


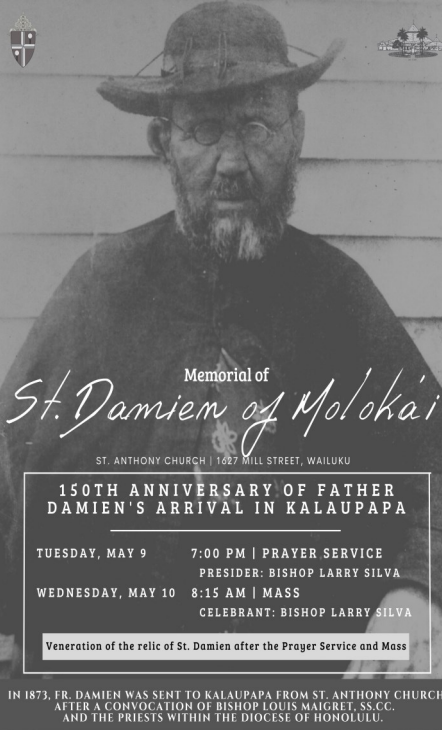
Come pray the Rosary with us
Saturdays before Mass at 4:30pm.
Sunday at 8:00am.

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



Memorial of
St. Damien of Molokai
 ST. ANTHONY CHURCH | 1227 MILL STREET, WAILUKU
150TH ANNIVERSARY OF FATHER DAMIEN'S ARRIVAL IN KALAUPAPA
 TUESDAY, MAY 9 7:00 PM | PRAYER SERVICE
 PRESIDER: BISHOP LARRY SILVA
 WEDNESDAY, MAY 10 8:15 AM | MASS
 CELEBRANT: BISHOP LARRY SILVA
 Veneration of the relic of St. Damien after the Prayer Service and Mass
 IN 1873, FR. DAMIEN WAS SENT TO KALAUPAPA FROM ST. ANTHONY CHURCH AFTER A CONVOCATION OF BISHOP LOUIS MAIGRET, S.S.C.C. AND THE PRIESTS WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF HONOLULU.

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


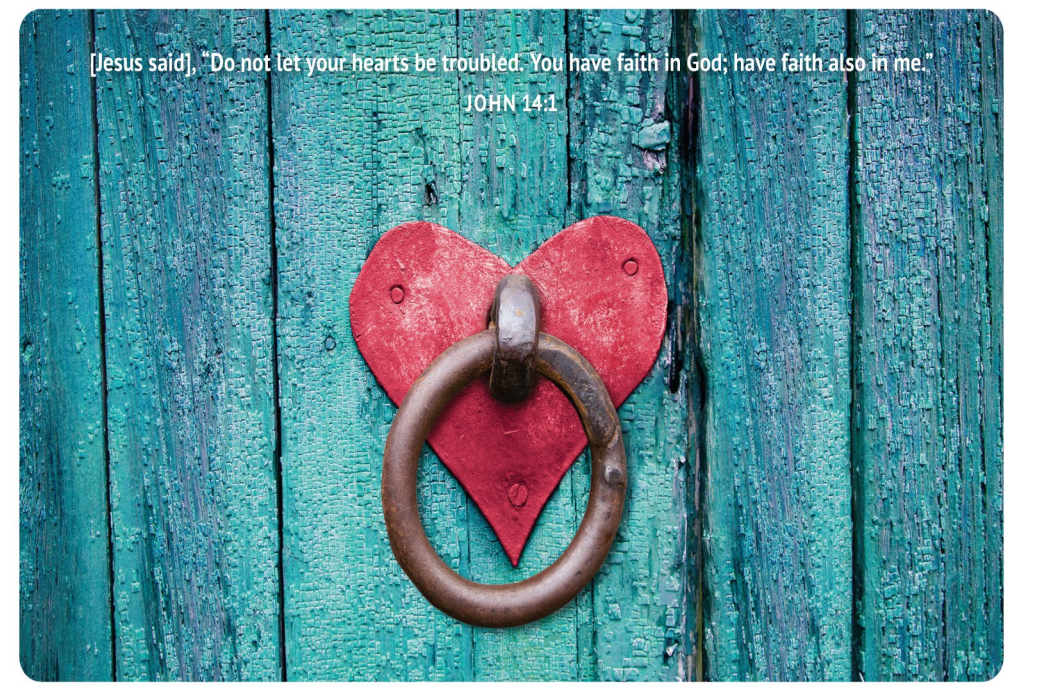



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 ~MASS SCHEDULE~
 ~ST. RITA~
 Saturday: 5:00 p.m. ~ Vigil
 Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
 WEEKDAY MASSES:
 7:00 a.m. ~ Tuesday ~ Friday
 ~ST. GABRIEL~
 1st & 3rd Sundays: 11:00 a.m.
 ~RECONCILIATION~
 ST. RITA~ Saturday: 3:30 ~ 4:00 p.m.
 ST. GABRIEL~ Before Sunday 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



Our Parish COMMUNITY May 7, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Easter (A)
 Acts 6:1-7 / 1 Peter 2:4-9 / John 14:1-12

Where the Heart Is

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Some would say that the purpose of life is to save one's soul. And certainly we should try, with the grace of God, to live our lives in such a way that we avoid evil and do good in order to do our part in building God's kingdom on earth. At the same time, we must remember that it is God who saves us. We don't save ourselves. Eternal life and happiness are byproducts of loving others. If the focus of one's life is to be happy, one never achieves it. If one seeks to serve others, however, happiness seems to find us. So also eternal life.

