



# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

**Aug. 17, 2025**

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation



*Church Dedicated on  
February 23, 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!*

**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - 2025**

## *He had set fire upon the earth!*

We live in a world where truth is often twisted, faith is mocked, and standing for what is right can make you unpopular. So what do we do? Do we go with the current or go against it?

Jesus chose to go against the current. He confronted the Jewish leadership with their hypocrisy. He opted to welcome the sinners and tax collectors. He preached compassion over legalism. In doing so, "He had set fire upon the earth. Consequently, instead of establishing peace, he was creating division." But is He not the Prince of Peace?

Indeed, He is! But He brings true peace, which is not rooted in compromise or comfort but one grounded in truth, conviction, and transformation. This is the peace that lasts and reflects the Kingdom of God. While it may seem to start from a conflict with the world, what arises is a deep conviction to follow Christ, no matter what. Such conviction is not loud or aggressive; rather, it is a quiet strength knowing where one is anchored.

Jesus warns of division, but not because He seeks to divide. It is because the truth divides, especially in a world that prefers comfort over commitment.

Hopefully, we will allow the fire of God's love to burn our hearts, purifying us and making us faithful witnesses of Christ.

## **3rd Annual Big Island Walk and Roll to Cure ALS**

**Saturday, September 6, 2025, at Wailoa River State Park – Big Pavilion.**

- ◆ **Check-in & Registration: 9:00 AM**
- ◆ **Walk and Roll Start: 10:00 AM**

17 7:00 Mass-FF  9:00 Mass-FF  11:45 Mass-FF  6:00 Mass-FP	18 6:00 Mass-FP  12:15 Mass-FF	19 6:00 Mass-FF  9:30 Mass +A. Dulay FP 12:15 Mass-FP 6:00 K of Col. meeting 6:00 Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer group	20 6:00 Mass-FF  9:30 Mass +R. Taroma FP  12:15 Mass-FP  6:00 SJFCC	21 6:00 Mass-FP HOT MEAL MINISTRY  12:15 Mass-FF  6:00 P.Service +J Manarapaac-FP	22 6:00 Mass-FF  12:15 Mass-FP	23 7:00 Mass-FP  10:00 Confessions  5:00 Mass-FF
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## Daily Readings

### Monday, Aug 18

Judges 2:11-19  
Psalm 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44  
Matthew 19:16-22

### Tuesday, Aug 19

Judges 6:11-24a  
Psalm 85:9, 11-12, 13-14  
Matthew 19:23-30

### Wednesday, Aug 20

Judges 9:6-15  
Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
Matthew 20:1-16

### Thursday, Aug 21

Judges 11:29-39a  
Psalm 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10  
Matthew 22:1-14

### Friday, Aug. 22

Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22  
Psalm 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10  
Matthew 22:34-40

### Saturday, Aug 23

Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17  
Psalm 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5  
Matthew 23:1-12

### Sunday, Aug 24

Isaiah 66:18-21  
Psalm 117:1, 2  
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13  
Luke 13:22-30

## Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

- ♦ Are you interested in becoming a member of St. Joseph Church Catholic Faith Community? Do you know a family member or friend interested in a deeper relationship with God through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist?
- ♦ OCIA is preparation for adults who have yet to be baptized. *AND*. for baptized adults who wish to be in full communion with the Catholic Church through receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist.
- ♦ Join us on Monday August 11 at 5:30 PM in the rectory Library for a brief "talk story" on adult faith formation and sacramental preparation.

## Fathers, Mothers, Grandparents and Godparents,

Our 2026 **Religious Education** year is slated to start this September. If your children have reached the age of 7 and have not studied for and received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation, now is the time to sign them up for instruction to begin this Fall. Classes are held on Sunday morning between the 9 o'clock Mass and the 11:45 am Mass. That allows you to have your children attend Religious Education and to attend Mass as well. We have very fine dedicated instructors in place to help your children learn their Faith and to prepare them for their Sacraments. If your children have reached their teen years and have not received their Sacraments, not to worry, we have a very dynamic couple providing instruction for them.

At your earliest convenience, please go to our St. Joseph website to download the necessary application under RE Program. You can also pick one up at our church office between 9am and 1pm, Monday through Friday. Peace, Deacon Charley

**REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER MASS TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND TO ASSIST WITH SIGN UP**

## TEMPORARY SCHEDULE CHANGE

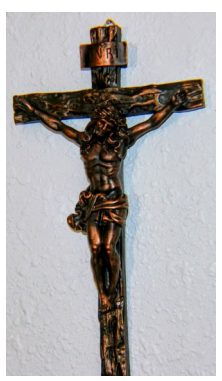
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE AFTERNOON ADORATION HAS BEEN MOVED TO THE MORNING  
11:00-12:00 MONDAY-THURSDAY

WE APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING

This coming **Tuesday, Aug. 19** is the monthly **Knights of Columbus meeting** beginning 6:00pm. The Knights of Columbus is a fraternity of Catholic Men who do projects to help their parish and community. The Knights of Columbus also provides a bundle of benefits such as life insurance, retirement planning and more. Our council covers all parishes on the East side of Hawaii Island. If you are not a Knight, come and check us out and enjoy the fellowship of other Catholic men.  
**All Catholic men are welcome.**

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:		
Aug 5-11, 2025		FYTD Actual
<b>Collections</b>	9,145.00	60,640.60
<b>Other Regular Income</b>	770.96	4,494.49
<b>Unusual Income:</b>		
<b>Choirs</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>Convent Lease</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>R&amp;M Collection</b>	200.00	1,865.00
<b>Security Project</b>	10.00	280.00
<b>Feed the Hungry</b>	230.00	615.00
<b>Other Unusual Income</b>	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>10,355.96</b>	<b>67,895.09</b>
Designated Funds		593,897.66
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		463,761.52

### Holy Trinity Hermitage Fundraiser Sunday, August 17th After the 9 am Mass!



Stop by and say "Hello"





# The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.  
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole Cosmos  
in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.  
Amen.



Franciscus



PLEASE JOIN US ON  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 AT 10:30 FOR OUR  
SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYERS



## 11. Marriage Matters—because it is a path to holiness.

Guided and strengthened by God's grace husband and wife "advance their own perfection, as well as their mutual sanctification, and hence contribute jointly to the glory of God."

Second Vatican Council

*Gaudium et Spes* (Joy and Hope, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World), 48

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