SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



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PASTORAL STAFF

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OFFICE STAFF

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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: 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.

April 18, 2021 Third Sunday of Easter

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.

All have sinned and are unworthy of the glory of God. All have turned away from God and turned inward to their own self-will. But there is hope! The risen Christ enables us to turn away from self and toward God. Jesus Christ is the forgiveness of our sins. Although we do not deserve His mercy, He loves us with an everlasting love. He pleads with the Father for us. He will forgive all our sins.

TODAY'S READINGS

Ist Reading: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19 - The scene of today's first lesson is after Pentecost. Peter has just healed a lame man. In the Bible, lameness is a symbol of sin. Peter tells the people that the lame man has been cured by Jesus, and that they must turn away from their sin to be forgiven by Him Whom God has raised from the dead.

2nd Reading: 1 **John** 2: 1-5a - If we are children of God and members of the risen Christ, we should not sin. Yet if we should fail, we must not lose hope. For Christ will be our advocate and our forgiveness.

Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48 - The scene of today's gospel is immediately after Jesus' appearance to the disciples on the road to Emmaus. These disciples returned to Jerusalem to tell the apostles that Jesus had risen. Jesus then appears in their midst and gives the meaning of His death and resurrection: in His name they shall proclaim repentance and the forgiveness of sin.

Today's Reflection: Sharing Our Wounds



The glorified Jesus is not easy for the apostles to recognize. There is a deep truth here. The Twelve are startled and terrified to see Jesus again. In fact, they even think they are seeing a ghost. Their fear and lack of faith makes it impossible to see him for who he is—their resurrected Savior. Before they can truly see, they need to first accept him and believe. And

how does Jesus prove his identity to them? He shows them his wounds, the signs of his suffering and crucifixion. We often want to hide our wounds. We are ashamed of them and afraid of how others will react if they really knew. But Jesus, unashamed, shows his wounds and uses them as signs of who he is. There is a message for us here. We need to allow our brokenness to find fullness and resurrection in Christ. It is at that point that the love of God is perfected in us. First, we need to acknowledge our wounds and not bury or hide them. Then we need to admit our need for healing. Finally, through prayer, confession, and help from those who love us, we allow Jesus' redemptive love to wash over our wounds and give us renewal, rebirth, and healing. As a result, like Jesus, we will no longer be ashamed of our wounds, but rather we will share them as evidence of the power of Jesus Christ. + By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Parish Calendar

Tuesdays—Saturdays
- 7:00 am—Daily Mass

<u>Saturdays</u> - 5:15 pm—5:45 pm—Confessions

APRIL

Saturday., April 17

- Novena to St. George—before 7am Mass

Confirmation and 1st Eucharist Mass

- 6:00pm—Bishop Larry Presiding

Sunday, April 18

- Novena to St. George—before 7am Mas
- Rel Ed Clesses

Monday, April 19

- Novena to St. George—before 7am Service

Tuesday, April 20

Novena to St. George—before 7am Mass

Wednesday, April 21

- Novena to St. George—before 7am Mass

Thursday, April 22

- Novena to St. George—before 7am Mass

Friday, April 23

- · 7:00pm—St. George Patronal Feast Mass
- Blessing of the walkway awning to follow Mass

Sunday, April 25

- Rel Ed Classes

Sunday, May 2, 2021

Rel Ed Classes

Sunday, May 9, 2021

- Rel Ed Classes

Sunday, May 16, 2021

Rel Ed Class—LAST CLASS



Sunday Mass

The celebration of the Eucharist will be livestreamed at the 9:30am Mass ONLY. Please sign on to Facebook Georgestparish to access the Mass. Thank you kindly!

Offerings: April 11, 2021

Sunday Collections—\$3329.00

Funeral—\$100.00

Repair & Maintenance—\$635.00

Mahalo for your Generosity!

Mahalo Saturday Cleaners! April 10, 2021

Betty Cadiente * Diane Carlos Teresita Dela Cruz * Doreen Anderson Virginia Bringias * Denis Dela Cruz Lorraine Higa * Louanna Kaio Connie Villena



Confirmation and First Eucharist Mass



Saturday, April 17, 2021 6:00pm

Presider: Bishop Larry Silva

Four youth will be receiving

the sacrament of Confirmation and for three of them, their First Eucharist. God bless!

Novena to St. George

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.

A novena is a series of prayers that are said for nine straight days, usually as a prayer of petition but sometimes as a prayer of thanksgiving. (See <u>The Types of Prayer</u> for more on prayers of petition and thanksgiving.) The nine days recall the nine days that the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary spent in prayer between <u>Ascension Thursday</u> and <u>Pentecost Sunday</u>.

While the word *novena* comes from the Latin *novem*, meaning "nine," the term has also come to be used generically to refer to any long series of prayers. Thus, the <u>Saint Andrew Christmas Novena</u> is recited for more than nine days, between the Feast of Saint Andrew (November 30) and <u>Christmas</u>. Another popular lengthy novena is the 54 Day Rosary Novena, which is really six novenas of <u>rosaries</u> in a row—three in a petition, and three in thanksgiving.

A Word from Pope Francis

We know that slander always kills. This "diabolical cancer" that arises from the desire to destroy the reputation of a person also attacks the ecclesial body and seriously damages it when, as a result of malicious interests or to cover up one's own inadequacies, people unite to denigrate someone.





Jacob Carlos Heleohoneakaiea Fernandez Opal Manini Samantha Smith

Who received the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist on Saturday, April 17, 2021. Bishop Larry Silva presided at the Mass.

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

Communion Service 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"



What is the Easter season in the Catholic Church?

Eastertide is the period of 50 days, spanning from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. It is celebrated as a single joyful feast, called the "great Lord's Day". Each Sunday of the season is treated as a Sunday of Easter.

The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth, and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world.

The Paschal Candle used during the Easter Vigil is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils" and Easter Sunday is the greatest of all Sundays. The season of Easter is the most important of all liturgical times, which Catholics celebrate as the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church.

The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day.

There are **50 days of Easter** from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)

