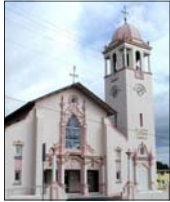


# Hilo Roman Catholic Community



## **St. Joseph Church**

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

St. Joseph Church  
Weekdays: Mon. - Fri.  
6:00 am & 12:15 pm  
Legal Holidays:  
7:00 am  
Saturday: 7:00 am  
Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday:  
St. Joseph Church  
7:00 am, 9:00 am,  
11:30 am & 6:00 pm

Confession: Saturday:  
10:00 am - 11:00 am  
St. Joseph Church  
or by appointment  
\*Please note:  
confession schedule  
does not apply during  
some liturgical seasons.

Prayer Times  
Morning Prayer  
& Benediction  
Mon.-Sat. Immediately  
after Mass

Evening Prayer  
& Benediction  
Sun. - Friday: 4:30 pm  
Saturday: 3:30 pm

### **Malia Puka O Kalani Church**

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **WEEKEND:**

5:15 pm Saturday Vigil  
9:00 am Sunday  
4:00 pm (Spanish  
Mass)

#### **WEEKDAY:**

5:15 pm Mon., Wed.,  
Fri.



## ***First Sunday of Advent***

**All powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen**

### **Hilo Roman Catholic Community Mission Statement**

We, the Hilo Roman Catholic Community of St. Joseph and Malia Puka O Kalani, guided by the Holy Spirit, Our Blessed Mother, and Saint Joseph, gather as a family of believers in the celebration of the Eucharist. Blessed with many cultures, talents, and inspired by the Hawaiian tradition of Aloha, we pledge to share our heritage, our gifts, and the principles of our faith, and to commit ourselves to the educational, social, and spiritual needs of all our brothers and sisters.

## Important Dates

### Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, Dec. 2,  
7:00 pm  
St. Joseph Church

Youth Mass Dates  
Dec 13 & 27  
11:30 am Mass

### R.E. Classes:

► Sunday, November 29

No R.E. classes  
(Thanksgiving weekend)

► Sunday, December 6

R.E. classes at the  
St. Joseph Jr/Sr High  
School

► Sunday, December 13

R.E. classes at the  
St. Joseph Jr/Sr High  
School

### Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass Times

Dec 7 •  
Malia Puka O Kalani  
5:15 pm

Dec 8 •  
St. Joseph Church  
6:00 am, 12:15 pm, &  
7:00 pm



WELCOME  
TO OUR NEW  
PARISHIONERS!

•Brenda Romine &  
Diana Flora

## Pastor's Corner

Rev. Samuel Loterte, SSS

### Advent "The Lord is Coming"

The Church has her own special liturgical year and calendar in which she presents again the history and unchanging mysteries of our salvation, from Creation to the Second Coming, together with the entire life of the Savior. The mysteries do not change, but we do. A little older and wiser, we have the opportunity to review and renew these mysteries. When the familiar feasts come around we grasp something more about them because we have lived another year and apply them more deeply to our lives. This is a year of formation, like a school in which we, like pupils, learn faith, hope, and charity. We learn God's will and to do God's will. Each Sunday and feast will present a special lesson to us for our daily living.

Advent is an especially lovely season and we can make great use of it. With the beginning of the season of Advent, we begin a new liturgical year. The First Sunday of Advent is therefore the Church's "New Year's Day." In the Judeo-Christian tradition, Sunday begins at sundown of the day before when the faithful celebrate First Vespers. Advent begins the Christmas cycle.

Advent comes from the Latin word for an "arrival" or a "coming." Advent means that the Lord is coming. Jesus Christ, our brother in our humanity and our God in His divinity is about to arrive. But He comes to us in different ways. First, Jesus came to us at a specific point in history at Bethlehem about 2000 years ago. But in the Church's great feast of Christmas He mystically comes again. Second, the Lord, Alpha and Omega, will come to judge the living and the dead in the Second Coming. Third, the Redeemer comes to us in grace. He speaks to us in our consciences, he comes to us in

the Eucharist and in the Word of God proclaimed. He arrives in the person of the beggar, the needy, the suffering, the oppressed. We must be ready to receive and welcome Him when He comes, however He comes.

Advent is a time of joy tinged with penance. Joy, because we can imagine nothing more sweet than the Christ Child and His Mother Mary's bliss at His coming to light. Penance because we must strive to be properly disposed to receive so great a gift of His presence. In the millennial tradition of the Church, we faithful have done penance before great feasts. Christmas and Easter each have their penitential seasons in anticipation, Advent and Lent. The liturgical color used in the Latin Church for the liturgy during both Advent and Lent is purple, a sign of penance. The Latin Church also emphasizes the penitential dimension of the season by directing the use of sparse ornaments in church and by legislating that instrumental music should not be used, except to sustain congregational singing. This is a kind of liturgical fast, which makes the joy and celebration of Christmas all that much more powerful by the contrast of the lean and muted season of Advent. Advent is a time of great joy, because we look forward to the beautiful feast of the Nativity, but it is joy stitched through with somber and focused spiritual preparation by doing penance.

