

August Mass Intentions

Fr. Chacko Muthoottil—8/05

Paul Kaina Sr.—8/19

Nathan Perreira—8/26

Jim Visalli—8/29



Come pray the Rosary. Tuesday thru Friday after morning mass
Saturdays before Mass at 4:30pm
Sunday at 8:00am

JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY AT 3:00 PM FOR DIVINE MERCY PRAYER
"Jesus, I trust in you"



ST. RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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ST. GABRIEL MISSION

WAILUANUI, KEANAE



July 30, 2023 Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

A message from our pastor
Fr. Robert Nini, MF



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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

Today's Gospel tells three parables to illustrate the priceless treasure of the kingdom of heaven. Heaven is a state of being in the presence of God, while hell is a state of being away from God. In the parable, Jesus talks about two men who sacrificed everything to obtain heaven. One man found a pearl of great price, and the other, a buried treasure.

Like the two men in the parable, we can experience heaven in our lives right now by having a relationship with Jesus. The Mass is heaven on earth, because Jesus is truly present in the liturgy. God enters our lives through the liturgy, especially through the Eucharist. You see, heaven is not just an idea. It is Jesus himself who comes to us at every Mass. St. John Chrysostom said that countless angels adore Jesus during Mass.

That's why it's so important to set aside other tasks and worldly concerns to participate in Mass on Sundays and weekdays. Unfortunately, many Catholics don't attend Sunday Mass. They take their faith for granted and miss out on the opportunity to experience the beauty and value of heaven on earth. Let us remember that a single Mass offered during our lifetime may be worth more than a thousand celebrated after death. Let us show reverence towards the Eucharist, where Jesus humbly dwells among us.

Through the Eucharist, Jesus humbly dwells among us, so let us eagerly celebrate together every Sunday. At the Mass, we draw closer to God and closer to eternal happiness now and forever.

May God open our eyes of faith and grant us His priceless treasure, heaven.

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

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you give us your flesh and blood for the life of the world, and you desire that all people come to the Supper of the Sacrifice of the Lamb. Renew in your Church the truth, beauty, and goodness contained in the Most Blessed Eucharist. Jesus living in the Eucharist, come and live in me. Jesus healing in the Eucharist, come and heal me. Jesus sacrificing yourself in the Eucharist, come and suffer in me. Jesus rising in the Eucharist, come and rise to new life in me. Jesus loving in the Eucharist, come and love in me. Lord Jesus Christ, through the paschal mystery of your death and resurrection made present in every Holy Mass, pour out your healing love on your Church and on our world. Grant that as we lift you up during this time of Eucharistic Revival, your Holy Spirit may draw all people to join us at this Banquet of Life. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of the Eucharist, Pray for us.



PRO LIFE CORNER

"...while there are many issues the Catholic must consider in forming moral judgments, 'Abortion is different. It is always intrinsically evil. There are no circumstances that justify abortion. Its victims are innocent and defenseless, and number in the millions. Abortion is the fallacious foundation upon which the culture of death builds its ugly edifice.'"

Bishop Thomas Tobin, Bishop of the Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island

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



- 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



KCIK 740 AM or online @ RELEVANTRADIO.COM



- WE ARE ALL CALLED TO SERVE IN OUR CHURCH**
- MINISTRIES 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

July 30, 2023

What is spiritual Communion?

Saint Thomas Aquinas said spiritual Communion is "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament"... and to lovingly embrace "Him as if we had actually received Him." It is the practice of desiring union with Christ in the Eucharist by those who cannot receive holy Communion for valid cause, such as an infirmity or an irregular marriage. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Pope Francis also said the practice is "highly recommended when it is not possible to receive the sacrament."

A prayer by St. Alphonsus Liguori is ideal for those unable to receive holy Communion:

*My Jesus,
 I believe that you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
 I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.
 Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
 I embrace you as if you were already there and I unite myself wholly to you.
 Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*

Saint John Paul II wrote, "It is good to cultivate in our hearts a constant desire for the sacrament of the Eucharist. This was the origin of the practice of 'spiritual Communion,' which has happily been established in the Church for centuries and recommended by saints....Saint Teresa of Jesus wrote: 'When you do not receive Communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual Communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you'" (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 34). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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FAITH FORMATION
CLASSES WILL RESUME
ON AUGUST 6th.

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!

- Monday**
 July 31
St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
 Ex 32:15-24, 30-34
 Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday**
 August 1
St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28
 Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday**
 August 2
Weekday
 Ex 34:29-35
 Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday**
 August 3
Weekday
 Ex 40:16-21, 34-38
 Mt 13:47-53
- Friday**
 August 4
St. John Vianney, Priest
 Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37
 Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday**
 August 5
Weekday
 Lv 25:1, 8-17
 Mt 14:1-12
- Sunday**
 August 6
Transfiguration of the Lord
 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
 2 Pt 1:16-19
 Mt 17:1-9

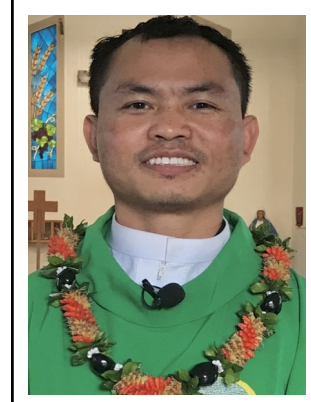
St. Rita's Church Stewardship Corner



Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that in our **Stewardship** God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.

St. Rita	INCOME July 23, 2023	St. Gabriel
\$1,005.00	Collections	
\$200.00	On-line Giving	
\$75.00	Donation	
\$348.00	Thrift Store	
\$409.00	Maui Catholic Schools	
\$51.00	Candles	
\$2,088.00	TOTAL	\$

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE
<http://stritahaiku.com/>



COME MEET AND WELCOME FR. ROBERT

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH
AFTER MORNING MASS
PARISH HALL

BRING A FAVORITE DISH TO SHARE

ALL ARE WELCOME!



This week's second collection is for:
Ohana in Christ 23-24
 Next week's second collection is for:
Catholic Charities Hawaii

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.

The Thrift Store will be closed Sunday, July 30th and will reopen Tuesday, August 1st at 8am.

Mahalo for your support!

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

Our Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve. Your generous gift will especially help support numerous ministries and services at our parishes, schools and beyond - as well as our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. Mahalo.

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.

JOB OPENING FOR PART-TIME SECRETARY
 Supports administrative operations of the parish. Apply on-line at:
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