

FEBRUARY 2024



Fr. Chacko Muthoottil—2/2  
Paul Kaina Sr—2/3  
Margaret Louis—2/6

Hans & Elvie Riecke 2/7 & 2/16

Terry Dvorek  
Mike & Violet Pszyk—2/9

Alvin Estrella—2/10

Christine Riecke-Gonzales  
2/13 & 2/14 am

Mark Potter—2/14 pm  
Nathan Ferreira—2/17  
Isaac James Honokaupu—2/24

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK  
BROTHERS & SISTERS

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

FIRST FRIDAY  
EUCHARIST ADORTION



AFTER MORNING MASS  
7:30am-8:30am



Faith Formation  
LIFELONG AND ONGOING

The 2024 Faith Formation HAS BEGUN! If you still need to register, Registration forms can be found at the entrance of the church.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2024 CLASSES  
(Subject to Change)

FEB. 04 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11) and ADULTS (11:15 – 1:00)

FEB. 11 – CLASS FOR THE YOUTH GROUP ONLY

FEB. 18 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11) and ADULTS (11:15 – 1:00)

FEB. 25 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11)

MAR. 03 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11) and ADULTS (11:15 – 1:00)

MAR. 10 – CLASS FOR THE YOUTH GROUP ONLY

MAR. 17 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11) and ADULTS (11:15 – 1:00)

MAR. 24 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11)

MAR. 31 – NO CLASS – EASTER SUNDAY

[YOUTH GROUP – For any Youth who have participated in Faith Formation in previous years. All are welcome.

**Three- to 12-year-olds** - For those who have registered for this current 2024 Faith Formation Year. We will meet after Mass on Sundays, approximately **9:45 until 10:30 for the entire group. At 10:30 the 3- and 4-year-olds can leave, and we will continue for a half hour with the older children until 11:00.**

(See calendar above for dates of classes.)

**ADULTS** – For any adults needing Sacramental prep. We will meet at 11:15 until 1:00 on the Sundays mentioned in calendar above.]

If there are any questions, please feel free to see Rita Bauldry after Mass or call the Parish Office @ (808) 575-2601 and leave a message. Rita will get back to you.

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

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

*DIVINE MERCY PRAYER  
EVERY FRIDAY  
AFTER MORNING MASS*

*“Jesus, I trust in you”*



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ST. GABRIEL MISSION  
WAILUANUI, KEANAE



FEBRUARY 4, 2024  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
*A message from our pastor  
Fr. Robert Ni Ni, MF*



In today's scripture readings, we see the striking contrast between Job's frustrations and Jesus' enthusiastic ministry. Most likely, you can relate to both emotions! Job complains about the drudgery and futility of life, yet God gives him the grace to offer up his suffering. Eventually, Job realizes that God has a greater plan for his life, and the suffering will end. Likewise, Jesus overturns human suffering to heal and bring hope to the people of His time - and today.

**Selfless Service & Solitary Prayer**

In the second reading, St. Paul tells of his selfless service to answer Jesus' call to spread the Gospel. Lastly, in today's Gospel, St. Mark describes a day in the life of Jesus which involves selfless acts of healing and teaching. The following morning, Jesus goes to a quiet place for solitary prayer.

**Recharge Your Spiritual Life**

I see a few themes in today's scripture passages. First, we are all called to look beyond ourselves. By unselfishly serving others like Jesus did, we share God's love, mercy, and forgiveness. Second, by seeking God's healing touch, we help ourselves and others heal, so we all can live life to the fullest. Third, if we have a zeal for God's glory, life is dynamic and exciting - not dull. Lastly, when we make time for solitary prayer, we recharge our spiritual life so we can continue to grow in relationship with God and others.

**Embrace Jesus' Teachings**

I pray that you take these messages to heart and earnestly embrace Jesus' teachings. This week, find ways to demonstrate healings and selfless service to others. Also, find a quiet place to pray and spend time with Jesus.

God bless you.

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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

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND



# ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

## HEALING MASS

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024**  
**5:00PM**

**SIGN UP SHEET ON THE BACK BULLETIN BOARD**

### Understanding the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is for people who are very ill, old, or dealing with big health problems. This includes people who are baptized in the Catholic faith and need spiritual strength and grace during their illness.

