SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



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OFFICE STAFF

Pastor:

Director of RE: Vicky DeSilva

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

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

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

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

MARRIAGE

Call to arrange an appointment with the date.

March 21, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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.

For the next two weeks we shall celebrate a New Covenant with God and renew our lives in the light of the Paschal Mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. Let us pledge to die to self in order to live to God and show our gratitude for our Savior's loving kindness by our loyalty to Him in the New Covenant.

First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 - The prophet Jeremiah proclaimed God's message at the end of the kingdom of Judah. Israel had already been destroyed because of its sins. Jeremiah says that Jerusalem, the Temple, and the nation will also be destroyed because of infidelity. But in today's reading he foresees a great restoration: God will forgive His people and establish a new covenant with them.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 7-9 - Today's second reading has a specific reference to the priesthood: Christ is our eternal high priest who is always heard by the Father because of His reverence and obedience. We are called to share in the priesthood of Christ. Let us share His cross and be

Gospel: John 12: 20-33 - Jesus is glorified through His death and resurrection. The meaning of "the Paschal Mystery" which Pastor at least six months prior to wedding we celebrate next week, and the meaning of our Christian faith is death and resurrection. Let us pledge that we shall be conformed to Christ by dving to self that we may live to God.

Today's Reflection: The Meaning of the Gardens of Scripture

Focus on the painting, Sebastiano Conca's Christ in the Garden of Gethsemane, and you will be drawn across the space between the gaze of Jesus and the chalice the angel offers. Sebastiano understands the essence of the agony in the Garden—the loneliness of Jesus before the bitter cup the Father extends to him via the hands of an angel. Jesus' attitude in receiving this passion is evident in his open arms. Like the posture he will assume when nailed to the cross, he shows his humble acceptance and abandonment. Gardens don't appear often in Scripture, but they are important. There is the Garden of Eden, the place of God's creative love and man's original sin. There is the garden in the Song of Songs—a garden of passion, possession, and life-giving union. Where is Jesus' tomb, and where does Mary Magdalene, the transformed lover, find Jesus on Easter morning? In the Scriptures, gardens are a place of new life, sin, and redemption. It's where lovers go; where love is declared and tested. This is important in understanding the drama of our Lord's agony in the Garden. It is the drama inside of love. It is the drama of acceptance and abandonment, trust and generosity, life and death. Jesus knows this and goes into the Garden to do what Adam failed to do in the first Garden. He goes to pay the price of love. He engenders new life by giving his own. He looks at the chalice, the price of our salvation, and with a heart full of generous, uncomplicated love, accepts the Father's invitation. "Not my will but yours be done." + 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

MARCH

<u>Wednesday, March 24, 2021</u> 7:00 pm— Taize prayer in church

Thursday, March25, 2021

- After 7:00 am Mass. Stations of the Cross (St. George's Meditation Garden)

Friday, March 26, 2021

- OFFICE CLOSED—Kuhio Day Holiday
- 7:00 pm —Stations of the Cross in church



Jesus revealed to his disciples the deepest meaning of his mission when he told them of his passion, death and resurrection, in fulfilment of

the Father's will. He then called the disciples to share in this mission for the salvation of the world.

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis. Holy Week and Easter Triduum

<u>Saturday, March 27—Palm Sunday Vigil</u> - 6:00pm Mass

<u>Sunday, March 28—Palm Sunday</u> - 7:00am and 9:30am Masses

<u>Monday, March 29—Holy Monday</u> - 7:00am and 7:00pm Masses

<u>Tuesday, March 30—Holy Tuesday</u> - 7:00am and 7:00pm Masses

<u>Wednesday, March 31—Holy Wednesday</u> - 7:00am and 7:00pm Masses

<u>Thursday, April 1—Holy Thursday</u> - 7:00pm Mass—No morning Mass

<u>Friday, April 2—Good Friday</u> - 7:00pm Service—No morning Mass

<u>Saturday, April 3—Easter Vigil</u> - 7:00pm Mass—No morning Mass

Sunday, April 4—EASTER SUNDAY - 7:00am and 9:30am Masses

<u>APRIL</u>

Friday, April 2, 2021 - OFFICE CLOSED—Good Friday Holiday

Saturday., April 17—Confirmation and <u>1st Eucharist Mass</u> - 6:00pm—Bishop Larry Presiding

The church office is closed on Mondays. The office is open Tuesday through Friday from 9am—12p. Thank you kindly!