[www.catholic.org](http://www.catholic.org)



### Simple Gifts :

*A Senior Recital  
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*A choral / vocal benefit concert.*

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100% of the proceeds will go to the Food Basket.



**Youth and Young Adult Ministries** are seeking out adult volunteers interested in serving the young people. Please call Chrislyn Villena at 935-1465 or/ email [cvilena@stjoehilo.com](mailto:cvilena@stjoehilo.com)

## Sunday Reflection:

by Father Greg Friedman, O.F.M

### First Sunday of Advent (C)

Jer 33:14-16 , Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14, 1 Thes 3:12--4, 2 , Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

#### How good are you at waiting?

I once worked with a secretary who could not wait patiently for a birthday or Christmas. She wanted to know what gifts she might receive and didn't really care about being surprised. "Tell me what you're getting me," she'd joke, as the holidays approached.

The Advent season might make such people a bit impatient. It's all about waiting—waiting for the coming feast of Christmas, and waiting for the glorious coming of Christ at the end of time.

On this first Advent weekend we hear about that second coming. The events which Jesus predicts before the end are terrifying—enough to make anyone want to put off those final days as long as possible. But he urges his disciples to be vigilant and pray. He wants us not to be surprised, but rather fully awake and aware.

The Lord's advice, coupled with Paul's words to his mission church, the Thessalonians, in the second reading, can apply to us in the twenty-first century as well. If the final revelation of the kingdom demands our vigilance, so does the day-to-day unfolding of that same reality: God is at work all around us. The prophecy of Jeremiah in the first reading promises a reign of justice. The Lord wants to invite each of us to participate, and to act in harmony with that wonderful promise.

"Sunday Soundbite" for St. Anthony Messenger Press, on the Web at FranciscanRadio.org.

### The Advent Reflections

Each day during Advent find a few quiet moments with your family when you can light the candle, read the little thought for the day, and say the short prayer together.

#### Response:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your love. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

**December 1:** In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. He created the sun, the moon, the stars and all the plants and animals. R.

#### December 2

God then created man and woman. He trusted them to take care of his creation and follow his ways but they let him down. R.

#### December 3

As men and women multiplied, so did their sinfulness. There were some good people, and one of them, Noah, was told by God to build an ark on dry land to save himself and all living things from a flood which was to come. R.

#### December 4

Noah did as God told him and built the ark. The great flood came but Noah and his family and all the animals which they had taken into the ark were safe. They did not drown and when the waters subsided they left the ark and populated the world again. R.

#### December 5

Many hundreds of years later, there lived a descendant of Noah called Abraham. Abraham obeyed God when he was asked to sacrifice his son, Isaac. At the last moment God stopped him from harming Isaac. In return for Abraham's obedience, God promised him that his family would increase and spread. From his line a Savior would come for all people. R.



### † PRAYER INTENTIONS BOOK:

As we start the new year in the Church Liturgy, a Prayer Intention Book will be placed at the Entrance of the Church, anyone can write their intention and prayers will be offered during the daily prayers of the Church.



**WELCOME  
TO OUR  
VISITORS**



### Scripture Readings

#### Sunday, November 29

Jer 33:14-16  
Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14  
1 Thes 3:12-4:2  
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

#### Monday, November 30

Rom 10:9-18  
Ps 19:8-11  
Mt 4:18-22

#### Tuesday, December 1

Is 11:1-10  
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17  
Lk 10:21-24

#### Wednesday, December 2

Is 25:6-10a  
Ps 23:1-6  
Mt 15:29-37

#### Thursday, December 3

Is 26:1-6  
Ps 118:8-9, 19-21, 25-27a  
Mt 7:21, 24-27

#### Friday, December 4

Is 29:17-24  
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14  
Mt 9:27-31

#### Saturday, December 5

Is 30:19-21, 23-26  
Ps 147:1-6  
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

#### Sunday, December 6

Bar 5:1-9  
Ps 126:1-6  
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11  
Lk 3:1-6

**A Big MAHALO**

to St. Joseph School for the Generous 'Thanksgiving' gifts of two full truck loads of food to the Social Outreach-Food Pantry. We sincerely appreciate your great effort to help the outreach. May God bless you all abundantly.



