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*Afternoon streaming of
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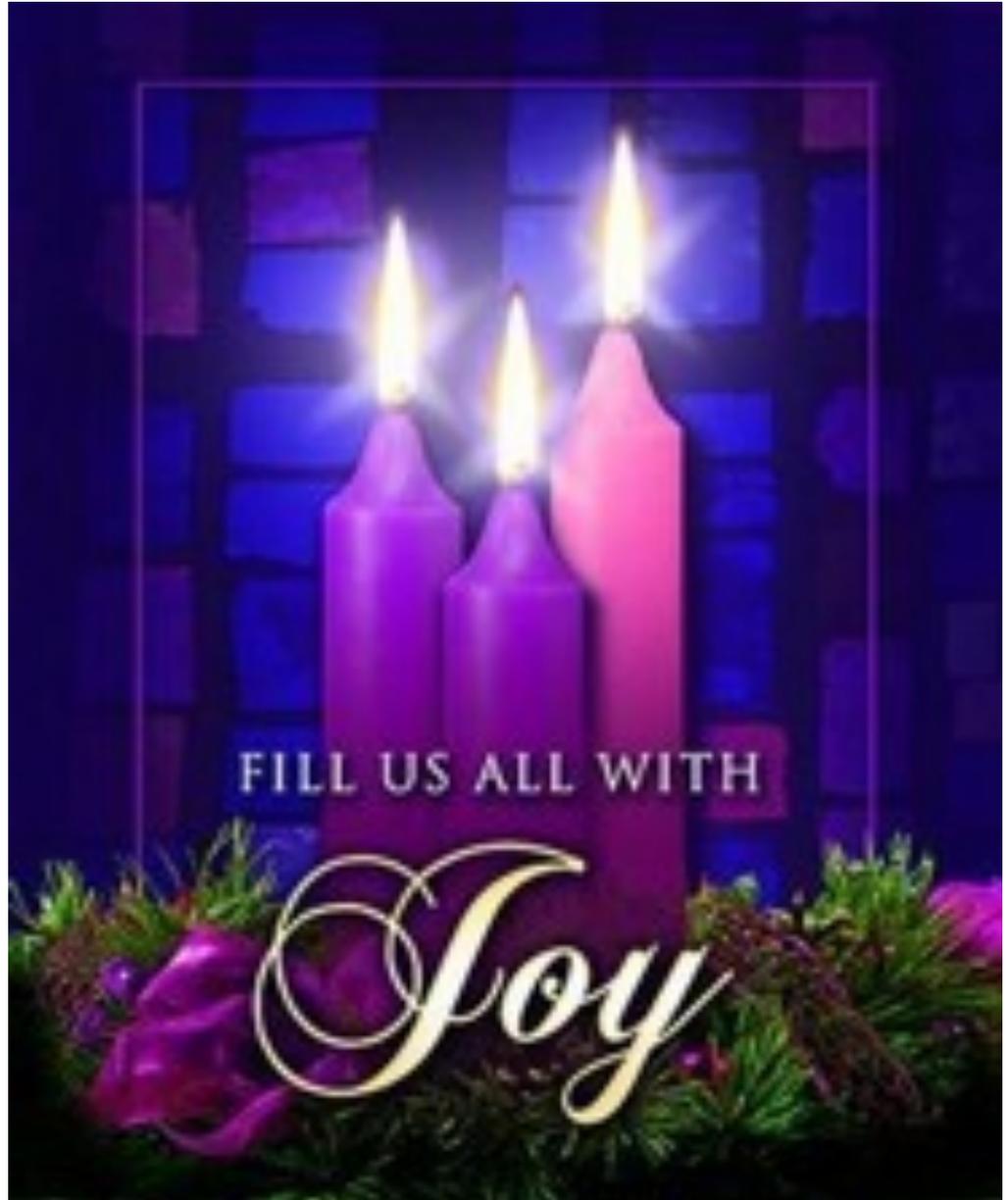
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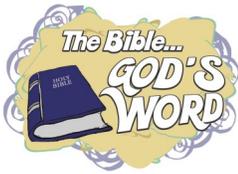
PRAY FOR US!



The **Pauline Bookstore** in Honolulu is hosting a Virtual Book Fair this month. You can access the book fair at:

<https://paulinestore.com/christmasgifts>





3rd Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday – 2020 (B)

Rejoice always!

