

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 8am-9am Wed 5:30pm

St. Sylvester: Saturday 4:00pm-4:30pm

St. William: Upon Request

PARISH OFFICE

5021-A Kawaihau Rd. Kapaa, Hawaii 96746

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

Sunday 8:00am to Noon

Phone: 808-822-7900 | Fax: 808-822-3014

Priest Residence: 808-822-4804

Sacramental Emergency Phone: 808-822-4804

Parish email: stcatherine@rcchawaii.org

Parish website: www.kauaistcatherine.church

Mass Intentions

St. Catherine of Alexandria

Monday, Dec 15 +John E Rohde
Tuesday, Dec 16 +Caira Nakasone
Wednesday, Dec 17 +Hilaria Pancho
Thursday, Dec 18 +Delpidio Labuguen
Friday, Dec 19 Charles Jarquio (Thanksgiving)
Saturday, Dec 20 Hazel Jarquio (Thanksgiving)
Sunday, Dec 21
5:00am +Brian Labuguen
7:30am +Emelia Sanchez, +Delphin Labuguen,
+Antonio Sanchez Sr., +Clemente Agas,
9:30am +Leroy Newman, +Kekoa Blevins, +Harold
Aiu, +Juliet Aiu, Dye Ohana (Healing)
5:00pm Dye Ohana (Healing)

St. Sylvester Church

Wednesday, Dec 17 +Florence Rapozo Oyamoto,
+Noreen Bautista, Paola Boyle (Bday)
Sunday, Dec 21 +Nick Rapozo, +Ellen
Rapozo, +Paul Rapozo and +Editha Jimenez

St. William Church

Sunday, Dec 21

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

December 14, 2025 Third Sunday of Advent

2nd Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious
R.E. Classes at SS and SC
6:00PM - SC Children's Choir



12/17 Wednesday: Reconciliation during Adoration Hour
5:30PM Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at SC

12/18 Thursday: Food Distribution at St. William CH

12/20 Saturday

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

12/21 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Youth / R.E. Collection
R.E. Classes at SS and SC

**Mahalo for YOUR
Stewardship of Treasure:**



QR code for Online Giving

**Week of December 7
2025**

Sunday Offertory

\$ 8974.00

On-Line Offertory

\$ 3286.00

Offertory-direct giving

\$ 633.00

Catholic Campaign

\$ 10.00

Repair & Maintenance

\$ 796.00

Parish Reserve

\$ 848.00

Ohana in Christ

\$ 20.00

Donation

\$ 5250.00

Archdiocese of the Military

\$ 10.00

Roof Replacement

\$ 200.00

Thanksgiving

\$ 400.00

DECEMBER MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

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.....SS & SC "Raise the Roof" Collection

