

Luna's Rite of Investiture as an Altar Server



Congratulations Luna for your Readiness to Love & serve the Lord



OLD HISTORICAL CHURCH



NEW CHURCH

ST. RAPHAEL CHURCH
Oldest Catholic Church on Kauai – est. 1841
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BOTH CHURCHES – SAME ADDRESS

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.

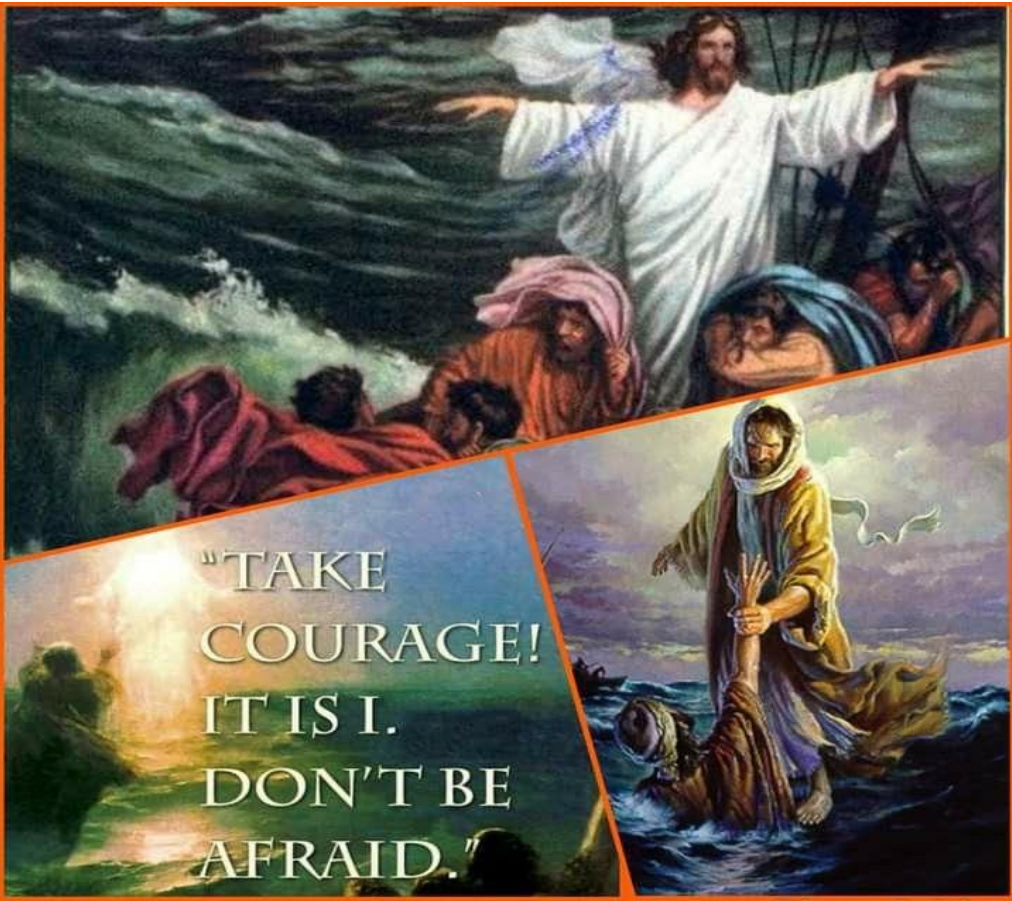
First Holy Communion and Confirmation:
Contact the Office for more information.

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.



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 9, 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

August Birthdays

Addie Cozby 10
Faith Andres 11
Lorraine J. Blumer 11
Elton Bukoski 11
Yvonne B. Ruiz 11
Cecilia R. Silva 11
Rose Dela Cruz 13
Shayden Rajon Remigio 14
Shane Bukoski 16



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



Stewards of Treasure
Weekly Collections August 1- 2, 2026

Collection	\$	4,772.00
Votive Candles	\$	559.00
Mass Intentions	\$	95.00
Gift Shop	\$	1,283.00
Food Pantry (Cash)	\$	5.00
Building Maintenance Fund	\$	5.00
Second Collection (Catholic Charities)	\$	1,804.00
Online Church Offering	\$	1,520.00
Online Building Maintenance Fund	\$	50.00

MAHALO FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT



- *Thank you for your donations toward the Second Collection for Catholic Charities Hawaii last weekend.
- *The Feast of the Assumption will be held on August 15, only at 8:00 AM Mass.
- *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.
- *We are looking for volunteers to help us clean the New Church every second Saturday of the month at 9:00AM. 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
1 Kings 19:9a,11-13a
The Lord appears to Elijah in a whisper.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 85:9-14
The Lord is the source of salvation.

Second Reading
Romans 9:1-5
Paul speaks of the blessings that have come to the Israelites.

Gospel Reading
Matthew 14:22-33
Jesus walks on water, and the disciples acknowledge him as the Son of God.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel directly follows last week's account of Jesus feeding a crowd of more than 5,000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fish. For the sake of the crowds, Jesus had postponed his time of solitude. Now, at last, Jesus finds some time for quiet and prayer. He sends his disciples ahead of him by boat, dismisses the crowds, and then withdraws to the mountain to pray. The disciples do not fare well. They struggle to weather the wind and waves, making little progress in their journey. We are reminded of a previous story in Chapter 8 of Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus calms the seas. This time, however, Jesus does not calm the seas, and the disciples do not express fear until they see Jesus' walking toward them on the water. In this story it is not the storm that is feared but the sight of Jesus before them, whom they mistake for a ghost. Clues like these suggest that this story is about the disciples' growing understanding of the identity of Jesus. In continuity with last week's Gospel about the feeding of the multitude, today's Gospel is also about what the disciples' faith in Jesus will enable them to do. In last week's Gospel, when the disciples see the crowds, they ask Jesus to send the crowds away. Jesus turns the situation around, telling the disciples to feed the crowd with the provisions that they have. Both of these Gospels tell us much about ministry.

Jesus calls to the disciples and calms their fears. He is not a ghost. The impulsive Peter seeks proof that the person is indeed Jesus. He asks Jesus to call him out onto the water, and Jesus grants this request. Peter's fear and doubt overtake him, however, once he is walking on the water. Jesus reaches out to Peter and saves him. When Jesus and Peter enter the boat, Matthew reports that the wind ceases, and the disciples confess that Jesus is the Son of God.

Faith in Jesus will enable the disciples to do the work that Jesus has done. Peter walks on water. The five loaves and two fish feed a multitude of people. The disciples can and will participate in the work of the kingdom of heaven. When Peter fears and doubts the person of Jesus, however, he falters. Peter's example teaches us that true Christian ministry emerges from the faith that Jesus is the Messiah, God's only Son.

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.



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.