

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

December 10, 2023

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919



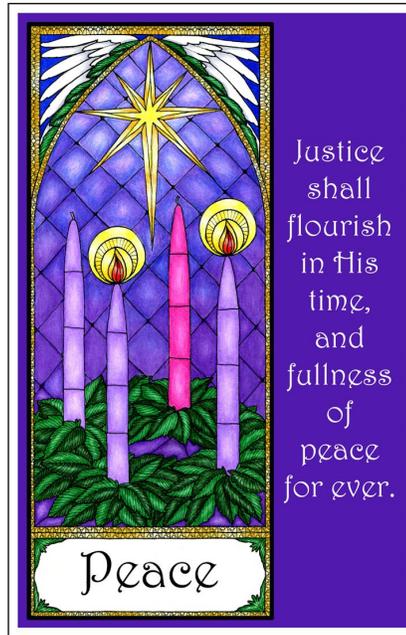
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Justice shall flourish in His time, and fullness of peace for ever.

We will have Eucharistic Adoration after the 9 am Mass this Sunday! Hope to see you there!



Beginning Monday, December 18 through Friday, December 22, confessions will be heard daily from 4 pm to 5 pm. There will also be our regular confession on Saturday, December 23 at 10 am.

2ND SUNDAY OF Advent – 2023 (B)

“The Beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ”

I am sure we all look forward to the day that the world we live in will be transformed, our shall I say recreated according to the world that God intended it to be. To do so we have to hear the word of God again and allow it to breathe new life in us. For the Word of God has the power to heal and to offer forgiveness; to encourage and to inspire; to bring comfort and to ease pain; to bring joy and to bring hope – a word to give life to our broken world.

And St. Mark wants to recapture that moment of creation – when he wrote: “The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the son of God. The new heaven and the new earth will have its foundation in the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

But 2000 years have passed since Jesus came but much as we want the world to be different and perfect, our world is not. We look around and we see how good and evil are so entangled in the world that we live. Just when we thought something great is happening, we see the ugly head of selfishness and corruption emerging. But we are not to despair. That is the reason why we are called to celebrate Advent. For more real that this entangled world is the presence of a Patient God, who is always ever ready to give us a second chance to begin anew.

As we hear once more the cry of John the Baptist, let our hearts be filled with joy and hope. The spirit of Advent comes with the promise of the power of the Word to recreate the world and our hearts.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins Weekdays & Sundays at 4:00 p Saturdays at 3:00 p

Mass Schedule

6 am 12:15 pm Monday—Friday
7 am Saturday Morning

5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass
7 am, 9 am, 11:45 am and 6 pm Sunday



Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii
Diocese of Honolulu
Witness to Jesus



To stir up the Eucharist

Forgot your Check Book? Make your offering to St. Joseph Church, Hilo online. Simply click on the QR Code and process your offering.

Thank You and God Bless.



Scripture
OF THE WEEK

Monday, Dec 11

Is 35:1-10
Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12,
13-14
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, Dec 12

Zec 2:14-17
Judith 13:18BCDE, 19
Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday, Dec 13

Is 40:25-31
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, Dec 14

Is 41:13-20
Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-
13ab
Mt 11:11-15

Friday, Dec 15

Is 48:17-19
Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, Dec 16

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11
Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,
18-19
Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, Dec 17

Is 61:1-2A, 10-11
Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
1 Thes 5:16-24
Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Sunday, Dec 10

Is 40:1-5, 9-11
Ps 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14
2 Pt 3:8-14
Mk 1:1-8

There will be no 12:15 Mass on Tuesday, December 12 due to the East Hawaii Vicariate Meeting and Christmas gathering.

All Mass Intentions have been rescheduled To the 6 am Mass for that day.

