



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

December 22, 2024

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Church Dedicated in 1919

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*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

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

Our Christmas Mass Schedule:

Tuesday, December 24th

6 pm
9 pm

Wednesday, December 25th:

Midnight
7 am
9 am
11:45 am

**We look forward to
seeing you there!**



4th Sunday of Advent year C - 2024

“Blessed are you who believed...”

As we light our fourth advent candle, hopefully our hearts are just filled with joyful expectation. And as the day of the Lord’s birth draws nearer, hopefully the plan of God becomes clearer and clearer to us as we see it unfold in the life of the people whom He has chosen to take part in one of the greatest mysteries of our salvation – the Incarnation or the coming into flesh of the Son of God.

The gospel tells us of the story of the urgent visit of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth. But for us it is more of the story of God fulfilling His promise not only to Elizabeth and Mary but to the whole of humanity. And while both Mary and Elizabeth are blessed for believing that the Word of God will be fulfilled in them, so will we be blessed if we believe in the Word of God made flesh.

And while everything happened as an act of grace, the participation of Mary, Elizabeth, and the many others in the fulfilment of God’s plan tells us that the desire of God is that man must not be only a passive receiver but an active channel of God’s grace.

As we continue our Advent journey, let us pray and open our hearts like Mary and Elizabeth, and place ourselves at the disposal of God’s service for the world to have “A truly Blessed and Grace-filled Christmas.”

December 2024

Office hours are from 9-1 M-F

22 7:00 Mass-FF	23 6:00 Mass-FP	24 7:00 Mass-FF	25 Midnight Mass- FP	26 6:00 Mass FP	27 6:00 Mass-FP	28 7:00 Mass-FP
9:00 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FF	6pm Mass-FP	7:00-FF	11 Prayer Svc- L.Alipio-Dodo-DL	11 Prayer Svc- D.Pavao-Dodo-DD	10:00 Confession
11:45 Mass-FP		9pm Mass-FF	9:00 Mass-FP	12:15 Mass-FF	12:15 Mass-FF	1 pm Baptism-FP
6:00 Mass-FFP	6:00 Simbang Gabi-FF	Office Closed				5:00 Mass-FF

Daily Readings

Sunday, Dec 22

Mi 5:1-4a
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19.
Heb 10:5-10
Lk 1:39-45

Monday, Dec. 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24
Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and
14
Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday, Dec. 24-am

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29
Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday, Dec. 25

Is 52:7-10
Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6.
Heb 1:1-6
Jn 1:1-18

Thursday, Dec. 26

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab,
16bc and 17
Mt 10:17-22

Friday, Dec. 27

1 Jn 1:1-4
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Saturday, Dec. 28

1 Jn 1:5—2:2
Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8
Mt 2:13-18

Sunday, Dec 29

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5.
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Lk 2:41-52

FOR ALL CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS OF ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL!!

FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR TUITION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Deadlines & Notifications

Application Window – January 10 to March 1, 2025
Completed applications, required documents and \$45 application fee are due to FACTS. Late applications WILL NOT be accepted.



Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	Dec 10-16	YTD Actual
Collections	13,438.00	266,301.02
Other Regular Income	326.06	30,302.14
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	50.00	275.00
Convent Lease	0.00	42,500.00
R&M Collection	330.00	7,295.00
Security Project	105.00	1,386.00
Feed the Hungry	100.00	7,670.00
Other Unusual Income	0.00	4,214.76
Total Income	14,349.06	359,943.92
Designated Funds		530,319.44
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		461,076.81

St. Joseph parish has begun offering the Precious Blood at Communion at the weekend Masses only. 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;
- 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.





Engaged Encounter, February 22-23, 2025

One of the steps that is required for marriage in the Diocese of Honolulu, is a couple's attendance at an Engaged Encounter retreat. This retreat allows couples to learn to communicate more deeply within the couple, and it asks the questions each couple needs to ask one another. It has been shown that couples who attend this retreat have happier, more committed relationships in their marriages. For the convenience of parishioners in East Hawaii, this retreat is held annually at St. Joseph Church in Hilo.

Our next retreat takes place on the weekend of February 22 and 23, 2025. If you intend to get married

in the next year or so, this is the retreat for you. There are, however, retreats throughout the year on the other islands, but this is the only one here. **For more information, contact your parish or Fred Basilio at (808) 896-5432, Rose Nunogawa at (808) 935-1465, or Deacon Charley Mapa at (808) 935-1465/(808) 987-8713**



"Please drop off Christmas flowers (white, red, pink) from Dec 16-23 at Church office weekdays (9a-1p daily) or leave at Sacred Heart side altar when church is

open (6a & 12:15p masses or 4-5p Adoration).

On weekends, @ regular confession and mass times. Plastic sheet will be placed in the area to preserve the red carpet. **Altar decorating starts at 8a on Tues, Dec 24.**

Call Office (808) 935-1465 with questions and Mary Correa will return your call. "

Many thanks to everyone who has already given poinsettias and to those who came out to decorate our Church in preparation for our Christmas Masses.

Confession are offered weekdays during Advent at 4 pm in addition to our regular Saturday schedule. No appointments are needed!



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, HILO

Simbang Gabi

2024

Sun, Dec 15	6:00 p.m.
Mon, Dec 16	6:00 p.m.
Tue, Dec 17	6:00 p.m.
Wed, Dec 18	6:00 p.m.
Thu, Dec 19	6:00 p.m.
Fri, Dec 20	6:00 p.m.
Sat, Dec 21	5:00 p.m.
Sun, Dec 22	6:00 p.m.
Mon, Dec 23	6:00 p.m.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS & FELLOWSHIP
to follow after each Mass
at the DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM



We wish you all a blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May God bless you abundantly during this Christmas Season as well as during the New Year. Merry Christmas!

**Fr. Poli, Fr. Ferdie
Dcn David
Dcn Charley & Gwenda**





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 January 12th.



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