

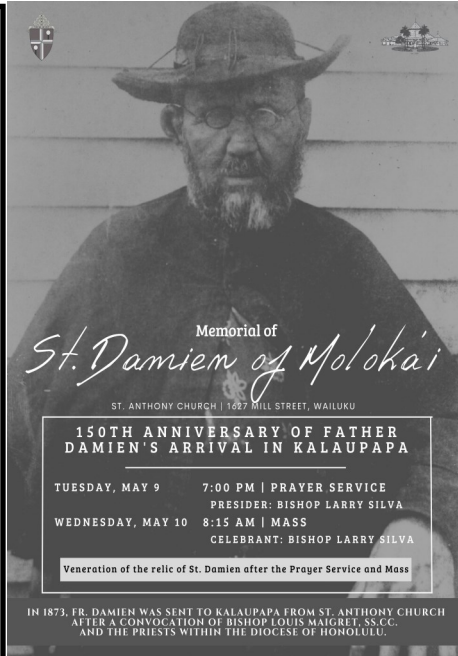
Come pray the Rosary.
Saturdays before Mass at 4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am

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
- Monica Revells
- Winona Martinez
- Clarita Pimentel
- Helen Estrella
- Stephen Groff
- Jeremy Konohia



EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF:
Hans and Elvi Riecke
Grace and Howard Petith
Stan U & Betty Zbiciak
Benjamin Castillon Sr.
Nancy & Mark Scognamillo
Annette, Daria & Jan Young
Julian & Rose Namahoe
Dionicio & Adresina Olaitiman
Rose & James Visalli
Joseph & Leonora Silva
Stransky-Zelenik-Sever Families
Harold Yap, Sr.
Bill & Valerie Heckman
Dayna Mae Domingo
Stephen Cabral
Reverend Patrick Freitas
Alfred & Clara Kaluau
Hal Siva
Kanani Pichay
Nathan Perreira
Brian Silva
Roberto Faborito
Liz Shippen
Peter Moniz
Wes Redpath
Norma DelaPina
Liz Shippen
Wes Redpath
Peter Moniz
Norma DelaPina
Eternal rest grant upon them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen



May Mass Intentions
Walter Ben Teixeira—5/06
Alvin Level Jr—5/13
Robert Faborito—5/24
Nathan Perreira—5/27



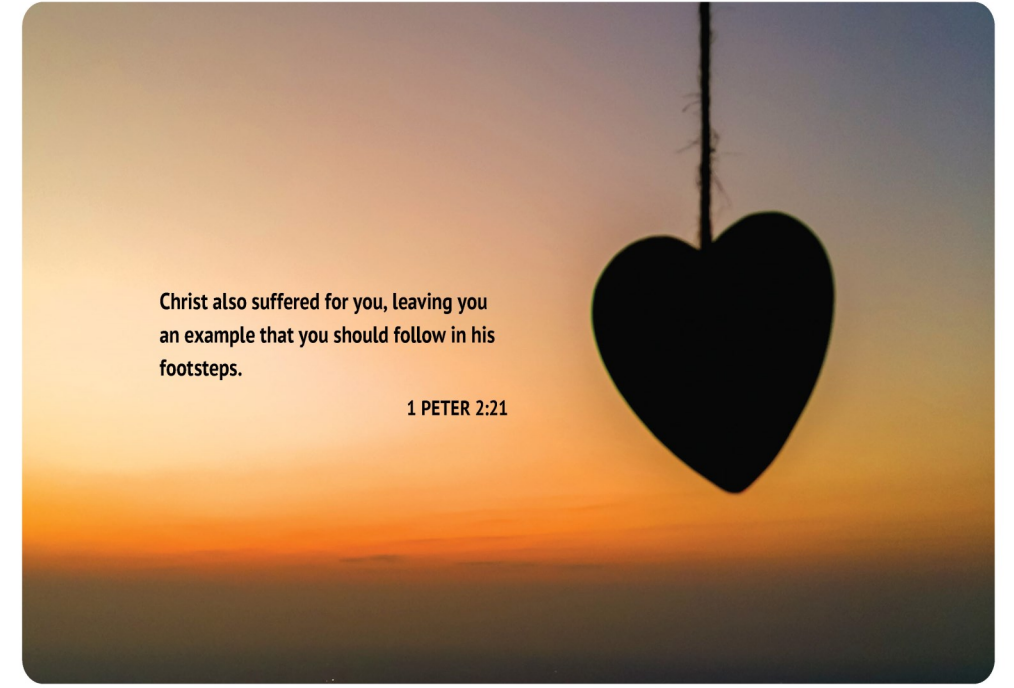
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ST. GABRIEL MISSION
 WAILUANUI, KEANAE



