

SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



September 27, 2020

26th 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

Pastor: Fr. Raymund Ellorin
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OFFICE HOURS

Mon.—Fri. 9:00am—12:00pm

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
5pm if weekend; 7pm if weekday

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.

MARRIAGE

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

We are not saved by belonging to the Church. We are not saved because of who we are. We are not saved by one ritual of water. We are saved by responding daily to the call of Christ in our lives. We shall enter God's glory only if we serve the Lord eagerly and promptly and wholeheartedly each day .

TODAY'S READINGS

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28 - Ezekiel is the prophet of individual responsibility. We are not saved or condemned because of our heritage or our family. We stand individually before God. We can never rest on our good deeds of the past; nor can we despair because of our past sins. We shall stand before God's judgment in our present attitude of faith and service.

2nd Reading: Philippians 2: 1-11 - If we follow Jesus, we must have His same spirit. He emptied Himself to become one of us, like us in all things but sin. He humbled Himself to accept the wretched death on a cross. He gave Himself totally for our salvation. Let us pray for His spirit of humility, compassion and love.

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32 - The background of today's Gospel parable is the narrowness of the Pharisees. They said they followed God, yet they rejected Jesus. The common crowd of sinners had the reputation of being pagans, yet they accepted eagerly the Good News. We shall be saved for our attitudes and faithful deeds, and not by our reputation or background.

Gospel Reflection: Learning to Love

Which one did
his father's will?



Jesus obediently accepted even death (Phil 2:8). "Just as through one man's disobedience all became sinners, so through one man's obedience all shall become just (Rm 5:19). Life in Christ is a life of obedience" (1 Pt 1:2).

Obedience is so important because it is the main way to learn how to love and to express love. Love means to lay down our lives for others (see 1 Jn 3:16). Love is self-giving, not selfishness. From childhood to adulthood, we grow into love by doing thousands of acts of obedience. As we deny ourselves repeatedly, we eventually receive God's grace to obey not out of necessity or self-interest but out of self-sacrificial love. This love in turn leads to better obedience with purer motives. Love inspires the best obedience, and obedience is the best expression of love as well as the means by which we learn to love. "The love of God consists in this: that we keep His commandments" (1 Jn 5:3). Jesus taught: "You will live in My love if you keep My commandments, even as I have kept My Father's commandments, and live in His love" (Jn 15:10).

"God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him" (1 Jn 4:16). The meaning of life is to love God totally and to love our neighbor as ourselves (Mt 22:37, 39). The way God graces us with love is primarily through obedience. Therefore, the key to the meaning of life is obedience. Repent of disobeying. Rejoice to obey. Obey completely (see 2 Cor 10:6). Learn to love. *Fr. Al Lauer, Presentation Ministries*

Parish Calendar

Tuesdays—Saturdays

– 7:00am Daily Mass

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOW—Go to stgeorge96795.com to register. Don't forget to also fill out the Safe Environment form too.

Sunday, September 20

Religious Education Online Classes

- 8:30am —K-5
- 11:00am—6-8
- 12:00 pm—High School

OFFICE IS OPEN

Offerings: September 20, 2020

Weekly Sunday—\$2753.00

Repair and Maint.—\$90.00

Outreach—\$140.00

Mass Intentions—\$20.00

Generosity
changes everything

Prayer Lord, I am
grateful for your
example of
humble service
toward others. Help me to be
a humble and loving person
toward all people.

Thank You Father Raymund Ellorin

*"We, the parishioners of St. George Parish wish to express our appreciation, love, and support to **Father Raymund** on this Priesthood Sunday for all the tireless ministerial support he provides us. We should more routinely thank him but in our busy lives we sometimes forget the heavy task it is for our priests to operate a parish so again, we thank you, Father, and wish you many blessings.
Your faithful parishioners"*



Mahalo Cleaners!

Thank you so much to these dedicated and kind parishioners!

September 19, 2020

**Betty Cadiente * Doreen Anderson
Adelina Dela Penia * Louanna Kaio
Virginia Bringas * Diane Carlos
Teresita Dela Cruz * Connie Villena
Estrel Quiambao**


Many Hands Make LIGHT Work



A Word from Pope Francis

Today let us look at our hands, so often empty of love, and let us try to think of some free gift that we can give without expecting anything in return. That will please the Lord. And let us ask him: "Lord, let me rediscover the joy of giving."

Reflection Questions

- Am I fair to God by giving him thanksgiving, adoration, and obedience for his love?
- Am I fair to others by offering them gratitude and humble kindness?



RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you have friends, neighbors, or family members who:

- were baptized but never received the other sacraments?
- are non-Catholic but are interested in the Church?

If you do, encourage them to attend RCIA. We welcome all to participate in this journey of faith. The RCIA team walks with those who are inquiring as we explore our relationship with God and others, and learn more about the Catholic faith.

RCIA will meet weekly beginning the week of October 11, 2020. Classes will be conducted virtually or a combination of face-to-face and virtual meetings depending upon the needs of participants. The specific day and time will also be determined based on participant needs.

Register now by contacting the parish office at 259-7188 and providing your name, contact number, and e-mail address.

Maria and Paul Dumas will contact you.

40 Days for Life



The annual 40 Days for Life campaign to end abortion begins this year on September 23 and ends on November 1.

The campaign aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and an anticipated peaceful all-day vigil in front of Planned Parenthood (Covid restrictions information on how you can support the campaign, go to: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/>)

Congratulations Catechists

**Tiffany De Silva * Lovella Dagdag
Kahale Kidder * Tania Brown
Susie Suta * Carlotta Kidder
Vicky De Silva**

Please continue to pray for our catechist and youth



54 Day Rosary Novena

Please join Relevant Radio in a **54 Day Rosary Novena** for the **Needs of the Church & our Nation** starting **September 8** and ending on **October 31**.



By signing up at:

<https://relevantradio.com/54-day-rosary-novena/>

You'll receive a **reminder email** each **morning** with a short, **daily novena reflection** and can **pray the rosary** for **54 days** with **RR** during their live **Family Rosary Across America®** show at **2pm Hawaii time**.

In **response** to the **crisis** unfolding in our **world** and in the **Church**, **LifeSite** is offering **Catholics** throughout the world a chance to be **united daily in prayer, in the Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Crusade**. The Rosary is prayed with others from around the world at 6:00am Hawaii time every morning with Father Pillari, a US priest assigned to Italy. You can find the daily **Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Crusade**.

Meditation Garden Volunteers

St. George Parish would like to thank
Adelina Dela Penia * Leoncia Belen
Dario & Fe Duque

Bernaldo Villanueva * Lourdes Jacalne
Linda Bounlangsy * Manny Valmoja
Gloria Tabisola * Marieta Sesuca
Joe Aragon * Imelda Saramosing

For sharing their time, treasure and talent
for the Meditation Garden project.

Volunteers and donors for the project are
very much appreciated

Mahalo

Rest In Peace

MARIO MERCADO

**Mass at 10:30 am
October 9, 2020
St George Church**