It can be given before surgery, to elderly people who are very weak, and to sick children who can understand and benefit from it. It can also be given to those who have lost consciousness or the ability to think but would have wanted it. Also, people with serious mental illness who would be strengthened by the sacrament can receive it.

The purpose of this sacrament is to offer a special grace to those going through the difficulties of serious illness or old age. It aims to connect the sick with the suffering, death, and resurrection of Christ, providing them with the healing presence and love of the Lord, strengthening their faith, and offering the support of the Church.

The sacrament of Anointing of the Sick gives a special grace to the Christian experiencing the difficulties of serious illness or old age. It is best received at the start of serious illness or a setback in old age, and it can be repeated during a prolonged illness or as the elderly struggle with the infirmities of age.

In the Church's Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. His cures were signs of the arrival of the Kingdom of God. The core message of his healing tells us of his plan to conquer sin and death by his dying and rising.

The Rite of Anointing tells us there is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. A careful judgment about the serious nature of the illness is sufficient.

When the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is given, the hoped-for effect is that, if it be God's will, the person be physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age.

We hope this helps to understand the importance of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for those who are ill or elderly in our community.



**MONDAY**  
February 5  
*St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr*  
1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13  
Mk 6:53-56

**TUESDAY**  
February 6  
*St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs*  
1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30  
Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday**  
February 7  
*Weekday*  
1 Kgs 10:1-10  
Mk 7:14-23

**THURSDAY**  
February 8  
*Weekday*  
1 Kgs 11:4-13  
Mk 7:24-30

**FRIDAY**  
February 9  
*Weekday*  
1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19  
Mk 7:31-37

**SATURDAY**  
February 10  
*St. Scholastica, Virgin*  
1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34  
Mk 8:1-10

**SUNDAY**  
February 11  
*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Lv 13:1-2, 44-46  
1 Cor 10:31-11:1  
Mk 1:40-45

### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Stewardship Prayer

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’” - MARK 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of Stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus takes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we are given the graces needed to do what He wishes us to do. Praying before acting is a great habit to develop.



St. Rita	INCOME JANUARY 28 2024	St. Gabriel
\$1,930.00	Collections	\$
\$551.00	Church in Latin America Black & Indian Missions	
\$137.00	Candles	\$
\$105.00	Mass Intention	
\$50.00	Shepherd's Care	
\$353.70	Thrift Store	
\$50.00	R & M	\$
<b>\$3,176.70</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>



This week's second collection is for **Repairs & Maintenance and Roof Replacements**

Next week's second collection is for: **Augustine Educational Foundation**

### St. Rita's Thrift Store

Hours of operation  
Tuesday's from 8am—12pm  
Sunday from 9:45—12pm

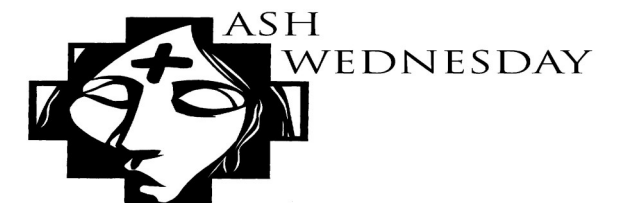
**NEEDED:**  
**Volunteers to process items**  
**Cashiers Sunday & Tuesday**

**We will be closed Tuesday Feb. 27th**  
**MAHALO FOR YOU SUPPORT!**

**SAT., FEBRUARY 10TH**  
**FUN, FOOD, FELLOWSHIP AND BINGO!**  
**PASTA DINNER & DESSERT \$10.00**



**Our church will be closed for fumigation:**  
**Feb 19-21 will reopen for mass Thurs 2/22 7am.**  
**Closed for re-roof: Mon. Feb 26 thru Fri Mar 1st**  
**Reopen Saturday and Sunday 3/2 & 3/3 masses.**



**FEBRUARY 14TH**  
**MASS TIMES: 7AM and 5:30PM**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



**EVERY FRIDAY STARTING**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2023, 5PM**