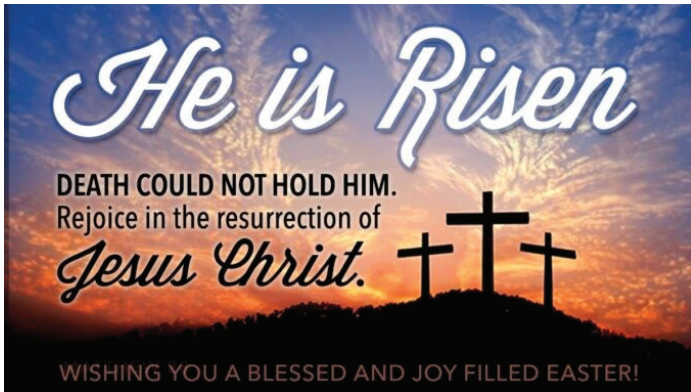


SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 31, 2024 | Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord



Dear Parish Ohana,

ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Three words stand out in scripture this day: **Christ is Risen!** For the disciples these words meant many things and chief among them was joy. How about you? What does resurrection mean for you? Victory over fear of death and sin? Eternal life with God? The gift of the Holy Spirit within us? I believe that for us as well, our list contains **joy**.

It is a joy that in spite of the many hardships economic, political, physical, health, no one can take it away. How are we to share in all of this? St. Paul reminds us: **"Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. Let us celebrate the feast, then, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of integrity and truth."**

Easter is not only a time for celebration, for bunnies and Easter eggs, for new clothes and fancy bonnets - it is also mainly a time for deep inner renewal. It is a time to recommit ourselves to the meaning of our Baptism and Confirmation. We need to remember that as we break and share together the unleavened bread of the Eucharist, we share the Body of Christ, and that body embraces the whole community. The **"apostles"** were people sent out on a mission to proclaim the Good News about the risen Jesus. We, too, share in that apostolic mission. No one will know about Jesus and what he means for our lives unless we tell them, they depend on us. **The Good News is not a secret, share it joyfully!**

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, 9am—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, 10:30 a.m.—noon
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

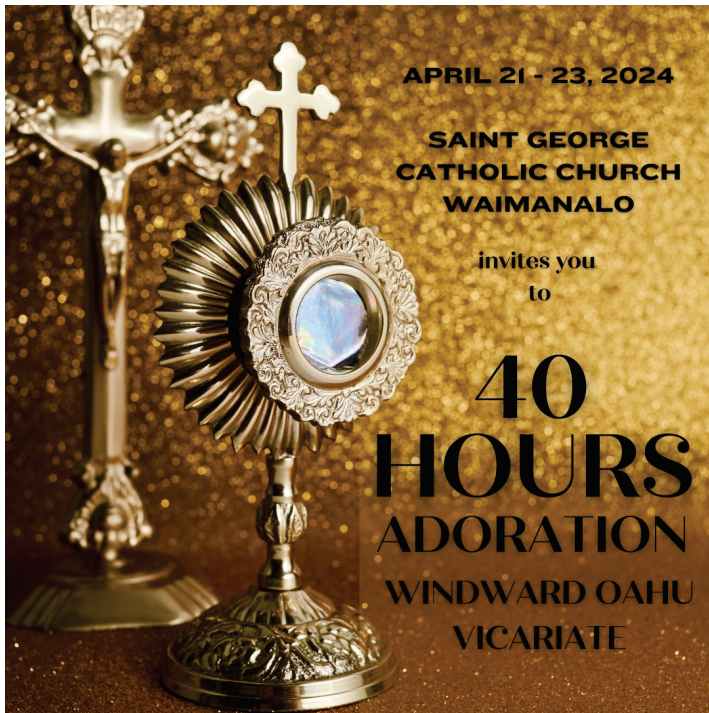
First Wednesday of the month at
noon in the Meditation Garden

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



ENCOUNTER THE REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS

On the occasion of Saint George Feast Day and the parish's year-long 70th Anniversary, St. George Catholic Church in Waimanalo invites you to a 40 Hour Adoration devotion to encounter the Real Presence of Jesus Christ present in the most Holy Eucharist. Offered over the course of three days from Sunday, April 21 through Tuesday, April 23, you will have the opportunity to offer public and personal devotions for Eucharistic adoration, pray before the Blessed Sacrament, and reflect on scripture and God's will and desire for your life. The 40 Hours also include Mass, personal testimony and inspiring talks from lay people and clergy.



I love to read  the Scriptures



Readings for next Sunday, April 7, 2024
First Reading: Acts 4:32-35
Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel: John 20:19-31

A Stewardship Moment

Jesus Christ has risen today! For those good stewards of their faith who die with Jesus, they rise with Christ their savior every day. They are an Easter people. Our Savior is active, alive, and transforming us and our communities of faith, even the world, at this very moment. Easter is a time of joy, a time of celebration. To have faith in the risen Lord is also to believe that we are disciples who bear witness to Christ in a broken and troubled world. To be good stewards of this faith obliges us to be living witnesses to Christ's peace at home and in public. Jesus cannot be found buried in some long forgotten time, in some far away land.