Dec 27/28... ..2nd Collection-Ohana in Christ

WE pray for the recently deceased

Name: Josephine Gatiuan

Funeral: December 20, 2025

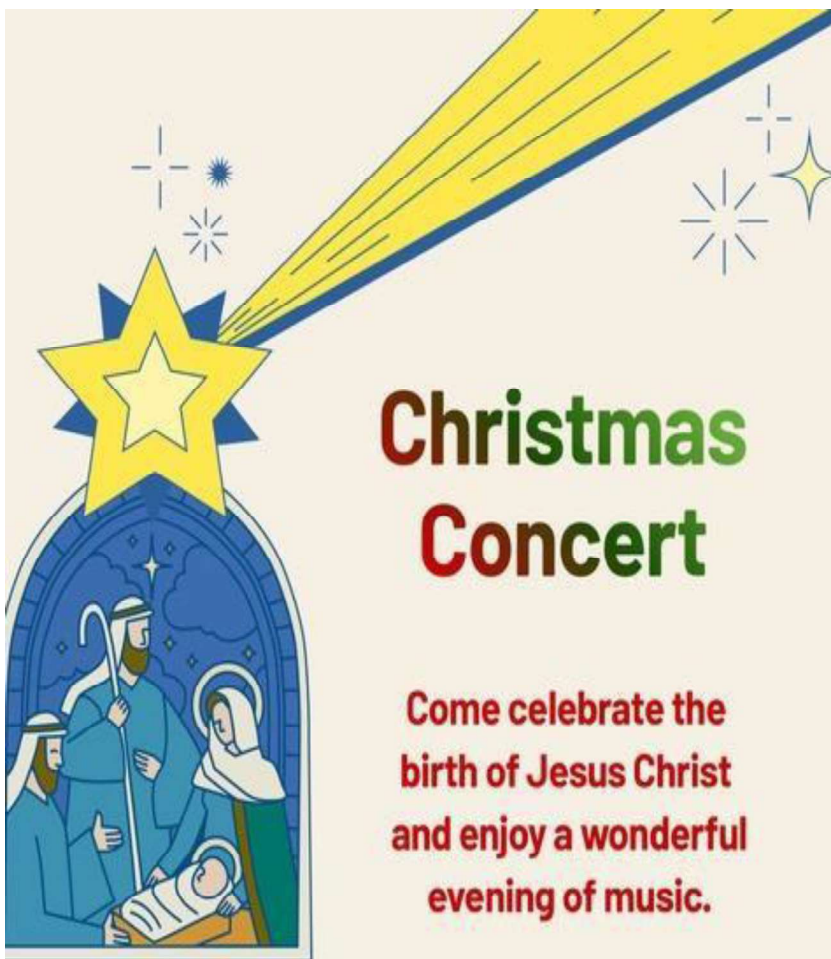
St. Catherine Church

WE pray for the recently deceased

Name: Willie Ornellas

Funeral: January 3, 2026

St. Catherine Church



**Christmas
Concert**

**Come celebrate the
birth of Jesus Christ
and enjoy a wonderful
evening of music.**

7pm-8:30pm Monday, 22 December, 2025

St. Catherine Church at 5021 A Kawaihau Rd in Kapaa

Performance by St. Catherine's Sunday 9:30am Choir

With Cello, Bassoon, Trombone & Guitar

Public Event, All Welcome, Aloha Attire

JESUS, OTHERS, YOU!

Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

Matthew 11:2–11

December 14, 2025

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.” These words begin today’s Mass for Gaudete Sunday, our joyful pause in the midst of Advent’s hopeful waiting. With the rose candle lit and rose vestments worn, the Church shifts from repentance to rejoicing as we draw near to Christmas—the celebration of God entering our world in humility. ***And so, we rejoice!***

In today’s Gospel, John the Baptist—imprisoned and facing uncertainty—sends his disciples to Jesus with the question: *“Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?”* Jesus responds by pointing to the signs of the Kingdom breaking through: *the blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor receive good news.* In other words: Look at the works. Look at the joy breaking into the world. Look at what God is doing. **Joy is evident in God’s transforming work.**

John’s mission was to point to Christ, and our lives must do the same. True joy follows the order: Jesus, Others, You—**J.O.Y.**

Jesus First:

Discipleship begins with humility. John is praised as the greatest “among those born of women” because he always directed others to Christ. Putting Jesus first gives purpose and direction.

Others Second:

Jesus’ works in the Gospel remind us that joy grows when we care for the poor, lonely, sick, and forgotten. Advent calls us to generosity and compassion.

You Last:

When we surrender pride and place ourselves last out of love, joy deepens. Advent invites us to let go and let Christ renew our hearts.

This week, let us rejoice even amid December’s challenges. Let us seek reconciliation, offer generosity, and give the greatest gift—Jesus Christ Himself.

Reflection Question: Where is Jesus inviting me to rediscover JOY—by putting Him first, serving Others generously, and offering myself in humility?

Parish Financial Results for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

The Finance Council for the St. Catherine parish consists of five parishioners who regularly review financial results along with our pastor, providing him with their financial advice. The members of the Finance Council are Chris Geis, Janet Kass, Sam Knepper, Jowen Perius, and Mel Ventura. This report from the Finance Council covers the actual financial results of our church and school for the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2025.

Income Statement for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

In past years, we've reported separately on church and school financial operations. This year was the first fiscal year with no school operations, so all revenues and expenses are shown on a single income statement. The unoccupied school buildings contributed about \$80,000 to parish expenses -- primarily insurance, maintenance, and utilities.

