

SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 28, 2024 | The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Marianne Cope, Feast Day January 23

SUNDAY MASS READINGS

God does not speak to us in a vague manner. He speaks a definite message of truth. God sent the prophets in the spirit of Moses to be sure guides in the way of truth. In the fullness of time, Jesus came and spoke with absolute authority. God still speaks to us in the living voice of His Church. Let us always be open to His truth.

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Today's first reading is placed on the lips of Moses. It is a promise that God will always provide authentic messengers which will speak His truth. We must be open to the words of the prophets, and we must never indulge in superstition in order to find out God's will.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

The second reading is the biblical basis for celibacy and virginity. These states of life are valid for one reason: they are signs of a person's complete dedication to God. Whether we are married or not, our goal should be to serve God with all our heart.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

Sometimes the voice of God has been muted or muffled by the voices of men. Those who overly theorize, dissect and analyze are often guilty of voiding the truth and simplicity of the gospel. Jesus speaks with authority and simplicity. Let us always be open to hear His word with joy.

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, 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 8 a.m. to 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

Dear Parish Ohana,

Whether we like it or not, one of the most important elements that makes the world revolve is human 'authority.' It can either be used well, to build or abused, to destroy. In our spiritual journey too, the issue of healthy religious authority is extraordinarily important and complex for believers for it fosters and forms our religious integrity. In both the Old Testament and the Gospel text today, it is the focus of the audience's attention. The Gospel finds Jesus teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. The people were surprised that he taught with such authority. They were amazed when he confronted and cast out an evil spirit from a man who was among them. The evil spirit called Jesus "the Holy One of God." Those who witnessed this power and authority spread word of Jesus throughout Galilee.

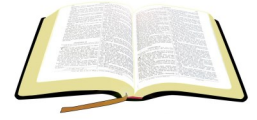
By virtue of baptism, we each have received this power and authority. Since it is the same power and authority that raised Jesus Christ from death, it must continue to live in us as well. Perhaps today's Gospel invites us to consider how we use power and authority as parents, as bosses or supervisors or leaders, as coaches, as captain of the team or company president. Do we use our power and authority for the good of others? Do we use our power and authority to bring about positive change? Do we use our power and authority to guide our children or others in the ways of holiness and righteousness? Our use of power and authority has the potential to lift people up or to tear them down. The words we choose, the tone of voice we use, and the actions we take reveal to our family members, to friends, and to others that it is Jesus Christ who has authority over our lives. Be a good steward in exercising your God-given authority.

THANK YOU

Offerings for January 21, 2024

Sunday Offertory—\$3071
Filipino Ministry—\$30
Funerals—\$700
Mary Lou Scholarship Fund—\$50
Outreach—\$40
Repair & Maintenance—\$1978.50
T-shirt Sales—\$1696
Youth—\$100
Total—\$7665.50

I love to read
the Scriptures



Readings for next Sunday, February 4, 2024

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Second Reading: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

A Stewardship Moment

A central theme in today's Gospel reading is the nature and extent of Jesus' authority. The people were astonished, "for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes." Jesus' authority brought blessings to people including healing and comfort. His authority possessed an irresistible power that drew people not through manipulation, but simply by the person that he was and the gifts that he gave. Good stewards reveal the power and authority of Christ through the words they use and deeds they perform every day. At times their stewardship leaves them open to ridicule and scorn. But having the courage to imitate Jesus invites others to imagine a different world. What can we do this week to reveal Christ's authoritative presence in the world?



Question of the Week

Can I identify an unclean spirit in me that seeks to destroy me? Can I find the courage to ask God to free me from this demon?

Santo Nino Celebration





NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

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Introductory Rites continued . . .

The Gloria

The Kyrie Eleison gives way to the profoundly beautiful Gloria. The Gloria is an ancient hymn of praise for the Trinity, and has roots in the western Church from the mid 4th century when St. Hillary of Poitiers translated it from its original Greek. This hymn gets its name from its first line in Latin, “Gloria in excelsis Deo. . .” which is part of the greeting that an army of angels gave to the shepherds on that cold December night 2000 years ago. *Luke 2:13-14 (emphasis added) see also CCC#333.* When singing the Gloria we are joining in with all the angels in heaven in their hymn of praise that continues for all time.

There is more going on at Mass than what you see with your eyes. We believe that angels and devils are real. That there is more in this world than can be experienced with our limited ability to feel it. There is an infinite metaphysical reality that just cannot be sensed with our finite senses. It is in this reality beyond our senses that the hymn of angelic Gloria never ends.

Then I looked, and . . . I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all therein, saying, “to him who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might for ever and ever! *Revelation 5:11-13.*

So the next time you don’t feel like singing along, or are distracted by someone else’s bad singing, or worry about your own, think of this scene from the Book of Revelation, and the myriads of angels and Saints praising God with you. And sing with all your heart!



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.

Sunday, January 27

3 p.m. Divine Mercy Prayers in the Church

Friday, February 2 First Friday

7 a.m. Mass

8 a.m. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (10 hours)

6 p.m. Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, February 3

Funeral Mass for Erlinda F. Molina

10 a.m. Visitation, 10:45 a.m. Eulogy

11 a.m. Mass

2 p.m. Burial at Valley of the Temples



Sunday, February 4

10:30 a.m.—12 p.m. Pickup Kalua Pig Fundraiser orders. Contact Amber at 808-864-8915 or Vanessa at 808-348-5171 for alternate pickup or delivery options.

