

# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 22, 2024—Twenty-fifth 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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## TODAY'S READINGS:

Pride and guilt are the root of jealousy, hatred, strife and quarrels. If we empty ourselves of self-love, we shall be filled with God's love. By denying ourselves, we shall experience a resurrection to join in the Lord.

**First Reading: Wisdom 2: 12, 17-20** -The wicked cannot stand the person who strives for virtue. They will ridicule the good person as a hypocrite, seek to find flaws in his character and persecute the good by every means because they have guilty consciences and are jealous of those who seek eternal values.

**Second Reading: James 3: 16 - 4:3** -Dissension and quarrels come because of inner conflicts of soul. Inner peace comes from striving to do God's will and in learning to accept ourselves as God accepts us. In the second reading, St. James gives pride and envy as the root of external troubles.

**Gospel: Mark 9: 30-37** -The great paradox of Christianity is that the last shall be first. If we empty ourselves of all self-seeking, we lose nothing! We gain everything in Christ by humbling ourselves.

## STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Raymund Ellorin  
Deacon: John Tolentino  
Director of Rel. Ed.: Vicky DeSilva  
Maintenance: Paul Burnett  
Music: Celia Wright

## 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



**Still Accepting Applications!**

**-October is the month of the Rosary-**

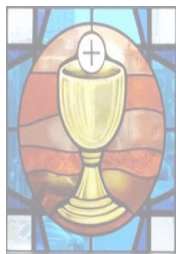
Please join us every night at 7 PM starting October 2 throughout October, to pray the rosary. Families may sign up to lead a rosary night. Please see the sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the front of the church.

**-Commissioning of Ministries-**

*Mahalo for sharing your gifts and talents!  
May God continue to bless you!*

**Bereavement Ministry:**

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|--------------------|----------------------|
| Carlotta Kidder    | Lowella Gaerlan      |
| Doreen Anderson    | Michele Inovejas     |
| Beatrice Cadiante  | Louanna Kaio-Almony  |
| Diane Carlos       | Luisa Manuelli       |
| Barbara Carvalho   | Blanche McMillan     |
| Teresita Dela Cruz | Pesio Ramos          |
| Adelina Dela Penia | Imelda Saramosing    |
| Vicky De Silva     | Romnick Jude Valmoja |
| Maria Dumas        | Dara Yatsushiro      |



**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

**Dr. Alfie Valmori**

**Offerings for September 15, 2024**

- Sunday Offertory—\$2990
- Outreach—\$110
- Repair and Maintenance—\$285
- Mary Lou Scholarship — \$50
- Mass Intentions—\$40
- Ministries-Religious Ed—\$115
- Blessings—\$30

**Total: \$3620**



**I love to read the Scriptures**



**Readings for next Sunday, September 29, 2024**

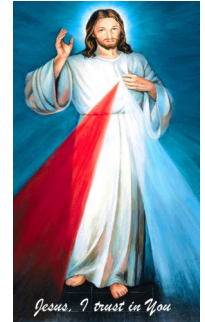
**First Reading:** Nm 11:25-29

**Second Reading:** Jas 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Divine Mercy

Sunday, September 22, 2024  
3:00 PM



Filipino Catholic Community:

After each mass on Sunday,  
September 22, 2024: St Nino T-shirt  
Fundraiser (Cash Only)

Liturgical Ministry Meeting:

September 24, 2024  
5:30 PM, Office Meeting Room

Outreach Ministry Meeting:

Wednesday, September 29, 2024, 11 AM Office Meeting Room

St George Parish 70th Anniversary

Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz— September 29, 2024  
5:30 PM-Rosary 6:00 PM Mass  
7:00 PM San Lorenzo Banquet at the Gathering Place

**Halloween Overnight Adoration & Prayer Vigil**

**Thursday, October 31st-Friday Morning  
November 1st, 2024**

Please consider just one hour of your time for the vigil. Refreshments and snacks will be provided throughout the night.

Sign up sheet at the front of the church.

Contact: Dara Yatsushiro (808) 218-3457 for any questions.

