# SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



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#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Pastor: Fr. Raymund Ellorin Deacon John Tolentino

#### **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 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**

#### 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 25, 2021

Fourth 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.

Jesus is the stone rejected by the builder Who has become a cornerstone and united Jews and Gentiles in His Church. He is the Good Shepherd Who laid down His life for His sheep. He guides, protects, and cares for us so that we may find life and joy in Him. Let us renew our dedication to Christ.

#### TODAY'S READINGS

*1st Reading: Acts 4: 8-12* - After Peter and John healed a lame man, they were arrested by the Sadducees who did not believe in the resurrection of the dead. Before the entire Sanhedrin, Peter explains that all healing and salvation come through Jesus Christ, Who is risen from the dead.

2nd Reading: 1 John 3: 1-2 - We cannot see God's life in us, but it is true. We are more than mere human beings. By God's grace, we are members of God's family, sharers in His very life and Temples of the Spirit. The disciples saw the divinity of Jesus only once, in His Transfiguration. Although we cannot see the glory and splendor of divinity in us, let us have faith.

*Gospel: John 10: 11-18* - In the Old Testament, Yahweh is the Shepherd of His people Israel. By calling Himself the Good Shepherd, Jesus equates Himself with the Father and teaching the universality of God's love. No longer will God only be Israel's Shepherd; He will draw other sheep to His flock so that all mankind will be one in His love.

# Today's Reflection: A Love-Filled Sacrifice



At the center of his painting, Hands of the Crucified, Renato Guttuso (1912-1987) places the piercing reality of pain represented by the hand of Jesus. The dark reds, blacks, and blues give way to the brightness of the oranges, yellows, and whites. This choice of palate is purposeful. Death is depicted with the same palate as a sunset, when darkness closes in on the light. But

then night gives way to the colors of the sunrise when new life springs forth. The brutal darkness that leads to his death is replaced by the light-giving act of the love of God. The Good Shepherd also shows the beauty of this love-filled sacrifice. This is why the Father loves Jesus; because he lays down his life for us. He has the power to do so and does it freely. This is because the Shepherd's mission and vocation is centered on the good of the sheep. They are the center of his daily cares and concerns. Jesus tells us that you and I are the utter focus of his heart and life. You are worth it. It is a beautiful thing to be loved by someone. Imagine if this someone is God himself. As modern as this painting looks, the artist honors a traditional symbol. Byzantine art often depicted the blood from Jesus' side falling into a chalice to connect the passion of Jesus with the eucharistic sacrifice. Notice that the artist does the same by showing the blood falling into a simple chalice with a host at its center. + **By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC** 

Parish Calendar			
<u>Tuesdays—Saturdays</u> - 7:00 am—Daily Mass			
<u>Saturdays</u> - 5:15 pm—5:45 pm—Confessions			
<u>APRIL</u>	Sunday Mass		
<u>Sunday, April 25</u> - Rel Ed Classes	The celebration of the Eucharist will be livestreamed at the 9:30am Mass ONLY. Please sign on to Facebook		
<u>Sunday, May 2, 2021</u> - Rel Ed Classes			
<u>Sunday, May 9, 2021</u> - Rel Ed Classes	<i>Georgestparish</i> to access the Mass. Thank you kindly!		
<u>Thursday, May 13, 2021</u> - Ascension Thursday—Holy Day			
- Rosary for Our Lady of Fatima—Meditation Garden	Offerings: April 18, 2021		
<u>Sunday, May 16, 2021</u> - Rel Ed Class—LAST CLASS	Sunday Collections—\$3072.00		
- Rel Ed Class—LAST CLASS	Repair & Maintenance—\$1678.00		
St. George's Meditation Garden	Mass Intentions—\$20.00		
	Mahalo for your Generosity!		
	Mahalo Saturday Cleaners!		
	<u>April 17, 2021</u>		
	Betty Cadiente * Diane Carlos Teresita Dela Cruz * Adelina Dela Penia Virginia Bringias * Mapu Fuller Lorraine Higa * Louanna Kaio Connie Villena * Carlotta Kidder Beth Ann Lockert * Shayla Carlos Tina Ramos		
	Many Hands Make LIGHT Work		

# **Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima**

On the 13th day of each month starting on May 13th, the rosary will be prayed to Our Lady of Fatima, in the St. George Meditation Garden at 12:00noon. **Everyone is invited!** 



"Say prayer, especially the rosary and make reparations." Our Lady of Fatima



**Communion Service** will be held every Monday at 7:am starting on April 12, 2021.



**A Word from Pope Francis** 

True rest is not simple, because there is false rest and true rest....Man has never rested as much as today, yet man has never experienced as much emptiness as todav! Opportunities to amuse oneself, to go out, cruises, travels; but many things do not give you fullness of heart. Indeed, they do not give you rest.

**Bishop Larry's Visit to St. George Church** 

Thank you to Bishop Larry for presiding at St. **George's Confirmation and First Eucharist Mass on** Saturday, April 17, 2021. St. George was truly blessed to have him





# Walkway Garden Project

St. George parish would like to thank the following people for their hard work in the walkway garden. Your generosity of time to help beautify the walkway garden is much appreciated:

> Adelina Dela Penia Leoncia Belen **Dario Duque and Friends Fe Duque Lourdes Jacaine Erlinda Bounlangsv** Leonides **Laureto Bolibol**

Mahalo to Imelda Saramosing and Genevieve Kealoha for donating the beautiful roses.

Please be reminded that plants and flowers within St. George property are for your eves only to admire and to thank the Lord for the wonderful gifts of nature.



# St. George's Awning Walkway is complete!

Enjoy the comfort and peace of the awning that was just completed. It is beautiful and peaceful.





Thank you to Ann Williams and family for supporting this project with donations given in memory of her late husband Kevin Williams. God rest his soul!

# The Good Shepherd—John 10:11-18

# A Reflection...

Jesus revealed himself as a good shepherd who knows his own flock and is a sacrifice for them. A common phrase for Catholics is, "God doesn't call the qualified, but He qualifies the called". God knows us and He calls us by name. And as our struggles become real even as others turn to us for guidance, we also have a shepherd to turn to for help. Most of us sometimes forget this, but we are leaders in our own way. There will be crisis and there will be need, but there will always be good people standing behind us.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta and her work of the Missionaries of Charity served people who were struggling with their lives and suffered from various diseases. During her lifetime, she ministered to the poor, sick, orphaned, and dying, and she did not discriminated against anyone because of their religious backgrounds. When there were moments when she struggled, she too probably turned to her own shepherd for guidance and help.

We are all called to serve, just like Saint Teresa of Calcutta, just like Jesus. It is normal for others to turn to you for help and for to you feel overwhelmed, but never forget that you always have a good shepherd that you can turn to when you feel lost and doubtful.

# <u>What is the Easter season in the</u> <u>Catholic Church?</u>

**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)

