

Church Dedicated in 1919

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www.stjoehilo.com 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

#### **NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO 12:15 MASS ON TUESDAY THE 10TH DUE TO VICARIATE** MEETING

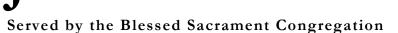
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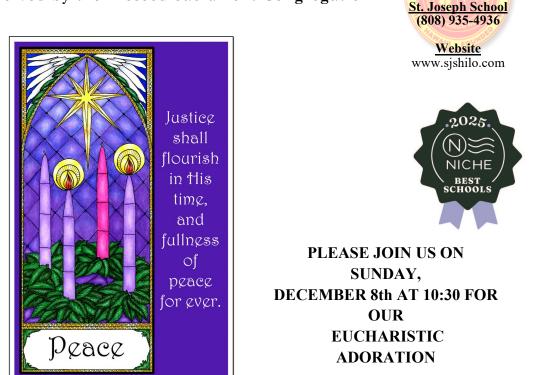
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Thank You and God Bless.



Please remember St. Joseph Parish in your will!





# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - Year C- 2024

### Prepare the way of the Lord

Advent is a season of expectant waiting, of joyful anticipation as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Our Lord Jesus. The message of Advent echoes the words of the Gospel this Sunday: "Prepare the Way of the Lord, make straight paths for Him."

This preparing the way of the Lord begins within us. Advent invites us to examine our hearts, clear away distractions, and repent of anything that hinders our relationship with God. This preparation is not about becoming perfect but making room for Christ's transforming presence.

So, what valleys in our lives need to be lifted? Perhaps it's the doubts, frustrations, and discouragement about unanswered prayers that need to be filled with hope and faith.

What mountains need to be brought down? Probably our pride, selfishness, anger, and resentments, which need to be leveled by humility and forgiveness.

This Advent we are called to let God reshape our hearts so His presence can take root and grow.

Christmas Novena Masses (Simbang Gabi) will begin on Dec. 15 at 6 pm and will continue each evening at 6 pm through Dec. 23. Light refreshments to follow each Mass.

## December 2024

#### Office hours are from 9-1 M-F

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Monday, Dec. 9 Gn 3:9-15, 20Wednesday Is 40:25-31Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4Ps 103:1-2, 3Eph 1:3-6, 11-12Mt 11:28-30Lk 1:26-38Lk 1:26-38				<b>Friday, Dec. 13</b> Is 48:17-19 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Mt 11:16-19		Ze Is Ph	unday, Dec 15 ep 3:14-18a ; 12:2-3, 4, 5-6. hil 4:4-7 k 3:10-18		
Couples are invited to attend a W Marriage Encounter Sharing Gro Sunday, 12/15/24, 2:00-4:00pm Heart Pahoa. Celebrate love in Contact <u>WWMEBigIsland@gma</u> 808.478.6071 for more informati				up on at Sacredweekdays during AdventAdvent!at 4 pm in addition to ouril.com orregular Saturday sched-					
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#### OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes are held every Monday at 6 pm in the rectory library.

These classes are available for adults 18 and over seeking the sacraments of initiation which are baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist. This includes adults who may already be baptized and receiving Holy Communion, but have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you or a family member or friend is interested, please attend our meeting on Monday evening. Also, those adults desiring to more deeply understand the Teaching of the Church are welcome to attend.

Deacon Charley can be reached at the rectory officed for any questions. The next class in on Monday, October 28 at 6 pm in the Library.

Religious Education classes have also begun. Come join us after the 9 am Mass on Sunday!



**Improvements being made to our Downstairs Meeting Room** 

Ceiling has been sanded, sealed, textured and painted.

Hopefully new flooring will be installed soon!

### Our Parish Knights at work...









Now that the severity of the pandemic has eased, Bishop Silva has asked that all parishes in the Diocese of Honolulu prepare to resume the offering of the Precious Blood of our Lord in Holy Communion.

While we do believe that a communicant receives the entire Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ by receiving Communion under either species, it is a fuller sign of the sacrament to offer the Precious Blood to those who choose to partake of it. It is a sign the Lord himself instituted as a memorial of his offering his Body and pouring out his Blood on the cross for our salvation.

St. Joseph parish will start offering the Precious Blood at Communion at the weekend Masses only beginning on the first Sunday of Advent (Nov. 30-Dec. 1). Please be aware of the following: 1) to drink of the Cup is a choice and nobody is obliged to do so; 2) only one Cup will be offered on the Kapiolani Street side, so please seat yourself accordingly; and 3) intinction (dipping the consecrated host into the Precious Blood) is not allowed. Please be patient as we restore the offering of the Communion Cup: adjustments will be made as needed.





# 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.

