



Saint CATHERINE of Alexandria Parish

5021A Kawaihau Road Kapaa, Kauai, Hawaii 96746

Saint Sylvester Church

2390 Kolo Road
Kilauea, Kauai Hawaii 96754

Saint William Church

5292A Kuhio Highway
Hanalei, Kauai Hawaii 96714

Pastor: Father EJ Resinto

Parochial Vicar: Father Francisco Sanchez

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, Oct 25

7:30am +Olive Muschek, Chris Gilleres (Bday),
+Benigno Nicolas, +Elena Nicolas,
Alex Jr & Jim Maglinti (Bday)

9:30am +Tootie Aiu, +Juan Jr & Alice Maglinti,
+Darrell JK Maglinti, Kloie Ann Sarme-Smith(Bday),
Nita Beltran (Ints).

5:00pm

+Harold Aiu

Monday, Oct 26

Gloria Aqui (Healing)

Tuesday, Oct 27

+Juliet Aiu

Wednesday, Oct 28

+Tootie Aiu

Thursday, Oct 29

Nyreelyn Laguatan(Bday)

Friday, Oct 30

+Martyna Bielecka

Saturday, Oct 31

+Eliza Salvador

St. Sylvester Church

Sunday Oct 25 Christian Dye Ohana (Ints)

+Eliza Salvador, +Helen Relacion

Wednesday Oct 28

St. William Church

Sunday, Oct 25

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

Remembering the Dead, Praying for the Living, and Hoping for Eternal Life:

A Reflection on the Holy Souls and the Communion of Saints

October 25, 2026



As we approach the conclusion of the Church's liturgical year, our Scripture readings begin to turn our attention toward the end times, the final judgment, and the promise of eternal life. While these images can sometimes seem frightening or unsettling, they are not meant to fill us with fear, but rather to awaken within us a deeper sense of faith, hope, and readiness for the day when we will meet the Lord face to face.

It is fitting, then, that during the month of November, the Church invites us to remember in a special way those who have gone before us in death. This is not simply a time of remembrance, but a sacred opportunity to express our faith in the resurrection and our belief that **death does not have the final word. Jesus Christ does!**

The Hallowtide Triduum: Three Days of Faith, Hope, and Remembrance

The Church begins November with three closely connected observances, traditionally known as the *Hallowtide Triduum*:

October 31 – All Hallows' Eve (Halloween): The vigil of All Saints, reminding us of the holiness to which every Christian is called.

November 1 – All Saints' Day: We celebrate all those who now enjoy the fullness of eternal life with God, both the canonized saints and the countless holy men and women known to God alone.

November 2 – All Souls' Day: We commemorate all the faithful departed, especially those undergoing purification, and offer our prayers for their eternal rest.

These three days beautifully express what we profess in the Creed: **"I believe in the communion of saints."** The Church on earth, the souls being purified, and the saints in heaven remain united in Christ. Our love and prayers for one another do not end at the grave.

Why Do Catholics Pray for the Dead?

The Church teaches that those who die in God's grace and friendship, but are not yet perfectly purified, undergo a final purification called *Purgatory* (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1030–1032). *Purgatory is not a second chance at salvation, nor is it eternal punishment. Rather, it is the merciful purification of those who are already assured of heaven.*

Sacred Scripture reminds us that praying for the dead is a holy and pious practice (2 Maccabees 12:44–46). From the earliest centuries, Christians have offered prayers and, above all, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for their departed loved ones.

Our prayers for the Holy Souls are an act of charity. Just as we pray for one another here on earth, we continue to pray for those who have died, entrusting them to the infinite mercy of God.

Throughout November, I encourage each of us to remember our deceased parents, grandparents, relatives, friends, former parishioners, and especially those who have no one to pray for them. Have a Mass offered for their repose, visit a cemetery, pray the Rosary, or simply pause each day to pray:

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen."

Opportunities for Prayer and Faith Formation

As we enter this sacred season of remembrance, I invite our parish 'ohana to join us for these special opportunities:

Theology Thursdays with Fr. EJ – The Theology of Death

- **Thursday, October 29, at 6:30 p.m.** – Part I: *The Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell.*

October 25 2026 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10/28 Wednesday

5:30 PM SC: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
NO Reconciliation during Adoration

10/29 Thursday

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

10/31 Saturday

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

FCC daily rosary for the month of October. All are invited.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 5:00 pm

Wednesday at 4:30 pm; Saturday & Sunday at 4:00 pm

No Wednesday Confessions during the month of November due to no priests' availability. We apologize for this inconvenience.

