

Bicentennial Celebration of the Catholic church in Hawai'i



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.

THE KINGDOM OF
HEAVEN IS LIKE...



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19, 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

July Birthdays

Christian Chatterjee 20
Sharon Kuhlmann 20
David Ruiz 21
Leslie Von Brimer 22
Kate Egan 22
Lahela Soto 23
Christine Galzado 24
Faith Gadingan 24
Gwendolyn Muraoka 24
Jeremiah Garcia 25
Ben Melchor 25
Osborn Jim 25
Quinton Zayn Remigio 25
Kobly Casticimo 26
Candice Muana 26
Leanna Thesken 26



Stewards of Treasure

Weekly Collections July 11 – 12, 2026

Collection	\$	3,922.00
Votive Candles	\$	238.00
Mass Intentions	\$	140.00
Gift Shop	\$	937.00
Food Pantry (Cash)	\$	5.00
Second Collection (CMAA)	\$	25.00
Diocesan Seminarian Education Fund	\$	5.00
Building Maintenance	\$	300.00
Online Church Offering	\$	547.20

MAHALO FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT



*We are having a Second Collection for CMMA this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

*Join Duane Pavao, Director with Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services, who has joined us from OAHU will meet with you in the Parish Hall after the 9:30 am Mass. He is here to answer questions you may have regarding our new columbarium project. Tourists and guests are welcome.

*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.



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straphaelkauai.org

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading

Wisdom 12:13,16-19
God has shown himself to be a God of justice and mercy.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16
A prayer to God for mercy.

Second Reading

Romans 8:26-27
The Spirit intercedes for us with God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:24-43 (shorter form: Matthew 13:24-30)
Jesus offers parables about the Kingdom of Heaven and explains them to his disciples.

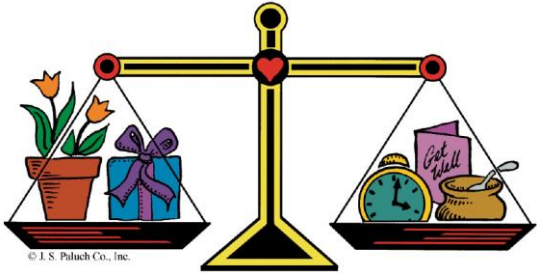
Background on the Gospel Reading

In today’s Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the Sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus’ discourse that we began reading last Sunday.

All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus’ explanation to the disciples’ cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature. Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the Sower, we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the “weeds” prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.



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.