We budgeted church revenues to be about the same as they were in the prior fiscal year. Actual offertory collections and other regular income came in quite close to budget. However, special gifts to the church were \$100,000 lower than budget. Our parish did not sponsor a carnival last year. That resulted in another \$100,000 less in revenues than budget.

Expenses were about equal to budget, with one major exception. We had budgeted to start roof repairs last year, but that didn't happen. That is why Repairs and Maintenance is \$541,000 less than budget.

Net Ordinary Income was a loss of \$14,011. We recognized as "other" income and then used \$118,783 of restricted funds that had been collected in prior fiscal years. As a result, Net Income for 2024-2025 was a positive \$104,772.

Parish Debt

In prior years, the Diocese of Honolulu loaned our school money, to keep it operating. As of June 30, 2024, our parish still owed \$189,538 to the Diocese. We are paying this off with revenue we receive from leasing one of our buildings to Kamehameha Schools for use as a preschool. All the lease payments the church receives from Kamehameha for the next four years will be used to pay down this loan. Hence, none of that money will be available to fund the church's own expenses.

St. Catherine Church of Alexandria Parish

Financial Report

Income Statement for July 2024 - June 2025

	Actual	Budget	Actual Over/(Under) Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
40000 • OFFERTORY COLLECTION	622,874	624,000	(1,126)
42000 • OTHER REGULAR INCOME	114,526	108,792	5,734
45000 • REVENUE SUBJECT TO GET	26,268	128,000	101,73
47000 • UNUSUAL (NONSCHEDULED) INCOME	184,491	283,560	99,069
49100 • NET ASSETS REL RESTRICT-OPS	4,031		4,031
49150 • UNREAL GAIN/(LOSS)-INVESTMENTS	3,299		3,299
Total Income	955,489	1,144,352	(188,863)
Expense			
50000 • EMPLOYMENT COSTS	358,593	329,321	29,272
51000 • PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	36,560	33,446	3,114
51500 • INSURANCES	125,282	148,609	(23,327)
51700 • LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT	27,497	24,330	3,167
52000 • SUPPLIES & OTHER SERVICES	164,553	147,600	16,953
52900 • FUNDRAISING EXPENSE	6,343	59,000	(52,657)
53000 • REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	38,910	580,000	
54000 • UTILITIES	76,156	77,000	(844)
55000 • CONTRIBUTIONS & ASSESSMENTS	110,941	92,347	18,594
56000 • INTEREST EXPENSE	10,155	10,771	(616)
57000 • TAX	2,958	10,371	(7,413)
58000 • DEPRECIATION	11,553	1,635	9,918
Total Expense	969,500	1,514,430	(544,930)
Net Ordinary Income	(14,011)	(370,078)	356,067
Other Income/Expense			
70000 • TEMP. RESTRICTED NET ASSETS	118,783	70,078	48,705
Net Income	104,775	{300,000}	404,772

Liturgy of the Day:

On Gaudete Sunday, we rejoice, for we know that the Lord is near. With eyes of faith, we can sense his presence even as we prepare for the celebration of his coming to us as a newborn infant. With eyes of faith, we can see his coming as well as the prophet Isaiah or the New Testament prophet John the Baptist, who each prepared his people for God's transformative presence. With eyes of faith, let us glory in Jesus' presence right here, right now: in God's word, in the Eucharist, and in those around us.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

The powerful imagery in Isaiah's poetry overwhelms us with joy on this Gaudete Sunday. Deserts bloom with abundant flowers! Parched land exults in joyful song! The blind will see, the deaf will hear and those who cannot walk will leap like a stag! In this season of watchful preparation for the Lord's coming into our lives, may we recognize his transformative presence in our world as we long for the coming of the kingdom, when all this and more will be fulfilled.

Reflection:

Prayer is the key to a fruitful spirit. In prayer, we open ourselves to the insights and inspiration of the Spirit. Everyday we are bombarded with messages (not just from marketing ads but from people and events in our lives) and it can be confusing and overwhelming. Taking a little time to step aside and reflect. It can help to calm the chaos within us and allow us to sift the wheat from the chaff so that we can hold on to what is good. *Rejoice always, never cease praying, Render constant thanks. -1 Thessalonians 5:16*

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.