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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
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND
COMMUNION TO HOSPITAL

Our Parish COMMUNITY

April 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter (A)
 Acts 2:14a, 36-41 / 1 Peter 2:20b-25 / John 10:1-10



Saved by Love, Not by Suffering

FR. JOSEPH JUKNALIS

Im not sure there is any value in suffering in and of itself. Nor do I think God wants us to suffer. That would make him sadistic. Nor is it, then, Jesus' suffering and death that saves us, but rather his love even to the point of suffering and death that saves us. It is his love that reveals the greatness of God's love for us that is so unbelievable. The basis of our faith is Jesus' trust in God, who would bring about life even through death. We also hear the wisdom of St. Peter today: "...If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God" (1 Peter 2:20). Such is the shepherd's voice that teaches us and leads us.

Does anyone ever choose to suffer for doing what is good? Yes. Every day. Spouses become caregivers for husbands or wives robbed of their memories. Each day people go to jobs that are pure drudgery, and they do so because they love their families. Some choose to live simply, to be countercultural in a consumer society. Others help their community by living in neighborhoods many avoid. Some parents willingly postpone a career in order to be present to their growing family. Teachers often go beyond expectations for students who need extra help. It is never the suffering of these people that captures and reflects the image of Jesus, but the love even to the point of suffering. ●

Reflect

When are you patient in suffering for the sake of doing good?

Who has done the same for you?

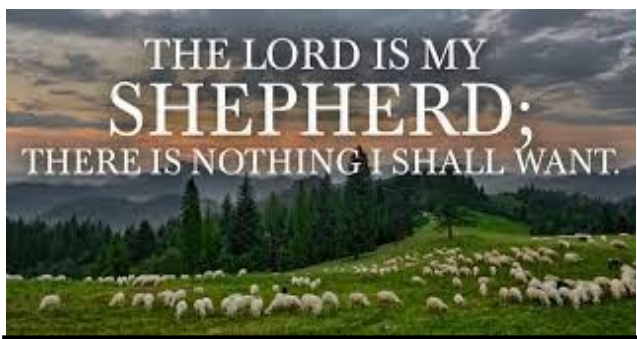
PRO LIFE CORNER
 "Give us the grace – When the sacredness of life before birth is attacked, to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the authority to destroy unborn life."
 – St. John Paul II
Do you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential non-judgmental help is available. Call Project Rachel's national toll-free number:888-456-HOPE (4673)



KCIK 740 AM or online @ RELEVANTRADIO.COM

Stewardship of Time
Needed in various Ministries:
Thrift Store—Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday
Collection Counters - Sunday 1 hour after mass
Liturgical Tech—Saturday or Sunday Mass (1 Hour)
Church Cleaners—Weekly





FAITH FORMATION CORNER

Classes: (Subject to Change)

April 30—Class All

May 7— Class All
May 14— Class (Group 2 only)
May 21— No class—St. Rita Feast Day
May 28— Class (Group 2 only)

June 4— Class All
June 11— Class All
June 18— Class All
June 25— Class All

We are required by the Diocese to have 26 classes throughout the school year. Students are allowed to miss only 3 classes during the year. Some of our classes will include service projects.

If you have any questions pertaining to classes call the Parish Office @ (808)-575-2601 and leave a message. Rita will get back with you.

Dear Padre

April 30, 2023

In the Apostles' Creed, we profess that Jesus "descended into hell." Is there any biblical reference to this? Do we know what he did when he was there?

