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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at **5:00 PM**

Sunday at **7:00 AM, 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM**

Confessions: Saturday from 3:15 to 4:00 PM **at the church** or by appointment

Infant Baptism: Contact Parish Office

Sacrament of Matrimony: Contact the Pastor 6 months before the wedding date for an appointment.

Funerals: Contact the Pastor before going to the Mortuary

We, the people of God of St. Rita Parish in Nanakuli, are united in our belief and in our commitment to Jesus Christ. In the spirit of aloha we respond to Christ's mission of love and freedom with our care, concern and communal action. This is expressed in the stewardship of our treasure through tithing and in the gift of our time and talents through shared ministries.

As a fast growing rural parish with a large Hawaiian population we feel a special calling to stand together in truth and justice for indigenous people of this land. As part of the universal Church, our outreach extends beyond our boundaries to the global community and we affirm the human dignity of all peoples. As a parish family we enthusiastically participate in bringing about God's reign of peace. We continue to evangelize, welcome and invite all of God's people to St. Rita Parish.

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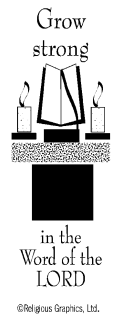
PARISH CALENDAR

Sixteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Saturday, July 18	 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, July 19	 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	 9:00 a. m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, July 20	 7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary
	 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Tuesday, July 21	 7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary
	 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Wednesday, July 22	 7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary
	 8:00 a. m	Communion Service
	... 9:30am -11:30 am	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, July 23	 8:00 a.m	Communion Service
Friday, July 24	 7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary
	 8:00 a.m	Communion Service
Saturday, July 25	 3:15-4:00 p.m	Confession - Church
	 5:00 p.m.	Mass

July 19, 2026

The Lord sustains my soul!



NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

1 Kgs:3:5, 7-12: God appeared to Solomon in a dream and offered him whatever he desired. The king requested wisdom to govern Israel well. The Lord granted the request.

Rm:8:28-30: All things work for good for people who love God. The Lord God knows, predestines, justifies and glorifies people and calls them to share Christ's love.

Mt:13:44-52: Jesus said that the reign of heaven is like a buried treasure and a fine pearl. Those who find it sell all they have to attain it. God is like a householder who brings forth good things, new and old..

GOSPEL REELECTION: TRANSFORMED BY GODS WORD

He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened." Matthew 13:33 Yeast is small—invisible once it is worked into the dough. And yet, its influence is pervasive and powerful. This simple image—yeast worked into three measures of flour, causing it to slowly rise—reveals that the Kingdom of Heaven is built quietly, almost imperceptibly, from within. Like leaven silently transforming dough from the inside, so too does God's grace operate—hidden yet active—in the heart, in the Church, and in the world.

Patently watching dough rise can be a small wonder, especially for children. In this brief parable, the yeast symbolizes the Word of God, and the wheat flour, the human soul. When God's Word is welcomed by faith, it possesses the power to transform the entire soul. Just as yeast elevates and expands flour into bread, so God's Word elevates human nature and conforms it to Himself. How awe-inspiring it is to behold the gradual transformation of a soul animated by divine grace!

Reflect today on the quiet ways God is at work within you, within the Church, and throughout the world. Though you might not always perceive the movement of grace, trust that it is active—like yeast in dough—gently transforming, sanctifying, and preparing hearts for the glory to come. Resist the temptation to measure your spiritual growth by visible signs or immediate results. Instead, remain faithful to prayer, attentive to the Word, and docile to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. God's Kingdom unfolds in time, and its rising is certain. Even when the world seems overwhelmed by sin or division, remember that the leaven is at work. The final loaf is being prepared for the eternal banquet—and you are being made ready, one hidden grace at a time, until you are fully prepared to share in the joy of the eternal feast.

Most Holy Word of God, speak to me, enter my heart, and transform me by Your grace. Send forth Your Word into Your Church on earth. Make Her holy, that She may reflect the beauty and strength of the Body of Christ. Use me and all the members of Your Body to witness to the world—especially to those who do not yet know You—so that they may be drawn into the wonder and awe of Your transforming power and come to partake in the superabundant Banquet to which we are all called. Jesus, I trust in You.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORD OF LIFE: "Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together." *United States Conference of Catholic Bishop, "Married Love and the Gift of Life"*

WEEKLY READINGS

Jul 19 Sun: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis:12:13, 16-19; Ps:86; Rms:8:26-27; Mt:13:24-43

Jul 20 : Mon: Ordinary Weekday

Mi:6:1-4, 6-8; Ps:50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mt:12:38-42

Jul 21 : Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Mi:7:14-15, 18-20; Ps:85: 2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt:12:46-50

Jul 22: Wed: Saint Mary Magdalene

Sg:3:1-4b; Ps:63; 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn:20:1-2, 11-18

Jul 23 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

Jer:2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps:36: 6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Mt:13:10-17

Jul 24 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Jer:3:14-17; Jer:31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt:13:18-23

Jul 25 Sat: Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor:4:7-15; Ps:126: 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt:20:20-28

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In today's second reading, Saint Paul bids us to take comfort in knowing that when god invites us to pray to him, he knows our true needs, even if we do not. The Holy Spirit intercedes and prays for us even if we can't come up with appropriate words; even when we don't have a clue what to ask for. We are not left alone. Good stewards know that prayer is an important part of living a life in Christ. The important thing is to make space for God. Do we let God into our hearts? Do we make room for the Holy Spirit to pray within us?. **International Catholic Stewardship Council**

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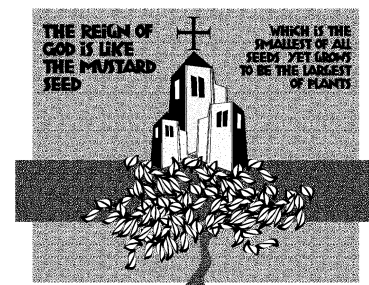
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