- **Thursday, November 12, at 6:30 p.m.** – Part II: *A Catholic Perspective on Preparing for Death*, including advance healthcare directives, end-of-life care, and the dignity of human life.

Both sessions will be held at St. Catherine Church Hall. All are welcome!

All Souls' Day Mass and Blessing of Graves

**Monday, November 2, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at
St. Catherine's Cemetery, Kapa'a**

We will gather to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for all the faithful departed, followed by the blessing of graves. All are invited to join us in prayerful remembrance of our loved ones and all those laid to rest in our cemetery.

A People of Hope

As Catholics, we grieve the loss of those we love, but we do not grieve without hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13). Every prayer we offer for the faithful departed is an expression of our confidence in Christ's victory over sin and death.

This November, may we remember that **praying for the dead is one of the spiritual works of mercy**. In doing so, we honor those who have gone before us, strengthen our own faith in the resurrection, and prepare our hearts for the eternal life God promises to those who love Him.

*May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.*



Mahalo for YOUR Stewardship of Treasure

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 Oct 18

Sunday Offertory	\$ 7,077.00
On-Line Offertory	\$ 2,443.22
Offertory—direct giving	\$ 170.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 40.00
Catholic Ministries	\$ 2,377.00
All Souls Day	\$ 375.00



Rest in Peace Father Moses Akebule

It was announced with great sadness that Fr. **Moses Akebule, 64**, tragically passed away following a vehicular accident on Friday October 15, 2026 in Ghana, Africa. He was a priest of the Diocese of Navrongo-Bolgatanga, Ghana. He served in the Diocese of Honolulu from July 2015 to July 2020. He served for a very short period here at St. Catherine's Parish with Fr. Anthony Rapozo. Please pray for the happy repose of his soul.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day: Out of love, God created us and the entire world we live in. Out of love, God sent the Son who died for us to save us from our sins. Out of love, God sent the Holy Spirit to remain with us always. No wonder John wrote quite simply that God is love. Because we were created, redeemed, and made holy as acts of love, we are called to love in return. Specifically, Jesus teaches us today that the greatest commandment is to love God and love our neighbor. May our hearts expand with love as we join with our neighbor

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word: Exodus 22: 20-26 God hears the of the oppressed. Psalms 18 "I love you Lord my strength." 1Thessalonians 1: 5c-10: God's people are renowned for their conversion and love of God. Matthew 22: 34-40 The greatest law is the law of love.

We are reminded in today's Gospel of the two commandments that Jesus identifies as the greatest. Above every other law, order, or command, we are called to do two things: love God and love our neighbor. The first reading gives practical applications of this command. They reflect an era from many centuries ago, but we can still appreciate them today. May our love for God and neighbor grow and flourish in our hearts, our souls, and our minds, motivating us to show that love here and out in the world.

Reflection: The first reading from Exodus may be a little disconcerting. "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens...you shall not wrong any widow or orphan...if you lend money...you shall not act like an extortioner..." how does this help us form our attitudes toward immigration, just wages, social security, disability, children's programs, banking and credit card laws. The answers are not easy and good people may differ but we need to keep struggling to understand what is the right and just thing to do. We need to be open to listening to other viewpoints and to pray for insight.

You shall love the Lord your God... You shall love your neighbor as yourself. -Matthew 22: 37-39

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA PARISH

LIFE+NIGHT

YOUTH MINISTRY

ALL YOUTH GRADES 6-12
are invited to join us!

 **SUNDAY**
NOVEMBER 1
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

 **AT**
ST. CATHERINE'S
COYLE HALL

IN CELEBRATION OF

All Saints Day

SAINTS COSTUME CONTEST

 **BEST DRESSED**  **MOST CREATIVE**  **MOST ACCURATE**

 **DINNER IS PROVIDED**  **BRING A FRIEND!**  **RSVP BY OCTOBER 28**



Kick off celebration of 140 years of Faith & Community
on Kauai's East & North Shores

SAVE THE DATE

Celebrate with us.

Solemn Mass at 6pm followed by Chili & Rice Dinner, Bakesale & Bingo Games.



