SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



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PASTORAL STAFF

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OFFICE STAFF

Director of RE: Vicky DeSilva

OFFICE HOURS

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

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:	MonSat., 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 weekdav

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 8:15-9:15am Grades K – 5: 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

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.

April 11, 2021 , Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

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.

Today's Mass describes what the Christian community should be. We should be at peace with each other and care for each other's needs. We should experience God's forgiveness and reconciliation. We should live in the Spirit. All these joys come to us through the sacramental life of the Church. Let us reflect on them in our lives.

TODAY'S READINGS

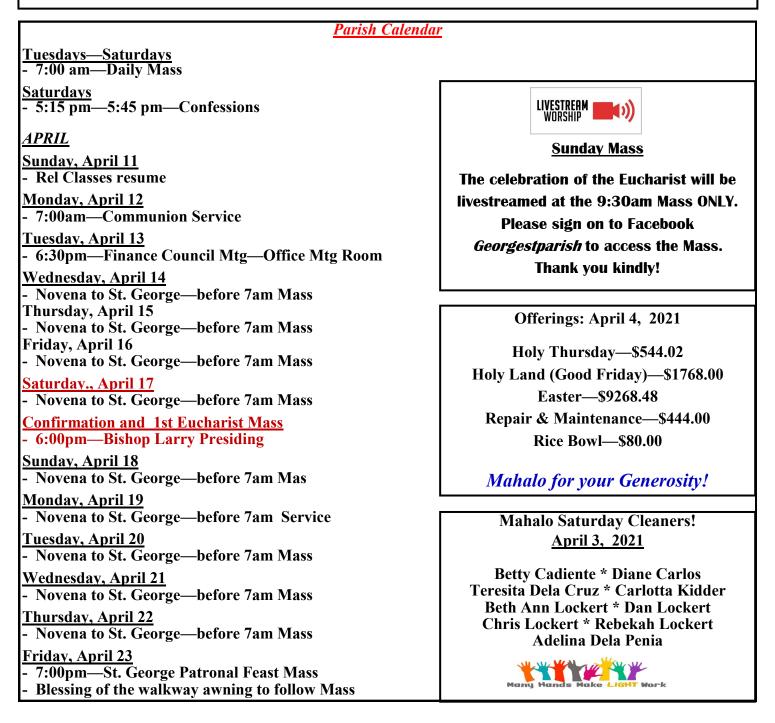
1st Reading: Acts 4: 32-35 - Today's first reading seems to give an idea of Christian communal living, yet it means more than that. It describes the Church as the fulfillment of hope in the Messiah. All the signs of the Messiah's kingdom are present, for there is perfect peace, joy and love among God's people.

2nd Reading: 1 John 5: 1-6 - Christ is the sign of the Father's love; the Church is the sign and manifestation of Christ. If the world comes to know Christ, it must be through the love and fidelity shown by Christians who are born into Christ by the water of baptism and the blood of the Eucharist.

Must register for classes which are Gospel: John 20: 19-31 - Thomas gives us absolute proof for our faith. The gospel also tells of the mission of the Church; we must proclaim Christ's resurrection; we must show forth the perfect peace of the Lord; we must reconcile all people to each other as Christ reconciles us to the Father. The Church is to be a living community of the Holy Spirit.

Today's Reflection: Leaning Upon God

The Embrace, a painting by Pedro Cano, is a powerful image of paternal love and union. It recalls the historic moment when St. John Paul II, at the Mass of his elevation to the papacy, embraced his lifelong mentor, Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński. The painting is a moment frozen in time that represents something much bigger than the event that inspired it. The two figures are barely distinguishable. They seem to be fused, like two figures carved out of one piece of marble. It is the mutual love of giving and receiving that makes this exchange so moving. Indeed, it reminds us of the embrace of love we seek in this life from our loved ones as well as in eternal life. There is no distance between them, rancor, or questioning—only the total happiness of being united with a friend. The pope's strong, broad shoulders are penetrated by the grasping hands of the one embraced. There is a clenching need to find security in the other. We all search for love, forgiveness, and for strength we do not find in ourselves. We wish our faith were stronger but, the truth is, we need to be constantly turning to God for his mercy. Yet, he is pleased to be our rock upon which we lean, the one we can touch in our doubt. Turn to him in need, for he is happy to save you from the trials of this life. He wants to be the risen one who restores our faith. He rejoices that we need him and return to him. + By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



<u>Confirmation and First Eucharist Mass</u>



Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:00pm

Presider: Bishop Larry Silva



Please keep Jacob Carlos,

Kaiea Fernandez, Opal Manini, and Samantha Smith in your prayers. They will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation and for three of them, their First Eucharist. God bless!

