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December 20, 2020

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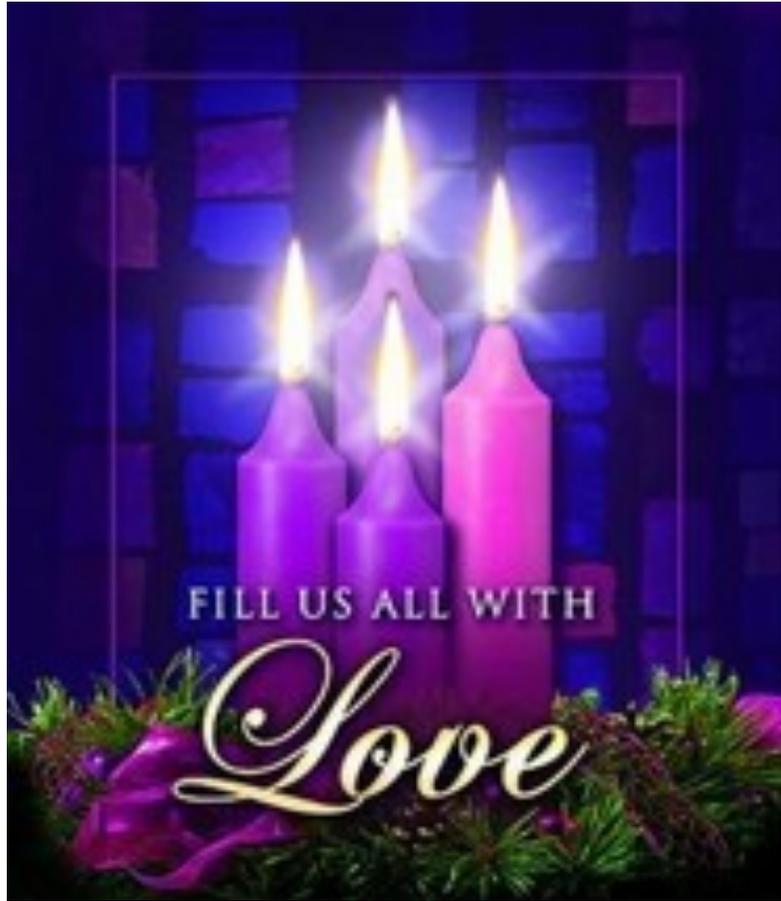
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Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament begins at 4:00 p



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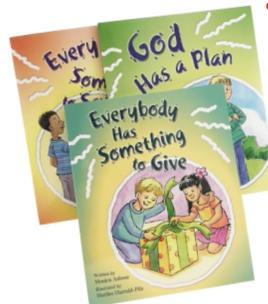


The **Pauline Bookstore** in Honolulu is hosting a Virtual Book Fair this month. You can access the book fair at:

<https://paulinestore.com/christmasgifts>

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THOSE YOU LOVE
Gifts that bring light and hope

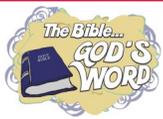
- KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS
 - TRENDING GIFTS FOR YOUNG CATHOLICS: GRAPHIC NOVELS
- ADVENT-CHRISTMAS TITLES & MUSIC
 - SAINTS AND SPIRITUALITY
 - THEOLOGY FOR KIDS



Please continue to pray for St. Joseph School



ST. JOSEPH
PRAY FOR US!



4th Sunday of Advent – B 2020

Let it be done to me..

Finally, we come to the last Sunday of our Advent preparation and will soon be celebrating the Birth of Our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

And our Gospel reminds us that such grace-filled moment in human history happened because Mary gave her consent to the plan of God. Mary's "yes" ushered the beginning of a new era – the Anno Domini – the Year of the Lord! And as it is true with Our Blessed Mother, so it is with each and every one of us. God is counting on our yes to His Divine plan if we will likewise see the unfolding of His Kingdom in our midst. It might not be as dramatic with an angel appearing before us, but could be just a simple voice from an ordinary individual reminding us to be faithful to the truth. Or to the voice of a stranger that begs for your compassion. Or to the cry of creation for your loving concern. Or to be ready to forgive and to ask forgiveness. Indeed God can speak to us in different ways. We just have to be ready to say our YES to him.

Yes Christmas is about the grace of the coming of Jesus into our world, but Christmas is also a testimony to "humanity-being-graced" to take part in God's plan.

"St. Joseph, as you have prepared a safe place for Mary and Jesus that first Christmas, Please pray that our homes be a haven filled with love and peace to welcome the birth of our Saviour."

A Grace-filled Christmas to all of you!

-Fr. Poli, sss



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

Monday, Dec. 21

Sg 2:8-14

Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21

Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday, Dec. 22

1 Sm 1:24-28

(Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4-7, 8abcd

Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday, Dec. 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24

Ps 25:4bc-5ab, 8-10, 14

Lk 1:57-66

Thursday, Dec. 24

2 Sm 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29

Lk 1:67-79

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord Dec. 24

Is 62:1-5

Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

Mt 1:1-25

Friday, Dec. 25

(Night) Is 9:1-6

Ps 96:1-3, 11-13

Ti 2:11-14

Lk 2:1-14

(Dawn) Is 62:11-12

Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12

Ti 2:3, 4-7

Lk 2:15-20

(Day) Is 52:7-10

Ps 98:1-6

Heb 1:1-6

Jn 1:1-18

Decoration Committee is seeking Red or Pink Poinsettias for the Church Décor. Collection will begin this weekend and continues until morning of December 24th.



Due to budget restrictions, there are NO PARISH CALENDARS THIS YEAR.