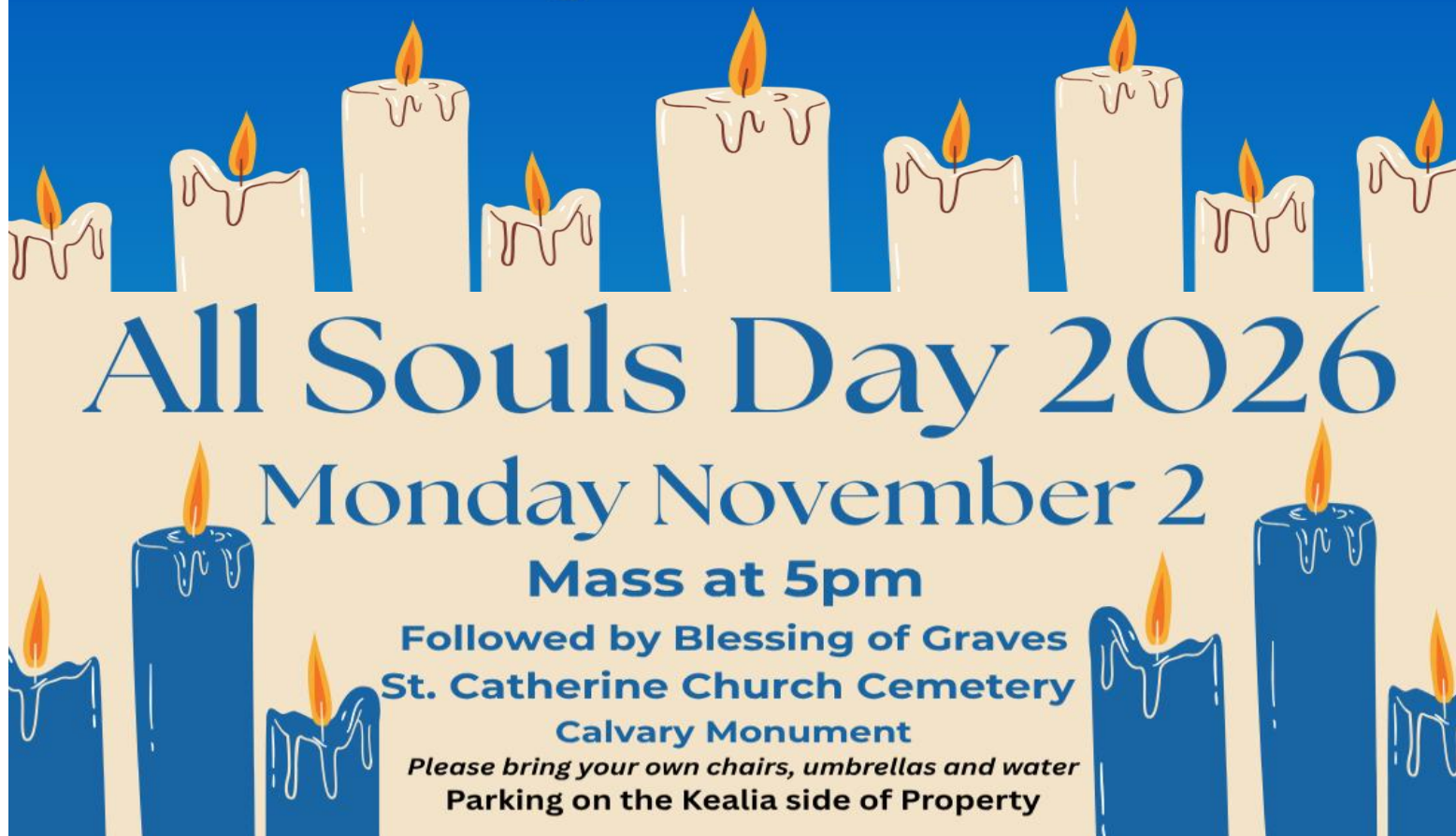
FRIDAY NOV. 27, 2026

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA FEAST DAY

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.




Commemorating all our deceased loved ones.

A poster for All Souls Day 2026. The top half has a blue background with several white candles with yellow flames. The bottom half has a light beige background with several blue candles with yellow flames. The text is centered in blue and black.