Sunday, Dec. 13

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11
(Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-54
1 Thes 5:16-24
Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday, Dec. 14

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a
Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9
Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday, Dec. 15

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13
Ps 34: 2-3, 6-7, 17-18,
23
Mt. 21:28-32

Wednesday, Dec. 16

Is 45:6b-/, 18, 21c-25
Ps 85:9ab, 10-14
Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday, Dec. 17

Gn 49:2, 8-10
Ps 72:3-4, 7-8, 17
Mt 1:1-17

Friday, Dec. 18

Jer 23:5-8
Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19
Mt 1:18-25

Saturday, Dec. 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a
Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6b, 16-17
Lk 1:5-25

Sunday, Dec. 20

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a,
16
Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29
Rom 16:25-27
Lk 1:26-38

St. Paul reminds us that in the midst of our Advent waiting, we must “rejoice always.” And that is why the third Sunday of Advent is called “Gaudete Sunday” or the Sunday of Rejoicing!.

And the reason for our rejoicing is because God chose to be among us! He came to be born in our midst two thousand years ago but, He continues to be among us today even if we might not notice him or have failed to recognize him.

But how does one rejoice in the midst of a Pandemic that has thrown our lives into chaos? If joy is about a pain and trouble-free existence, then nobody will ever know what life of joy is. Such joy is what the world would want us to embrace. And yet we know they do not last.

But Christian joy is grounded in faith and hope in a God that endures forever. That God in his wisdom and love, can make sure something good still comes out of every human experience, no matter how difficult and painful it may be including the present crisis we are experiencing because of the Pandemic. Our Christian joy rests secured in God whom we trust is in charge if only we will allow Him to do so.

So, rejoice always. I say again, rejoice!

-Fr. Poli

Welcome and Congratulations to the 19 young people who received their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion which was scheduled to happen this past May but could not due to Covid.

Know that every member of this community is praying for you!



Strong Volunteers needed for Tuesday, December 15, and Tuesday, December 22, at Hope Services men’s shelter at the old hospital. Volunteers are needed from 7:30am to 11:30am to help load trucks and vans with the food distribution. There are many boxes being picked up by churches and non-profit organizations from across the island. Volunteers will be loading the trucks and vans. Please call Bernie Resay at 808-640-8709 to sign up and volunteer. This is your opportunity to help those in need during this Christmas season. Thank you.



Stewardship Report of Treasury for:			
Dec. 1 - 7		YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	6,276.47	175,025.32	157,033.91
R&M Collection	355.00	12,865.26	26,129.03
All Other Income	8,246.00	99,612.58	81,866.63
Deposited to Bank	14,877.47	287,503.16	265,029.57
Parish Hall	50.00	Loan to school	194,666.41
		Designated Funds	97,896.27
		Restricted Parish Hall Funds	459,786.27
			752,348.95

Whole Parish Family Faith Formation Steps:

Step 1 Use your monthly calendar (located on the parish website stjoe.hilo.com) and pray the scripture for the month.

Step 2 Visit the parish youtube channel and watch the video about the Theme of the Month

Step 3 Keep a log or short journal/notes on each activity using the following questions:

- Who participated in the activity?
- Were you able to identify the presence of God there?