Saturday, Dec. 26

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59

Ps 31:3cd-4, 6-8b, 17

Mt 10:17-22

Sunday, Dec. 27

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14

Ps 31:28:1-5

Col 3:12-21

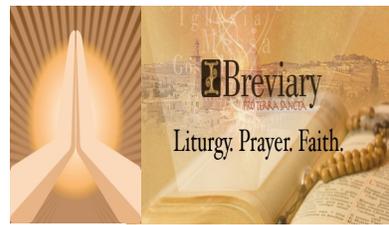
Lk 2:22-40

The Liturgical Year

A simple guide to learn about the liturgical times of the Catholic Church



Stewardship Report of Treasury for:			
Dec. 8 to 14		YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	4,952.00	186,608.32	167,276.09
R&M Collection	415.00	13,280.26	27,258.06
All Other Income	20,402.09	108,992.58	85,404.07
Deposited to Bank	25,769.09	308,881.16	279,938.22
Parish Hall	50.00	Loan to school	189,547.37
		Designated Funds	103,012.31
		Restricted Parish Hall Funds	459,836.27
			752,395.95



My Parish App & Other Digital Prayer Resources

We would like to suggest other digital platforms for your prayer and scripture needs. Both the **iBreviary & Laudate App** can be downloaded from the App Store for Apple devices or the Google Play Store for Android users. You may also view the parish weekly bulletin at our website, www.stjoehilo.com.



Traffic Pattern for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day is *NOT ONE-WAY TRAFFIC* on KAPIOLANI STREET - Please park in the church parking lot and obey all street designated parking.



How to Get your Z's on Christmas Eve (with Kids!)

www.notsoformulaic.com

Keep the Spirit

Focus on the birth of our Lord and Savior over trinkets and big-ticket items. The lower the material expectation, the higher the focus on gratitude (and peace!).



Keep the Sacred

Seek out a quieter, less-crowded Christmas mass. Skip the children's mass and go to the later evening, midnight, or mass on Christmas Day.



Say No

Limit activities during the last week of Advent to set a more peaceful precedent for Christmas Eve.

Stick to Routine

Children thrive in an atmosphere of consistency. Keep your day as routine as possible: bedtime battles should be less likely.

Ease In



Encourage an atmosphere of peace with book baskets, cozy blankets, soft music, and quiet time before bed.

Christmas Eve doesn't have to be hectic. Keep to your routine and fix your eyes on the Christ child. You'll be more likely to get a good night's sleep



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December 2020

Season's Greetings Family and Friends of Saint Joseph School,

As the interim principal of Saint Joseph School, I would like to express my deepest appreciation for all the gifts of time and treasure made to our school. As many of you know we would not be here if not for the generosity of our community and friends. May God bless you all for your commitment to Catholic education.

We have been most fortunate and are able to provide our students with not only on-line learning but most importantly "face to face" classes. The educational experience has not been disrupted due to the current COVID crisis. It is heartwarming to see the smiles and hear the chatter of the students on campus. As a school we are closely monitoring the current situation and are trying to bring back the whole school experience.

In previous appeals, we have asked for assistance in putting up a fence and redoing the lights in the gym. I am happy to say we have the equipment for the light replacement and are awaiting the assistance of the electrician to complete the project. As far as the fence is concerned, we have begun the preliminary paperwork and are awaiting the final okay from the Parish Maintenance and Repair Committee. It is imperative that we secure the elementary field for the safety of our children and it is becoming a reality.

In this season of hope, thanksgiving and love I ask that you find it in your heart to continue your support of the school and its mission of educating our youth. May God continue to bless you and your ohana and most importantly keep you safe during these difficult times.

Sincerely, *Susan Wehrsig*



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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 Lau-date 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).</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 - 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
20 7:00 MASS FR. LITO W/DCN DAVE (PREACH) 9:00 MASS FR. LITO W/DCN DAVE (PREACH) 11:45 MASS FR. POLI 6:00 MASS FR. POLI	21 6:00 MASS FR. LITO 12:15 MASS FR. POLI 7:00 SIMBANG GABI Fr. POLI	22 6:00 MASS FR. POLI 12:15 MASS FR. LITO 7:00 SIMBANG GABI BISHOP LARRY	23 6:00 MASS FR. POLI 12:15 MASS FR. LITO 7:00 SIMBANG GABI Fr. LITO	24 CHRISTMAS EVE RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 AM SIMBANG GABI Fr. LITO 6:00 PM VIGIL MASS Fr. POLI 9:00 PM VIGIL MASS Fr. LITO 12:00 AM MIDNIGHT Fr. POLI	25 CHRISTMAS DAY RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 AM MASS Fr. LITO 9:00 AM MASS Fr. POLI 11:45 AM MASS Fr. LITO	26 7:00 MASS FR. LITO 10:00 CON- FESSION FR. LITO 5:00 MASS FR. POLI



St. Joseph Church Dates to Remember

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

Advent Novena Masses

No Seats Available

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 December 25, 2020
6:00 pm - <i>No Seats Available</i>	7:00 am - <i>No Seats Available</i>
9:00 pm - <i>No Seats Available</i>	9:00 am - <i>No Seats Available</i>
Midnight - <i>No Seats Available</i>	11:45 am - <i>No Seats Available</i>

New Year's Masses

Dec. 31, 2020 - 7:00 am

January 1, 2021 - 8:00 am

(RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED ON BOTH DAYS)



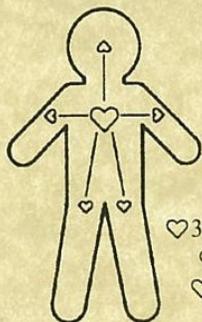
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LIVE STREAMING OF
CHRISTMAS MASSES AT
(DEC. 24) 6:00 P, 9:00P AND
(DEC. 25) MIDNIGHT**

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