Jesus Christ—who experienced death completely—descended to the realm of death. By his resurrection from the dead on the third day, he conquered death and the devil, "who has the power of death" (Hebrews 2:14). Other scriptural references include Acts 3:15, Romans 8:11, 1 Corinthians 15:20, and Hebrews 13:20. An ancient homily for Holy Saturday also attests to this belief: "God has fallen asleep in the flesh and he has raised up all who have slept ever since the world began....Greatly desiring to visit those who live in darkness and in the shadow of death, he has gone to free from sorrow Adam in his bonds and Eve, captive with him....'I order you, O sleeper, to awake. I did not create you to be a prisoner in hell. Rise from the dead, for I am the life of the dead.'"

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "Jesus did not descend into hell to deliver the damned, nor to destroy the hell of damnation, but to free the just who had gone before him" (CCC 633). His descent was to proclaim the Good News to the spirits imprisoned there, bringing "the Gospel message of salvation to complete fulfillment" to all people of all times and all places (CCC 634). Thus, "the gospel was preached even to the dead" (1 Peter 4:6). ●

— Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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- Monday**
May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 11:1-18
Jn 10:11-18
- Tuesday**
May 2
St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 11:19-26
Jn 10:22-30
- Wednesday**
May 3
Sts. Philip and
James, Apostles
1 Cor 15:1-8
Jn 14:6-14
- Thursday**
May 4
Easter Weekday
Acts 13:13-25
Jn 13:16-20
- Friday**
May 5
Easter Weekday
Acts 13:26-33
Jn 14:1-6
- Saturday**
May 6
Weekday
Acts 13:44-52
Jn 14:7-14
- Sunday**
May 7
Fifth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 6:1-7
1 Pt 2:4-9
Jn 14:1-12

St. Rita's Church Stewardship Corner

The word "repent" means to turn from sin - to change our thoughts, words and actions. Change that is permanent comes from within – a transformation or conversion of heart. This requires prayer, discipline and perseverance. Change is hard. The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need God's help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

St. Rita	INCOME April 23, 2023	St. Gabriel
\$2,248.00	Collections	
\$175.00	On-line Giving	
\$334.25	Thrift Store	
\$25.00	Mass Intentions	
\$1317.00	Repair & Maintenance	
\$125.00	Shepherd's Care	
\$52.00	Candles	
\$4,277.25	TOTAL	\$

This week's second collection is for:
Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund

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

2023
DIOCESAN PRIESTS
RETIREMENT FUND
SECOND COLLECTION

THEY WERE THERE FOR US. BE THERE FOR THEM NOW.

Fr. Chacko will be on vacation from April 11 thru May 11th. There will be no morning mass Monday thru Friday until his return.

Please keep Fr. Chacko in your prayers.

Fr. Ace Tui
Fr. Sylvester Kerketta
for celebrating
Mass with us this weekend.

God bless You!

SAVE THE DATE

St. Rita Thrift Store Annual Free-Giveaway

All clothing, Kitchenware, Household items, and much more. Everything in the hall displayed is free!

Saturday, May 20, 2023, 8am to 1pm.

We will have under the tent for sale our St. Rita popular baked goods, jams, jellies! Come early!



ST. RITA FEAST DAY

SUNDAY, MAY 21ST

MASS 8:30AM

**FOLLOWED BY:
POTLUCK BRUNCH
UNDER THE TENT**

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 items when store and gates are closed.

Mahalo for your support!

Ho'olaule'a

June 24th, 2023
5pm - 10pm on St. Anthony's Sullivan Field

Tickets on sale now
\$45 per person till May 31st

Tickets can be purchased at St. Anthony School Main Office or online at our website- sasmaui.org 808-244-4190

If you have any questions or have a large group you would like to reserve a spot please contact Emily at ebartow@sasmaui.org

JOB OPENING FOR PART-TIME SECRETARY
Supports administrative operations of the parish..
Apply on-line at:
<https://www.hrsmphony.com/hrs/careers/RCCH>

Deacon Stan Franco invites you to participate in the new Listening and Acting Committee. Jesus calls us to love one another which requires us to be a kokua (helper) when someone is needed. If you have a skill in legal, financial, construction, health, governmental matters, he asks you to join him in helping our brothers and sisters in need. He can be reached at: 808-214-3575 or stanfranco9114@gmail.com.

Thank you for volunteering to help others.