**Pre-Thanksgiving Luncheon for the home bound**



John was one of the St. Joseph Parishioners who was able to enjoy the good company and food at the Thanksgiving luncheon .

**Mahalo to all those who prepared and served a delicious Thanksgiving Feast.**



SJS SCHOOL for your donation to the St. Joseph Church Food Pantry! Thank you for remembering your brothers and sisters who are in need.



**Reminder:**

Please collect your KTA - Receipt (save-a-tape) for the food pantry.

**WELCOME FR. JOE CARROLL**

We are very pleased and grateful to Fr. Carroll for celebrating the weekend Masses at Malia while Fr. Joe is in Minnesota. Fr. Carroll is a retired military chaplain living in Honolulu. He graciously helps in parishes when there is a need for a priest. We say, Mahalo. E Komo Mai Malia Puka O Kalani Hale Pule!

**CHURCH PAINTING**

We will begin painting the inside of the church on Monday morning, Nov 30 at 9:00 am. We have a desperate need for volunteers to help move the furniture out of the church, erect scaffolding, wash away mildew, as well as paint. The old adage “Many hands make light work” is applicable. Pete Costa is coordinating this entire effort. Please see him. If you find yourself with a couple extra hours during this next week, please drive to Malia and offer your help. This is a many thousand dollar project which, with volunteer help, we can accomplish with a couple hundred dollars.

**LUNCH FOR THE WORKERS**

Please consider making and bringing lunch to feed those working. A well fed worker is a good worker! See either Laverne Costa or Natalie Mc Keen who are coordinating this part of the project.

**THE GIVING TREE**

Traditionally both St. Joe’s and Malia had a Giving Tree project during Advent. The parish would adopt a healthcare agency and parishioners would buy Christmas Gifts for those in the agency. While this was a very worthwhile project, we have judged that the economic situation has warranted a different project this year. There are many individuals and families who have lost their jobs, their homes, and/or their sources of income. These people live in our neighborhoods.

This year our Advent Giving Project will be to buy Gift Certificates for Grocery stores, Supermarkets. Please consider purchasing a certificate worth anywhere from \$10.00 and up from any of the food markets in and

around Hilo. (Try to secure a paper gift certificate rather than a credit card type so that we can stamp it “For Food Purchase Only”). Put the certificates in the Koa Offering Bowl any Sunday between now and Christmas. Mahalo!

**IDENTIFYING THOSE IN NEED**

If you and/or your family need help to buy food please give your name and address to Fr. Joe. If you know of someone in your family or neighborhood that is in need of help to buy food, please give this information to Fr. Joe. Please mention the number of people in the family and/or recommend an amount of the gift certificate. The best way to get Fr. Joe this information is to put the information on a piece of paper, seal it in an envelope, mark it “confidential,” and put it in the Koa Offering Bowl. A card with a gift food certificate will be sent to the person and/or family with a note that simply says, “From the people of Malia Puka O Kalani.” Everything and everybody will be kept totally confidential.

**WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

The people of Malia were extraordinarily generous in the recent Capital Campaign for the Diocese. You pledged 219% of the goal we were given by the Diocese. That is a total of \$110,000.00. This is absolutely amazing and another sign of the generosity and concern of the people of this parish. Over the five years, Malia will receive back nearly \$60,000.00 of the donated amount! This will go a long way in repairing many of our physical facilities which have fallen into disrepair through benign neglect. May God bless you!

<b>MALIA COLLECTIONS</b>	
KOA BOWL	\$ 1,261.00
CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT	\$ 45.00
RENT INCOME	\$ 677.04
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 1,983.04



***Please keep in prayer:***

*Fr. Joseph Hennen  
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Aunty Patty Grube  
Uncle Tony Moniz  
Aunty Minnie Alidon  
Aunty Dora Costa  
Aunty Mamo Otineru*

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Grace Carter  
Rupert Tripp Jr.  
Laverne Amay  
John Tardino*

*Rita Branco  
Daniel Richards  
Infant Tiare Cervantes  
and all those who are sick.*



## Directory

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 Call rectory: 935-1465 with your  
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**Bulletin Coordinator:** Karen Hotniansky

## Sacraments

**Anointing of the Sick:**  
 Contact the rectory office  
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**Baptisms: Infant (under 7)**  
 Preparation sessions for parents  
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 rectory office to register  
 at 935-1465.  
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 Sr. Lusika Sangma 935-1202  
**Hospital Communion:**  
 Donna Saiki 935-7801  
**Home Communion:**  
 Joanne Kahaloa 961-2726  
**Marriages:** Contact rectory office  
 at least 6 months in advance.  
**Funerals:** Contact rectory office  
 before meeting with funeral director.



