

# SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## May 19, 2024—Pentecost Sunday



Fifty days after Easter, the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles. They were changed from timid men into bold witnesses of Christ. The Church was born! The Holy Spirit guides the Church so that she teaches the truth of Christ; the Holy Spirit empowers the Church to sanctify people through sacred scriptures. Let us rejoice in the Holy Spirit and His gifts.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**1st Reading: Acts 2: 1-11** - Quaking, fire and wind were signs of God's presence and accompanied the Holy Spirit's descent. God Himself came to visit His people, to live in their hearts, to be their strength and to unite them in His truth and love.

**2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 12-13** - The Holy Spirit is the soul of the Church. Just as our human soul unifies the various cells and organs of our bodies, so the Holy Spirit gives unity to all the different members of Christ and enables all to use their talents for His glory. As the soul gives life to the body, so the Holy Spirit gives life to the Church.

**Gospel: John 20: 19-23** - The peace which Christ gives is the blessed harmony and perfection of the kingdom of God which we share in this life. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ has reconciled us to God

### 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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### STAFF

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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

## Pentecost and the Holy Spirit

It's impossible to live the life of a Christian without the help of the Holy Spirit. Even Jesus needed the Spirit. It was the Spirit who opened the minds of his disciples and helped them to understand the meaning of his death. When he was raised up to glory at the right hand of the Father, Jesus poured out the Spirit on those who were to carry on his mission. The Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, individually and collectively. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they began their mission. And we see the great courage and confidence with which they did so.

The Spirit gives us power to participate in the work of Jesus. The Holy Spirit is our strength in times of weakness, our guide in times of doubt, our consoler in times of sadness, our advocate who always pleads our cause. The gifts of the Spirit, wisdom, understanding, and counsel (right judgment) guide our mind and assist our conscience in knowing right from wrong. Fortitude (courage) enables us to do the right thing even when it is difficult or unpopular. Fear of the Lord is really awe and reverence for God.

The more we surrender ourselves, and "walk in the Spirit", the more fruitful our lives will become. The Spirit that we have been given is not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power. The coming of the Spirit provided the apostles with the energy, the courage, and the love to get on with the task Christ had given them.

### Holy Spirit Prayer of Saint Augustine

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,  
That my thoughts may all be holy.  
Act in me, O Holy Spirit,  
That my work, too, may be holy.  
Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit,  
That I love but what is holy.  
Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,  
To defend all that is holy.  
Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,  
That I always may be holy.

### Question(s) of the Week

- How does the Holy Spirit speak to me?
- How do I know the Holy Spirit is prompting me?
- What does it feel like when the Holy Spirit is present?
- Why is the Holy Spirit so important?
- Am I open to receiving the Holy Spirit?

I love to read  
the Scriptures



Readings for next Sunday, May 26, 2024  
First Reading: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40  
Second Reading: Rom 8:14-17  
Gospel: Mt 28:16-20

*Mother's Day Let's Celebrate!*

**Come to St. George Parish's 70th Anniversary  
Mothers' Day Luncheon—Sunday, May 19, 2024**  
9:30 am Mass  
11:00 am Lunch and Fellowship  
Church Hall



Save a life, give blood.

REMINDER: Online registration appointments for St. George Church - Blood Bank Donation event on Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, are available.

Go to: <https://www.bbh.org>, Locations, scroll down to Mobile Blood Drives, and click on Find a specific drive. Go to St George Church and select your appointment time. We will be having in-person sign ups in August but to ensure the time of the day you want, schedule online early.



### **GOT HULA?**

Be on the lookout for the announcement for hula class starting up this summer. Details will be forthcoming.



### Offerings for May 12, 2024

Sunday Offertory—\$3472  
Outreach—\$41  
Repair & Maintenance—\$381  
Mary Lou Scholarship—\$50  
Mass Intentions—\$65  
Ministries—FCM—\$40  
Home Visits—\$50  
St. Damien Mass—\$260  
Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund—\$100  
**Total—\$4459**



# NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

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

Mystagogy is an ancient form of catechesis (witnessing the faith through word, experience, prayer and liturgy) that helps us to go deeper into the mysteries we celebrate in the sacraments.

## A Paschal Mystagogy: Praise and Thanksgiving

"It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord ..." You are standing attentive, united to the priest and the whole assembly gathered in this privileged moment of thanks and praise. Ah! You are at the threshold of Heaven, anxiously entering into a representation of the greatest deed of all history—the Passion and glory of Jesus, your Savior. As these familiar words wash over your heart, you close your eyes for a moment and become aware of your own heart beating, desiring more, desiring heaven. The gathered congregation in union with the priest couldn't possibly be sufficient—the entire mystical body of Christ is present: angels and saints. You unite yourself to this heavenly worship as aloud you joyfully acclaim, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!"

Have you ever imagined yourself with the saints and angels at Mass? The saints have given us a road map to holiness, and now they encourage us, love us, and walk with us. Who in Heaven is particularly with you at every Mass? Ask them to make themselves known (they will!) and to teach you how to offer praise and thanks to God.

St. Augustine reminds us that the praise we offer during the Mass is a praise that should mark our entire lives. We learn how to praise God in the liturgy, but praise of God is not restricted to the liturgy. In fact, at the end of every Mass, we are literally sent out into the world. The love, gratitude, and praise that has marked our encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist must come with us, and even compels us, to go out into a world that is yearning for Christ as much as we are. Think of the disciples after they encounter the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus. Their eyes are opened to Christ's presence as he breaks the bread, and then they immediately go to proclaim his Resurrection to the apostles (see [Luke 24:13-35](#)).



## 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

### MAY

#### Sunday, May 19, 2024

#### Mother's Day Celebration

9:30 a.m. Mass

11 a.m. Appreciation Luncheon

#### Wednesday—Thursday, May 22—30, 2024

7 p.m. Nightly—May Rosary and Novena to Blessed Virgin Mary

#### Monday, May 27, 2024

Memorial Mass for those departed in 2023-2024

7 p.m. Mass

#### Friday, May 31, 2024

May's Flower Celebration for Blessed Virgin Mary

5 p.m. Santacruzán

6 p.m. Mass

7 p.m. Gala Night—Fellowship

### JUNE

#### Sunday, June 30, 2024

Fathers' Day Celebration

9:30 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Appreciation Lunch for Fathers and for all Priests who served at St. George

### JULY

#### Sunday, July 21, 2024

Ministry Fair

9:30 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Appreciation Lunch for all Ministers - Presentation and Recruitment of Ministers



# Life In The **SPiRiT** Seminars

at **St. George Church** (Waimanalo)

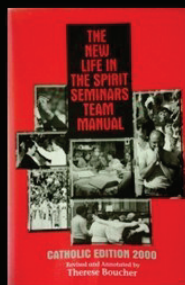
**Fridays at 7 p.m.**

**(April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3, 17, 24)**

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- **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** DETF Head Servant



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