

**August
Mass Intentions**

Fr. Chacko Muthoottil—8/05

Mike & Violet Pszyk—8/10

Walter & Ethel Texiera—8/11

Terry Dvorak—8/12

Peter B. Munoz Sr.—8/16

Paul Kaina Sr.—8/19

Nathan Perreira—8/26

Jim Visalli—8/29



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK
BROTHERS & SISTERS

James Gonzalez-Wesley
Rosemary Robbins
Debbie Faborito
Joan Opitz
Rachel Cravalho
Mark Potter
Robert Robello
Melissa Prince
Stanley Lee
Fr. Chacko Muthoottil
Winona Martinez
Clarita Pimentel
Helen Estrella
Stephen Groff
Jeremy Konohia
Felicia Gonzales



**ADORATION
EVERY FIRST FRIDAY
OF EACH MONTH**

AFTER MORNING MASS

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER
EVERY FRIDAY
AFTER MORNING MASS**

“Jesus, I trust in you”

Join Us to Pray the Rosary.
Tuesday thru Friday
after morning mass

Saturdays before Mass at 4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am

**EMERGENCY KOKUA
ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
1294 Makawao Avenue**

Assisting Upcountry families impacted by the fires in Olinda Kula area, in addition, those who have been displaced by the Lahaina fire and is staying with family/friends Upcountry.

Pick up and drop off times:

**WEEKDAYS 5-7pm
SATURDAY 9am—2pm
SUNDAY 1pm—4pm**

Volunteers needed to help with distribution and accepting supplies and traffic control during pick up and drop off times. You can show up and we will put you to work. Any questions, please see Esther or Christine.

**EMERGENCY
KŌKUA**

**ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
1294 MAKAWAO AVENUE
DRIVE TO THE TOP OF THE ROAD
PROVIDED BY UPCOUNTRY CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES**

Serving Upcountry Maui
Weekdays 5pm - 7pm
Saturday 9:00am - 2:00pm
Sunday 1pm-4pm



DONATIONS:

Rubber slippers
School supplies
Clothing Infant - 4X
Baby; wipes, clothes,
diapers, formula
Household; pillows, blankets,
sheets, pillow cases,
Paper Towels, Toilet Paper
Non perishable canned
goods, water, etc.

**COME AND PICK UP
WHAT YOU NEED**

or Email us at: sjckokua@gmail.com
Subject: **NEEDS**
Let us know your contact **NAME, PHONE, How Many People/items**
WHAT you NEED
Someone will contact you to make arrangements to get you what
you NEED. Please be specific, we have it all!

More Information :

Kula Catholic Community - Donna Ventura
St. Rita's Church - Esther Yap
Holy Rosary Church - John Costales
St. Joseph Church - Moani email: sjckokua@gmail.com



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~MASS SCHEDULE~
~ST. RITA~

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. ~ Vigil
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:
7:00 a.m. ~ Tuesday ~ Friday
~ST. GABRIEL~
1st & 3rd Sundays: 11:00 a.m.

~RECONCILIATION~
ST. RITA~ Saturday: 3:30 ~ 4:00 p.m.
ST. GABRIEL~ Before Sunday Mass

~ANOINTING OF THE SICK~
Please contact the Office

~BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS,
FUNERALS~
Please contact the Office

~MINISTRIES~
MINISTRY OF SONG: CHOIR
Wayne Freitas & Rita Bauldry
Tuesday ~ 6:00 p.m.

PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND
COMMUNION TO HOSPITAL

**ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH
655 HAIKU RD., HAIKU, HAWAII 96708
ST. GABRIEL MISSION
WAILUANUI, KEANAE**



**August 20, 2023
20th Sunday In Ordinary Time
A message from our pastor
Fr. Robert Nini, MF**

From this Sunday's Gospel we see a wonderful story of Canaanite woman that teaches us about the power of faith. This Canaanite woman approached Jesus seeking help for her daughter, and it holds valuable lessons for our own spiritual journey. In this story, we see a mother who had unwavering faith in Jesus, despite facing many challenges. She approached Him with great humility and persistence, knowing that He had the ability to heal her daughter. Her faith was not limited by her background, personal struggles, or even religious differences. Instead, it was based on her deep belief in Jesus' divine power and authority. As we reflect on this story, let us remember these important aspects of faith that apply to our lives today:

1. Never give up: The Canaanite woman's determination to keep seeking Jesus' help, even when it seemed discouraging, teaches us the importance of perseverance. In our own spiritual journey, we may face obstacles and setbacks, but let us remain steadfast in our trust in God's goodness.
2. Humility before God: The woman approached Jesus with great humility, recognizing Him as the Lord. We too should approach God with humility in our prayers and worship, acknowledging His authority and our dependence on Him.
3. Trust in God's goodness: Although Jesus initially responded to the woman's plea in a challenging way, she never lost faith in His love and mercy. This reminds us to trust that God's plans for us are always rooted in His goodness, even if they may not align with our expectations.
4. Breaking down barriers: The encounter between Jesus and the Canaanite woman transcended cultural and societal boundaries. It reminds us that faith knows no limits and God's love extends to all people, regardless of their background. Let us embrace a faith that unites us as one family in Christ. As we reflect on the lessons from this Sunday's Gospel, let us strive to deepen our faith.

