

# 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

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Parish website: [www.kauaistcatherine.church](http://www.kauaistcatherine.church)

## Mass Intentions

### *St. Catherine of Alexandria*

**Monday, Jan 05** +Harry French

**Tuesday, Jan 06** +Raymond Aiu

**Wednesday, Jan 07** +Benoi Hacosolin

**Thursday, Jan 08** +Elsie B. Victorino

**Friday, Jan 09** +Elixes Mendoza

**Saturday, Jan 10** +Alfred Victorino

**Sunday, Jan 11 Baptism of the Lord**

**7:30am** +Antonio Sanchez Sr., +Emelia Sanchez,  
+Clemente Agas, +Kekoa Blevins, +Fausto Bunao

**9:30am** +William Fernandes, +Carmelina Reyes,  
Jaylee Kamanuwai (Bday), Nita Beltran (Healing),  
Beltran Ohana in Alaska(Blessing), +Cathy Agoot

**5:00pm** Dye Ohana (Intentions)

### *St. Sylvester Church*

**Wednesday, Jan 07** Wzorek Ohana (Ints)

**Sunday, Jan 11** +Editha Jimenez, +Debra  
Cummings, +Antone Perreira, +Virginia Perreira

### *St. William Church*

**Sunday, Jan 11- 9AM** +Cathy Agoot

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. Mass Intentions will be published in bulletin if submitted on Tuesday before weekend.

## January 4, 2026 Epiphany of the Lord

Hospitality Sunday at St. Catherine & St. Sylvester  
Birthday Blessings at all Masses  
2nd Collection—Parish Repair & Maintenance  
NO R.E. Classes at SS and SC



### 01/07 Wednesday

St Catherine: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
NO Reconciliation

### 01/08 Thursday: St. William Food Distribution

### 01/10 Saturday

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

### 01/11 Baptism of the Lord

R.E. Classes at St. Catherine & St. Sylvester  
6:00PM St. Catherine Children's Choir

**There will be no Confessions available on Wednesday evenings for the entire month of January. We apologize for this inconvenience. Wednesday Confessions will start again in February.**

***New Year's Blessings from  
Fr. EJ, Fr. Francisco, Dcn. Andy,  
Sr. Rachel, Sr. Luci and the  
parishioners of  
St. Catherine of Alexandria  
Parish***

Our parish Respect for Life Ministry will be hosting a **BABY SHOWER** for new mothers and mothers-to-be on **Saturday, January 31st** in St. Damien Room in the parish portables. Contact Kathleen Refamonte or the church office to submit names for invitations to this most wonderful event to welcome another of God's gifts to our families and parish.

### JANUARY MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

**Jan 3 & 4.....** Hospitality Sunday at SS & SC  
Birthday Blessings at each Mass

**Jan 3 & 4.....** 2nd Collection-Parish R&M

**Jan 10-18.....** FCC Rosary Novena- St. Joseph

**Jan 16.....** Youth-Life Team in Coyle Hall

**Jan 19.....** Martin Luther King-Ofc closed

**Jan 25.....** Bazaar & Pancake Sale (WAC)

**Jan 24 & 25.....** 2nd Col-Blk/Indian/Latin America

**Jan 31.....** Respect Life: Baby Shower

## Mahalo for YOUR Stewardship of Treasure:



QR code for Online Giving

**Week of December 28  
2025**

Sunday Offertory

\$ 6,538.00

On-Line Offertory

\$ 2,168.22

Raise da Roof Collection

To Be Announced

Christmas (3 ch)

\$ 15,789.00

Misa de Gallo

\$ 3,970.00

Ohana in Christ

\$ 2,727.96

Repair & Maintenance

\$ 307.00

Food Pantry

\$ 220.00

Donation

\$ 1,395.65

Religious Retirement

\$ 40.00

Parish Reserve

\$ 110.00

Youth R.E. Collection

\$ 83.00

If you contributed \$250.00 or more to St. Catherine Parish in 2025, a tax statement will be sent to you by January 31, 2026.

If you do not receive a tax statement, one can be sent to you by calling the church office.



This weekend we take up a **SECOND COLLECTION for the Parish Repair & Maintenance** for our three churches. Your continued support helps address on-going maintenance not only of our three churches but also the former school buildings and campus as well. Unforeseen plumbing & electrical work and simple carpentry repairs frequently occurs and needs immediate attention to keep our properties safe for the general public and prevent further deterioration as our buildings age.

(Note: If you would like to volunteer in any capacity, please contact the church office.)