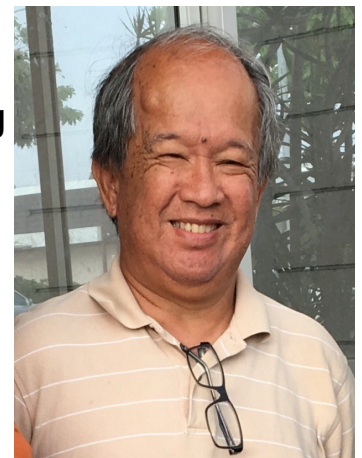
*In Loving Memory*

**John Dennis Yung**

**September 28, 2024**

**St. George Church  
Viewing at 9:00 AM  
Mass to follow**

**October 1, 2024  
Burial at 9:00 AM  
Hawaiian Memorial  
Park Cemetery**





# NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

How to Live a Eucharistic Life: Part I, Faith

The Eucharist is real, objective, and concrete. The Eucharist prevents us from getting lost in theories. Recently, a reflection in *Magnificat* put it this way: “Unless we are given a way for Jesus Christ to be inside us, we will turn Christ into an abstraction.”<sup>1</sup> “Matter matters,” as Bishop Barron is fond of saying. The Eucharist keeps our lives grounded. The Eucharist grounds the Christian life in reality—the way things are.

This series will not present an exhaustive list of elements of Eucharistic life. It will not be the final word; rather, I hope it opens space for reflection. I hope to encourage further meditation on the Eucharist and the Eucharist’s impact on daily life.

The Eucharist appears to be ordinary bread. The Eucharist appears to be ordinary wine. The Eucharist tastes and smells like those objects, too. Furthermore, the Eucharist doesn’t usually seem to have any dramatic, immediate effect on my life. Mass is not like Mario powering-up on mushrooms. Yet we are invited to believe the Eucharist *is* Jesus. We are invited to believe Jesus is *really* and *truly* present. We are invited to believe the Eucharist transforms us. To the nth degree, the Eucharist provokes faith in God. In a sense, faith is the only thing we can stand on in the presence of this Mystery. Yet this Eucharistic faith is not some blind faith or a flight into the irrational. Eucharistic faith is entirely reasonable.

Faith in God—the theological virtue of Faith—is greater and surer than any faith placed in human beings. We are talking here about “supernatural” faith as opposed to the “natural” or “everyday” variety. Faith is “the theological virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that he has said and revealed to us, and that Holy Church proposes for our belief, because he is truth itself” (CCC §1814).

If we believe Jesus is who he says he is (i.e., God), then why would we not believe what he says about the Eucharist? Who are we to say God couldn’t decide to be really, truly present—body and blood, soul and divinity—in what appears to be ordinary bread and wine? Why couldn’t it be his flesh and blood? Yes, the teaching on the Eucharist is a hard saying, shocking even, but Jesus does not call back those who left him to say he was just testing them or speaking symbolically. Instead, he turns to the Twelve and asks if they are going to leave as well. The Eucharist is a Sacrament of faith, inviting us to build our lives on God and *his word*. Said more formulaically: the Eucharist, being an opportunity for us to exercise faith, invites us to believe in God, that what he says about the Eucharist is true. When it comes to living the Eucharistic life, in a real sense, we are riding on the coattails of Peter’s faith, when he said: “Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life” (Jn 6:68).

*Jesus, you are the Word of God, you are the Bread of Life.*

Dr. Brad Bursa



## 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**

### SEPTEMBER

**September 20—28, 2024**

**7 pm—St. Lorenzo Ruiz Novena**

**September 29, 2024**

**Feast of St. Lorenzo Ruiz**

**5:30 pm—Rosary in different Filipino Dialects**

**6 pm—Mass**

**7 pm—San Lorenzo Ruiz Banquet**

### OCTOBER

**October is the month of Rosary**

**October 5, 2024**

**St Francis Feast– Blessing of Pets**

**8 am Mass**

**11 am Blessings of Pets**

**Fellowship with Pets and Parishioners**

**October 6– 17, 2024**

**Pilgrimage to Italy– Audience with the Pope in the Vatican City**

**October 30, 2024**

**Culmination of October Rosary Devotion**

**6 pm Mass**

**7 pm Agape**

# **Evening of Praise, Worship, Healing and Bible Teachings**

Every **FIRST TUESDAY** of the month  
at 6:30 PM. In Church

With **BRO. DOMINIC OLASO AND Ke AKUA Aloha Ministries**

**OCTOBER 1,  
NOVEMBER 5, DECEMBER 3**

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