

Saint CATHERINE of Alexandria Parish

5021A Kawaihau Road Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii

Saint Sylvester Church

Saint William Church

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: Closed until further notice

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Parish website: www.kauaistcatherine.church

Mass Intentions

St. Catherine of Alexandria

Sunday, Aug 23

7:30am +Harold Aiu, +Juliet Aiu, +Jullysses Basug,
+Ricardo Matarlo, +Matea Matarlo, Family, Friends &
Benefactors of Fr. EJ (in Thanksgiving)

9:30am +Terence Mande, +Lolito Ypil,
+Tim Konnry, Linda Lopatka (Birthday)

5:00pm

Monday, Aug 24 +Praxedes Duran

Tuesday, Aug 25 +Lauri Fernandez

Wednesday, Aug 26 +Harold & Juliet Aiu

Thursday, Aug 27 +Marcela Maglinte

Friday, Aug 28 +Tottie Aiu

Saturday, Aug 29 +Harold and Juliet Aiu

St. Sylvester Church

Sunday Aug 23 +Frank Rapozo, +Mary
Rapozo, +Eddie Rapozo

Wednesday Aug 26

St. William Church

Sunday, Aug 23 +Tom Kawakami

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.

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 22:19-23 • Romans 11:33-36 • Matthew 16:13-20



**“Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” -Matthew 16:19**

All of us, in one way or another, have been entrusted with some measure of power, authority, or influence. A parent has authority within the family. A supervisor has responsibility for employees. Teachers influence their students. Community leaders make decisions that affect others. Even among friends, our words and actions can have tremendous influence.

The question is not simply whether we have authority, **but how we use it.**

In our first reading, Isaiah speaks of Shebna, the master of the palace. He had been entrusted with an important position, but instead of using his authority in service to others, he became concerned with his own importance and legacy. His position became something to glorify himself rather than an opportunity to serve God’s people. Eventually, that authority was taken from him and entrusted to Eliakim, who would be “a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.”

The contrast is striking: **authority is not given for self-glorification; it is given for service.**

In the Gospel, Jesus entrusts Simon Peter with extraordinary authority: “You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.” **He gives Peter the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven and the authority to bind and loose.** Christ entrusts Peter, and through him, the Church with a tremendous responsibility.

But the authority Christ gives is always meant to be **life-giving.**

That remains true for the Church and for each of us. Whatever responsibility God has entrusted to us be it within our families, workplaces, parish, community, or relationships, is not given so that we can build monuments to ourselves. It is given so that we can open doors for others.

Perhaps that is a good examination of conscience for us this week: **What has God entrusted to me, and what am I doing with it?**

Do my words build people up or tear them down? Does my leadership bring peace or division? Do I use my gifts simply for myself, or do I place them at the service of others? Am I opening doors that lead people closer to Christ?

Everything we have ultimately comes from God. Our gifts, talents, responsibilities, positions, and influence are entrusted to us for a time. May we use them well and not to draw all the attention to ourselves, but to bring **life, light, hope, and ultimately others closer to the Kingdom of God.**



August 23, 2026 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

08/26 Wednesday

5:30 PM SC: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

NO Reconciliation during Adoration

08/27 Thursday

St. William Food Distribution 3:30PM to 5:00PM

08/29 Saturday

10:30AM to 12PM SC Food Distribution
in former School Admin

08/30 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Little Bethlehem Religious Articles Sale

Religious Education registration will take place after
all the weekend masses in August.

Mahalo for YOUR Stewardship of Treasure

On-Line Giving

Our church is a spiritual home for all of us which relies on our time, talent and treasure. To fulfill that mission, ONLINE GIVING helps support our church by allowing you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device, or computer to our church. Set up your gift today or consider an additional gift via our online link which is provided in here in the bulletin, in the pews, on our parish web site or at church entrances.



Week of Aug 16

Sunday Offertory	\$4,076.10
On-Line Offertory	\$1,998.00
Raise da Roof	\$ 70.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 118..00
Catholic Charities	\$ 50.00
Offertory—direct giving	\$ 2,329.22
Catholic Ministries	\$ 3,196.00

Aloha and Welcome
BISHOP
MICHAEL T. T. CASTORI, SJ

E Hiki Mai Kou Aupuni

**FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 25, 2026**

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA CHURCH
KAPAA, KAUAI, HAWAII

MASS AT 6:00 PM

DINNER RECEPTION
AND PROGRAM TO FOLLOW
AT COYLE HALL

DINNER TICKETS ON SALE
AT THE CHURCH OFFICE
\$25.00

**PLEASE!!
NOTE**

There will be no confessions
on Wednesday, August 26
during adoration.