All Souls Day 2026

Monday November 2

Mass at 5pm

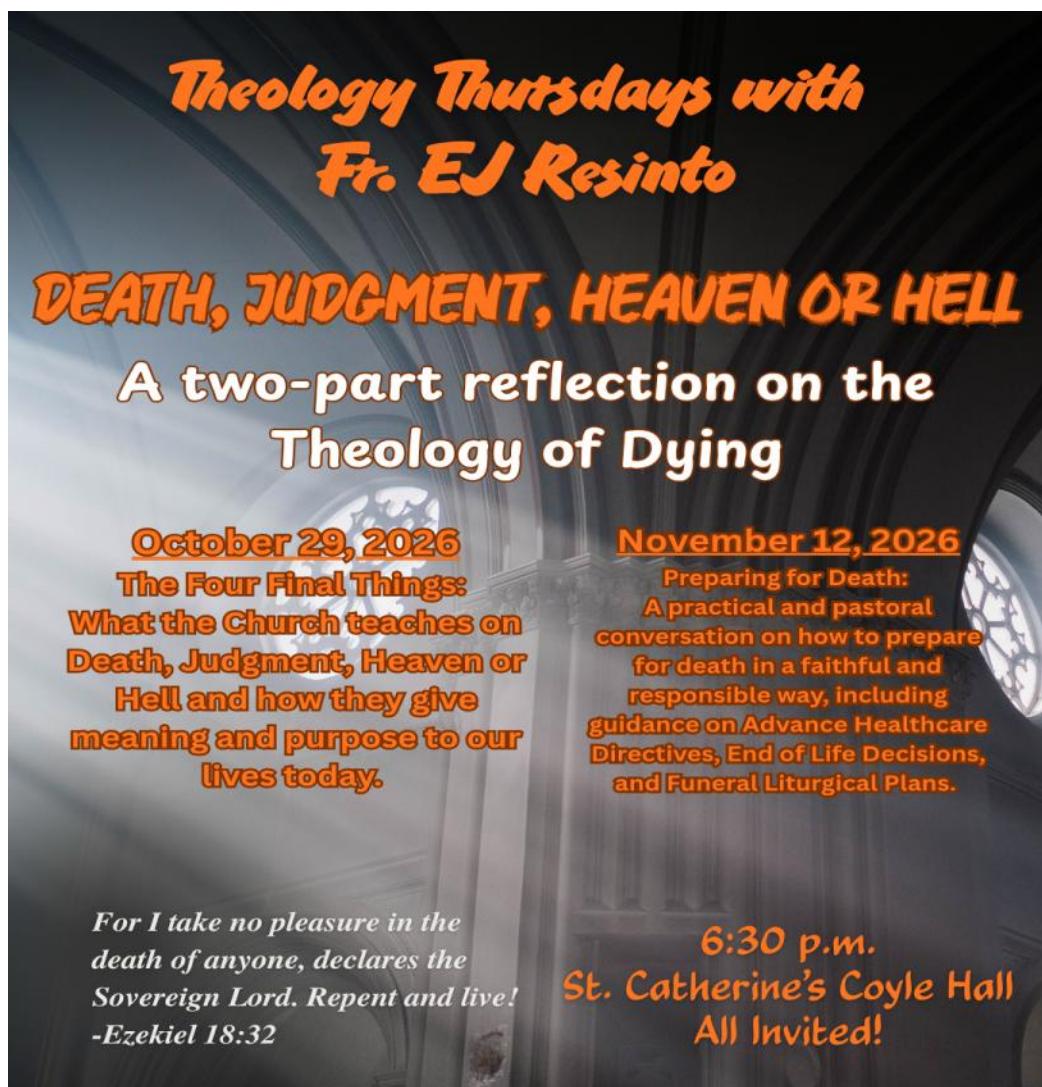
Followed by Blessing of Graves
St. Catherine Church Cemetery
Calvary Monument

Please bring your own chairs, umbrellas and water
Parking on the Kealia side of Property



Please keep the Engaged couples participating in this weekend's Engaged Encounter in your prayers. May the Lord bless them with open hearts, deepen their love and understanding of one another, and guide them as they prepare for the beautiful vocation of marriage. May Christ be the foundation of their relationship and strengthen them to build their future together in faith, love, and mutual respect.

Saturday: 8AM - 8PM
Sunday: 8Am - 3PM

A poster for Theology Thursdays. The background is a dark, atmospheric image of a church interior with arches and a stained glass window. The text is in orange and white.

Theology Thursdays with *Fr. EJ Resinto*

DEATH, JUDGMENT, HEAVEN OR HELL

A two-part reflection on the **Theology of Dying**

<u>October 29, 2026</u> The Four Final Things: What the Church teaches on Death, Judgment, Heaven or Hell and how they give meaning and purpose to our lives today.	<u>November 12, 2026</u> Preparing for Death: A practical and pastoral conversation on how to prepare for death in a faithful and responsible way, including guidance on Advance Healthcare Directives, End of Life Decisions, and Funeral Liturgical Plans.
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For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Sovereign Lord. Repent and live!
-Ezekiel 18:32

6:30 p.m.
St. Catherine's Coyle Hall
All Invited!

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

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Pastor: Rev. EJ Resinto	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
Music Ministry	
Music Director: Sean Texeira	651-0454
Larry Rosa	651-5499
Faith Formation Director: Sr. Rachel Marius	822-7900
Youth Ministry/Religious Education	
OCIA: Raina Bautista	634-0756
OCIC: Sr. Luci Salboro	
Young Adults: Clay Levinthol	346-1350

Sacristans

St. Catherine: Sr. Luci 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.