



Ministry Flows from the Heart



1 Timothy 6:6-19



JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY AT 3:00PM FOR DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Come pray the Rosary. Weekdays Tuesday thru Friday Morning Mass at 7:00am, Rosary following. Saturdays before Mass at 4:30pm Sunday before Mass at 8:00am



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ST. GABRIEL MISSION

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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

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 58:7-10 / 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 / Matthew 5:13-16



No More Than Enough

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

You are the salt of the earth." Prior to industrialization, salt was a highly valued commodity. In the Middle Ages, a ton of salt sold for thirty-three gold ducats. Much earlier, Roman soldiers were often paid in salt. Hence our word *salary*. "You are the light of the world." Like salt, light also is a valuable and necessary part of life. Without light, living plants die and human beings grow depressed.

Curiously, we only become aware of salt and light when they are absent. Food tends to be less tasty and bland without salt. And without light in the room we stumble and trip. Yet too much salt ruins food, while too much light blinds us, like when we drive facing headlights at night or stare at the sun. As valuable as salt and light are, both are at their best when unnoticed.

I offer these realities as images for persons of faith. Too much of "us" in the mix and we become the center of life, our egos blinding others to the workings of God. Yet absent, a world without persons of faith grows flat for lack of values and wisdom.

Likewise, the Church. Whenever the Church draws attention to itself, whenever it is clothed with pomp and majesty, God recedes to the background. Without the Church's wisdom, however, a world hungry for meaning grows lost; charity is forgotten. We are called to be salt and light, no more than enough. ●

Reflect

How do I keep a balance between too much of me in the picture and too little?



Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

MATTHEW 5:16

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

- James Gonzalez-Wesley
- Rosemary Robbins
- Debbie Faborito
- Joan Opitz
- Rachel Cravalho
- Mark Potter
- Robert Robello
- Melissa Prince
- Vivian Lee
- Stanley Lee
- Monica Revells
- Winona Martinez
- Clarita Pimentel
- Helen Estrella
- Stephen Groff



February Mass Intentions

- Alvin Estrella—2/11
- Joseph Silva—2/18
- Nathan Perreira—2/25



Ire Kimokeo of Keanae passed away on January 12, 2023. Our deepest condolences to Pualani Kimokeo and 'Ohana. A Prayer Service and Celebration of Life will be on Saturday, March 4th at 2:00pm at Haiku Community Center. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.*

PRO LIFE CORNER

"Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its conception and do not be deterred from the commitment to defend the dignity of every human person with courageous determination. Christ is with you: be not afraid!"
Saint Pope 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) 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





**FAITH FORMATION
CORNER**



FEBRUARY 2023

CLASSES

- Feb 5—Class
- Feb 12—Class
- Feb 19—No Class
- Feb 22—Ash Wednesday
- Feb 26—No class
(Subject to Change)

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.



Augustine Educational Foundation

Second collection February 11th and 12th, 2023

Founded in 1984, the mission of the Augustine Educational Foundation is to provide tuition assistance to help families with financial needs that count on Hawaii Catholic Schools for their children's education. Mahalo for your support!

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.

Dear Padre

February 5, 2023

Sometimes I become pretty disgusted with my life and myself. I wonder if anyone really loves me. Is there any way I can know that God loves me?

Every human person is made in the image of God. This means that your life is infinitely precious in God's eyes. God values and loves you beyond anything you could ever imagine.

God has also placed into our hearts a yearning for love and happiness that cannot be satisfied by anything less than God. True love will not be found in riches or well-being, in fame or power. True happiness will be found in God alone, the source of all life and all love.

In New Testament times, many people believed that wealth and success were signs of favor and love from God. If disaster struck, you would assume that God was angry with you, or that you had done something wrong. Ill-fortune was a "sign" that God's love had been withdrawn from you.

Jesus turned this sort of thinking on its head. Jesus taught that God truly loves all people, including those who are down on their luck. God's love is not based on wealth, fortune, or success. Rather, God loves you because you are God's own creation, God's child, and heir to God's own kingdom.

You might find it helpful to talk over those feelings of self-disgust with a spiritual director or a confessor. Meanwhile, take comfort in the words of Isaiah: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine (Isaiah 43:1). ●

— The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

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- Monday**
February 6
St. Paul Miki
and Companions,
Martyrs
Gn 1:1-19
Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday**
February 7
Weekday
Gn 1:20-2:4
Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday**
February 8
Weekday
Gn 2:5-9, 15-17
Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday**
February 9
Weekday
Gn 2:18-25
Mk 7:24-30
- Friday**
February 10
St. Scholastica,
Virgin
Gn 3:1-8
Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday**
February 11
Weekday
Gn 3:9-24
Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday**
February 12
Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Sir 15:15-20
1 Cor 2:6-10
Mt 5:17-37 or
5:20-22, 27-28,
33-34, 37

St. Rita's Church Stewardship Corner



The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. Good stewards recognize that God is working through them and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.

St. Rita	INCOME January 29, 2023	St. Gabriel
\$1623.00	Collections	\$
\$125.00	On-line Giving	
\$50.00	Repairs & Maintenance	\$
\$200.00	Mass Intentions	
\$450.60	Thrift Store	
\$30.00	Mardi Gras	
\$740.00	Shepherd's Care	
\$70.00	Candles	\$
\$3,288.60	TOTAL	\$

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.

Mahalo for your support!

This week's second collection is for:
Repairs and Maintenance



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

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

**Saturday
February 18, 2023
Dinner - \$10
Fun, Fellowship &
Bingo
Parish Hall @ 6pm**



**SAVE THE DATE
March 4, 2023**

**Maui Stewardship Day
"IT IS RIGHT AND JUST"
St. Anthony Church
8am - 12pm
All are invited**



We are seeking monthly church cleaners for 2023. You may sign up as a family or a team. Cleaning is weekly to make ready for the weekend celebrations. It's a beautiful ministry taking care of God's House, where we all come worship Him. Sign up sheet is located on the bulletin board in back of church.