



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

May 3, 2026

*Church Dedicated on
February 23, 1919*

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*Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament begins
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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hospitality ministers upon arrival.**



Fifth Sunday of Easter

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers words of comfort to his disciples as he prepares for his arrest and crucifixion. Jesus invites them to trust in God and to look forward to the day when they will be reunited in the Father's house. In ancient times when a group required accommodation for the night, one member would often be sent ahead to reserve a place at the nearest inn. But what Jesus offers them is not just an inn but an eternal dwelling place in his Father's house.

And yet the disciples are confused, even puzzled by his words. Thomas, speaking for the others, asks the obvious questions: Where is Jesus going? How will they know the way to follow him? To these questions Jesus responds with one of the great I AM sayings in John's Gospel: *I am the way and the truth and the life*. Jesus declares himself to be the only way to God and that to have known him is to have known the Father.

But this declaration too raises questions in the disciples' minds; this time, it is Philip who speaks. For him and presumably the others, it would be enough just to see the Father.

Like the disciples, we bring our own questions to the Lord. When we're not certain where the Lord is leading us, in our prayer, we often ask for clarity, sometimes even for *certainty*. "Show us the Father" is disciple-speak for "Lord, please reveal yourself fully so that we know where we're headed."

Jesus responds to Philip by saying, *Whoever has seen me has seen the Father*. God has revealed himself fully to us. Jesus is the Word of the Father who has taken on flesh and dwelt among us. In him and through his presence the very glory of God has come into the world and is now visible to all who recognize him with the eyes of faith.

When we find ourselves asking the Lord for clarity in prayer, let us remember that he has already revealed the answer: Jesus. All the answers to the questions we ask of God can be found in the One who is *the way, the truth, and the life*.

3 7:00 Mass-FF 9:00 Mass-FF 11:45 Mass-Fr Sam 6:00 Mass-Fr Jun- vic	4 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	5 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-Fr. Clyde 6 pm Prayer group	6 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-Fr. Niko	7 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	8 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	9 7:00 Mass-FF 10:00 Confessions 5:00 Mass-FF
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Daily Readings

Monday, May 4

Acts 14:5-18
Psalm 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16
John 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 5

Acts 14:19-28
Psalm 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21
John 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 6

Acts 15:1-6
Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
John 15:1-8

Thursday, May 7

Acts 15:7-21
Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10
John 15:9-11

Friday, May 8

Acts 15:22-31
Psalm 57:8-9, 10 and 12
John 15:12-17

Saturday, May 9

Acts 16:1-10
Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 5
John 15:18-21

Sunday, May 10

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
1 Peter 3:15-18
John 14:15-21

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	Apr. 21-27	FYTD Actual
Collections	9,436.00	528,467.97
Other Regular Income	137.78	57,406.00
Unusual Income:		
Choirs	0.00	100.00
Convent Lease	0.00	76,500.00
R&M Collection	225.00	51,053.00
Security Project	10.00	2,115.00
Feed the Hungry	50.00	5,126.73
Other Unusual Income	3,685.07	11,915.75
Total Income	13,543.85	732,684.45
Designated Funds		675,764.54
Restricted Parish Hall Funds		467,255.93

SAVE THE DATES:

Women's Retreat Sat., May 16

Our theme "Life in the Holy Spirit and our Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary." Women of all ages are invited to join us for this inspiring day.

All Parish Retreat Sat., May 23

Our theme "Gifts of the Holy Spirit and the Universal Call to Holiness." Inviting all men, women and youth to join us for this retreat to prepare our hearts and souls to receive the outpouring gifts of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost!

Retreat activities will begin with fellowship and refreshments after the 7:00am mass in the downstairs meeting room. Presentation will begin at 8:30am and end at 12:30. Immediately following the retreat will be a potluck lunch, please bring a dish to share.

**St. Joseph Church welcomes Catholic Speaker
Dina Marie Hale of
FAITH MOMENTS for these special events.**



With Praise and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, The Diocese of Honolulu Announces the Ordination of:

John Jacob Akau on Friday, May 22 at 6 pm at the Co-Cathedral of Saint Theresa. His Mass of Thanksgiving will be held on Saturday, May 23 at 5 pm at the Sacred Heart Church, 1701 Wilder Avenue, in Honolulu. Reception to follow.



Holy Trinity Hermitage

Will be holding a fundraiser on Sunday, May 17th.
Watch upcoming bulletins for more information
of the items that will be available.

"The Way of the Cross, The Way of Salvation"



Flores De Mayo-Santa Cruzan Festival



Procession to begin at 9 am with Mass to follow.
Program and fellowship to follow Mass at 11:30

THE WILD GOOSE

This May and June
St Joseph's Adult Faith
formation will
journey with Father David
Pivonka learning to let the
Holy Spirit lead us to the
heart of God. Join us on the
first and third Thursdays for
the afternoon or evening
session to be transformed by
the Holy Spirit.
First meeting day is Thursday,
May 7th.

The 1.5-hour sessions start at:

2:00 pm in the upstairs
parish library or,

6:00 pm in the downstairs
meeting room.

Prayer to St. Joseph, Patron of Our Parish

Beloved St. Joseph, Patron of our Parish,
at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home.
As God's humble servant, you welcomed Jesus as your own son and with Our Blessed Mother
provided Our Lord with the warmth of a family.
We praise God and are grateful that as their faithful protector,
you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you.

Most watchful guardian of the Holy family, with confidence we likewise entrust our Parish and
families to your loving care.

Teach us, as a Church, to listen attentively to God's will
and to carry it out with quiet courage and trust.

Help our parish to be a home of faith, where Christ is loved and adored, families are strengthened,
and all who come find peace and belonging.

Help our homes to be places of prayer, where God is honored. Protect our children and the
vulnerable; and assist and take care of those who toil to provide for their families.

St. Joseph, we thank you through the years that you have watched over us. Continue, we beg, to
help us to find God in all that we do and pray that our parish may grow in holiness, unity, and
charity, and always reflect the heart of Christ.

Amen. St. Joseph, pray for us.

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



Safety Tips for St. Joseph Church
Keep exits clear during mass. No chairs by exits
Accompany children under 16 to the restroom.
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