December *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:14*

<p>Everyone is welcome to join the Parish Religious Ed Families in their Faith Formation Year.</p>		1	2	3	4	5
		<p>Select a date to go to Reconciliation as a family. (Call the parish office for an appointment or join the regularly scheduled time spot-10a on SAT)</p>	<p>Learn the Angelus Prayer & make a commitment to praying it until Christmas</p>	<p>Learn about the Liturgical Colors of the Catholic church.</p>	 <p>Share with another person who Jesus is to you.</p>	<p>Download the Laudate App on all your mobile devices</p> <p><i>Make a brief phone call to someone special</i></p>
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<p>Light your 2nd Advent Candle & reflect on this week's theme.</p> <p><i>Read the gospel Matthew 2:3-6 at dinner time</i></p>	<p>Give Jesus a birthday gift by doing an act of Mercy Corporal Works of Mercy Feed the hungry Shelter the homeless Clothe the naked Visit the sick and imprisoned Bury the dead Give alms to the poor</p>	<p>Say the St. Michael Prayer for all unborn babies in the world.</p> 	<p>Visit CatholicOnline.com & Learn about St. Nicholas</p> <p><i>Drive around in search of Christmas lights</i></p>	<p>Donate this week's spare change to a charity of your choice.</p>	<p>Pick a Christmas themed worship song and share it with your family.!</p> 	<p>12 If you were to give a gift to Jesus, what would it be and why?</p>  <p><i>Pray to St. Jude for someone who is ill or struggling to be healthy</i></p>
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<p>Light your 3rd advent Candle (PINK) & reflect on this week's theme</p> <p><i>Set up a Nativity scene at your altar or sacred space in your home</i></p>	<p>Say a prayer for peace in our community and the world.</p>  <p>"Dear God,Amen"</p> <p>Declutter your favorite room in the house & donate used/good condition items to a charity</p>	<p>Smile all day long (especially when it is most difficult to).</p>	<p>Grab a family photo & look at it, then, Name a holy trait that your family holds.</p> 	<p>Drop off a Poinsettia plant to your church.</p>	<p>Put on Christmas Music & dance with someone</p> 	<p>Write a Christmas card to a parent, sibling, grandparent or family member and tell them why you LOVE them. (and of course deliver it).</p>
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
<p>Light your 4th Advent Candle & reflect on this week's theme</p> <p>Say 3 Hail Marys for all pregnant women</p>  <p>Mary</p>	<p>Give Jesus a birthday gift by doing an act of Mercy Spiritual Works of Mercy Instruct the ignorant Advise the doubtful Console the Sinner Comfort the Afflicted Forgive willingly Bear wrongs patiently</p>	<p>Pray for all the missionaries around the world, A St. Michael Prayer"</p>	<p>Make Jesus a handmade gift for Christmas & place it under the tree</p> 	<p>Retell an advent scripture to your friends or your family.</p>	 <p>Read one of the Gospel Accounts of the Birth of Jesus at your Christmas Meal</p> <p>- Luke 2:11 -</p>	<p>Replace Screen time with a Christmas themed DIY.</p> <p>Share your end results by emailing Aunty Chrislyn.</p>
27	28	29	30	31	<p>#BringChrist 2URhalePlan #beKukui #shinebright</p>	
<p>Brainstorm with your family the characteristics of the Holy Family & which one new characteristic would your family choose to be more like.</p>	<p>Say something nice about yourself outloud in front of a mirror., smile at yourself, this is what God made so be proud of His Creation!</p>	<p>Take a moment to rest and reflect on past experiences, lessons & decisions. Write them down and evaluate (through prayer) what you would like to do differently in the New Year.</p>	<p>Be kind to your parents by NOT answering back or giving attitude for 48 hours</p>	<p>Tidy up your bedroom (or a room in the house) without being told</p> 		

December 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
13 7:00 MASS FR. POLI 9:00 MASS FR. POLI 11:45 MASS FR. LITO 6:00 MASS FR. LITO	14 6:00 MASS FR. LITO 12:15 MASS FR. POLI	15 6:00 MASS FR. POLI 12:15 MASS FR. LITO	16 6:00 MASS FR. POLI 12:15 MASS FR. LITO 7:00 SIMBANG GABI Fr. LITO	17 6:00 MASS FR. LITO 12:15 MASS FR. POLI 7:00 SIM- BANG GABI Fr. POLI	18 6:00 MASS FR. POLI 12:15 MASS FR. LITO 7:00 SIMBANG GABI Fr. LITO	19 7:00 MASS FR. POLI 10:00 CONFESSION FR. POLI 1:00 SJS RCIA 5:00 MASS FR. LITO W/DCN DAVE (PREACH)

St. Joseph Church Dates to Remember



Merry Christmas to all Parishioners, Families and Friends of St. Joseph Church

Advent Novena Masses

Dec. 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23 - 7:00 pm

Dec. 19 7:00 am | Dec. 20 Any Sunday mass

Dec. 24 – 6:00 am

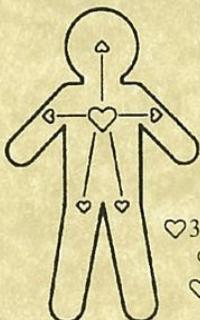
Christmas Eve Masses December 24, 2020	Christmas Day Masses
6:00 pm - No Seats Available	7:00 am - Limited seating
9:00 pm - No Seats Available	9:00 am - Limited seating
Midnight - No Seats Available	11:45 am - Limited seating

New Year's Masses

Dec. 31, 2020 - 7:00 am | January 1, 2021 - 8:00 am
(RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED ON BOTH DAYS)

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