3 p.m. Divine Mercy Prayers in the Church

Wednesday, February 7

12 p.m. Respect Life Novena

Thursday, February 8

Funeral Mass for Elizabeth M. Daoang

9 a.m. Visitation, 9:45 a.m. Eulogy

10 a.m. Mass

2 p.m. Burial at Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery



Sunday, February 11

3 p.m. Divine Mercy Prayers in the Church

Wednesday, February 14 Ash Wednesday

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

7 a.m. Mass and distribution of ashes

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ABOUT US
The Permanent Deacon Formation Program is a five-year intensive program that prepares men spiritually, intellectually, and pastorally for Ordination. Men (and if married, their wives) will be formed and sent to teach, to guard and to bear witness to, and to serve the Church through their witness to Jesus, and their diaconal ministries of Word, Service and Charity.

INQUIRY WEEKENDS
These weekend retreats offer a spiritually enriching encounter, filled with valuable information, providing men and their wives a profound experience to deeply explore the diaconate vocation. Whether you've felt a diaconal calling or have just a faint inkling of one, you should attend. To be considered for the next cohort, applicants must attend one of these mandatory weekends, with their spouses if married.
• April 12 - 14
• May 3 - 5
• June 14 - 16

CONTACT US
We invite you to reserve a space online at our website:
catholicahawaii.org/formation
For questions and concerns: deaconformation2@rcchawaii.org
Or call us at: (808) 203-6777

All accommodations, plus airfare for neighbor islanders will be covered by the program.

WWW.CATHOLICAHAWAII.ORG/FORMATION



Married Couples Celebration

Sunday, February 25
11 a.m. (immediately following 9:30 a.m. Mass)

Open to the parish, especially married couples.

The signup sheet for the event will be located at the back of the church. Vanessa Dela Cruz and Louanna Kaio will be available after Mass to assist with the signups. Please note the number of years married.

Seven couples that signup by February 18th will be included in a drawing to receive a couple's portrait by church artist Joe Aragon. Drawing will be held after the February 18th Mass and the winners will be notified.

Couples that signup by February 18th will also receive a special event favor.

Lunch will be provided St. George Parish.



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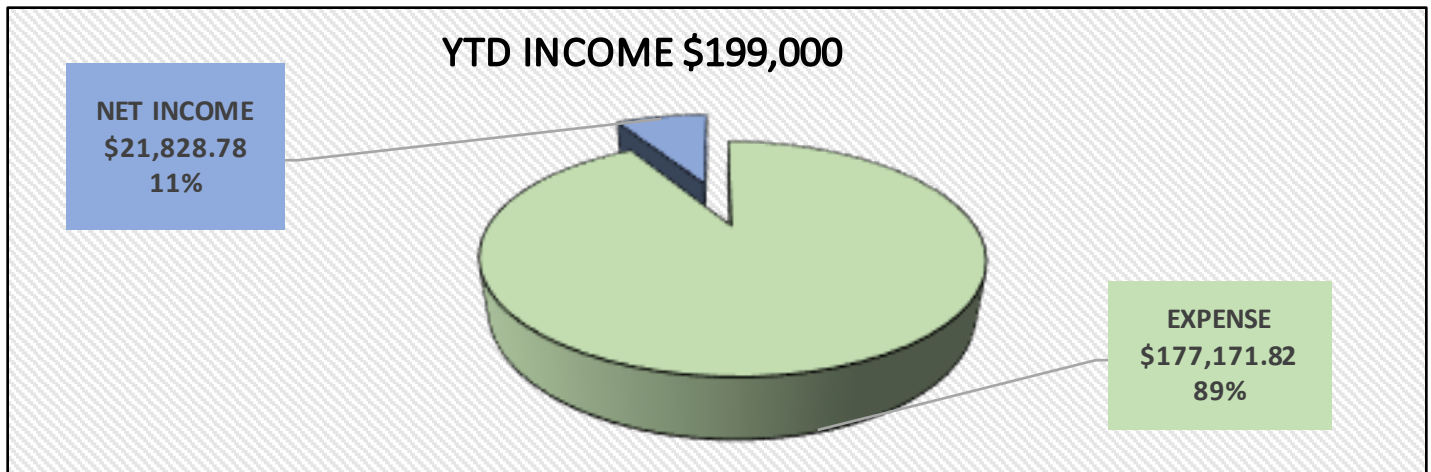
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**St. George Income & Expense Report
Fiscal Year '24**

<i>Income</i>	<i>Jul '23 - Dec '23</i>	
OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS	\$	105,097.67
OTHER REGULAR INCOME	\$	3,508.00
REVENUE SUBJECT TO GET	\$	-
UNUSUAL (NON-SCHEDULED) INCOME <i>Includes</i> <i>Building & Maintenance Fund</i>	\$	90,394.93
OTHER UNUSUAL INCOME	\$	-
Total Income	\$	199,000.60
<i>Expense</i>	<i>Jul '23 - Dec '23</i>	
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	\$	59,324.57
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$	2,051.56
INSURANCE	\$	4,667.86
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT	\$	3,000.00
SUPPLIES AND OTHER SERVICES	\$	29,382.60
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	\$	-
REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	\$	49,958.21
UTILITIES	\$	9,718.88
CONTRIBUTIONS AND ASSESSMENTS	\$	18,913.55
TAXES	\$	154.59
Total Expense	\$	177,171.82
Balance	\$	21,828.78



	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expense</i>	<i>Net Income</i>
1st Qtr 7/1/23-9/30/23			
	\$92,187.99	\$99,996.74	-\$7,808.75
2nd Qtr 10/1/23-12/31/23			
	\$106,812.61	\$77,175.08	\$29,637.53
3rd Qtr 1/1/24-3/31/24			
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
4th Qtr 4/1/24-6/30/24			
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
YTD			
	\$199,000.60	\$177,171.82	\$21,828.78

St. George Parish
Children's Choir



Beginning THIS Summer!