

# 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**

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**Sunday 8:00am to Noon**

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## **Mass Intentions**

### ***St. Catherine of Alexandria***

**Monday, March 30** +Melvin Aqiu

**Tuesday, March 31** +Caira Nakasone

**Wednesday, April 01** +Eduardo Ragasa

**Thursday, April 02** No Intentions

**Friday, April 03** for

**Saturday, April 04** Holy Triduum

**Sunday, April 05**

7:30am +Marcelino Bunao, +Annabel Bunao-Ragasa,  
+Leonora Castro Bunao, +Debra Cummings,  
+Tootie Aiu

9:30am +Caira Nakasone, +Jojo Tsukamoto, +Yumi  
Yasutake, +Harold Aiu, +Juliet Aiu

5:00pm No Mass

### ***St. Sylvester Church***

**Wednesday April 01**

**Sunday April 05**

7:00am +William "Billy" Labogen

### ***St. William Church***

**Sunday, April 05**

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.

## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

### Matthew 26:14-27:66

The Gospel passage speaks about the triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

Long ago, in the days of Jesus, there was a young donkey who had never carried anyone before. One day some men came and gently untied him.

"You are needed by the Lord", they said.

The donkey didn't understand, but he went along.

Soon, something amazing happened as Jesus sat on his back. As they walked through the great city of Jerusalem, crowds began to gather. People cheered, waved palm branches, and laid their cloaks on the road.

"Hosanna!" they shouted.

The little donkey felt very important.

"Look at all these people!" he thought. "They are cheering for me!"

He walked proudly, lifting his head high. But the next day, the donkey decided to walk through the village again- this time alone. He lifted his head high and expected the same cheers. But no one noticed his confusion as he walked further. Some people even shooed him away from the road. Sad and embarrassed, the donkey returned home.

That evening, he quietly realized: "The praise was never for me....it was for the one I carried.

On Palm Sunday, we remember the Triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, when Jesus Christ entered Jerusalem riding a humble donkey. The crowds rejoiced, waved palm branches, and honored Him as king.

The donkey carried Jesus into the city-but the honor belonged not to the donkey, but to the one it carried.

In the same way, every time we receive Holy Communion, we also carry Jesus within us. Our hearts become like an inner castle, a sacred place where He dwells not for a moment of praise, but for a life of transformation.

With Jesus within us: our ordinary actions gain meaning, our weaknesses can become strength, our lives become instruments of peace, love and goodness.

Without Him, we may still move, work, and achieve but something essential is missing. Like the donkey walking alone the next day, we can feel empty, unnoticed, or without true purpose.

Palm Sunday reminds us of two powerful truths: **Humility:** like Jesus, we are called not to seek praise, but to carry Christ faithfully. **Purpose:** our value comes from who we carry within us. When we receive Jesus, we are not meant to keep Him hidden. We are called to bring Him into the world. Through kindness, patience, forgiveness, and love so that others may encounter Him through us.

## March 29, 2026 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

### 04/01 Wednesday

St Catherine: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Reconciliation during Adoration

### 04/02 Thursday - Holy Thursday

St. William Food Distribution

### 04/03 Friday - Good Friday

SC, Stations of the Cross, 9:00AM  
Start 9-day Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena

### 04/04 Saturday - Easter Vigil

10:30AM to 12PM SC Food Distribution

### 04/05 Easter Sunday

2nd Collection-Repair and Maintenance  
No Religious Education Classes and SC and SS  
Easter Egg Hunt at SC and SS

### 04/06 Easter Monday - Church Office Closed

## Mahalo for YOUR

## Stewardship of Treasure:



QR code for Online Giving

### Week of

March 22 2026

Sunday Offertory  
\$ 9,471.00

On-Line Offertory \$ 2,562.22

Raise da Roof \$16,220.00

Catholic Ministries \$ 185.00

Repair Fund \$ 200.00

Easter Flowers \$ 995.00

Easter Egg Hunt \$ 128.96

Donation \$ 2,000.00

## Healing and Hope in Christ: An Invitation to the Anointing of the Sick

As we enter more deeply into the sacred days of Holy Week, we are reminded that Christ came to bring healing, mercy, and hope to a wounded world. In this spirit, we warmly invite all who are in need of God's healing grace to join us for a special celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on **Wednesday of Holy Week, April 1, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.**

