

# 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**

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

## Mass Intentions

### *St. Catherine of Alexandria*

<b>Monday, Jan 19</b>	+Donald Smith
<b>Tuesday, Jan 20</b>	+Jaime Venida
<b>Wednesday, Jan 21</b>	+Brian Labuguen
<b>Thursday, Jan 22</b>	+William Fernandes
<b>Friday, Jan 23</b>	+William Fernandes
<b>Saturday, Jan 24</b>	+Dalmacia Venida
<b>Sunday, Jan 25- 3<sup>RD</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	
7:30am	+Fausto Bunao, +Gregorio Bunao, +William
Fernandes, +Cathy Agoot, +Debra Cummings	
9:30am	+Glenn Carvalho, +Catherine Oliveti,
Matteo Jose (Healing), Julia Barut (Safe Travels),	
+Julianne Cross	
5:00pm	Dye Ohana (Intentions)

### *St. Sylvester Church*

**Wednesday,**  
**Jan 21: 5:30PM**    Sztor Family (Ints)  
**Sunday, Jan 25 7am** +Editha Jimenez,  
+Paul Rapozo +Leslie Gushiken

### *St. William Church*

**Sunday, Jan 25** Valer Ohana (Ints), Federis Ohana-Ints  
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.

## Behold the Lamb of God

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 18, 2026

“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.” These powerful words of John the Baptist in today’s Gospel proclaim the true identity of Jesus. They are words familiar to our ears, words we hear at every Mass just before Holy Communion. As we begin the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, the Church invites us to pause and reflect more deeply on what this title truly means.

The first phrase to consider is “**takes away**.” In the original Greek of the Gospel, this expression means more than simply removing something, it means to take upon oneself, to carry or bear. Jesus, the Son of God, freely takes upon Himself the mission of the Father: *to forgive the sins of the world by offering His life on the Cross*. In this way, John the Baptist’s testimony echoes the image of the Suffering Servant from the prophet Isaiah, the one who has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. The Word made flesh enters fully into the depths of human sin and suffering in order to redeem us.

The second image John gives us is that of the Lamb. A lamb is not known for strength or power. It is gentle, vulnerable, and defenseless. Yet it is precisely this innocent Lamb who takes upon Himself the enormous weight of the world’s sin. The evil of sin is not conquered by force, but by sacrificial love. Jesus, the Lamb of God, offers Himself freely for our salvation.

Each time we gather for Mass, this mystery is made present. Before we receive Holy Communion, the priest elevates the consecrated Host and proclaims, “Behold the Lamb of God.” In that moment, we are reminded that the Mass is not merely a celebration or a sacred meal—it is the sacrifice of Christ made present for us. We are standing at the foot of the Cross, drawing strength and grace from the One who gave His life for our salvation.

If we are baptized into Christ, then we are called to live in His image. To follow the Lamb of God means choosing innocence over malice, love over force, humility over pride, and service over prestige. As we journey through Ordinary Time, may we keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world—and allow His sacrificial love to shape how we live each day.

#### Reflection Question:

**What does it mean for me to follow Jesus not in power, but in sacrificial love?**

**January 18, 2026 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

NO R.E. Classes at St. Catherine & St. Sylvester

**01/19 Monday** - Office Closed, Martin Luther King Jr

**01/21 Wednesday**

St Catherine: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
NO Reconciliation

**01/22 Thursday:** St. William Food Distribution

**01/25 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2nd Collection: Latine American/Black & Indian Nations  
R.E. Classes at St. Catherine & St. Sylvester  
WAC Mini-Bazaar & Pancake Sale  
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.

## **NEWS REGARDING OUR PARISH FOOD PANTRY at St. Catherine Church- Kapaa**

It is with deep regret to notify everyone that our parish food pantry that distributed food on Saturdays is temporarily CLOSED. The food pantry could not effectively operate with the decline in the number of volunteers. The one hundred plus households that were recipients of St. Catherine Church has been directed to other food distribution sites in Kapaa. Our parish continues to support food distribution at St. William Church in Hanalei.

## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST & MINI BAZAAR**



**Sunday – January 25**

The ladies of our parish WAC Ministry (Women Apostles for Catechesis) will be holding a pancake breakfast and a mini-bazaar on Sunday, January 25th in Coyle Hall from 8AM to 12 NOON. \$5 tickets will be sold at door. There will also be a mini-bazaar with an assortment of household items.

Anyone wishing to donate, contact the church office.



**Mahalo for YOUR**

**Stewardship of Treasure:**



**QR code for Online Giving**

**Week of January 11  
2026**

Sunday Offertory	\$ 8,476.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 3,776.22
Offertory-direct giving	\$ 170.00
Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal	\$ 2,735.00
Christmas Eve and Day	\$ 110.00
Ohana in Christ	\$ 100.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 81.00
Parish Reserve	\$ 101.00
Giving Tree	\$ 250.00

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.



## **JANUARY MONTH HIGHLIGHTS**

**Jan 19...** ..... Martin Luther King-Ofc closed  
**Jan 25...** ..... Mini Bazaar & Pancake Sale (WAC)  
**Jan 25....**2nd Collection-Blk/Indian/Latin America  
**Jan 31....** ..... Respect Life: Baby Shower

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.

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

Name: Jan Kimura Funeral: January 24, 2026  
Church: St. Sylvester Church

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

Name: Glen Carvalho Funeral: February 7, 2026  
Church: St. Sylvester Church

St. Catherine of Alexandria  
Parish of Kapa'a, HI

# YOUNG ADULT GROUP

For Catholics in their 20's and 30's

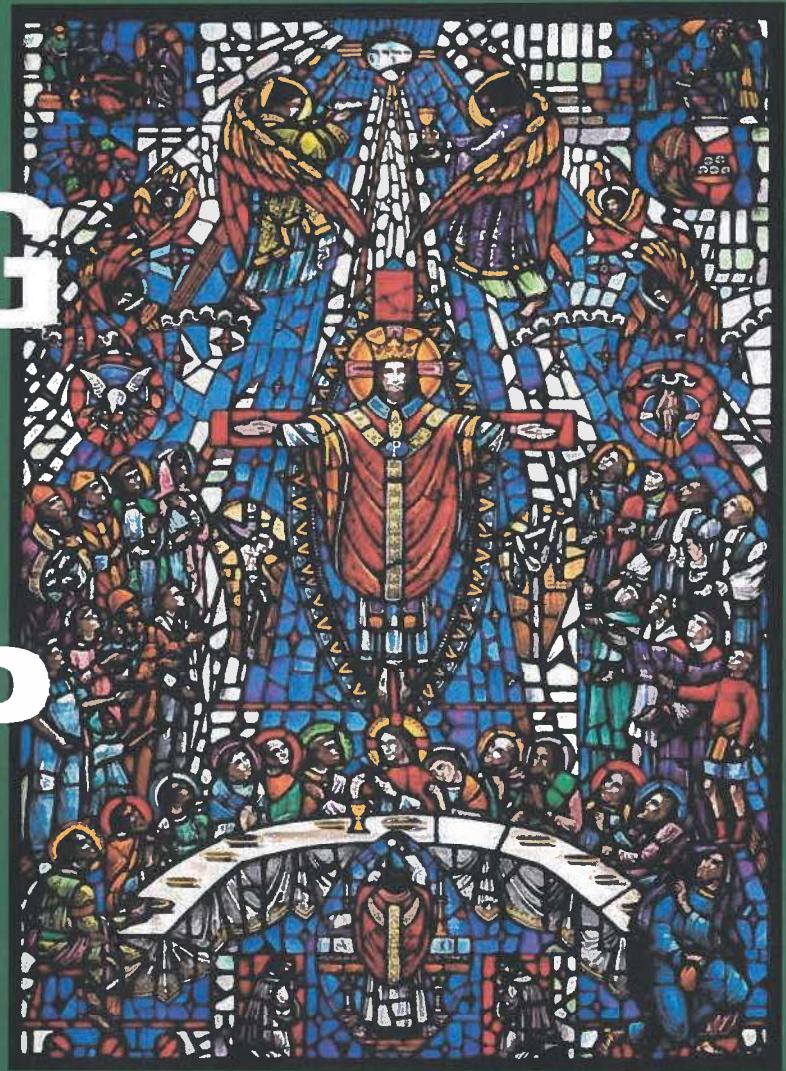
**EVERY 1<sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY OR FRIDAY:**  
**Bible Study/Discussion @ 6:00pm**  
(Bible study held in the St. Marianne classroom  
at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish in Kapaa.)

**EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> FRIDAY or SATURDAY:**  
**Planned Events**

(Social gatherings, athletic events, outdoor  
trips, retreats, conferences, service  
opportunities, etc.)

## OUR GOALS:

- Grow closer to Christ
- Learn and live our faith
- To meet and form friendships with  
other Catholics
- To build an active community



Interested in joining?

Contact Clay Levinthol at (808) 346-1350 or call  
the parish office for more details.

Location:

St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish  
5021a Kawaihau Rd, Kapa'a, HI 96746

**"AS IRON SHARPENS IRON, SO ONE PERSON SHARPENS ANOTHER."**

**PROVERBS 27:17**

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day:

Ever since Christmas, we have heard how Jesus was revealed over time to the wider world. He was made manifest to the nearby shepherds on the night of his birth. The magi followed the star from distant lands to the east. Last week we heard that the Holy Spirit descended like a dove, revealing Jesus at his baptism. Today, we hear John the Baptist see Jesus and testify, "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." We say the same words at each Eucharist. May they resonate with us today and always.

## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Today, we are reminded to listen for Jesus' call to follow him. Isaiah realized God's call of service, referring to himself as God's servant, commissioned to proclaim God's salvation to the ends of the earth. Paul recognized that God willed him to be an apostle and today we hear him tell the members of the church in Corinth that God calls them to be holy. John the Baptist points to Jesus as the Lamb of God and Son of God, the one to follow instead of him. May we listen for his call so that we may respond, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

## Reflection:

Do you consider yourself to be a Christian? Just what does it mean to you? Are you a Christian because you were baptized and raised in the faith? Are you a Christian because you go to church every Sunday and donate to charitable causes? Just what does being a Christian require of you? At the core of our faith is the truth that God loves us unconditionally. If we accept that love, then how can we treat each other with anything less than love? We are all God's apostles sent on a mission to help others realize that they are also God's beloved children. What are you doing to help spread awareness of God's love for all of us? *To do your will, O my God, is my delight, And your law is within my heart. -psalm 40:8*



Celebrating Sr. Rachel's birthday

Sr. Rachel standing center amidst morning Mass attendees after receiving a birthday blessing from Fr. EJ

## WOMEN APOSTLES FOR CATECHESIS (WAC) :

Sr. Rachel and Sr. Luci of the Missionary Sisters of Christians (MSMHC) cordially invites 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, January 20<sup>th</sup> in St. Damien Room. See you there at 6pm !!!

**Mary Lardizabal and Sr. Rachel** are cordially inviting children of all ages to join St. Catherine's Children Choir. Practice will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month at 6PM after the 5PM Mass. Contact Sr. Rachel or Mary Lardizabal at [rmaurius@rcchawaii.org](mailto:rmaurius@rcchawaii.org). When singing in church .... .. you're praying twice !

Scripture Sharing Lectio Divina during Lent  
"Jesus Last 24 Hours"

Starting February 10th until March 31st in Father Damien Room on Tuesdays at 8:00AM after Morning Mass, about 1 hour. All are welcomed.

**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.

Fax 822-3014

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.**