful gather.

These mission churches, along with our parish of St. Catherine of Alexandria, are built on generations of perseverance, sacrifice, and prayer. Their history echoes the courage of our patroness — a woman who stood before emperors, defended her faith, and gave her life for Christ.

A Saint for Our Time

St. Catherine of Alexandria remains a powerful witness for today's world:

- *Her intellect reminds us that faith seeks understanding.*
- *Her courage teaches us to stand firm even when the Gospel is inconvenient.*
- *Her martyrdom shows us that love for Christ is worth everything.*

But Michelangelo's image also reveals another truth: Holiness makes us strong — strong for others, strong for mission, strong for love.

As I prayed before that fresco, I realized Catherine isn't only a saint of the past.

She is a companion for our parish right now as we:

- *repair roofs and strengthen our sacred spaces*
- *rebuild parish ministries*
- *reconnect our mission churches*
- *renew our call to evangelize*
- *grow in unity across East and North Shore communities*

Her strength is the strength we need.

A Parish Being Renewed

This feast day comes at a time of rebirth for our parish 'ohana.

Like the early Christians I prayed with in Rome — in catacombs, basilicas, and shrines — we too are discerning how to live the Gospel boldly today, that God is not complicated. He simply wants to be with us, to renew us, and to send us forth.

Join Us for the Feast Day Tuesday, November 25, 2025. Solemn Mass of St. Catherine of Alexandria at 6PM, Potluck Dinner and fellowship to follow in Coyle Hall. I warmly invite every parishioner, family, visitor, kūpuna, and keiki to gather as one body in Christ. Let this be a moment of unity, gratitude, and renewed mission.

As we honor our patroness, may her strength embolden us, her wisdom guide us, and her love for Christ ignite our hearts. **St. Catherine of Alexandria, pray for us.**

Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria

NO 7AMMass

Tuesday - Nov. 25th@ St. Catherine Church

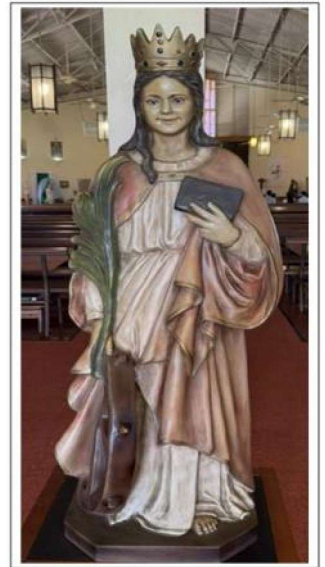
IMMEDIATELY AFTER A 6PM MASS- POTLUCK

SUGGESTED POTLUCK ENTREE

your last name begins with:

A to L..... salads, desserts, fruits
M to Z.....main dish, pasta, salads
A to Z... ,.....*your presence !!!*

-- Parish to provide rice and drinks --
YOU ARE TO PROVIDE FUN, LAUGHTER
& TIME TO TALK STORY



Thanksgiving Blessings

from
Fr. EJ, Fr. Francisco, Dcn. Andy,
and the staff & parishioners of
St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish



Door prizes

\$500 cash prize

\$100 cash prize

\$100 Cash prize

\$20 cash prize

2 ea, 10lbs
freshly ground
local beef

1 ea, New
microwave

2 ea, \$150ea
Gift Cert. to
Hukilau
Restaurant

1 ea, \$50 Gift Certificate to Ross Store

1 ea, \$50 Gift Certificate to Safeway

Personal Gift Prizes / personal massage



Feast Day of ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

1ST ANNUAL FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

TUESDAY 11.25.25
MASS | 6PM
POTLUCK DINNER & CELEBRATION AFTER MASS
5021-A KAWAIHAU RD. KAPAA, HAWAII 96746

St. Catherine of Alexandria
— patron of scholars,
writers, and workers —
inspires us to seek truth
and live boldly in faith.

www.kauaistcatherine.church



**NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. FREE LUCKY DRAWING TICKETS
WILL BE PASSED OUT AFTER EACH MASS THIS WEEKEND
(Nov. 22 & 23) & AT COYLE HALL. NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

The feast day for St. Catherine of Alexandria is November 25. This date is significant for her, as it is the day she was martyred in 305 AD and has been a popular day for centuries, honoring her as the patron saint of students, philosophers, librarians and those who work with wheels.

