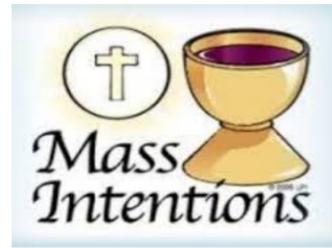


Second Sunday of Lent

Lord Jesus, Help me to listen to You. Silence the noise that distracts my heart. Teach me to recognize Your voice in Scripture, in prayer, and in daily life. When I face difficulty, remind me of Your glory. Guide my steps and shape my choices according to Your holy will.

Amen.



Lollie Loucks—3/3

Valerie Heckman—3/4

Abel & Irene Gouveia—3/7

Mikie Pszyk—3/14

Stephen Groff—3/21

Nathan Perreira—3/28

Stephen Groff—3/31

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK BROTHERS & SISTERS

- James Gonzalez-Wesley
Debbie Faborito
Rachel Cravalho
Robert Robello
Melissa Prince
Stanley Lee
Fr. Chacko Muthoottil
Winona Martinez
Rachel Chong Kee
Clarita Pimentel
Felicia Gonzalez
Rosaline DeMello
Gosha Jasowicz
Annette Palamino
Bob Garza
Theresa Honokaupu

Join Us to Pray the Litany of St. Rita, Holy Rosary, and Guardian Angel Prayer Tuesday thru Friday after morning mass Saturday before Mass at 4:30pm Sunday at 8:00am



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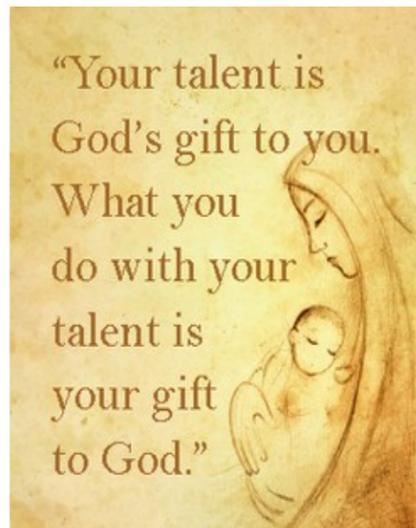
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You are created by God to love Him, know Him and to serve Him.



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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

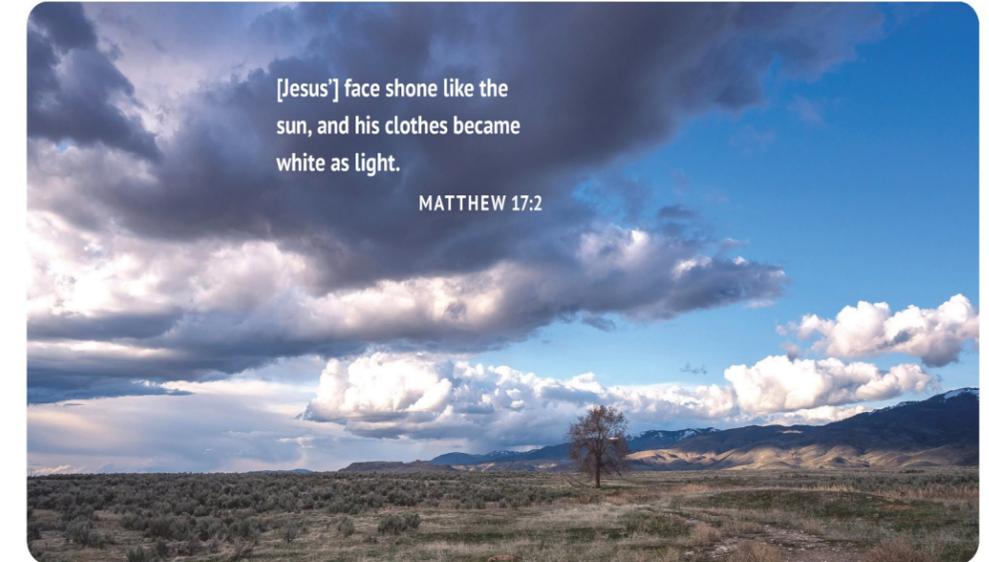
COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

Our Parish COMMUNITY

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday of Lent (A)

Genesis 12:1-4a / 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 / Matthew 17:1-9



[Jesus'] face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.