FROM BISHOP LARRY SILVA

Resumption of the Sunday Mass Obligation

"Effective Easter Sunday, April 4 (or as of the Easter Vigil, April 3), I am ending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, which has been in effect since mid-March, 2020. However, anyone who

is sick, may have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19, or who has a health condition that would endanger themselves or others by being present in church, continues to be dispensed. "

"God bless you all, and have a blessed Lent, a joyful Easter Triduum, and a grace-filled Easter season!

LENTEN RULES & REGULATIONS

FASTING

- In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both
 Ash Wednesday (February 17) and Cood Friday
- Ash Wednesday (February 17) and Good Friday (April 2).

The sick and elderly are exempt from these regulations.

• To fast means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (excepting water and medicine) are not permitted on fast days.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

- Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday. <u>The sick and elderly are exempt from</u> these regulations.
- To abstain means refraining from eating beef, veal, pork, or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

LENTEN PRACTICES

The faithful are encouraged during Lent to attend daily Mass, receive Holy Communion, participate in penance services, and receive sacramental absolution; to take part in public and private exercises of piety, give generously to works of religion and charity, perform acts of kindness toward the sick, aged, and the poor; to practice voluntary self-denial, especially regarding food, drink, and worldly amusements; and to pray more fervently, particularly for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Shading Project



The construction of a shading system that will go from church roof to hall roof and over the steps leading to the hall has begun and should be completed within a few days. The awning will be a sure way to keep that area cool and to protect people from inclement weather. Blessed!

Offerings: March 14, 2021

Weekly Sunday—\$3016.00 Blessings—\$20.00 Mass Intentions—\$45.00 Repair & Maintenance—\$165.00 Rel Ed—\$100.00

Mahalo for your Generosity!

Mahalo Saturday Cleaners! March 13, 2021

Diane Carlos * Connie Villena Betty Cadiente * Carlotta Kidder Teresita Dela Cruz * Louanna Kaio Beth Ann Lockert * Denis Dela Cruz Adelina Dela Penia * Mapu Fuller Tina Ramos * Pou Noga



Spiritual Reflections by Pope Francis A Time To Cleanse Our Hearts



In this time of Lent we are preparing for the celebration of Easter, when we will

renew the promises of our baptism. Let us walk in the world as Jesus did, and let us make our whole existence a sign of our love for others, especially the weakest and the poorest. Let us build for God a temple of our lives and make it approachable for those who we find along our journey. If we are witnesses of the living Christ, so many people will encounter Jesus in us, in our witness. But does the Lord feel at home in my life? Do we allow him to "cleanse" our hearts and to drive out the idols, those attitudes of cupidity, jealousy, worldliness, envy, hatred, those habits of gossiping and tearing down others. Do I allow him to cleanse all the behaviors that are against God, against our neighbor, and against ourselves? Jesus cleanses with tenderness, mercy, love. Mercy is his way of cleansing. Let us, each of us, let us allow the Lord to enter with his mercy to cleanse our hearts.

What most hinders God from coming to dwell in the temple of my heart?



<u>WEEKLY LENTEN</u> <u>SCHEDULE</u>

<u>Taizé Prayer</u>

Wednesday evening (March 24) at 7:00 pm in the church

Stations of the Cross

Thursday morning after 7am Mass (March 25) at St. George's Meditation Garden



Friday evening (March 26) at 7:00 pm in the church

Confessions are on Saturdays from 5:15pm—5:45pm Windward Vicariate Penance Services

Our Lady of			
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	March 22	7:00pm	
St. Ann	March 23	7:00pm	
St. Anthony	March 26	7:00pm	

A Word from Pope Francis

By visiting the tombs of our loved ones we remember that we have a multitude of saints who before God intercede for our needs. Let us not forget, however, that so many deceased also await our spiritual support. Let us remember them in our prayers...asking that they be welcomed into the ranks.



"Dear God... Thank you for Jesus... Who shows us... How to grow in you."

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER TRIDUUM SCHEDULE (March 27—April 4)

March 27—Palm Sunday vigil Mass at 6:00pm March 28—Palm Sunday Masses at 7:00am and 9:30am

March 29—Holy Monday Masses at 7:00am and 7:00pm

March 30—Holy Tuesday Mass at 7:00am

March 31—Holy Wednesday Masses at 7:00am and 7:00pm

EASTER TRIDUUM

April 1—HOLY THURSDAY Mass at 7:00pm—No Morning Mass April 2—GOOD FRIDAY Service at 7:00pm—No Morning Mass April 3—EASTER VIGIL Mass at 7:00pm—No Morning Mass

April 4—EASTER SUNDAY MASSES at 7:00am and 9:30am

"Come Celebrate the Joy of Easter"



Easter Triduum



During Holy Week, the Church will remain open throughout the day.