SAINT GEORGE CHURCH



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PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor: Deacon

OFFICE STAFF

RE Coordinator:: Vicky DeSilva

Fr. Raymund Ellorin

Edward Cho

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:	MonSat., 6:30am	
Divine Mercy:	Follows Tues. Novena & Fri. Rosary	
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.

December 29, 2019 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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.

Mary reflected on all things in her heart. Joseph took the Holy Family to Egypt . . . and then to Nazareth to protect them. Jesus went down to Nazareth and was obedient to His parents. Different parts of the Scripture tell us of the members of the Holy Family. Today's celebration gives us a wonderful model of Christian family life. Let us pray that our families may always shine forth with faith, hope and love.

First Reading: Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14 - Today's first lesson is taken from the wisdom literature of the Old Testament, yet it is strikingly modern. If each member of a family realizes his role in the family, there could be no generation gaps or communications failures. Let us listen to the wisdom of more than two thousand years.

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 12-21 - Each member of the family has a separate and unique role in the sanctification of the family. St. Paul describes the virtues which must be found in the Christian family and the distinct roles of each family member.

Gospel: Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23 - Today's gospel presents the beginning and the end of the story of the flight into Egypt from Joseph's point of view. In the other "cycles" of gospels for this day, we have Mary's point of view and Jesus' point of view. The family of love is concerned with each member of the family.

Today's Reflection: The Formula for a Holy Family



At our wedding, my husband and I promised to love and honor each other, to welcome children, and to welcome everyone they knew. Friends came and went, always finding a warm welcome and a bowl of fruit salad. It didn't matter that our house was small— our love was great. We grew together in the understanding that we couldn't do anything we wanted individually; we had to consider each other as we made major decisions. It wasn't always convenient. Without the grace of God, we might have found the promise difficult, but we submitted ourselves to God and each other—and found strength in the process.

Thirty-plus years later, we're still growing deeper in love and in willingness to put the other first. What makes for a holy family? We celebrate Mary, Joseph, and Jesus because they—individually and together— submitted their lives to God and grew closer to one another. Today, that's still the formula. It requires every item on Paul's list in Colossians: compassion, kindness, humility, and patience—with a good measure of gratitude and love thrown in. Is it always easy? No. We will— occasionally, and sometimes suddenly— have to move, change jobs, or deal with emergencies. But the grace of family is a peculiar thing. It gets us through the rough times and makes us appreciate the easy ones. We're part of God's family. The more we practice the fruits of love, the closer we come to the holiness and example of that First Family. +Mary Katharine Deeley

Parish Calendar	Mahalo Cleaners!
Sunday, December 29 - 10:45am—Baptism Ceremony - 5:00pm—Thanksgiving Fellowship for Deacon Ed and Anna Cho <u>Wednesday, January 1</u> - 8:00am—New Year's Day Mass - 7:00pm—Filipino Catholic Community meeting	Friday, 12/20/2019 Lorraine Higa * Adelina Dela Penia Estrel Quiambao * Diane Carlos Virginia Bringas * Teresita Dela Cruz Connie Villena * Betty Cadiente Agnes Tolentino
<u>Thursday, January 2—No Bible Study Class</u> - 2:00pm—Foodbank distribution	Saturday morning, 7:30-8:30am.
<u>Friday, January 3</u> - 9:00am—Homebound Visits (EMHC) <u>Sunday, January 5– Rel Ed Classes Resume/Family Promise Begins</u> - 9:30am—Rel Ed students attend Mass - 11:00am—Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	NO Bible Study session on Thursday, January 2. Bible Study will resume on January 9.
<u>Tuesday, January 7—Family Promise</u> - 9:00am—Outreach <u>Wednesday, January 8—Family Promise</u> - 6:30pm—Respect Life Ministry meeting <u>Thursday, January 9—Family Promise</u> - 9:00am—Outreach - 7:00pm—Bible Study <u>Friday, January 10—Family Promise</u> - 8:30am—Homebound Visits (Fr. Ray) <u>Saturday, January 11—Family Promise</u> - 5:15pm—First Saturday Devotion <u>Sunday, January 12—Last Day of Family Promise</u>	 Reflection Questions Do I strive to make home a welcoming refuge for family and friends? Do I reach out to support my extended family as well as my core family?
 10:45am—Stewardship Ministry meeting 3:00pm—Divine Mercy <u>Monday, January 13</u> 7:00pm—Respect Life Rosary and Fatima Prayer <u>Tuesday, January 14</u> 9:00am—Outreach 7:00pm—Respect Life Rosary and Novena to St. Marianne Cope Wednesday, January 15 	Called HomeAgnes SunioJanuary 3, 20209:30am VisitationMass at 10:30amSt. George Church
 7:00pm—Respect Life Rosary and Novena to St. Marianne Cope <u>Thursday, January 16</u> 9:00am—Outreach 7:00pm—Bible Study 7:00pm—Respect Life Rosary and Novena to St. Marianne Cope <u>Friday, January 17</u> 7:00pm—Respect Life Rosary and Novena to St. Marianne Cope 	PLAN AHEAD! Marriage Convalidation Mass June 26, 2020 at 6:00pm If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Raymund Ellorin.