**St. Catherine of Alexandria (Kapa'a)  
during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**St. Sylvester (Kilauea) – during the 5:30 p.m. Mass**

The Anointing of the Sick is one of the Church's seven sacraments, instituted by Christ as source of strength, peace, and courage for those who are suffering from serious illness or the burdens of age. Rooted in Sacred Scripture—especially in the Letter of James: ***"Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the Church... and the prayer of faith will save the sick person" (James 5:14–15).*** This sacrament unites the sick person more closely to the Passion of Christ and offers spiritual healing, and sometimes even physical healing according to God's will.



**This sacrament is not only for those at the point of death, but for anyone who is seriously ill, preparing for surgery, experiencing chronic or debilitating conditions, or weakened by advanced age.** It may also be

received again if one's condition worsens. Through the anointing with sacred oil and the prayer of the priest, the Lord pours out His grace—bringing forgiveness of sins (if the person is unable to confess), comfort in suffering, and a deep sense of His abiding presence.



In this holy season, do not hesitate to come forward or to invite a loved one who may benefit from this sacrament. Let us allow Christ, the Divine Physician, to touch our lives with His healing love.

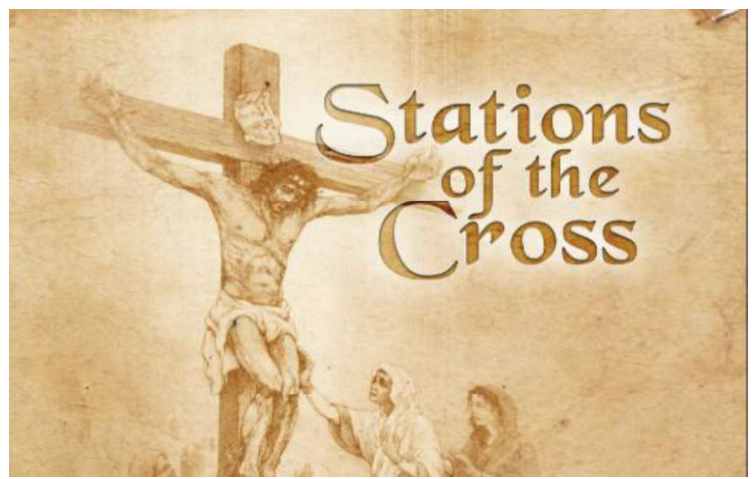
### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day:

We begin today's liturgy in joy. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, he did so in triumph, as a hero would when returning from a victorious battle. What the crowds did not truly realize—but we do today – is that Jesus' battle was just beginning. More importantly, the battle would look to be lost when he dies on the cross, when instead this was his victory over sin and death. Therefore, as we hold these branches high and sing hosannas to acclaim our king, we do so not only with heaviness in our hearts for Jesus' suffering and death, but with joy as well, for it is on the cross that Jesus redeems us from our sins.

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

The climax of today's liturgy of the word is a climax befitting a Hollywood blockbuster. Saint Matthew's account of Jesus' death is the most dramatic of the four Gospels. When Jesus breathes his last, the earth quakes, tombs burst open, and the sanctuary veil is torn apart. The soldiers at the foot of the cross, blown away by all of these natural and spiritual phenomena, look up at Christ and proclaim, "Truly, this was the Son of God." At the last moment of Jesus' earthly life, these witnesses have received the gift of faith. May our faith be strengthened as we listen as we do each year at this time to the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Reflection:** Have you ever felt betrayed by someone you love? Have people you love the most ever done things that hurt you? It doesn't help much to know that everyone has such experiences. Only those we truly love can hurt us deeply and sometimes it can seem unforgivable. But remember you have also hurt them. Most of the time these hurts are unintentional; but that doesn't mean they hurt less. Love does not depend on "worthiness" and it does not stop because of hurts. Love accepts the other as they are, including their fault and limitations. Most of all love forgives. How do you love? *Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptations. the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak -Matthew 26:41*