<u>Novena to St. George</u>

April 14—22, 2021 Before 7am Mass



St. George Patronal Feast Day Mass

Friday, April 23, 2021 7:00pm



Blessing of the Walkway Awning will follow Mass. Donations in memory of Kevin Williams were used for this project.





Mahalo

Paul and Maria Dumas (RCIA Team)

For preparing those who aspire to

become Catholic and learn about our faith. And preparing those who are baptized but didn't receive all their sacraments.

Your service to this ministry is truly appreciated.

A Word from Pope Francis



[The disciples] had abandoned the Lord at his passion and felt guilty. But meeting them, Jesus did not

give a long sermon. To them, who were wounded within, he shows his own wounds. Thomas can now touch them and know of Jesus' love and how much Jesus had suffered for him, even though he had abandoned him.





Lionel Cazimero

Who received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist on Saturday, April 10, 2021.

May the Holy Spirit continue to enkindle in you the fire of His divine LOVE. God bless!

Welcome to Deacon John Tolentino



St. George Church is happy to welcome Deacon John Tolentino to our parish. Deacon John will be serving our parish in the place of Deacon Ed Cho who retired.

Deacon John was raised in Kahalu'u and is the oldest of eight siblings of which one brother has passed on. He graduated from Farrington High School in 1972 and is a retired mechanic/manager of a Chevron/ Texaco Service Station. He has been a deacon since 2015. Most deacons who serve the church are married but Deacon John belongs to a small group of unmarried deacons. He is happy to be in Waimanalo and is

looking forward to serving the parish and its parishioners. His focus will be totally on the Church and the needs of St. George Parish.





<u>Communion Service</u> will be held every Monday at 7:am starting on April 12, 2021.

Lent is over, Easter Sunday has come and gone—Now what?

- Continue to pray, give to the Church and lighten up on self-indulgence.
- Give yourself credit for the effort during Lent to be better.
- Take the good things you did during Lent and continue to build upon them.
- You are not limited to the Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday weeks to work on promises.
 - Take life day by day with emphasis on patting yourself on the back for trying to bring Jesus back to the center of your life.
- Celebrate the Resurrection everyday by thanking Jesus.
- Most of all make your life an Alleluia! Give praise to God the Father for giving us his son. Give thanks to Jesus for the ultimate gift of his life and Rejoice in the Holy Spirit for the enlightenment and courage to spread the Good News!
 - Finally, become that person who takes care of the needs of others with a smile and an open heart. Show others kindness, mercy and love. On the road, drive with Aloha, in your house, speak with patience, in church, give yourself to the Lord in humility.

"Love God with all your heart, your mind and your soul."

"Love one another"





Finance Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 6:30pm Office Meeting Room



Divine Mercy Sunday is a very special Sunday when the Divine Floodgates from Heaven are wide-opened and Jesus offers us the total forgiveness of all sins and punishment to any soul, who goes to Confession and

receives Him in Holy Communion, on that day.



A Meditation on Resurrection

Looking at the world, it would be easy to

become depressed. Pollution has wreaked havoc with our environment. Hatred and diseases have wrecked many lives. To believe in resurrection is to believe in the justice and the creative power of God. It is to believe that every person can be saved, that no situation is so desperate that it is beyond the grace of God. Imagine Jesus lying dead in the tomb as if you were there. Now imagine you are watching his Resurrection. What happens as he is restored to life glorified? Look at something ruined like an old building or a garden. Imagine it fully restored. Picture the stages in its restoration: what would be done first, what next, and so on. Think of how body, mind, and spirit can appear to go to ruin. Imagine someone you know being restored, heart and soul. Pray that the image of God may be fully restored in each person. Now look inside yourself. What needs to be resurrected? Picture God restoring that part of your life step by step. What do you need to do?

Pray: Creating God, you rebuild what is broken, restore what has fallen into despair. Take my life into your hands. Breathe your Holy Spirit into me. Recreate me. Restore me to yourself. Amen.