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*Adoration of the Blessed  
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*Monday-Thursdays at 11 am &  
Fridays & 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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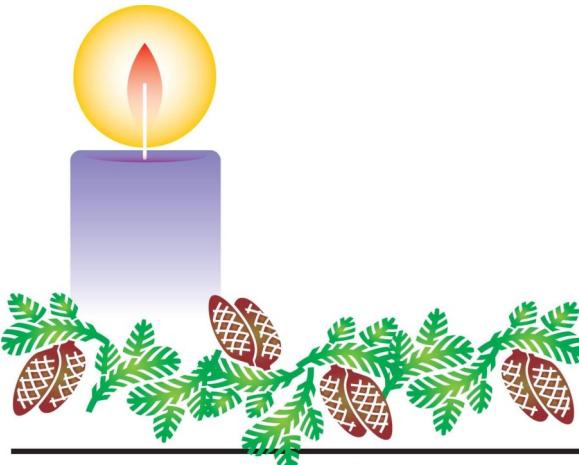
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**FIRST SUNDAY OF Advent**

## First Sunday of Advent – Year A

**“Stay awake!**

*MARANATHA. COME, LORD JESUS, COME.*

This Sunday the Church begins a new liturgical year. And as we light our first advent candle, we are summoned to begin a journey to a fresh spiritual awakening. And the very first word Jesus gives us at the start of this new liturgical year is simple and strong: **“Stay awake!”** Because God is coming—quietly, gently, but certainly.

Jesus in the gospel recalls the days of Noah. People were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage. Life was normal, routine, ordinary. There is nothing wrong with eating, drinking, marrying, celebrating. The problem wasn’t their activities; it was their attentiveness. They lived without noticing God. Their lives were full but their hearts were empty of awareness. The danger is not sinfulness but sleepiness. How about us? Are we paying attention to the presence of God in our lives?

Thus, the message for us today is Advent Is the Season of Wakefulness. Jesus tells us: “You do not know the day your Lord will come.” This is not to frighten us but to free us and help us live each day with purpose, with clarity and with faithfulness. And less we be confused. Advent is not about waiting for a date in the calendar. It is about being ready for a Person, the person of Our Lord Jesus Christ desires to be welcomed into our hearts and lives.

And how do we stay awake this Advent? Certainly not by doing more thing nor by being frantic or busy. We stay awake by focusing our attention to the quiet and ordinary moments that God reveals himself.

May this Advent be a season of spiritual awakening, holy attentiveness, and joyful expectation.



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30 7:00 Mass-FF	1 6:00 Mass-FP	2 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP 6:00 Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer group	3 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FP	4 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF	5 6:00 Mass-FF 8:00 Confession-SJ School Chapel 12:15 Mass-FP	6 7:00 Mass-FP 10:00 Confessions 5:00 Mass-FF
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## Daily Readings

### Monday, Dec. 1

Isaiah 4:2-6  
Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Matthew 8:5-11

### Tuesday, Dec. 2

Isaiah 11:1-10  
Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17  
Luke 10:21-24

### Wednesday, Dec. 3

Isaiah 25:6-10a  
Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6  
Matthew 15:29-37

### Thursday, Dec. 4

Isaiah 26:1-6  
Psalm 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a  
Matthew 7:21, 24-27

### Friday, Dec. 5

Isaiah 29:17-24  
Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14  
Matthew 9:27-31

### Saturday, Dec. 6

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26  
Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

### Sunday, Dec. 7

Isaiah 11:1-10  
Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17  
Romans 15:4-9  
Matthew 3:1-12

## Sideline Store

Aloha Family and Friends of St. Joseph School!

Our St. Joseph Athletic Department has recently opened an account with [sidelinestores.com](http://sidelinestores.com) where apparel may be purchased that will help us to show our Cardinal pride! For those who have children who are part of our Junior Cardinals program, you will be able to have "Junior. Cardinals" printed on your apparel where the word, "Cardinals" is shown below.

However, **please note that use of this apparel has not been approved for use in school**, but it will be a great way for our athletes to show their pride of our school at athletic events and other school functions! If you have any questions with regard to how to place an order, please feel free to contact me! Mahalo for your support of St. Joseph Athletics! Go Cardinals!

<http://www.sidelinestores.com/schools/hawaii/hilo/saint-joseph-school>

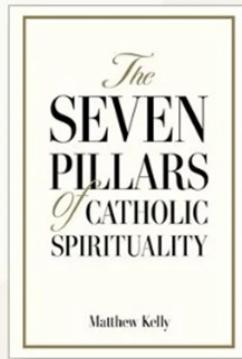
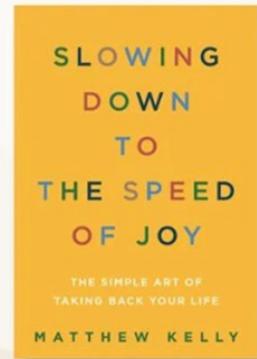
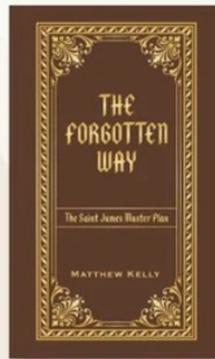
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Michael Costales



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**Stewardship Report of Treasury for:**

	<b>Nov 18-24</b>	<b>FYTD Actual</b>
<b>Collections</b>	9,386.28	226,218.04
<b>Other Regular In-</b>	315.81	25,576.64
<b>Unusual Income:</b>		
<b>Choirs</b>	0.00	100.00
<b>Convent Lease</b>	0.00	34,000.00
<b>R&amp;M Collection</b>	505.00	10,372.00
<b>Security Project</b>	10.00	1,055.00
<b>Feed the Hungry</b>	120.00	2,530.00
<b>Other Unusual In-</b>	0.00	3,715.28
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>10,337.09</b>	<b>303,566.96</b>
Designated Funds		630,339.94
Restricted Parish		465,326.95

# 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, DECEMBER 14 AT 10:30 FOR OUR  
SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND PRAYERS**



## 21. Marriage Matters—because through it God gives us life.

“For God, the Lord of life, has conferred on men the ministry of safeguarding life. Therefore, from the moment of conception life must be guarded with great care.”

Second Vatican Council

*Gaudium et Spes* (Joy and Hope, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World), 51

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