

Mass Intentions

Hal Silva 9/1
Pimentel 'Ohana 9/2
Ibanez 'Ohana - 9/2
Dongog 'Ohana - 9/2
Sardinha 'Ohana - 9/2
Randy K. Emmsley - 9/8, 9/9, 9/10
Nathan Perreira 9/12
Betty Silva - 9/18
Alvin & Helen Estrella 9/19
Puaala Kekiwi 9/26

Pray For Our Sick
Brothers & Sisters

James Gonzalez-Wesley
Debbie Faborito
Rachel Carvalho
Robert Robello
Melissa Prince
Stanley Lee
Fr. Chacko Muthoottil
Winona Martinez
Clarita Pimentel
Felicia Gonzalez
Rosaline DeMello
Gosha Jasowicz
Annette Palamino
Bob Garza
Theresa Honokaupu
Sandy Silva
Cheryl Tabacco

Ministries

Pastoral & Finance Council
Faith Formation
Stewardship
Environment & Liturgical
Sacristans & Altar Servers
Lectors
Eucharistic Ministries
Music Choir
Bereavement
Ushers/Greeters
Repairs & Yard Maintenance / Safety
Planning and Building
Collection Counters
Thrift Store Volunteers
Church Cleaners
Hospital & Homebound
Community Outreach

YOU ARE CREATED BY GOD TO
LOVE HIM, KNOW HIM, AND
SERVE HIM

Join us to pray the Holy Rosary, Memorare,
and Guardian Angel Prayer
Tuesday - Friday after morning mass,
Saturday before Mass at 4:30pm,
and Sunday at 8:00am.

&
DIVINE MERCY PRAYER EVERY FRIDAY
AFTER MASS

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WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday - Friday 7am

ST. GABRIEL MASS
1st & 3rd Sundays: 11am

Reconciliation
St. Rita - Saturday 3:30pm-4pm

Anointing of the Sick
Please contact our office

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals
Please contact our office

MINISTRIES
MINISTRY OF SONG: CHOIR
Wayne Freitas & Rita Bauldry
Tuesday 6pm

THRIFT STORE
Tuesday 8am - 12pm
Sunday 9:45am - 12pm

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

September 13, 2026

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Sirach 27:30-28:7 | Romans 14:7-9 | Matthew 18:21-35



The Debt We Have in Common
Thomas M. Santa, Csr

As we hear today's Gospel of the servant whose enormous debt is forgiven, yet who refuses mercy a fellow servant owing far less, we cannot help but ask: how can this be? This is the first question that comes to mind. How could a person be forgiven so much and then, just a few minutes later, refuse to forgive something inconsequential in comparison? Selfishness doesn't really explain it. Being so full of oneself doesn't explain it. Being completely dense and obtuse is perhaps closer to the truth, but even that explanation comes up short.

The truth is that exaggeration of the debt is secondary to the story. What is essential to the story is the invitation to reflect on what it means to be a human being. It is to acknowledge that, when all is said and done, everyone owes a huge debt. No one is exempt from gratitude. An honest acceptance of who we are — completely and totally dependent on God who created us — is the core truth. To be so disconnected from this truth as to not recognize one's own dependence and be completely unaware of the need to be grateful — that is the real challenge the story considers.



How am I at forgiveness —
with others and with myself?



Our Lady of Sorrows is a special title for Mary, the mother of Jesus. It honors the deep grief and pain she felt during her life, especially during the suffering and death of Jesus. Catholics remember seven key events, called the Seven Sorrows or Seven Dolors, that broke Mary's heart:

- **The Prophecy of Simeon:** Simeon tells Mary a sword will pierce her soul.
- **The Flight into Egypt:** Joseph and Mary take baby Jesus to Egypt to hide from King Herod.
- **The Loss of Jesus:** Mary and Joseph search for Jesus for three days in the Temple.
- **Meeting Jesus on the Way to Calvary:** Mary sees Jesus carrying his heavy cross.
- **The Crucifixion:** Mary stands at the foot of the cross as Jesus dies.
- **Taking Jesus Down from the Cross:** Jesus' body is placed in Mary's arms.
- **The Burial of Jesus:** Jesus is laid in the tomb.



September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows in the Catholic Church. This month provides an opportunity for reflection on the sufferings of the Virgin Mary and their connection to the Passion of Christ. The memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows is specifically celebrated on September 15.

