

SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



February 21, 2021

First 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.

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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.

Lent is a time for renewal of our baptism, the climax being at the Easter Vigil when we renew our baptismal promises. By those promises, we pledged that we would die to selfishness and sin and live in the light of the risen Christ. Through the waters of baptism, Christ made us new creations. Let us pray to renew our lives in Christ this sacred season.

TODAY'S READINGS

1st Reading: Genesis 9: 8-15 - God intended creation to be beautiful and noble. But after Adam's sin, mankind became increasingly evil. Sin is destroyed through a great flood. God begins His creation anew with Noah and His descendants. Let us think about the meaning of baptism.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3: 18-22 - St. Peter recalls the story of Noah. The waters of the flood destroyed the physical evils of the world and wiped out sinful people. But the waters of baptism destroy the evil which is within us. Let us pray that we shall always serve God with righteous consciences.

Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15 - The gospel of Mark summarizes the temptation of Jesus in the desert in very few words. But after overcoming those temptations during His fasting, Jesus is ready to proclaim the Good News. Let us pray that we shall overcome sin and temptation through fasting and prayer, and that we shall always proclaim the Good News of Jesus by our lives.

Today's Reflection: Navigating the Desert

Like Noah being prepared to navigate the Flood, so the Spirit sent Jesus into the desert. Why was he sent there? Did he need to learn something he didn't know? Did he lack something he needed? Jesus as God didn't lack anything, of course, but he needed time to pray, reflect, and prepare for his mission. He also wanted to set an example to follow. Another Scripture says he went into the desert to be tempted by the devil. That time of spiritual combat was helpful for him. We also need to go through trials and crises to grow both in our spiritual lives and human maturity. We each have had our desert where we are challenged to our core and stretched beyond our limits. Perhaps it was a crisis such as a health, employment, or relational issue. But it doesn't always have to be such a dramatic event. It can be as simple and constant as the prolonged embracing of daily challenges in a manner that leads to life. We probably look back and see these as some of our best times—if we truly encountered ourselves and our Lord. The key is in peaceful acceptance, looking for what good can be learned from these inconveniences. In every cross there is a resurrection; in every storm a rainbow assures us of God's presence and victory. It tells us that clouds and storms will not lead to total death, but rather to a purified rebirth, growth, and newfound life and strength. He has promised us this. + By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Parish Calendar

Tuesdays—Saturdays

- 7:00 am—Daily Mass

Saturdays

- 5:15 pm—5:45 pm—Confessions

FEBRUARY

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Taize prayer in the church.

Thursday, February 25, 2021

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

Friday, February 26, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross in the church.

Sunday, February 28, 2021

- 10:45 am—Baptism Ceremony
Following 9:30 am Mass.

MARCH

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Taize prayer in the church.

Thursday, March 4, 2021

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

Friday, March 5, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross in the church.

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Lenten Penance Service

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Taize prayer in the church.

Thursday, March 11, 2021

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

MARCH

Friday, March 12, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross in the church.

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Taize prayer in the church.

Thursday, March 18, 2021

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

Friday, March 19, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross in the church.

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Taize prayer in the church.

Thursday, March 25, 2021

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

Friday, March 26, 2021

- 7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross in the church.

A Prayer for Lenten Grace

Loving God,
During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.
Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and
solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a
prayer-full life.
Help me to fast from those things that threaten the
well-being of body and soul and remind me of the
grace of simplicity.
Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in
so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and
generosity.
May this season be a grace-filled time to
rekindle my love for and faith in you.
Amen.



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 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.** **The sick and elderly are exempt from 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.

The Kamehameha Lions' Club

is collecting **eyeglasses to recycle** for those in **need**. If you have old eyeglasses you want to discard, please choose to **donate** them to this organization. Regular and tinted glasses are welcomed. **Place the used glasses in the cardboard box at the back of the Church.**



Baptism Ceremony
Sunday, February 28, 2021
10:45 am
(Following the 9:30 am Mass.)

A Word from Pope Francis

Let us invite Jesus into the boats of our lives. Let us hand over our fears to him so that he can conquer them. Like the disciples, we will experience that with him on board there will be no shipwreck. Because this is God's strength... He brings serenity into our storms, because with God life never dies.



Offerings: February 14, 2021

Weekly Sunday—\$4594.00
First Offering—\$70.00
Mass Intention—\$20.00
Outreach—\$585.00
Repair & Maint.—\$245.00
Special Mass (Fr. Scott) - \$305.00
Memory of Kevin W—\$640.00
Ash Wednesday—\$85.00
Augustine Fund—\$75.00

Mahalo for your Generosity!

Mahalo Saturday Cleaners!

February 13, 2021

Diane Carlos * Adelina Dela Penia
Betty Cadiente
Estrel Quiambao * Leoncia Belen
Teresita Dela Cruz * Louanna Kaio
Mapu Fuller * Carlotta Kidder
Virginia Bringas * Denis Dela Cruz
Tina Ramos * Imelda Saramosing



WEEKLY LENTEN SCHEDULE

What: Taizé Prayer

**When: Wednesday evenings of Lent
(February 24 and March 3, 10, 17, 24) at 7:00 pm in the church.**



What: Stations of the Cross

**When: Thursday mornings of Lent after 7am Mass.
(February 25 and March 4, 11, 18, 25) at St. George's Meditation Garden.**



**When: Friday evenings of Lent (February 19, 26 and March 5, 12, 19, 26)
at 7:00 pm in the church.**

Lenten Penance Service at St. George Church

Tuesday, March 9 at 7:00pm

**Parishioners are encouraged to attend. Priests from other windward
parishes will assist with confessions.**



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 Masses at 7:00am and 7:00pm

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



HOLY WEEK

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

Easter Triduum

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



Holy Thursday



Good Friday



Easter Sunday

“Come Celebrate the Joy of Easter”

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

