



*FEAST OF ST. JOHN MARY
VIANNEY
AUGUST 4
PATRON SAINT OF PARISH
PRIESTS*

*We are Grateful to Bishop Larry
Silva for his 21 years of service
to our Diocese of Honolulu*



*Congratulations to the New Bishop of the
Diocese of Honolulu
Bishop Michael Thomas Tupou Castori SJ.*



OLD HISTORICAL CHURCH



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ST. RAPHAEL CHURCH

Oldest Catholic Church on Kauai – est.
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BOTH CHURCHES – SAME ADDRESS

*“Looking up to heaven, He said the blessing, broke
the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in
turn gave them to the crowds”.*



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2026

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Daily Mass Monday – Friday: 7:00 AM (Old Church)

Wednesday: O.L.P.H Novena (After Mass)

Thursday: Our Lady Of La Salette Novena (After Mass)

Saturday: Novena to St. Raphael & Rosary (7.30 AM. Mass – 8.00 AM)

Healing Mass: (Every First Saturday only)- 8.00 AM

Saturday (Vigil Mass): 5.00 PM (NewChurch)

Sunday (Mass): 7:00 AM (New Church) 9:30 AM (New Church)

Reconciliation: 30 Minutes before Mass on the weekends in the Parish Office

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the Parish Office at (808) 742-1955 to schedule an appointment

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Ronaldo Guzman, MS – Pastor
Dcn. Bambi Emayo – Deacon
Office Secretary – Sr. Roselyne Mawpat, MSMHC

Parish Accounting Manager:
Michele Lum

Volunteer Accountant:
Mercedes Casticimo (as needed)

Volunteer Bookkeeper:
Marina Pascua

Volunteer - PDS
Laure Dietterle

Religious Education Director:
Sr. Roselyne Mawpat, MSMHC

Food Pantry:
Benymar Tapucol

Filipino Catholic Club:
Lydia Rebugio

Pastoral Council:
Jacquelyn Contrades

Finance Council:
Jeanette Liberato

Baptism: Submit application form and required papers to the Parish Office. Baptism class will be scheduled upon receipt of completed applications. Baptism is usually held on Sunday after the 9:30AM Mass.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation: Contact the Office for more information.

Marriage: Contact the Parish Office for more information at least six months before wedding.

OCIA: Contact the Parish Office for more information.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office for scheduling the visit.

Funerals: Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

August Birthdays

Dominador Acob 3
Dexter Acob 4
Helene Carvalho 4
Tyler Yates 7
Priscilla Bukoski 8
Esmeralda Cadiz 8
Adela Chavez 9



May God bless you and grant
you the wishes of your Heart

Stewards of Treasure
Weekly Collections July 25 – 26, 2026



Collection	\$	4,211.00
Votive Candles	\$	420.00
Mass Intentions	\$	100.00
Gift Shop	\$	1,032.00
Food Pantry (Cash)	\$	26.00
Second Collection (Joseph Dutton)	\$	680.00
Building Maintenance	\$	1,005.00
Second collection (Peter Pence)	\$	10.00
Online Church Offering	\$	312.00
Online Building Maintenance Fund	\$	200.00
Online Second Collection	\$	103.00

MAHALO FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *We will have a Second Collection this weekend for the Catholic Charities Hawaii. Thank you.
- *The Feast of the Assumption will be held on August 15, only at 8:00 AM Mass.
- *We are looking for volunteers to help us clean the New Church every second Saturday of the month at 9:00AM. Thank you.
- *Drive thru food distribution on Thursday, August 20 from 4.30pm to 6.00pm. We need brown bags for Food distribution. Please drop off the wooden box outside the office. Thank you.
- *Our Gift Shop is open after mass on weekends and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9AM to 12PM.

Welcome and Aloha!

Thank you for celebrating with us at St. Raphael Church this weekend. You may be visiting, new to our community, or live on this beautiful Island. We hope you enjoyed your time at St. Raphael Church where you considered St. Raphael Church your “home” away from home.