Faith Formation Corner

Faith Formation classes for children and youth, OCIA for adults will start up soon. Please fill out registration form and turn in by **September 20th** to Rita.

Children/Youth Faith Formation Calendar

- SEPT 20** - Catechetical Sunday - Family Blessing 8:30 Mass and Get Together After Mass In Hall
- OCT 4** - Class for Children (4-12 in need of sacraments)
- OCT 11** - Youth Group
- OCT 18** - Youth Group
- OCT 25** - Family Day - Welcome The Heart of the Family/Session One - Waiting for the Lord to Bless Us
- NOV 1** - Class for Children (4-12)
- NOV 8** - Youth Group
- NOV 15** - Youth Group
- NOV 22** - Family Day - Session Two - When Everything Changes, the Lord Remains
- NOV 29** - No Class (Thanksgiving Break)
- Class will start after Mass (Approx: 9:45am and run until 11am)

OCIA/Adult Sacrament Preparation Calendar

Class Begins At 6:00PM (Saturday)
See syllabus posted below

- SEPT 19** - Meeting at 6PM - Orientation for the upcoming year
- OCT 3** - Class One - The Journey of Faith
- OCT 17** - Class Two - Divine Revelation
- OCT 31** - Class Three - The Bible
- NOV 14** - Class Four - The Story of Salvation
- NOV 28** - Class Five - Who is Jesus?
- DEC 12** - Class Six - The Paschal Mystery
- DEC 26** - No Class (Christmas Break)

Mass For Those Who Died By Suicide

September 15, 2026, 6:00 PM
St. Theresa Church, Kihei



On average, one person dies by suicide every two days in Hawaii. They have often suffered in silence for years, but their tears were known to God.

Their family members and friends often grieve alone afraid to share what happened, but God hears every cry.

Join us as a community of faith to remember our loved ones, to lift them up in prayer, and to ask God for his healing and peace.



There will be a finance council meeting **Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 8:30am in the parish hall.**

Finance Council members:
Winona Martinez, Diane Nifong,
ShirleyAnn Hoopai, Agnes Groff,
Lisa Oberbeck, and Fr. Paul

MONDAY
September 14
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Nm 21:4b-9
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17

TUESDAY
September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
1 Cor 12:12-14, 24-31a
Jn 19:25-27 or
Lk 2:33-35

WEDNESDAY
September 16
Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
1 Cor 12:31-13:13
Lk 7:31-35

THURSDAY
September 17
Weekday
1 Cor 15:1-11
Lk 7:36-50

FRIDAY
September 18
Weekday
1 Cor 15:12-20
Lk 8:1-3

SATURDAY
September 19
Weekday
1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49
Lk 8:4-15

SUNDAY
September 20
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:6-9
Phil 1:20c, 24, 27a
Mt 20:1-16a

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Stewardship Gifts

“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s” - Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship - everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life He intended for you.

Income - September 6, 2026
Mahalo for your generosity!

St. Rita		St. Gabriel
\$1,752.00	Collections	\$150.00
\$20.00	Online	
\$20.00	Candles	
\$517.00	Catholic University of America	
\$20.00	Shepherd's Care	
\$400.00	Funeral	
\$210.00	Repairs & Maintenance	\$90.00
\$175.00	Memorial Tile	
\$85.00	Mass	
\$231.80	Thrift Store	
\$3,430.80	TOTAL	\$240.00

This week’s second collection
Shepherd’s Care

Next week’s second collection
Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

Legacy Sunday



Each generation of Catholics is given a critical mission: to help pass on faith to the next generation. Foremost is evangelization - to know our faith and pass it on to others. Equally important is sharing our God-given resources and assets.

As Catholic Christians, we believe our assets are gifts from a loving, generous God. We desire to use these gifts wisely and prudently and to share them with others - our family certainly, but also with those institutions devoted to spreading God’s reign on earth.

Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation

Catechetical Sunday
September 20, 2026

Children & Youth Mass & Blessing

All children and youth are welcome! Open house and refreshments to follow in the parish hall.



Maui County Fair - Nacho Booth
Volunteers Needed
October 1-4, 2026

It’s that time of year again for the Maui County Fair! We are blessed to be a beneficiary of the Homemade Nacho Booth.

We are currently looking for volunteers to work a 4-hour shift. Emelia and Jose do all the hard work; all we do is show up to prepare nacho bowls. Please see Diane (de-on) if you have any questions. Her number is also on the sign-up sheet.