

SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 14, 2025 – Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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.

TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9 This passage serves as a cautionary reminder for us today. In moments of hardship, do we focus only on our struggles, or do we seek God's presence and trust in His greater plan? Like the Israelites, we may find healing not by eliminating suffering but by turning our gaze toward the One who redeems it.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Philippians presents the profound mystery of Christ's self-emptying and exaltation, a passage often called the "Christ Hymn." It speaks of Jesus, who, though fully divine, did not cling to His status but humbled Himself, taking on human nature and even accepting death on a cross. This radical humility is at the heart of the Christian life. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross reminds us that the very instrument of suffering and humiliation became the means of salvation.

Gospel: John 3:13-17 John's Gospel reveals the profound mystery of the Cross as both the instrument of Christ's suffering and the means of our salvation. Jesus compares His coming crucifixion to the bronze serpent Moses lifted up in the wilderness (First Reading) a foreshadowing of how He Himself would be lifted up on the Cross for the healing of all who look to Him in faith. At the heart of this Gospel passage is the revelation of God's love. John 3:16, one of the most well-known verses in Scripture, proclaims that God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, not to condemn but to save. The Cross, then, is the ultimate sign of divine love — a love willing to endure suffering and rejection for the sake of our redemption.

Source: Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Cycle C - The Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix

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OFFICE HOURS

Tue—Fri, 9 a.m.—12 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.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday at 7:45 AM

DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS

Rosary

Monday—Saturday at 6:30 a.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayers

Every Sunday at 3 p.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

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St. George Church's Current Projects:



Jubilee Year inspired: Pilgrims of Hope Garden & Stained Glass Windows.

For more information, please contact Parish Office. Mahalo for your continued support!

**September is the month for
*Our Lady of Sorrows***



**Feast Day:
September 15**

Relda Sharon Palenapa



Memorial Services

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

9:00 AM Family Visitation
10:15 AM Eulogy
10:30 AM Mass- Fr. Victor Lanuevo

**I love to read
the Scriptures**



Readings for next Sunday, September 21, 2025

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13



**San Lorenzo Ruiz
Rosary and Novena**

September 19-26, 2025
7:00 PM

**San Lorenzo Ruiz
Feast Day Celebration**

September 28, 2025
5:00 PM Mass
6:00 PM Fellowship

"I am a Catholic and wholeheartedly do accept death for God. Had I a thousand lives, all these to Him shall I offer."
-St. Lorenzo Ruiz

Offerings for September 7, 2025

Sunday Offerings—\$3559

R&M: Stained Glass Windows—\$28

Repair & Maintenance—\$602

Pilgrims of Hope Garden—\$300

MLSF—\$60

Outreach—\$55

Nativity of Our Blessed Mother Mass—\$235

Kupuna Ministry—\$70

Mass Intentions—\$20

Religious Education—\$145

Total: \$5, 074.00



Mexican Catholic Ministry Presents:

MEXICAN FOOD FUNDRAISER

Sunday, September 14, 2025

After 9:30 AM MASS

Proceeds of the fundraiser will go towards the Pilgrims of Hope Garden

For More Information, Contact: Luisa Gallardo

Upcoming Schedule:

Sunday, September 14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
10:30 AM	Mexican Catholic Ministry Fundraiser
3:00 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet
Mondays, September 15	
7:00 PM	Adult Catechesis Evangelization
Friday, September 19	
12 Noon	St. Joseph Novena—Meditation Garden
7:00 PM	San Lorenzo Ruiz Rosary and Novena
Saturday, September 20	Relda Sharon Palenapa Memorial Services
9:00 AM	Family Visitation Begins
10:15 AM	Eulogy
10:30 AM	Mass
7:00 PM	San Lorenzo Ruiz Rosary and Novena



Adult Catechesis and Evangelization (ACE)

God's Dream for You

Understanding, Living, and Sharing Your Catholic Faith Confidently

An opportunity for adults to explore and better understand the key teachings of the Catholic Church and living out the purpose and mission for which God created us.

The program will provide sessions parishioners to:

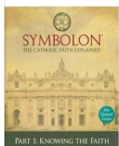
- Parishioners to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith.
- actively engage in "service" to the family, parish, and community at large.

ACE will launch with a gathering at St. George's Church in Waimanalo on Friday, September 12, 2025 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The first class will be at St. George's in the Father Bill Gathering Place from 7:00 pm to 8:30 on Monday September 15. Thereafter, classes will be monthly, usually on the third Monday, going through Spring 2026.

Topics will focus on deepening understanding of the Faith, loving God and the Church, and Living the Faith to be the best possible version of yourself. The content will largely be based on Symbolon materials from the Augustine Institute augmented by materials from Dynamic Catholic's Decision Point Program. Occasionally there will be guest speakers.

Topics will include:

- Divine Revelation
- The Bible
- The Story of Salvation
- Who Is Jesus?
- The Paschal Mystery
- The Holy Spirit & the Life of Grace
- Why Do I Need the Church?
- Mary and the Saints
- The Holy Spirit
- The Prayer Process
- The Eucharist
- Walk Through the Mass
- The Holy Spirit and Confirmation
- Penance & The Anointing of the Sick
- Relationships
- Matrimony & Holy Orders
- Faith, Hope, and Charity
- A Catholic Moral Vision
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Life is Choices
- Discipleship and Mission
- Made for Mission
- Holiness is Possible
- Practical Application: The unity, beauty, and vitality of the Church



Ko'olau Catholic Men's Fellowship



Fishers of Men
Matthew 4:19

Men's Fellowship Meeting
Thursday September 18, 2025

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
Kailua

In conjunction with the Jubilee Cross:
Rosary begins at 5:30pm
Mass at 6:00pm

All men are invited to a fellowship dinner following the Mass

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\$10 Donation



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