**WE pray for the recently deceased .....**

Name: **Jan Kimura** Funeral: January 24, 2026

Church: St. Sylvester Church

## Departing by another way...

**Solemnity of the Epiphany, January 5, 2025**

For the past six weeks, we have been on a journey of faith preparing for the great feast of Christmas. In the four weeks of Advent, we prepared for the coming of the Messiah in history, mystery, and majesty. Two weeks ago, we commemorated his birth and focused on the mystery of the incarnation; God becoming flesh. He was born in a manger into a human family, angels announced his birth, and shepherds came to adore him. For the past 12 days since Christmas, we have been focusing on this love that has been born for us through our celebrations with family and friends. We have been exchanging gifts and showing our appreciation to one another, symbolizing the greatest gift of all – salvation through the one we adore in the manger. Today we begin wrapping up the Christmas season and my question for you and me, is how have we changed in these last few weeks?

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Epiphany, where Christ is now revealed to the nations through the worship of foreigners. Our gospel gives us the account of the Magi (aka the Three Kings, or the Three Wise Men), who come from the East following a star to adore the newborn king. They find him in his mother's arms, and they offer him gifts. Gifts that will foretell what this child will do for mankind by his passion, death, and resurrection. The Magi have an encounter with true love, being outpoured in this child and they are changed. Not much is known about them after this encounter, but we are told that they, "...departed for their country by another way." Why? Because after an experience of true love, that being given by Christ, one cannot return to their former way of life.

Sometimes there are things and people that hold us back from truly loving God and allowing God to love us. In this week's gospel, that would be in the person of Herod. Herod had other schemes and tactics, that had the Magi gone back to him, would probably hinder the works of salvation. So, they departed by another way...and this is what Epiphany is all about; encountering love, being changed, and moving on into a better way of living. A life lived in Emmanuel – God is with us. However, Herod, seeks to destroy Christ and the light that he brings.

He lurks in the background of our lives, trying to infiltrate our hearts, minds and thinking with fear, temptations, evil desires, greed, and unhealthy ambitions. King Herod is none other than sin itself. If we go back to him, these sins will plague our lives and make us unhappy and unsatisfied. Epiphany invites us and encourages us to consider what changes we need to make in our lives, homes, and community and recognize that Christ is present in the world bringing forth light, peace, joy, hope and love into this crazy world. From this we can get the strength and courage to go home another way.

It may seem easier to want to simply stay at the manger and stay in the love that Christmas brings. But we can't. Jesus didn't even stay in the manger! He will grow up and fulfill the purpose his Father sent him into the world; to suffer, die, and by his rising allow man to share in his divinity. So too must we, yes, the Christmas season must come to an end because we too now have a purpose to share the love which we have experienced this holy season. Then, we must leave Herod (sin) behind to depart for our eternal home with God. The Magi today compels us to continue the journey with one another and to pray fervently and pay attention to what is going on around us. To not get distracted or swept up by sins but be transformed by the babe in the manger and then go home by another way.







**MELE KALIKIMAKA!!!**



**Misa de Gallo & Christmas 2025**



## **Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day:**

Today we commemorate the day when Jesus Christ was made manifest to the wider world. The magi, who were not Jewish and not from that region, were guided by the star, which eventually led them to Bethlehem. There they paid him homage and offered their finest treasures as gifts. In many cultures and traditions, today is the day Christmas travel to be with loved ones and exchange gifts, often celebrating Epiphany as the high point of the Christmas season, for it marks the manifestation of the Lord to the whole world.

## **Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:**

Jesus, the light of the world, draws foreigners from all over the earth to bring gifts and proclaim their reverence. Isaiah foresees the light from Jerusalem attracting people from far away lands, bringing gifts and praising the Lord. Paul himself travels to distant regions, preaching the message that Jesus came to Jews and Gentiles alike. The magi came from the east to pay homage and offer treasures to the newborn king. As God's word is proclaimed, may we show our reverence.

## **Reflection:**

Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season. (It officially falls on January 6). Consider establishing a new tradition based on the three gifts of the Magi and what gifts you will give in this coming year. For Gold (symbol of wealth), decide what will you give in charitable donations this year. For Frankincense (incense prayer offering), write down your own prayer for the coming year and as part of a little prayer service, burn the paper. For Myrrh, (used to heal wounds as well as an embalming material), what wound in your heart needs healing – is there someone you need to forgive. Resolve to heal this and decide how you will do it. *They opened their coffers and Presented him with gifts of Gold, frankincense and myrrh. - Matthew 2:11*

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

*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 ALEXANDIA PARISH**

*Single Mass Intentions will be accepted on a FIRST COME / FIRST SERVED basis at St. Catherine Church daily 7AM MASS*

*Multiple Mass Intentions will be accepted at St. Catherine-Sunday Masses*

*St. Sylvester-Wednesday & Sunday Masses*

*St. William- Sunday Masses*

*Feast Day Masses*

*If requested date is filled, a 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.*



**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. 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.**