Next weekend 29/30 people from Little Bethlehem will be visiting our St. Catherine parish to sell religious articles. Those who are interested are invited to visit their display and purchase religious items for yourselves or for your loved ones.

**JOIN OUR AMAZING
CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

**ST. CATHERINE'S OF ALEXANDRIA
CHURCH**

**INVITING ALL SCHOOL-AGE
CHILDREN TO SHARE THE JOY OF
MUSIC TOGETHER**

**PRACTICES WILL BE HELD AFTER THE
SUNDAY EVENING MASS
AT 6:00PM
(AFTER THE CHURCH SERVICE)
2ND AND 4TH SUNDAY EACH MONTH
STARTING SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
EMAIL MARY LARDIZABAL
OR SISTER RACHEL MARIUS AT
RMARIUS@RCCHAWAII.ORG**

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day:

Today we hear Jesus challenge his disciples. “Who do you say that I am?” he asks them, after asking them what others say. Saint Peter responds at once, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” We are the disciples who Jesus challenges now. How do we answer this question? As we encounter him here today and receive him in the Eucharist, let us think of who Jesus is for us.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:

Isaiah 22:19–23 God places the key of David’s house on the shoulders of Eliakim.

Psalms 138 “Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.” Romans 11:33–36 To God be glory forever.

Matthew 16:13–20 Peter is promised the keys to the kingdom of heaven.

Today we hear two people being given great authority. In the first reading, the LORD summons Eliakim, presenting him with the key of the House of David. In the Gospel, Jesus promises Saint Peter the keys to the kingdom of heaven. From David to Eliakim to Jesus Christ to Peter to, now, Pope Leo XIV, God imparts authority to those chosen to lead us. As we listen to today’s readings, let us pray that Pope Leo and all the bishops grow in wisdom and courage as they lead us, the Church, in the way of the Lord.

Reflection: God’s ways are not our ways and yet so often we insist we know what God wants. How often have you heard it said that someone is going to hell for what they have done? That is a human judgment and not necessarily God’s. God has given each of us a free will and abundant resources (scripture, nature and other people) to understand how we should live. Each of us has our own path. It is not our place to impose our path to others. The Spirit is at work, even through our mistakes. We need to focus on following our path and allow the Spirit to guide others.

Your kindness; O Lord, endures forever; Forsake not the work of your hands. -psalm 138:8

Celebrating 68 Years of Marriage!

St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish joyfully congratulates **Donald & Loretta Boro of St. Sylvester Church in Kīlauea**, who celebrated their **68th Wedding Anniversary** on Sunday, August 16, 2026, during the 7:00 a.m. Mass!

Despite the stormy conditions brought by Tropical Storm Lala, Donald and Loretta were surrounded by the love of many family members as they gave thanks to God for the tremendous blessing of **68 years of married life**. A small fellowship followed the Mass in their honor.

Donald and Loretta were married at **St. Sylvester Church on August 16, 1958**—the very church where, 68 years later, they gathered again to celebrate this beautiful milestone. They are truly pillars of our parish and Kīlauea community and a wonderful witness to the vocation of Christian marriage.

Congratulations, Donald & Loretta! May God continue to bless you with many more happy, healthy, and loving years together!





Mahalo!!!



To our "Garden Angels" who watch over and keep our Parish Grounds so beautiful!!!



SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick Call Parish Office. 808-822-7900
After Hours: 808-652-2905

Baptism

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.

First Holy Communion

Religious Education classes run from September to May.
Core classes run January to May

Eucharist to Homebound

Deacon Andy 645-1710

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.

PARISH STAFF

Fax 822-3014

Pastor: Rev. EJ Resinto ext 225
Rev. Francisco Sanchez ext 224
Deacon Andy Ragasa 645-1710
Administrative Assistant: Carmen Nakasone 822-7900
Stewardship Coordinator:
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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

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 3:30pm-5:00pm
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.