Robert Frost's "The Death of a Hired Man" is a poem about Silas, an aging drifter farmhand, and Warren and Mary, a farming couple who give Silas a room whenever he comes around.

Silas comes when he is needed the least and leaves when his presence would be most helpful, all of which frustrates Warren. In the poem Silas has returned, and Mary thinks it will be his last time, that he is dying. She says to Warren that theirs is the only home Silas has. Warren simply shakes his head as if to gently mock the idea of home: "Home is the place where, when you have to go there, / They have to take you in." Mary says it differently, "I should have called it / Something you somehow haven't to deserve."

Is that not also the promise of Jesus? "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" (John 14:2). Something we somehow haven't to deserve. ●

Reflect
 Where do you feel truly at home—and is Jesus invited?

PRO LIFE CORNER
 "Some people argue that changing laws will not eliminate abortions. It is certainly true that a change of heart is more important than a change of law. What is forgotten, however, is that the law is the great teacher. Children grow up believing that if a practice is legal, it must be moral." John Cardinal O'Connor

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) www.hopeafterabortion.com



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



"NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME."



FAITH FORMATION CORNER

MAY & JUNE



CLASSES

(Subject to Change)

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

May 7, 2023

I know a Catholic couple who wanted to celebrate their sacrament of matrimony at a Mass in a forest, but the bishop didn't allow it. Why not marry in God's creation?

A marriage between Catholics or between a Catholic and a baptized non-Catholic is usually celebrated in a parish church. It can be celebrated in another church or oratory with the bishop or pastor's permission. A marriage between a Catholic and an unbaptized person can be celebrated in a church or another suitable place, although a Catholic church remains the preferred place for the celebration.

Why is the parish church the preferred site for the celebration? For Catholics, matrimony is a sacrament—one of the seven sacred signs through which God communicates love to us. When Catholics ask God to bind their union as a sacrament, the couple's love for each other is a sign of God's love for both, and their union is also a continuous sign of Christ's love for the Church. Thus, the church as a "house of God," which contains the presence of Christ, is revered as the most sacred place to make this most sacred commitment. Marriage, according to Pope Francis in a 2015 General Audience, "is not merely a ceremony in a church, with flowers, a dress, photographs....Christian marriage is a sacrament that takes place in the Church, and which also makes the Church, by giving rise to a new family community.... [Saint] Paul says that the love between spouses is an image of the love between Christ and his Church. An unimaginable dignity!" ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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Monday
 May 8
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 14:5-18
 Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday
 May 9
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 14:19-28
 Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday
 May 10
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 15:1-6
 Jn 15:1-8

Thursday
 May 11
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 15:17-21
 Jn 15:9-11

Friday
 May 12
 Easter Weekday
 Acts 15:22-31
 Jn 15:12-17

Saturday
 May 13
 Weekday
 Acts 16:1-10
 Jn 15:18-21

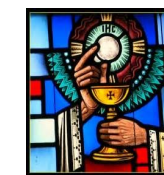
Sunday
 May 14
 Sixth Sunday of Easter
 Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
 1 Pt 3:15-18
 Jn 14:15-21

St. Rita's Church Stewardship Corner

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom of earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember - no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.



St. Rita	INCOME April 30, 2023	St. Gabriel
\$1,654.00	Collections	
\$175.00	On-line Giving	
\$192.25	Thrift Store	
\$600.00	Diocesan Retired Priest	
\$50.00	Repair & Maintenance	
\$20.00	Shepherd's Care	
\$35.00	Candles	
\$2,726.25	TOTAL	\$



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

Next week's second collection is for: **Maui Catholic Schools**

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. Arnel Soriano
 Fr. Ornelo Cherrez
 Fr. Sylvester Kerketta
 Fr. Ace Tui**

for celebrating Mass with us.

Mahalo Monsignor Watanabe for your support!

God bless You All!

Fr. Chacko returns next weekend.



Safety Awareness Sessions continues: Tuesday, May 9, 2023 6:30 - 7:30pm
 More information: Lot Kaluau 808-281-8996 or lkaluau@hawaii.rr.com

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.



St. Rita Thrift Store Annual Free-Giveaway

All clothing, Kitchenware, Household items, and much more. Everything in the hall 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 and Kalua Pork Plate \$10. **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.
We will be closed on Sunday, May 14th Mother's Day and May 21st. St. Rita Feast Day.

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

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