***Eternal Rest Grant  
 unto them O Lord &  
 let perpetual light  
 shine upon them***

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH WEEKLY COLLECTION	
5:00 pm	\$ 1,299.00
7:00 am	\$ 2,451.00
9:00 am	\$ 1,366.00
11:30 am	\$ 989.00
6:00 pm	\$ 1,471.00
Sunday Total Collection	\$ 7,576.00
Candles	\$ 215.20
Donations/Others	\$ 2,116.00
Total Other Revenue	\$ 2,331.20
RESTRICTED DONATIONS	
Parish Hall Fund	\$ 545.00
School Fund	\$ 327.00
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$ 818.00
Human Develop- ment	\$ 668.00
Misc.	\$ 4,286.85
Total Restricted Donations	\$ 6,644.85
Total Weekly Deposit	\$ 16,552.05
Parish Hall Fund to Date	\$ 347,802.77

## This Week's Calendar

**SUNDAY, Nov. 29**  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

**MONDAY, Nov. 30**  
 10:00 am •Aloha Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church  
 12:30 pm •Food Pantry/St. Joseph Church  
 4:30 pm •Young Disciples Night Team Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Library  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church  
 5:30 pm •Youth & Young Adults Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church  
 6:00 pm •RCIA Class/St. Joseph Rectory Library

**TUESDAY, Dec. 01**  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church  
 5:00 pm •Religious Education Board Meeting/SJHS R E Office  
 5:30 pm •Hawaii Island Home for Recovery/St. Joseph Rectory Mtg Rm  
 7:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/YMI  
 7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/St. Joseph Church

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 02**  
 12:30 pm •Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church  
 3:30 pm •Spiritual Growth Group/St. Joseph Church Breezeway  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church  
 7:00 pm •Advent Penance Service/St. Joseph Church

**THURSDAY, Dec. 03**  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church  
 5:30 pm •Cursillo Group/St. Joseph Rectory Library  
 5:30 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

**FRIDAY, Dec. 04 "First Friday"**  
 9:00 am •Social Ministry Core Committee/St. Joseph Rectory Conf. Rm  
 9:30 am •SJ School Mass/St. Joseph Elementary Chapel  
 1:00 pm •First Friday Adoration/St. Joseph Church  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

**SATURDAY, Dec. 05**  
 8:45 am •Church Cleaners #1/St. Joseph Church  
 10:00 am •Reconciliation/St. Joseph Church  
 10:00 am •Adult Scripture Study/St. Joseph Rectory Library  
 2:00 pm •Catechist Meeting/SJHS R E Office  
 3:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church  
 5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry (Young Disciples Night)  
 /Malia Puka O Kalani Church  
 5:15 pm •Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

**SUNDAY, Dec. 06**  
 10:15 am •Religious Ed Classes/SJHS  
 4:00 pm •Spanish Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church  
 4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church  
 5:00 pm •Young Adults Ministry (Faith Formation)  
 /St. Joseph Rect.ory Library

Parishioners of St. Joseph Church, Hilo

*We give thanks to our God at every remembrance of you, praying always with joy in our every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now.* Philippians 1:4-5



May the Spirit of Thanksgiving fill your lives with peace, joy and happiness! We think of you all with happy memories and pray for you and your families.

Happy Thanks Giving & a Blessed Advent Season

Sister Marion Kikukawa, OSF & Sisters

Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities  
 Hawaii-Southwest Region

## Scholastic Book Fair Nov. 30 - Dec. 5th & Santa's Breakfast! Dec. 5

St. Joseph School will be holding our annual Scholastic Book Fair in the Elementary School from **Nov. 30 - Dec. 5th**. The Scholastic Book Fair proceeds supply brand new books to our library and classrooms, it encourages children to read and it also offers a great opportunity to kick off your holiday shopping. Give the gift of reading!

Our annual Santa's Breakfast will again wrap up the Scholastic Book Fair on Saturday, Dec. 5th from 7am until 10am in the school cafeteria. We will be serving a delicious breakfast of hot pancakes, link sausages, scrambled eggs, and serving coffee, milk or orange juice. Advanced tickets are available for purchase at the elementary school office during school hours between 7:30am-3:30pm. Advanced tickets for Keiki are \$3.50 and will be \$4.00 at the door / Advanced tickets for Adults are \$5.50 and will be \$6.00 at the door.

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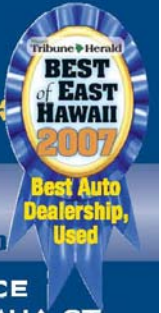
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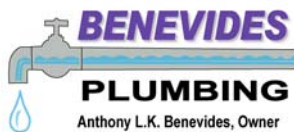
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