May we approach God with humility, persevere through challenges, and trust in His unfailing love. Let us remember that our faith has the power to transform our lives and bring healing to our families and communities. May the story of the Canaanite woman's faith inspire us to grow in our own faith journey and encounter Jesus in profound ways.



WE ARE ALL CALLED TO SERVE IN OUR CHURCH
 MNISTRIES OF ST. RITA

- LECTORS
 - MUSIC / CHOIR
 - ENVIROMENT
 - ALTAR SERVICE
 - STEWARDSHIP
 - HOMEBOUND
 - HOSPITAL
 - BEREAVEMENT
 - FAITH FORMATION
 - FOOD MINISTRY
 - COOLECTION COUNTERS
 - PLANNING & BUILDING
 - SACRISTAN
 - LITURGICAL TECH
 - USHERS / GREETERS
 - CHURCH CLEANERS
 - THRIFT STORE
 - FAITH FORMATION
- You are created by God to love and serve.*

SAVE THE DATE
 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1ST 5PM

HOLY COMMUNION
 CONFIRMATION
 AND
 FR. ROBERT'S INSTALLATION



PRESIDER BISHOP SILVA

Dear Padre

August 20, 2023

Why are the Scripture readings for Mass so piecemeal? We read part of a verse then jump to another part. Doesn't reading it like this distort the meaning of the passage?

The readings for Mass are in a book called the *Lectionary*. Our current *Lectionary* was set up after the Second Vatican Council. It uses a three-year cycle for the Sunday readings, so over three years we hear the majority of the Bible at Mass. Its introduction states, "The present Order of Readings for Mass, then, is an arrangement of biblical readings that provides the faithful with a knowledge of the whole of God's word, in a pattern suited to the purpose" (*General Introduction to the Lectionary*, Second Edition, 60).

So the readings are not "piecemeal" but rather arranged so that we are exposed to the whole of God's word within three years. At times a given reading may not be complete—for example, the second reading for today is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, chapter eleven, verses 13–15 and 29–32. This is done not only for brevity but for clarity. Those who organized the *Lectionary* thought that this excerpt made the message clearer or gave better emphasis to a point in the reading. It certainly is good to get out your Bible and read the whole section so you can see what is missing, but when the word is proclaimed at Mass, the current arrangement is most effective. ●

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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FAITH FORMATION
 CLASSES EVERY SUNDAY
 9:45-11:00am.
 PARISH HALL

Monday
 August 21
 St. Pius X, Pope
 Jgs 2:11-19
 Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday
 August 22
 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Jgs 6:11-24a
 Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday
 August 23
 Weekday
 Jgs 9:6-15
 Mt 20:1-16

Thursday
 August 24
 St. Bartholomew, Apostle
 Rev 21:9b-14
 Jn 1:45-51

Friday
 August 25
 Weekday
 Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22
 Mt 22:34-40

Saturday
 August 26
 Weekday
 Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17
 Mt 23:1-12

Sunday
 August 27
 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 22:19-23
 Rom 11:33-36
 Mt 16:13-20

St. Rita's Church Stewardship Corner

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." - ROMANS 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good **Stewards** by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.



St. Rita	INCOME August 13 2023	St. Gabriel
\$1,676.00	Collections	
\$125.00	On-line Giving	
\$679.00	Repairs & Maintenance	
\$382.75	Thrift Store	
\$53.00	Candles	
\$30.00	Mass Intentions	
\$50.00	Baptism	
\$120.00	Maria Lanakila	
\$50.00	Shepherd's Care	
\$3,165.75	TOTAL	\$

SCAN QR CODE OR ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
<http://stritchahaiku.com/>

MARIA LANAKILA COLLECTION
 FOR THE NEEDS OF PARISHIONERS WHO LOST THEIR HOMES IN THE DEVASTATING FIRE IN LAHAINA..
HELPING OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN CHRIST.
 DESIGNATED ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH.



WELCOME EMALIA NAKANELUA-SAKAI TO THE FAMILY OF GOD

CONGRATULATIONS CAMERON & LU'UKIA NAKANELUA-SAKAI

Baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son and Holy Spirit

This week's second collection is for:
Shepherd's Care

Next week's second collection is for:
'Ohana In Christ

'Ohana in Christ
 THE ANNUAL APPEAL for the CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

SAFETY IN THE CHURCH

Safety Awareness meeting
 2ND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH
 Next meeting September 12, 2023
 Any questions, please see Lot Kaluau
 All are welcome!

St. Rita's Thrift Store

The Thrift Store is now accepting donations during store hours only.
 Tuesday's from 8am-12pm or on Sunday from 9:45 to 12pm.
 Please do not leave donations when store or gates are closed.

Mahalo for your support!



The beautiful cross at St. Gabriel Shrine is now properly erected. Mahalo to Wayne Yap for fabricating a stand and base. Also Lot Kaluau, Fr. Raju, Fr. Robert for the installation of the cross and Lisa and Kekukaula for their amazing moral support.