MATTHEW 17:2

Where Heaven and Earth Meet

ANN M. GARRIDO

Have you ever noticed that mountains and clouds seem to "go together"? When I was a child, I thought it was because the mountains' height pierced the sky. Turns out, it's a bit more complicated. Mountains "create" their own clouds. When moving air comes across a mountain front, it forces the warm air to rise to cooler zones and water droplets in the air to condense. The phenomenon is so common that these clouds have their own name: lenticular. They are known for being bright—even colorful—with rays of light peeking out from behind.

It's no wonder why, throughout history, people have sought to ascend mountains as part of their spiritual journey. It was a way to get closer to the "heavens"—to those radiant clouds. Recall the prophet Elijah, who climbs Mount Sinai seeking a face-to-face encounter with God. Or Moses, who, with three of his closest friends, ascends Mount Sinai to meet God in a radiant cloud that hovers over the top of the peak.

So, it's also no wonder why Jesus, with three of his closest friends, might also climb a mountain and meet Elijah and Moses there. No wonder why that mountain would be covered in a bright cloud that thunders with God's voice, and why, in that moment, Scripture describes heaven and earth as mysteriously yet visibly mingling in the person of the transfigured Jesus.

The story of the transfiguration reminds us that just like mountains and clouds were meant for one another, heaven and earth were meant for one another. Jesus stands at the point where the two meet.

Reflect

What places or moments in my life have made me feel close to heaven?

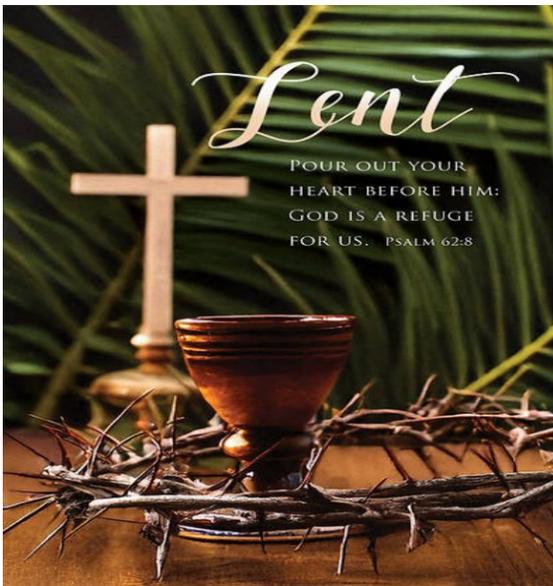


LEARN ABOUT THE AUTHORS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

2026 MAUI/LANAI VICARIATE Lenten Penance Services. Monday, March 2 at 6pm St. Joseph, Makawao. Thursday, March 5 at 6pm St. Theresa, Kihei. Tuesday, March 10 at 5:30pm Holy Ghost, Kula. Tuesday, March 10 at 6pm Holy Rosary, Paia. Wednesday, March 11 at 6:30pm Christ the King and St. Ann at Christ the King, Kahului. Thursday, March 12 at 6pm St. Rita, Haiku. Monday, March 16 at 5:30pm St. Mary, Hana. Monday, March 16 at 6pm Maria Lanakila, Lahaina. Tuesday, March 17 at 6pm St. Anthony and St. Ann at St. Anthony, Wailuku.

JESUS I trust in you. DIVINE MERCY PRAYER EVERY FRIDAY AFTER MORNING MASS

KCIK 740 AM or online @ RELEVANTRADIO.COM



**LENT** is a time of penance and preparation for Easter, calling Catholics to embrace prayer, fasting and almsgiving as the pillars of spiritual renewal. While fasting often receives primary emphasis, the Church invites us to a holistic approach that integrates all three practices, deepening our spiritual lives and fostering a closer relationship with God. It is essential to understand these practices are not merely obligations but opportunities for growth in faith, charity, and virtue, aligning with the teachings of the Church.



