

SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 2, 2025 – The Presentation of the Lord



OUR MISSION

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

Tue—Fri, 9 a.m.—noon

MASS TIMES

Saturday at 6 p.m. Sunday Liturgy
Sunday at 7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
Monday at 7 a.m. Communion
Service
Tuesday thru Saturday at 7 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 5:15–5:45 p.m. or by
appointment

BAPTISM

Please call the office to register for
classes which are required for
parents and godparents.

MARRIAGE

Call for an appointment with the
Pastor at least six months prior to
wedding date.

ANOINTING THE SICK

Call the parish office to schedule.
Communion may also be arranged
for the homebound.

The pastor will do home visits on a
regular basis on the 2nd Friday of
every month. Call the parish office
to schedule a visit.

FUNERAL

Please contact the parish office
upon death and before making
burial arrangements with the
mortuary and cemetery.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Order of Christian Initiation of
Adults (OCIA)

Sunday, 8:15–9:30 a.m.
Please register at the parish
office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K – 5, 8:15–9:15 a.m.
Grades 6 -12, 8:15–9:15 a.m.
Please call the parish office for
more info.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Registration forms are available in
the church, on our website, or
from the parish office.

DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday at 6 p.m.

Rosary

Monday—Saturday at 6:30 a.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayers

Every Sunday at 3 p.m.

Second Sunday of the month at
11 a.m.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Tuesday at 6:30 a.m.

Respect Life Rosary

First Wednesday of the month at
noon in the Meditation Garden

Fatima Rosary

13th day of the month at noon in
the Meditation Garden

Novena to St. Joseph

19th day of the month at noon in
the Meditation Garden

TODAY'S READINGS: Today the Church celebrates the *Feast of the Presentation of the Lord* which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas Day, since the blessing and procession of candles is included in today's liturgy.

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord you seek will come to the temple.

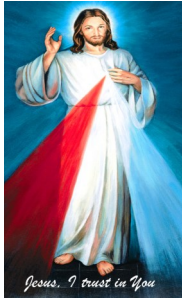
Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-

Jesus became like us in order to save us.

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 In Luke's gospel, Simeon recognizes the infant Jesus as the promised Messiah. Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles.

Luke recognizes Joseph and Mary as faithful Jews who bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here they present their firstborn son to the Lord. Jesus is thus consecrated as required by the Law of Moses. Present in the temple at this time are Simeon and Anna. Both are awaiting the restoration of God's rule in Israel.

Simeon had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see Christ the Lord, the Messiah, before he died. The holy man immediately recognized the infant Jesus as the promised Savior, a "light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Anna also recognized Jesus as the fulfillment of the promise of redemption and spoke about him to all.



Divine Mercy Every Sunday at 3 PM

"I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You.'"



Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the office to schedule

(808) 259-7188

Monthly Devotions



Our Lady of Fatima
Rosary & Novena
12 PM
Meditation Garden



St. Joseph
Rosary & Novena
12 PM
Meditation Garden

'Ohana in Christ THE ANNUAL APPEAL for the CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

St. George Church is once again participating in 'Ohana in Christ, the annual appeal for the Catholic Church in Hawai'i. 'Ohana in Christ tends to the spiritual and material needs of the church.

This year, St. George Church's goal is \$7,565. Your donations are critical in assisting the many ministries and services throughout the Diocese of Honolulu.

<https://www.catholichawaii.org/ohana-in-christ/>

Evening of Praise, Worship, Healing and Bible Teachings

Every FIRST TUESDAY of the month at 6:30 pm in Church

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March 4, 2025

Fellowship follows in the parish hall.
"Come and feel the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life."

I love to read the Scriptures



Readings for next Sunday, February 9, 2025

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11



Give the gift of Catholic Education

Make a Student Smile – Give the Gift of Catholic Education Campaign. Your gift will support Catholic education in Hawaii. Money raised by **St. George Church** will assist in providing scholarships in our parish and vicariate community. Priority is given to those with the highest level of need.

For the 2024-2025 school year, the Augustine Educational Foundation funded \$1.16M through our tuition scholarship programs and \$22,825 in grants for school programs.

