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## MASS SCHEDULE

### **Weekdays:**

Mon.-Fri.  
6:00 am & 12:15 pm  
Saturday: 7:00 am  
Legal Holidays: 7:00 am

**Vigil Mass:** 5:00 pm

### **Sunday:**

St. Joseph Church  
7:00 am, 9:00 am,  
11:45 am & 6:00pm



## 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

### **Adoration:**

M-F 4-5:00 pm  
Sat 3-3:30 pm  
Sun 4-4:30 pm

### **Evening Prayer & Benediction**

M-F 5:00 pm  
Sat 3:30 pm  
Sun 4:30 pm



## Weekly Reflection from Fr. Poli

### 1st Sunday of Advent:

*"...so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man."*

"Advent" comes from the Latin word, "advenire" which means "to come". But more than the dreaded coming hustles and bustles of holiday preparations and shopping, it is primarily all about the joyful expectation of coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

And the liturgy of the first three weeks of Advent speaks of the different comings of Christ in our life – his first coming at the cave in Bethlehem but equally of the second and final coming of Jesus at the end of time. But in between are those ordinary and most of the time unnoticed comings of Christ in our everyday life. But we can only prepare for these comings in an atmosphere of waiting and watching.

But in our world today waiting and watching are seen as unproductive. And in this time and age where we live in a society that is result-driven because results feed the economy then we become restless and unable to see the giftedness of the moments – the gift of Presence of Christ in our midst. **We are urged to speed along ever and ever faster, and yet our souls cry out for silence and stillness.**

Today's gospel insists on the necessity to be awake and prepared for His coming. No doubt he is referring to his coming at the end of time, as well as to his private coming for each one of us at the end of our lives. And the best way to prepare for these coming encounters with Christ is to be at home with his presence –that is to live in the present moments with all its God-given surprises and meeting Christ already in the here and now.

**Perhaps Advent seems outmoded, even ancient and irrelevant for the 21st century. Yet, what is not outmoded, ancient, or irrelevant is that God comes, comes, ever comes.** When we take the time to wait, we become aware of that presence. Somebody send Life is a perpetual Advent – a perpetual waiting for what is to come. But it is in this waiting we trust begins to grow especially trust in the God whose true joy is to have us spend an eternity with HIM.

## Parish Mission Statement:

Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a Parish and School community. Together as disciples of Jesus Christ we seek fullness of life. Blessed with diversity of cultures and gifted with the spirit of Aloha, we pledge to become stewards of our time, talent and treasure by sharing our heritage and our faith and commit ourselves to the full development of all people. With Saint Joseph as our patron we offer our gift of self for the greater glory of God.

\*\*\*Please remember St. Joseph Parish in your will\*\*\*

Please check our website calendar for the most up-to-date  
information at [stjoehilo.com](http://stjoehilo.com)

***Pastor's Corner***

Aloha Parishioners and Friends of St. Joseph,

REJOICE the Lord is coming! Advent is here! Christmas is just around the corner!

We are now entering to another year of grace in this Season of Advent. Most of our scripture readings are focused on preparations and be vigilance on God's coming. Advent from the Latin word "Adventus" meaning arrival. This season, we are expecting the arrival of our Messiah, the Son of God. The coming of our Savior is a great manifestation of God's mercy and compassion.

Over the last few days, we closed the Holy Door of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. It does not mean that God's mercy is over. The love and mercy of God is infinite. We all know that when closing a door, a new opportunity comes in. We will welcome the new opportunities in our Parish to make our Eucharistic celebration meaningful.

Starting today, first Sunday of Advent, we set aside a moment of prayer to Our Lady, our Patron St. Joseph and the prayer for the Parish Pastoral Plan before the mass to prepare ourselves in the great mystery of God in the Eucharist. All announcements can be done right after the communion prayer.

Another important thing that I would like you to know is our obligation to say mass for the people, *Misa Pro Populo* (Canon Law 534 s1). This mass is celebrated at 11:45 AM every Sunday. All mass intentions for the souls of the faithful departed can be read on all Sunday masses except the designated time for *Misa Pro Populo*. We will accommodate those people who have no opportunity to offer mass for their love ones.

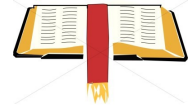
Lastly, I do pray that this Season of Advent is an opportunity for our renewal and commitment to God, as we prepare ourselves for the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Maranatha!*

Mahalo nui loa, may God bless you all and your family!

Fr. Will, sss

# Pillar of Prayer:

**Scripture Readings**



**Sunday, Nov. 27**

Is 2:1-5  
Ps 122:1-9  
Rom 13:11-14  
Mt 24:37-44

**Monday, Nov. 28**

Is 4:2-6  
Ps 122:1-9  
Mt 8:5-11

**Tuesday, Nov. 29**

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

**Wednesday, Nov. 30**

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

**Thursday, Dec. 1**

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

**Friday, Dec. 2**

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

**Saturday, Dec. 3**

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

**Sunday, Dec. 4**

Is 11:1-10  
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17  
Rom 15:4-9  
Mt 3:1-12

<b>Stewardship Report of Treasury for:</b>			
	<b>October 31, 2016</b>	<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
<b>Collections</b>	6,631.00	156,266.84	170,666.56
<b>Other</b>	2,245.68	103,860.91	112,666.24
<b>Deposit</b>	8,876.68	260,127.75	283,332.80
<b>Parish Hall</b>	328.00	<b>Parish Savings</b>	
		Designated	510,679.66
		Restricted	399,335.65
			910,015.31

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For more information to join one of the many parish ministries, call 935-1465 and ask for one of the coordinators or email us at [stjosephchurch@stjoehilo.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@stjoehilo.com)

*Eternal rest grant unto them  
O Lord  
and let perpetual light shine  
upon them.*

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# Pillar of Hospitality:

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Monday, Nov. 28**

6:00 pm •Adult Faith Formation (RCIA)/Library

**Tuesday, Nov. 29**

6:30 pm •Small Christian Community (C. Denis)/Library

7:00 pm •Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30)/Church

**Wednesday, Nov. 30**

6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

**Thursday, Dec. 01**

6:30 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church

**Friday, Dec. 02**

5:30 pm •Prayer Pillar Simbang Gabi Meeting/Conf. Room

**Saturday, Dec. 03**

8:15 am •Church Cleaner's #1 (F. Veriato)/Church

9:00 am •Altar Server Incense Training/Church

9:30 am •Bible Sharing (M. Leite)/Library

10:00 am •Reconciliation/Church

1:00 pm •Prayer Pillar Simbang Gabi Meeting/Mtg. Room

5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry/Library

7:45 pm •San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church

**Sunday, Dec. 04** "2nd Sunday of Advent"

10:15 am •Religious Ed Classes/SJHS

# Pillar of Faith Formation:



**Infant Baptism**  
Next Class:  
**January 9, 2017**  
from 7-9 pm in the  
rectory meeting room.  
Pre-registration is re-  
quired.

# Go Cardinals!



## SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND!

Next weekend we will be taking up a collection for the "Repair & Maintenance" of our parish. Your donations help with the upkeep of the grounds and structures on the property. We appreciate your generosity, thank you.

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Waiakoa High School

December 10  
UH Hilo Vulcan Gymnasium

JV and Varsity  
match ups  
5 games a day

# Pillar of Service:



## Second Collection "Thank you"...

Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD break the cycle of poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor...to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

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