### Outdoor Stations of the Cross on Good Friday 9:00AM at St. Catherine

#### April MONTH HIGHLIGHTS

April 2-3-4..... Holy Triduum

April 5.....Easter Sunday

*Egg Hunt at St. Catherine and St. Sylvester*

April 6.....Easter Monday, Office Closed

April 12 .....Hospitality Sunday at SC and SS

April 26...10% Appeal-Diocesan Priest Retirement

#### LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

#### “Behold the Lamb: The Passion of Christ in the Four Gospels”

#### With Father EJ Resinto

This Lent, journey more deeply with Jesus as we walk step-by-step through the **Passion of Christ as told in all four Gospels**. Together we will explore the **historical setting, Old Testament fulfillment, and unique voice of each Evangelist**, and discover how each Passion account reveals a different facet of the love of Christ poured out for us.

Whether you are new to the Bible or have been reading Scripture for years, this study will help you **enter more fully into Holy Week and the mystery of the Cross** through prayer, reflection, and guided teaching.

Each session includes:

- Proclamation of Scripture
- Catholic exegesis and historical context
- Significances of each Gospel account
- Reflection and sharing
- Prayer with the Word

Come and encounter the depth of Christ's mercy, sacrifice, and victory for you.

#### SCHEDULE

All sessions at 6:30pm (after Stations of the Cross) in St. Catherine's Parish – Coyle Hall

- **March 13** – *The Passion according to Mark*
- **March 20** – *The Passion according to Luke*
- **March 27** – *The Passion according to Matthew* (Palm Sunday Gospel)
- **April 3 (Good Friday)** – *The Passion according to John* (time TBD)
- **April 10** – *The Resurrection Accounts: He is Risen!*

Bring your Bible, a notebook, and an open heart.

All are Welcome! No prior Scripture experience needed.

# St. Catherine Parish Holy Triduum and Easter Mass Schedule St. Catherine Church

**April 2, Holy Thursday**  
7:00pm, Adoration to follow

**April 3, Good Friday**  
3:00pm Veneration

**April 4, Saturday Vigil 7:30pm**

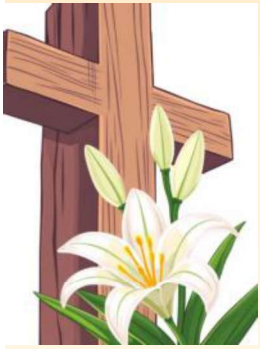
## Easter Sunday

**St. Catherine**

7:30AM & 9:30AM

**St. Sylvester 7:00AM**

**St. William 9:00AM**



## The Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets starts on Good Friday (April 3rd)

The Chaplet can be said anytime, but the Lord specifically asked that it be recited as a novena. He promised, "By this Novena (of Chaplets), I will grant every possible grace to souls."

For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention:

All mankind, especially sinners; the souls of priests and religious; all devout and faithful souls; those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus; the souls who have separated themselves from the Church; the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children; the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy; the souls detained in purgatory; and souls who have become lukewarm. "I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw there from strength and refreshment



## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The first Sunday after Easter

### THE HISTORY

Jesus began appearing to St. Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun, in 1931. The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on her published diary recording the revelations she received from Jesus. St. Faustina died in 1938, at 33 years old, and was canonized by St. John Paul II in 2000.

### THE PROMISE

Our Lord Jesus said, "The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates throughout which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet... Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy."

— Saint Faustina, Diary, 699

### THE CHAPLET

"Pray unceasingly the Chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as their last hope of salvation."

and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209).

**PARISH STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. EJ Resinto Fax 822-3014 ext 225  
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 Deacon Andy Ragasa 645-1710  
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 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** Richard Martocci (808)561-7090  
 and Mark Wolfendale (808)720-8761

St. Williams every Thursday 4:00pm-6:00pm

St. Catherine every Saturday 10:30am-12 noon at School Administration Office

**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.**