Simbang Gabi Schedule:

Friday, Dec. 15 @ 6 pm
Saturday, Dec. 16 @ 5 pm
Sunday, Dec. 17 @ 6 pm
Monday, Dec. 18 @ 6 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 19 @ 6 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 20 @ 6 pm
Thursday, Dec. 21 @ 6 pm
Friday, Dec. 22 @ 6 pm
Saturday, Dec. 23 @ 5 pm



Please Donate to Hailey's

Mother Mary
Baby Shower Drive

MONDAY -
FRIDAY

4-8
11-15
DECEMBER

8:00AM -
2:00 PM

Donation Drop Off:
St. Joseph High
School Front Office



*Ask for Hailey at
Front Office

Items you can donate.

For Baby:

- Wipes & Diapers
- Baby Bottles
- Baby Blankets
- Clothing (0-18m)
- Newborn Pacifiers

For Mother:

- Perineal Squeeze Bottle
- Nursing Pads
- Large Pads
- Nursing Bras
- Comfortable Clothing

*****Christmas Donations Needed*****

Christmas wreaths, artificial or natural are welcome to decorate the Church (12" diameter or larger, include a wire or cord hanger.) Deliver to the church on **Dec. 14th.**

Potted poinsettias (red, pink, white, any size) are welcome as altar decorations.

Please deliver to church during **Dec.18-22.**

Wreaths and poinsettias will remain in the church until Jan.10th.

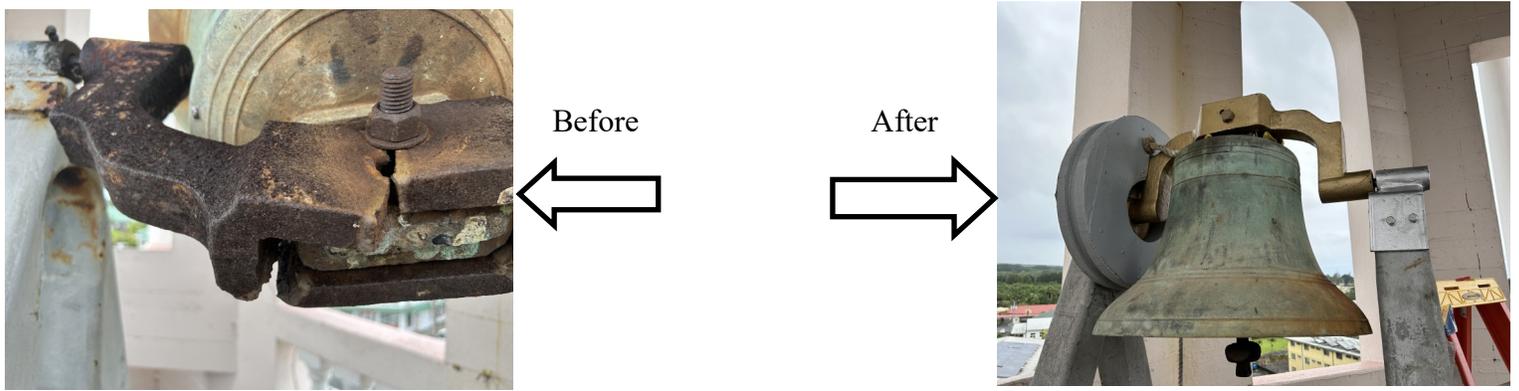
Attach your name and telephone number if you want it returned.

For more info, ask Mary Correa

Recently, Fr. Poli posed this question to some of our parishioners, *“Why do you choose to remain a Catholic?”* Here are some of their responses:

My Dad and mom were faithful Catholics. Dad started a small business many years ago and considered it as a gift from God. Grateful for the blessing, he committed to help the church and those in need. When my brother and I took over, we wanted to transform it to a big company. We were so focused on our own skills and management capacity, and along the way forgot about this being a gift from God. And for awhile, it seemed that we were successful in running the business. But then unexpectedly, the world wide financial crisis of 2008, hit us hard. We barely survived. That is when I realized, I have forgotten about God and had taken Him out of the picture. We started to rebuild the business again, but this time conscious of my Dad’s original disposition – “without God we cannot do nothing.” Now the dream is no longer about being successful but being grateful to God, who is with us. And now not only are we thriving even after COVID strike but we also have more peace of mind and heart.