A Word from Pope Francis

Every family should look to the icon of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Its daily life had its share of burdens and even nightmares, as when they met with Herod's implacable violence. This last was an experience that, sad to say, continues to afflict the many refugee families who in our day feel rejected and helpless.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, January 5 at 11:00am



Religious Education Classes will resume on January 5, 2020. Students will attend the 9:30am Mass as a community.



Family Promise Hosting

The week of *January 5—12, 2020*, St. George will be hosting working, homeless families with children. We ask for your kokua in supporting

them with meals, fellowship, supplies and overnight sleepovers. Prayerfully consider how you might be able to contribute and let us know. Mahalo!

Coordinators: Daniel and Beth Ann Lockert 703-980-5925

New Year's Resolutions for Catholics

- Head to Confession—What better way to celebrate a new year than with a clean soul.
- Take time for daily reflection-Resolve not to give in to the same routine. Simply abide with the Lord and quietly give yourself to Him.
- Give generously–Dr. Seuss famously wrote, • "Maybe Christmas doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more!" Christmas shouldn't stop with a date on a calendar. Open you hearts and pocketbook where they are needed.
- Ask a saint to walk the journey with you-• You don't need to travel your journey alone. You're surrounded by an incredible source of help. Pick a patron saint. Start getting to know him/her to include into your daily prayer.
- **Pray the rosary**—Look for some heavenly • help-add the rosary to your daily prayer. Already pray the rosary daily? Awesome! Invite others to pray with you or teach someone to pray the rosary.

Just take a deep breath and BEGIN!



Blessing of Babies Babies born in 2019 and their parents will be

blessed at all Masses on December 28 and 29.

Thanksgiving Fellowship for Deacon Ed

Sunday, December 29 5:00pm **Church Hall**

Share a potluck dish

Come on by to say Aloha to Deacon Ed who will be retiring from active ministry as a deacon.





Solemnity of Mary, the Holy **Mother of God New Year's Day Mass January 1, 2020** 8:00am

The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is a feast day of the Blessed Virgin Mary under the aspect of her motherhood of Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Son of God. It is celebrated in the Catholic Church on 1 January, the Octave (8th) day of Christmastide.

Filipino Catholic Community Meeting Wednesday, January 1 7:00pm



Home visits by Fr. Ray are scheduled for the 2nd Friday of the month. Call the office to make arrangements (259-7188).



Save the Date!

"Raise Your Voice" for the unborn and all human life-because

'Ohana begins at conception

Hawaii March for Life Thursday, January 16, 2020 4:00pm-6:00pm Hawaii State Capitol Rotunda

Foodbank Distribution

Thursday, January 2 1:00pm—3:00pm in the church parking lot Everyone is welcomed.