See malamakauai.org for complete information on Kauai emergency food resources

NORTH SHORE

St. William Church Hall, Hanalei

5292-A Kūhiō Hwy, Hanalei, HI 96714

PANTRY: Thursday 4:00pm-6:00pm | 808-346-2850

Ho'okipa Kaua'i Food Pantry, Church of the Pacific, Princeville

4520 Kapaka Rd, Princeville, HI 96722

PANTRY: Wednesday 1:00pm-2:30pm | 913-449-5995

North Shore Food Pantry, Anaina Hou Community Park, Kīlauea

5-2723 Kūhiō Hwy, Kīlauea, HI 96754

PANTRY: Saturday 12:30pm-2:00pm contact@kauaifoodpantry.org

EAST SHORE

Church of the Pacific Mobile Pantry, Anahola Beach Park,

Anahola PANTRY: Wednesdays 10:30am-11:30am | 808-826-6481

Hale Ho'omalū, 41112 Kūhiō Hwy, Kapa'a, HI 96746

PANTRY: Wednesdays 12:00pm-3:00pm & Thursdays 3:30pm-5:00pm | 808-821-2520

St. Catherine Parish, Kapa'a

5021 Kawaihau Rd, Kapa'a, HI 96746

PANTRY: Saturdays 11:30am-1:00pm | 808-822-7900

Kōkua Kapa'a, Kapa'a United Church of Christ

1315 'Ulu St, Kapa'a, HI 96746

MEALS & PANTRY: Sundays 1:00pm-4:00pm | 808-822-9241 or KokuaKapaa@gmail.com

*Pet food, charging station and basic medical/wound care also available.

Ho'omana Grocery Assistance Program, Ho'omana Thrift Store, Wailua

4531 Kuamo'o Rd, Kapa'a, HI 96746

MEALS & PANTRY: Fridays 2:00pm-5:00pm | 808-346-6561

*Services include clothing vouchers (\$20 per person), showers, and basic medical/wound care.

Kapa'a Missionary Church, 4-758 Kūhiō Hwy, Kapa'a, HI 96746

PANTRY: Saturdays 4:30pm-5:30pm

MEALS: 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month 4:30pm-5:00 pm | 808-822-5594

Ohana Christian Fellowship 4531 Pouli St., Kapa'a 808-378-4804

PANTRY: Last Saturday of the Month 1:00pm-3:00pm |

FIGHT Ministries, Kapa'a Beach Park

3rd Saturday of the month | Food, meals, clothes, and more



MISA DE GALLO NOVENA



DECEMBER 16–24, 2025

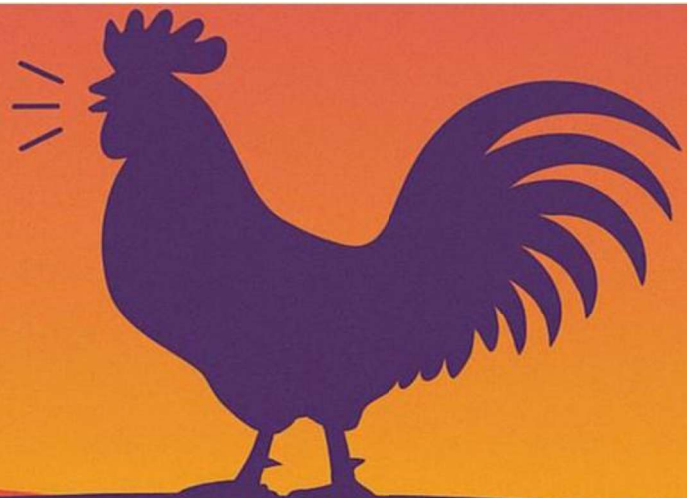
5:00 AM • ST. CATHERINE, KAPA'A

Fellowship in Coyle Hall after Mass

Join us for this beautiful Filipino tradition of preparing for the birth of Christ – as we walk to Bethlehem with Mary in quiet joy of the early morning dawn.

Please note:

There will be no 7:00 AM daily Mass during the novena.



Maligayang Pasko!

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. Luci 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	822-7900
St. Sylvester: Nelly Bautista	634-0756
St. William: Violet Yagihara	822-7900

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Call Parish Office. Ext 6..... 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.