

SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



August 1, 2021
18th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

MISSION STATEMENT

St. George Parish in Waimanalo is a Community of many diverse people joined together to proclaim God's Word in Holy Scripture by celebrating the Liturgy and building a Faith Community. Uniquely embraced by the majestic Koolau and rolling seas we strive to be a Welcoming Parish and commit ourselves to serve the people of God through Outreach, Unity and Renewal.

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PASTORAL STAFF

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Director of RE: Vicky DeSilva

OFFICE HOURS

Tues.—Fri. 9:00am—12:00pm
Office closed on Mondays, weekends,
Holidays.

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7am & 9:30am
Monday: Communion Service, 7am
Weekday: 7am Tues.—Sat.

DEVOTIONS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:
Tues. 6:30am
Rosary: Mon.—Sat., 6:30am
Divine Mercy: 2nd Sunday 3:00pm
Adoration: 1st Sun. 11am-12pm
Fatima Rosary: 13th day of each month
12:00pm—Meditation
Garden
Novena to St. Joseph:
19th day of each month
12:00pm—Meditation
Garden

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Sat. 5:15 – 5:45pm or by appointment

FUNERALS

Contact the parish office before
funeral home.

SICK & HOMEBOUND

Call the parish office to schedule home
Communion.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE Coordinator: Vicky DeSilva
Grades K – 5: 8:15-9:15am
Pre-School: 9:30-10:15am
Grades 6 –H.S.: 10:30am-12noon

Please call office at 259-7188 for more
information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

Sunday 8:15-9:30am..

NEW PARISHIONERS

Registration forms available at the
back of church or from parish office.

BAPTISM

Must register for classes which are
mandatory for parents and godparents.
Call office for more info.

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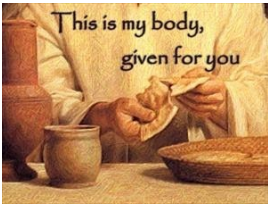
Call to arrange an appointment with the
Pastor at least six months prior to
wedding date.

For the next four Sundays, our gospel readings are from the sixth chapter of the Gospel according to John. This is Jesus' great sermon on the Bread of Life. The word "bread" is used in many different ways. Today Jesus uses the word "bread" to mean His teaching or His way of life. If we eat the Bread of Life, we follow the teachings of Jesus with all our heart; we put our entire faith in Him.

First Reading: Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15 - God led the Israelites out of Egypt, and protected them from Pharaoh's armies. Yet when they were hungry, they grumbled and even wished for the old days of slavery when they had something to eat. God provides manna and quail for them to eat.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24 - Many pagans are honest and virtuous. But their ethics are usually based on self-interest. Paul tells us to put aside that kind of emptiness of mind. We are to serve God selflessly, in a new spirit, because He has first loved us.

Gospel: John 6: 24-35 - Jesus miraculously fed 5,000 people with a few loaves of bread. He tells them to seek a different kind of bread -- bread which will give eternal life. The people understand this "bread" as a new teaching to enable them to keep the Law of Moses. Jesus then proclaims that He is the new Bread of Life; He replaces the old Law of Moses with faith in the One Whom the Father sent.



Today's Reflection: True Bread From Heaven

Where does food come from? In an effort to teach our children that food didn't come from grocery stores, my husband and I helped them plant tomatoes, cucumbers, and green beans in our back yard. The yield was small, but the reward was great as they tasted the work of their hands. We had somewhat more difficulty explaining the source of our protein, though they did learn how to fish. We cooked what they caught. I think they grew to appreciate the hard work it took to put food on the table. We also learned the importance of sharing what we had by cooking for others and collecting canned goods for our local pantry. The Israelites in the desert also wondered where food was going to come from. The desert they wandered through was a far cry from Egypt. They forgot their enslavement and remembered only the food that they had, which seemed like a banquet compared to what the desert provided. There was nothing to plant and no place to plant it. The Israelites had to rely solely on God, but God did not disappoint. First he sent quail, then a miraculous bread that was as much as they needed. It was a lesson in faith we all need to learn. As city dwellers, we have grown to rely on the farmers, butchers, and fishermen who supply our daily food. As Christians, we again must rely solely on God for our spiritual nourishment. He sent us his Son, Jesus, who is the true bread from heaven. If we come to him, we will never hunger. *Mary Katharine Deeley - Bringing Home the Word*

Parish Calendar

Wednesday, August 4, 2021

- 7:00pm—Baptism Class

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

- 7:00pm—Baptism Class

Friday, August 13, 2021

- 12:00pm—Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima—Garden

Thursday, August 19, 2021

- 12:00pm—Devotion to St. Joseph—Garden

Sunday, August 29, 2021

- 10:45am—Baptism Ceremony



Congratulations!