St. Raphael's Church Online giving is tested and secured and a convenient way to give your weekly offerings or donations anytime from the comfort of your own home, or from any place with internet access. For more information, please visit our website at: straphaelkauai.org

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading
Isaiah 55:1-3
The Lord will renew his covenant with the descendants of David.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 145:8-9,15-18
The Lord provides for his people.

Second Reading
Romans 8:35,37-39
Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

Gospel Reading
Matthew 14:13-21
Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish.



Background on the Gospel Reading
Today we jump ahead in our reading of Matthew's Gospel to Chapter 14. Last week we heard Jesus conclude his discourse with the crowds about the Kingdom of Heaven. In Matthew's narrative, Jesus then leaves the crowds and returns to Nazareth, where he is rejected. Matthew then recounts the story of John the Baptist's arrest and execution at the hands of Herod. Today's Gospel reading begins at this point.

Upon hearing the news of the death of John the Baptist, Jesus seeks to withdraw, but the crowds follow him. Jesus reaches out to them in compassion and heals the sick. At the end of a long day, the disciples encourage Jesus to send the crowds away so that they might find provisions for themselves. Jesus again responds with compassion for the crowd. Jesus tells his disciples to provide food for the crowd. The disciples reply with a report of the meagerness of their own provisions—five loaves and two fish. The result is the very familiar miracle of the multiplication of loaves and fish. Matthew's Gospel tells us that 5,000 men were fed, and this number does not even include the women and children.

Jesus' blessing brought abundance from the meager provisions of the disciples. In this action, Jesus offers us a sign of the Kingdom of Heaven that he has been teaching about in the parables. A feast results from the smallest portions, the mustard seed and the yeast. In this miracle we witness an example for Christian life and ministry. Even the smallest of offerings can produce abundant results when placed in the service of the Kingdom of Heaven.

We find the story of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and the fish in each of the four Gospels. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Jesus performs this same miracle on two separate occasions. The story of this miracle is an anticipation of the Eucharist in which we are fed by the abundant grace of God. The importance of the Eucharist has been a defining element of Christian life from the very beginning.

Stewardship Prayer

Loving Father! I desire to spend my life living in collaboration with You as a disciple of Your son Jesus. I am truly grateful for the numerous gifts that You have given me. I acknowledge that everything that I have and everything that I am are Your gifts. As I approach the Eucharist, I bring a portion of Your gifts as my offering. I bring the time that I spend with You in prayer. I bring what I have done in Your service. I bring a just portion of my treasure. I pray that You grant me the wisdom and strength to live my life as a reflection of Your love. I pray that my participation in the Eucharist and my sacrificial offering is pleasing to You. I ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
In today's Gospel we find an equation the disciples of Jesus couldn't solve: Five loaves and two fish divided by 5,000- plus people. They failed to recognize Jesus in the equation; that whatever they had to offer, Jesus could take it and bless it and satisfy the hunger of the crowd with it. Good stewards recognize that the Lord can work miracles with the gifts they offer to a hungry and broken world. How often are we willing to offer our gifts in faith, even during disquieting times, even as insignificant as we think they are, and count on the Lord to do the rest? How often do we count Christ into the equation?

New Columbarium
We are happy to announce the new St. Raphael cremation Niche Columbaria project on the parish grounds. For the first time, we can offer NON-REGISTERED as well as Registered Parishioners the opportunity to have their remains interred at St. Raphael.
The new columbaria niches allow the committal of cremated remains in a final resting place on Holy ground amongst our St. Raphael parish community. Each niche can accommodate the remains of up to two individuals.
Your purchase of a niche helps support St. Raphael and the Diocese community. For more information or to answer any questions, please contact: Duane Pavao, Director of cemeteries, 808-783-6778, dpavao@cfcsmmission.org. Elly Mae Kalilikane, Family Service Advisor, 808-727-1024, mkalilikane@cfcsmmission.org.