UPCOMING PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Parish Book of Remembrance

Month-long display on altars

Names of Our Deceased Loved Ones



Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria



Nov. 25th -Tuesday

6PM-Mass@ SC (NO 7AM Mass)

POTLUCK Fellowship to follow-Coyle Hall

Thanksgiving Eve

Nov. 26th - Wednesday

St. Sylvester Church - 5:30pm

Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 27th - Thursday

St. Catherine Church - 8am Mass



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

December 8th -Monday

Holy Day of Obligation

St. Sylvester CH-6 PM

St. Catherine CH- 7 AM & 6PM

Renewal of vows of Sr. Rachel & Sr. Luci

Parish- Wide Advent Reconciliation

Tuesday, December 9th

St. Catherine CH- 6PM



Liturgy of the Day:

The kingship of Jesus Christ has been affirmed going back to when Jesus was called the Messiah, but the actual feast was only added to the liturgical calendar one hundred years ago, in 1925. In the wake of World War I, history's first truly global war, Pope Pius XI created the feast as the antithesis of the divisive nationalism that led men to take up arms against their brothers, as well as an antidote to the growing secularism that denied the world's unity under God. One hundred years later and nearly two thousand years after Jesus began his public ministry, we still recognize his kinship over all the earth.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Our first reading today takes us back to when the elders of the twelve tribes of Israel anointed David king. In the second reading, we hear an early church prayer, extolling Jesus in words like the ones we recite today in the creed. The Gospel offers two very different ways in which the condemned with Jesus viewed the inscription on his cross. In harmony with the good thief, may we sing out in today's responsorial psalm, "let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."

Reflection:

For generations, people have often believed that the good prosper and when bad things happen to someone it is because they are being punished for their sins. Yet the very life of Jesus contradicts this notion. Who was more kind, compassionate, or just? Things that happen in our lives are not judgments against or for us. They are simply the realities we must deal with. If we seek God's help, we will have the graces we need to use all things, the positive and the negative, for good.

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, That you may prove what is the will of God, What is good and acceptable and perfect. -Romans 12:2

Our Lord told St. Gertrude the Great that the following prayer would release 1000 souls from purgatory each time it is said.

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family - Amen

(Approval and Recommendation by
Cardinal Pahiarcia, Lisbon, Portugal, March 4, 1936)

NOVEMBER MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

- Nov 22/23... 2nd Collection-Ohana in Christ
- Nov 25... Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria
- 6pm SC Mass-POTLUCK to follow
- NO 7AM Mass at SC

- Nov 27-28... Thanksgiving- Office Closed 2 days
- Nov 29/30... 2nd Collection-Parish R & M

DECEMBER MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

- Dec 6/7... Hospitality Sunday at SC & SS
-Dec- Birthday Blessings at all Masses
- Dec 8... Feast of Immaculate Conception
-Holy Day of Obligation-See Bulletin
- Dec 9... Parish Advent Reconciliation- SC 6pm
- Dec 13/14... 2nd Collection: Religious Retirement
- Dec 16-24... 5AM- Misa de Gallo Novena of Masses
- Dec 20/21... Youth /R.E. Collection
- Dec 22... 7PM-SC-Christmas Concert
- Dec 25... See future bulletins for Mass Times
- Dec 27/28... 2nd Collection-Ohana in Christ

All children are invited to join the St. Catherine's Children's Choir! We would love to have your children be a part of the Christmas Vigil 5:00pm service. Practices will be held the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month after the Sunday evening 5pm mass. Spread the word! This is a great way to get your children involved in this very special ministry! For more information, contact Sister Rachel or Mary Lardizabal.



PARISH STAFF

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