### Lenten Season

**WEEKDAY MASS** Monday thru Friday 7 am  
**ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY** every Friday 4 pm  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Friday 5 pm



### CHRISM MASS

Tuesday  
 March 3rd

St. Anthony Church  
 Wailuku  
 St. Rita representatives  
 receiving oils:  
**NICK & LISA OBERBECK**



### ST. RITA THRIFT SHOP

**Free CLOTHING Giveaway**  
 Saturday, March 14th  
 Parish Hall  
 8 am to 12 pm

### 2026 Maui & Lana'i Vicariate Stewardship Day

Saturday, March 7, 2026  
 St. Theresa Catholic Church, 25 W Lipoa St, Kihei HI 96753



8:00 AM Opening Mass,  
 Fr. William Kunisch, Main Celebrant

9:00 AM Registration

9:15 AM Welcome / Opening Prayer

9:25 AM First Talk: Brandee Menino,  
 CEO of HOPE Services Hawaii

10:10 AM Break



10:30 AM Second Talk: Fr. Konelio  
 Faletoi, Pastor of St. Michael  
 Catholic Church in Kailua-Kona

11:15 AM Wrap up session /  
 Questions & Answers

12:00 PM Lunch & Table Discussions

Registration and lunch will be provided by your parish once you register.

To register, scan this QR code, visit this website, or contact your Parish Office.  
<https://tinyurl.com/bdfmldr8>




**MONDAY**  
 MARCH 2  
*Lenten Weekday*  
 Dn 9:4b-10  
 Lk 6:36-38

**TUESDAY**  
 MARCH 3  
*Lenten Weekday*  
 Is 1:10, 16-20  
 Mt 23:1-12

**WEDNESDAY**  
 MARCH 4  
*Lenten Weekday*  
 Jer 18:18-20  
 Mt 20:17-28

**THURSDAY**  
 MARCH 5  
*Lenten Weekday*  
 Jer 17:5-10  
 Lk 16:19-31

**FRIDAY**  
 MARCH 6  
*Lenten Weekday*  
 Gn 37:3-4,  
 12-13a, 17b-28a  
 Mt 21:33-43,  
 45-46

**SATURDAY**  
 MARCH 7  
*Lenten Weekday*  
 Mi 7:14-15,  
 18-20  
 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**SUNDAY**  
 MARCH 8  
*Third Sunday of Lent*  
 Ex 17:3-7  
 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8  
 Jn 4:5-42 or  
 4:5-15, 19b-26,  
 39a, 40-42

### 2nd Sunday of Lent Stewards Go Forward

*"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." GENESIS 12:1*

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show **His Stewards** a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful."



St. Rita	INCOME February 22, 2026	St. Gabriel
\$1319.00 \$25.00	Collection Online	\$434.00
\$83.00	Candles	
	Shepherd's Care	\$20.00
\$50.00	Repairs & Maint.	\$224.00
\$856.00	Catholic Ministries Appeal	
\$25.00	Loan Repayment	
\$20.00	Mass Intention	
\$303.00	Ash Wednesday	
\$354.40	Thrift Store	
<b>\$3,035.40</b>	<b>Mahalo for your generosity!</b> <b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$678.00</b>

**ST. RITA CHURCH ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE**  
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### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION MARCH 6TH

*Could you not spend one hour with me?*  
 MATTHEW 23:40

AFTER MORNING MASS  
 ONE HOUR THANKING GOD  
 FOR ALL HE HAS GIVEN US

Eucharistic Adoration offers an opportunity to spend personal, unhurried time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, deepening intimacy with Christ simply by being present to Him.

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

Next week's second collection:  
**Catholic Relief Services**



### St. Rita Thrift Store

Tuesday 8am—12pm  
 Sunday 9:45am—12pm

**CLOTHES, HOME DÉCOR, BEDDING, DISHES & MORE**

The **THRIFT Shop**



### SCHEDULE



**3/1 – CLASS FOR CHILDREN**  
**3/8 – CLASS FOR YOUTH GROUP**  
**3/15 – SPRING BREAK NO CLASSES**  
**3/22 – CLASS FOR FAMILY (PALM SUNDAY/EASTER ACTIVITY)**  
**3/29 – CLASS FOR CHILDREN**  
**4/5 – NO CLASS (EASTER)**  
**4/12 – CLASS FOR YOUTH GROUP**

### Saint Rita and Divine Mercy intentions and favors

Join us to pray Novena to Saint Rita First Thursday of each month after morning mass. Intentions and favors can be offered and dropped into the designated boxes.

*God hears our prayers.*