Josiah Jamile

Baptized on Sunday, July 25, 2021

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you!



Offerings: July 25, 2021

Sunday Collections—\$2667.00

Mass Intentions—\$50.00

Outreach—\$15.00

Repair and Maintenance—\$1420.00

Rel Education—\$110.00

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July 24, 2021

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- Joe Ka'akua * Carlotta Kidder**
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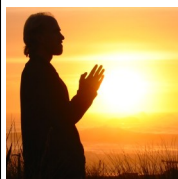
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A Word from Pope Francis

Although there are many reasons to be discouraged, amid many prophets of destruction and condemnation, and so many negative and despairing voices, may you be a positive force, salt and light for this society....May you be sowers of hope, builders of bridges, and agents of dialogue and harmony. Lord, you are the bread of love, compassion, and peace. Strengthen me with this bread so I can serve others.

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- Is my faith strong enough to believe God will provide everything I need?
- Do I place as much importance on my spiritual nourishment as I do on physical food?

Offering Envelopes



Church Envelopes

Using offertory envelopes for Sunday giving is a great way to keep track of your donations to the Church. If you wish to start using envelopes with your imprinted name, call the church office at 808-259-7188 or put a note in the collection basket with this request.



Baptism Preparation Class for August

Wednesdays—August 4 and 11
7:00pm in the hall

Deacon John Tolentino—Presenter

Baptism Ceremony on August 29 at 10:45am following the 9:30am Mass.

Covid Prayer to Our Blessed Mother



“We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God.”

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our mother and seek refuge under your protection. Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes toward us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment. Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can resume its normal course. Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer. To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen

Are You Being Called?

Do you think you're being called to serve in some form of ministry at St. George Church? Call the office at 808-259-7188 and we will help direct you to the coordinator of your area of interest.

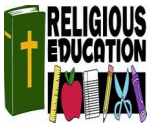


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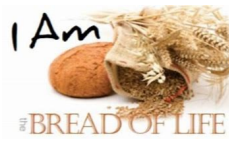


St. George Religious Education Classes

Registration for classes has begun. Information for families has been emailed out. For new families, please call the office at 808-259-7188 for registration papers or go to stgeorge96795.com to register online.

Registration in person can be done Tuesday—Friday from 9am—12noon in the office.

Thank you kindly.



REFLECT, today and throughout this week, upon your approach to Holy Communion. The Eucharist is Christ Himself. It's a gift that has the potential to not only sustain us in every way but also to draw us into the greatest Heavenly delights. Believe Jesus' words in this holy chapter of John's Gospel. For if you deepen your belief in all that Jesus has said, you will begin to realize that all you crave in life will begin to be fulfilled by this precious gift in ways beyond your imagination.

Relationship With God

“Do not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?” (Matthew 6:25)



Pyramid Model

Jesus is showing us a hierarchy. At the top of the pyramid is our relationship with God, enjoying the surprises God sends when we quit trying to control our lives. Next comes our relationship with others. When we think of those dear to us, we remember their kindness or their humor—but rarely their wardrobes. Then we might consider God's creation. Appreciating the sanctuary that surrounds us, we become caught up in the majesty of an oak, the shadings of the sea, or the roar of a waterfall. Indeed, all of these rank higher on the pyramid than food or clothes.

Perhaps Jesus is speaking from the exasperation we feel when a friend seems stuck in detail. “C'mon!” we want to say. “There's more to life than your work deadline, your diet, or your chores. Focus on the bigger question: Am I loving God and the people placed in my path?”

“There's more to life than your work deadline, your diet, or your chores. Focus on the bigger question: Am I loving God and the people placed in my path?” It may not be food or clothing, but we all have something blocking our path to God. Are we reluctant to let go of our cherished ideas and be broadened by another's? Do we monitor our calendar apps, never allowing an interruption in our schedules? Do we fear change, risk, or speaking out? If so, then Jesus invites us to fuller life. “C'mon!” he says. “Let me show you what I have in mind—so much grander and better than your narrow niche, your comfy routine. Follow me to larger life.”

- Kathy Coffey

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