Question of the Week

How has the Resurrection transformed my life? How can it continue to do so?

Offerings for March 24, 2024

- Sunday Offertory—\$3753
- Easter—\$40
- Mass Intentions—\$90
- Outreach—\$100
- Repair & Maintenance—\$770
- Total—\$4753**





NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL | June 11, 2023 – July 17, 2024

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST continued...

The Eucharistic Prayer is the Church's greatest prayer (Part 1)

The word Eucharist means Thanksgiving. The Eucharistic Prayer is a prayer of thanksgiving and petition to God. During this prayer, through the action of the Holy Spirit and the words of the priest, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharistic Prayer begins with a dialogue between the priest and the people. This dialogue reminds us to lift up our hearts to the Lord and to give thanks to God.

This dialogue leads into the preface of the Eucharistic Prayer. The preface corresponds with the theme of the Mass or season. The priest says the preface by himself, but we should listen to this prayer and reflect on God's goodness in our lives. At the conclusion of the preface, we respond by singing the "Holy, Holy" acclamation. This prayer is from the book of Isaiah (Isaiah 6:3) in the Old Testament, and Matthew (Matthew 21:9) in the New Testament. The triple "Holy" at the beginning of the prayer recognizes that God is Most Holy, but also represents the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—the Holy Trinity. This response should be sung with joy for all the good things God has done for us and continues to do for us!

Next Sunday, we will take a look at the second part of the Eucharistic Prayer where everyone except for the priest kneels, unless prevented to do so by physical handicap or lack of space.

St. George Parish Children's Choir



Beginning THIS Summer!



70th Anniversary Calendar

The theme of the Parish's 70th Anniversary Celebration is "We Remember, We Celebrate, We Believe" and the theme song is "We Remember" from Marty Haugen.

Every Sunday

3 p.m. Divine Mercy prayers in church

Saturday, March 30, Holy Saturday

7 p.m. Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter
Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist

Sunday, March 31, Easter

7 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Mass for the Resurrection of the Lord

11 a.m. 70th Anniversary Easter Egg Hunt and Fellowship

3 p.m. Divine Mercy prayers in the church

Easter Sunday Celebration

11 a.m.

Egg Hunt for Children

Prizes, goodie bags,
food and fellowship!



Easter Papale (Hat) Contest for Adults

Men and women wear your best Easter Papale to Mass and join the contest at 11 a.m. Prize goes to the best hat of the day!

Sunday, April 28

9:30 a.m. Sacramental Reception for Religious Education Candidates with Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist at Mass with the Most Reverend Bishop Larry Silva



Donations of new and gently used clothing are being accepted to provide for the needy in our community. It will be distributed two times later this year. Donations will be collected on the following dates and times at church between 4—6 p.m.

Saturday, April 6

Saturday, May 4

Saturday, June 1

Life In The *SPiRiT* Seminars
 at **St. George Church** (Waimanalo)
Fridays at 7 p.m.
(April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3, 17, 24)

7 Sessions that will change your life forever

- *GOD's Love* (April 5)
- *Salvation* (April 12)
- *New Life* (April 19)
- *Receiving GOD's Gifts* (April 26)
- *Growth* (May 3)
- *Transformation* (May 17)
- *Baptism In The SPiRiT* (May 24)

Keynote: **Dominic Olaso** DETP Head Servant



Life in the Spirit Seminars

In the 1960's Vatican II called for the renewal of the spiritual life of the Catholic people. In 1967, college students on a retreat received that New Pentecost, and developed a seminar to share how others could have the same encounter with the Holy Spirit. It is hoped that this Life in the Spirit seminar will be a tool for that spiritual revitalization and an answer to Pope John XXIII's prayer, "Renew in our day, O Lord, your wonders as in a new Pentecost." Since then, over 120,000,000 Catholics in 240 countries have taken some type of Life in the Spirit seminar and have discovered that the Holy Spirit is not an inaccessible, "ghostly" intelligence, but the very "breath" of our lives as followers of Jesus Christ.

The original Life in the Spirit seminar was used as an evangelistic tool in home, work, and social groups, and not primarily in church situations. But many do now use the seminar for church renewal in the parish or other church circumstances. The seminar is designed so that church members can "renew" their baptismal life in Jesus, which is sacramentally confirmed as young Catholic adults, recommit to the Lord, and experience a fuller "life in the Spirit." The seminar is usually a weekly, seven-week course which covers talks, testimonies and small group sharing on God's Love; Salvation; New Life; Receiving God's Gifts; Baptism in the Holy Spirit, Growth; and Transformation. As a people of God, we still have so much to learn about our ongoing immersion into God's life and Spirit. "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." (Romans 5:5)

"The Spirit prepares men and goes out to them with his grace to draw them to Christ. The Spirit manifests the risen Lord to them, recalls his word to them and opens their minds to the understanding of his Death and Resurrection. He makes present the mystery of Christ, supremely in the Eucharist, to reconcile them, to bring them into communion with God that they may 'bear much fruit.'" (John 15:8,16 and Catechism of the Catholic Church 737)



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