

SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 17, 2024—Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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: Christ is the center of history. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. Judgment Day is coming, and we must be prepared to render an account of our lives before God. Let us pray that we shall always be loyal to Christ so that we shall be ready to greet Him when He comes again.

1st Reading: Daniel 12: 1-3 - The Book of Daniel was written to console God's people suffering persecution for their religion under the Hellenists, 165 years before Christ. The greatest consolation then – and now – is the knowledge that this world will pass away, and that God will triumph. He will regard those who have remained faithful to Him.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10: 11-14, 18— Christ offered Himself once and for all for the sins of all people who will ever live. Yet His one sacrifice is renewed in our lives and on our altars. Christ Who died for us and Who will one day act as our judge is still present among us.

Gospel: Mark 13: 24-32 - The “signs” of the Second coming of Christ have taken place. Today's gospel tells us that all the “signs” took place before the generation of Christ's contemporaries died. Yet the end has not come yet. We must live as if this day will be our last, for we do not know when Christ will come to take us to His eternal dominion.

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Please join us in celebrating

St. George's 70th Anniversary's

Cultural & Ethnic Celebration

November 24, 2024

4:30 PM Rosary in Different Languages
5:00 PM Bilingual Mass
6:30 PM Cultural Night & Food Celebration

All Are Invited!

Offerings for November 10, 2024

Sunday Offertory—\$3526.85	MaryLou Scholarship—\$50
Mass Intentions—\$20	Outreach—\$170
Repair & Maintenance—\$910	Filipino Catholic Ministry—\$40
Family Promise—\$30	Special Mass: Fr Ray's Birthday—\$615
Mahalo 	Total: \$5361.85

I love to read 
the Scriptures



Readings for next Sunday, November 24, 2024

First Reading: Dn 7:13-14

Second Reading: Rv 1:5-8

Gospel: Jn 18:33b-37

Divine Mercy

Sunday, November 17, 2024

3:00 PM

Filipino Catholic Ministry

Sunday, November 17, 2024

After 7 & 9:30 AM Masses

Food, Plants & Dry Goods Bazaar

St. Joseph Novena

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

12 Noon Rosary & Novena

Meditation Garden



Aloha Ministry-Meeting

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

5:30 PM, Office Meeting Room

St. George Parish 70th Anniversary:

Ethnic & Cultural Celebration

4:30 PM Rosary in different languages

5:00 PM Bilingual Mass

6:30 PM Cultural Night & Food

SAVE THE DATE

40 DAYS
FOR LIFE

March For Life
At Honolulu, Capitol
January 24, 2025
2-5 PM

Contact Susana
And Jeremy Kwock
For more information:
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As one 'ohana in Christ, each of us is called to play an important role in our parishes, our communities, and in the lives of others.

By supporting the 'Ohana in Christ annual appeal, you and our entire 'ohana in Christ, work together to answer this call.

Please see the front of the church for brochures & envelopes.

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NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

Bearing Wrongs Patiently and the Sacrament of Charity— Philip Kosloski

Jesus had much to say in regard to this spiritual work of mercy: "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on [your] right cheek, turn the other one to him as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand him your cloak as well. Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go with him for two miles" (**Matthew 5:38–41**). Jesus' instruction to "turn the other cheek" is radically different than what the world (and our own sinful hearts) want to do. We feel that, when someone hurts us in some way, we must "return the favor." In our own minds, we believe we are "justified" in slapping someone back or regaining our spot in line. We say to ourselves, "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth!" What is even more controversial is what Jesus said following this passage. He goes even deeper: You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect. —Matthew 5:43–48 He desires that we be "**perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.**" This means that we need to battle our inner tendencies and not "fight fire with fire" but seek the "high road" that leads to salvation.

"Bearing wrongs patiently" is not easy. You could say that it is not even "human" to do so. **It goes against every fiber of our fallen nature.** That is why when someone hurts us, we must not act as a "human" but follow the example of God incarnate. This work of mercy is "spiritual" for a reason; it requires divine grace to be successful. From a "human" point of view, we often think that "**revenge**" will solve our problems. If a friend of ours steals something precious to us, we think that the only logical response is to steal something from them; in that way, we will be "even." Or if someone slanders us on social media, we believe that the proper response is to slander him or her even more. We somehow think that doing an evil deed will overcome an evil deed done to us and bring satisfaction. What we fail to realize is that, **in the spiritual world, we cannot "fight fire with fire"** or try to defeat "darkness with darkness." In the same way that water extinguishes a raging fire, only humility, patience, and **mercy** can destroy the effects of sin.

One of the primary sources of this spiritual gift is the Eucharist. If we want to be more merciful, "bearing wrongs patiently," we need to receive and adore Jesus in the Eucharist.

Pope Benedict XVI wrote in *Sacramentum Caritatis* that, "The sacrament of charity, the Holy Eucharist is the gift that Jesus Christ makes of himself, thus revealing to us God's infinite love for every man and woman. This wondrous sacrament makes manifest that 'greater' love which led him to 'lay down his life for his friends' (**Jn 15:13**)" (SC, no. 1). The Eucharist can propel us forward so that our life is lived "according to the Spirit," fueled by God's love.

The spiritual works of mercy are not easy, and we cannot do them alone, without God's grace. We need his love to be pulsing through our spiritual veins. Receiving the Eucharist at Mass is one way to unleash the gates of God's love into our hearts.

Going forward, let us step back and rely on God's grace to perform the spiritual works of mercy. We might want to strike back at someone, even for such a small thing as being annoying in the adoration chapel, but we must not let our fallen nature overtake us. We must allow God to penetrate our heart and transform it into something new. Let us recite often the refrain (especially during temptation):

"O Sacred Heart of Jesus, make my heart like unto thine!"



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 pm—Divine Mercy prayers in church

NOVEMBER

November 24, 2024

St. George's Ethnic and Cultural Celebration

4:30 PM Rosary in different languages

5:00 PM Bilingual Mass

6:30 PM Cultural Night and Food

DECEMBER

December 1, 2024

St George's Feeding the Hungry

9:30 AM Outreach mass

11:00 AM Fellowship with the Needy

December 6, 2024

St George's Commemoration of the Blessing Of the Church on

December 6, 1959 by Bishop Sweeney

6:00 PM Mass

7:00 PM Simple Refreshment

December 8, 2024

St George 's Marian Celebration: Immaculate Conception/

Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:00 PM Bilingual Mass

7:00 PM La Comida-Spanish Food



Volunteers Needed!

Represent St George Church at the Waimanalo Christmas Parade!

Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 8 AM

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