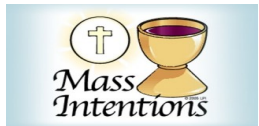


JANUARY 2024



Fr. Chacko Muthoottil—1/06

Mike & Violet Pszyk—1/09

Gayle Wentworth—1/11 & 1/12

Isaac Honokaupu—1/13

Jeffrey Pszyk —1/16

Castillo/Dela Pena/Munoz 1/18

Paul Kaina Sr.—1/20

Mary & Tony Silva—1/23

Abel & Irene Gouveia—1/27

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 Gonzales
JoAnn Potter

Catechesis for adults and youth (12 & Older) Mon thru Thurs at 7pm beginning Jan. 15, 2023 St. Joseph's Church 1294 Makawao Ave., Makawao Fr. Edison Pamintuan, Pastor More info. See flyer on bulletin board.

FAITH FORMATION CORNER

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 JANUARY & FEBRUARY CLASSES (Subject to Change)

JAN. 14 – CLASS FOR THE YOUTH GROUP ONLY

JAN. 21 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11) and ADULTS (11:15 – 1:00)

JAN. 28 – Class for 3- to 12-year-olds (9:45 – 11)

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)

[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.

New Norm Regarding Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion taking Communion to the Homebound

Bishop Silva requests every parish to place the following announcement in its weekly bulletin for three consecutive weeks:



In order to safeguard the sacredness of the Holy Eucharist, Bishop Silva has forbidden that the Eucharist be given to anyone presenting a pyx in the Communion line. Only those who are authorized by the parish priest to take Holy Communion to the sick may receive the Eucharist from the priest after the Communion of the faithful, and never during the Communion procession.



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ST. GABRIEL MISSION
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JANUARY 14, 2024
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
A message from our pastor
Fr. Robert Ni Ni, MF



As we transition into Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Year, today's readings call us to reflect on the theme of hearing God's voice and answering His call.

In the first reading from the Book of Samuel, we hear the familiar story of God calling Samuel. After initially thinking that Eli was calling, Samuel learned to recognize and respond to the voice of God. Like Samuel, we are encouraged to open our ears and hearts to God's gentle calling. In the midst of the noise of the world, we are encouraged to listen to the whispers of the divine in our daily lives. If we take the time to be still and listen to God speaking in our hearts, we can discern God's voice.

In the second reading, Paul urges us to honor God, not just with our mind and heart, but with our body as well. Our physical bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, and we can glorify God by the way we use and treat our bodies. By living in purity and holiness, we recognize the sacredness of ourselves. By responsibly and honorably caring for our bodies, we become more fully alive in God's divine presence and ready to serve the Lord.

Serving the Lord is the message of today's Gospel. Jesus calls Andrew and Simon to discipleship. Likewise, He calls each of us by name to follow Him wholeheartedly. By answering the Lord's call with an open heart, we dedicate ourselves to becoming fishers of people. We are sent to share the love of God and message of Christ with our family, friends, co-workers, and the whole world.

This week, pray for the grace to open your heart and mind to hear God's voice in your life. Pray for the holiness to honor your body and the courage to answer God's call. 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



Good News!

January 14, 2024
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 / 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 / John 1:35-42

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

“What are you looking for?” asks Jesus of the two disciples who come to see who he is and what he is about. They are Jesus’ first words in John’s Gospel, and that’s what the entire Gospel of John is about, an answer to that piercing question.

I spent the week living with that question, never really finding an answer that seemed to fit, or perhaps I got too many answers, all of them somehow falling short. Why do I spend an hour early each morning sitting in the silence? I read some Scripture, but then mostly I sit with the silence. Many are the times when my mind drifts to other times and places and daydreams. Sometimes the silence is scattered with boredom; at other times it stumbles with prayerful words; and sometimes in the silence I look for answers to the plaguing whys of life. Mostly, though, I sit in the silence. I’d like to call it prayer, but then I wonder if I’m simply floundering in wishful thinking. So I return to that haunting question—“What are you looking for?”

I think perhaps the answer is similar to what I look for when I gather with friends. Sometimes the get-together is engaging, but not always. Sometimes it is memorable, but not always. Sometimes we just hang out, and that can be enough. Ultimately relationships keep me grounded. That also is why I spend time in the silence. It’s what I’m looking for when I pray—to be in relationship with God, to be grounded lest I drift away and grow lost. ●


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- MONDAY**
 January 15
Weekday
 1 Sm 15:16-23
 Mk 2:18-22
- TUESDAY**
 January 16
Weekday
 1 Sm 16:1-13
 Mk 2:23-28
- WEDNESDAY**
 January 17
St. Anthony, Abbot
 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51
 Mk 3:1-6
- THURSDAY**
 January 18
Weekday
 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7
 Mk 3:7-12
- FRIDAY**
 January 19
Weekday
 1 Sm 24:3-21
 Mk 3:13-19
- SATURDAY**
 January 20
Weekday
 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27
 Mk 3:20-21
- SUNDAY**
 January 21
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Jon 3:1-5, 10
 1 Cor 7:29-31
 Mk 1:14-20

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time **Stewards Search**

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” - JOHN 1:38

When we recognize ourselves as Christian Stewards, it’s easier to find what we are looking for. Once we see ourselves, and others, as children of God, we spend less time looking for the material comforts of the world. Instead, our hearts long for something deeper that can only be filled by God. Ask God daily how He wants you to live the life He intended for you.



St. Rita	INCOME JANUARY 7, 2024	St. Gabriel
\$2,267.00	Collections	\$250.00
\$694.00	Repairs & Maint	\$75.00
\$45.00	Candles	
\$95.00	Mass Intention	\$
\$390.00	Thrift Store	
	Shepherd’s Care	\$20.00
\$3,491.00	TOTAL	\$345.00



This week’s second collection is for **Shepherd’s Care**

Next week’s second collection is for: **‘Ohana In Christ**



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PLEASE JOIN IN OUR 5TH CLASS

Wed. Jan. 17, 2024 6:00pm
Wed. Jan. 24, 2024 6:00pm



STARTS AT 6PM IN THE PARISH HALL
 ALL ARE WELCOME!
 (CLASSES WILL BE APPROX. 6-8 PM)




THE ANNUAL APPEAL *for the* CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII


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
Small and medium size clothes for men

MAHALO FOR YOU SUPPORT!



MEETING SUNDAY
 JANUARY 14TH
 IMMEDIATELY AFTER
 MASS 9:45AM.



THERE WILL BE A FINANCE COUNCIL
 MEETING SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH
 AT 8:30AM IN THE RECTORY.