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Offerings for January 26, 2025

Sunday
Offertory—\$3524.41

Ministries:
Statues Project—\$250

Repair &
Maintenance—\$241

First Offering—\$30

Mary Lou
Scholarship—\$90

Baptism—\$160

Total: \$4401.41

Outreach—\$106





What is the Jubilee?

“Jubilee” is the name given to a particular year; the name comes from the instrument used to mark its launch. In this case, the instrument in question is the *yobel*, the ram’s horn, used to proclaim the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This (Jewish) holiday occurs every year, but it takes on special significance when it marks the beginning of a Jubilee year. We can find an early indication of it in the Bible: a Jubilee year was to be marked every 50 years, since this would be an “extra” year, one which would happen every seven weeks of seven years, i.e., every 49 years (cf. Leviticus 25:8-13). Even though it wasn’t easy to organise, it was intended to be marked as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation, and involved the forgiveness of debts, the return of misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields.

Quoting the prophet Isaiah, the Gospel of Luke describes Jesus’ mission in this way: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord,” (Luke 4:18-19; cf. Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus lives out these words in his daily life, in his encounters with others and in his relationships, all of which bring about liberation and conversion.

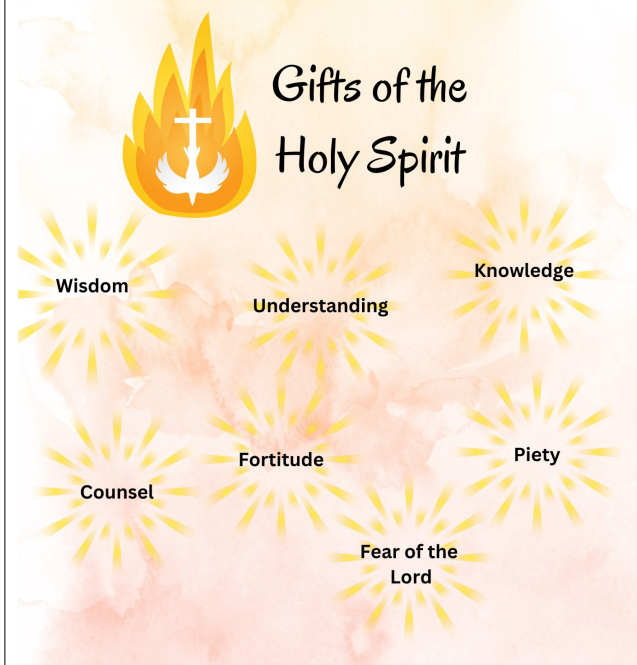
In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII called the first Jubilee, also known as a “Holy Year,” since it is a time in which God’s holiness transforms us. The frequency of Holy Years has changed over time: at first, they were celebrated every 100 years; later, in 1343 Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years, and in 1470 Pope Paul II made it every 25 years. There have also been “extraordinary” Holy Years: for example, in 1933 Pope Pius XI chose to commemorate the 1900th anniversary of the Redemption, and in 2015 Pope Francis proclaimed the Year of Mercy as an extraordinary jubilee. The way in which Jubilee Years are marked has also changed through the centuries: originally the Holy Year consisted of a pilgrimage to the Roman Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, later other signs were added, such as the Holy Door. By participating in the Holy Year, one is granted a plenary indulgence.

Calendar of Events

- **February 2, 2025:** The Presentation of the Lord: Candlemas
- **February 2, 2025:** Divine Mercy Chaplet. 3 PM
- **February 4, 2025:** Praise & Worship 6:30 PM
- **February 7, 2025:** First Friday Blessed Eucharist Adoration 8 AM-12 PM
- **February 11, 2025:** Liturgical Meeting 5:30 PM
Office Meeting Room
- **February 5 & 7, 2025:** **Baptism Classes**
(Schedule with Deacon John/Office)
- **February 13, 2025:** Our Lady of Fatima Rosary & Novena 12 PM, Meditation Garden

—FOR OUR SAINTS IN THE MAKING—

What are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit?



We receive these gifts through the Sacrament of Confirmation!

For more information on Sunday Reflections, visit:
<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>



View more pictures and the full bulletin with additional announcements and flyers on our parish website by scanning the QR code with your phone.

For more information on Jubilee 2025, visit:
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