So, what are your reasons?



A big **Mahalo** to Bob & Margaret Lucas and Mike De Coito for the safe removal and repair of the cracked headstock that held one of our bells. So nice to hear the bells ring again on the First Sunday of Advent!

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

November 28-December 4		YTD Actual
Collections	14,593.87	225,106.65
Other Regular Income	133.56	23,849.89
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	0.00	275.00
Convent Lease		34,000.00
R&M Collection	440.00	12,753.00
Security Project	5.00	723.00
Feed the Hungry	160.00	1,756.00
Other Unusual Income		2,621.37
Total Income	15,332.43	301,084.91
Expenses:		
Loan to School		20,619.05
Designated Funds		355,543.09
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		456,152.98

DONATE TO FEEDING THE HUNGRY!

We are currently seeking monetary donations for a new certified kitchen, or donations of the items below for our monthly feeding the hungry ministry. Contact Bernie at (808)640-8709 for more information.

- Corn (#10 size can)
- Tomato Sauce (#10 size can)
- Kidney Beans (#10 size can)
- Tomato Paste (#10 size can)
- Mild Salsa (Gallon)
- Hickory BBQ Sauce (Gallon)

Supplies: Paper 5-Part Luau Plates & 3-Section To-Go Containers, Napkins, Paper Drinking Cups, Utensils (Compostable), Sandwich size ziploc bags

We would like to thank everyone who donated all other ingredients we have in stock. Mahalo for your generosity! We appreciate anything you can do to contribute to our current above list.



**Mahalo,
Service Pillar**

10 7:00 Mass-FF	11 6:00 Mass-FP	12 6:00 Mass-FF	13 6:00 Mass-FF	14 6:00 Mass-FP	15 6:00 Mass-FF	16 7:00 Mass-FP
9:00 Mass-FF 10:30 Eucharistic Adoration	12:15 Mass-FF	NO 12:15 MASS	12:15 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FP	10:00 Confession 12:00 Altar Server Training
11:45 Mass-FP 6:00 Mass-FP	6:00 RCIA		6:00 FCC		6:00 pm Simbang Gabi-FP	5:00 Mass-FF



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.
Done a los que donaron su vida.

Retirement Fund for Religious
Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos retiredreligious.org

Please consider donating to the Retirement Fund for Religious this weekend. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sister, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others.

Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously!

OHANA IN CHRIST update:
As of November 30, 2023 St. Joseph Church has reached 61% of our goal for the fiscal year.

Collected	Goal	% vs. Goal
\$ 11,992	\$17,691	67%



NATIONAL
Eucharistic Revival

National Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you give us your flesh and blood for the life of the world, and you desire that all people come to the Supper of the Sacrifice of the Lamb. Renew in your Church the truth, beauty, and goodness contained in the Most Blessed Eucharist.

Jesus living in the Eucharist, come and live in me.

Jesus healing in the Eucharist, come and heal me.

Jesus sacrificing yourself in the Eucharist, come and suffer in me.

Jesus rising in the Eucharist, come and rise to new life in me.

Jesus loving in the Eucharist, come and love in me.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the paschal mystery of your death and resurrection made present in every Holy Mass, pour out your healing love on your Church and on our world. Grant that as we lift you up during this time of Eucharistic Revival, your Holy Spirit may draw all people to join us at this Banquet of Life. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Our Lady of Peace, Mother of the Eucharist, Pray for us.

St. Joseph, silent adorer of the Eucharist, Pray for us.

As part of our response for the Year of Eucharistic Revival, St. Joseph Church will offer Eucharistic adoration on the 2nd Sunday of each month from 10:30 to 11:30 am.



Please plan to join us on December 10th.