



ALOHA MINISTRY

The Aloha ministry provides social hospitality and fellowship in support of our mission to be a welcoming parish. We do this by providing food and refreshments, festivity and entertainment to our parishioners throughout the year. We meet on the 3rd Weds OR as needed in planning the upcoming event(s).

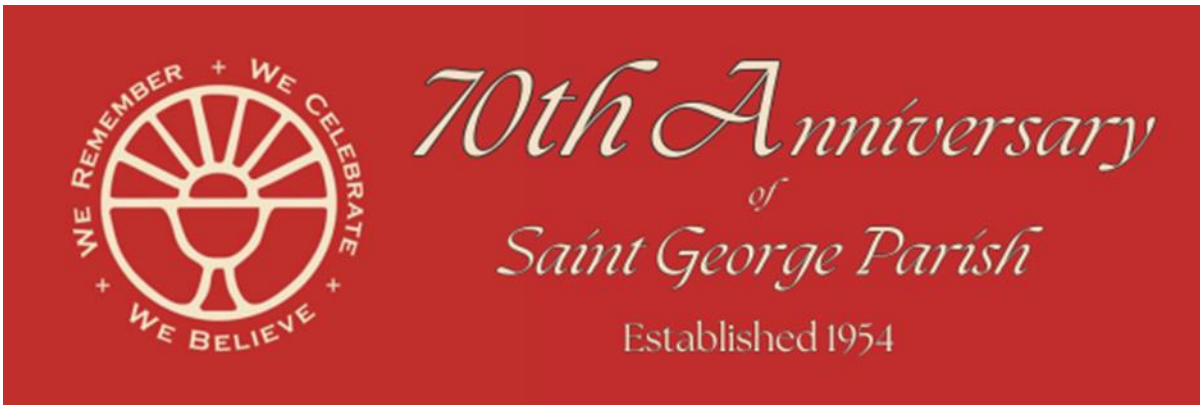
Our ongoing projects include:

- First Communion and Confirmation
- Honoring married couples
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Parish Feast Day – April 23rd
- Mother's Day
- Father's Day
- Ministry Appreciation Day
- Grandparents' Day
- Culmination of Rosary Devotion: Weds October 30th
- Commemoration of the blessing of St. George Church – December 6th
- Other special liturgical and sacramental celebrations

We need people to assist in:

- Setting up tables & table décor
- Serving food and refreshments
- Planning / brainstorming suggestions for games and fun activities
- Bring people together in fellowship

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Louanna Kaio-Almony. We look forward to hearing from you.



ALTAR SERVERS

Altar servers are special. Other than priests and deacons, no one else is allowed so closely in the preparation of the Eucharist. When you serve the priests and deacons, you serve the people of God and above all, you serve Christ.

Altar Server Qualifications

- Must be registered members of St. George Parish.
- Must actively practice the Catholic faith and regularly receive communion.
- Children servers should have completed the 2nd grade and received 1st communion.
- Children servers should be enrolled in the parish Religious Education program.

Altar Server Commitment

- A love of God and the Catholic Faith
- A strong desire to do God's work and serve his people
- A willingness to conduct yourself in a manner that is pleasing to the Lord.

PRAYER TO JESUS

Oh Jesus, my King and Lord, by the grace of the heavenly Father and the power of the Holy Spirit, guide me in all righteousness as I serve You today at the Altar so I may be always worthy of your presence. If I happen to make an error, may it be a lesson so my service will be perfect tomorrow. Sweet Jesus, I love you with all my heart. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. TARCISIUS

Patron Saint of Altar Servers

O God, You have graciously called me to serve You upon Your altar. Grant me the graces that I need to serve You faithfully and wholeheartedly. Grant too that while serving You, may I follow the example of St. Tarcisius, who died protecting the Eucharist and walk the same path that led him to heaven. St. Tarcisius, pray for us and for all Altar Servers. Amen.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Gabi Gosiaco.



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

We provide services to families whose loved ones have passed away.

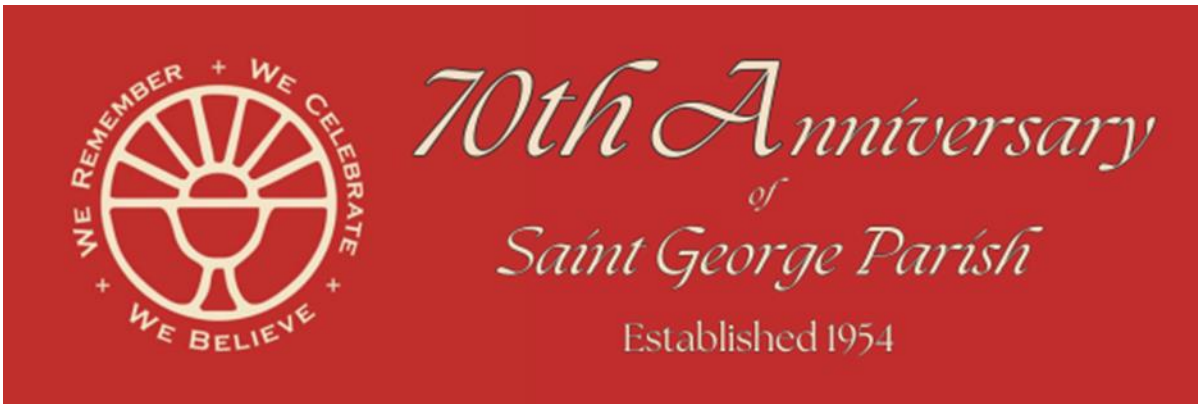
We Provide Assistance in:

- With the funeral service arrangements.
- Assisting at wake services and funeral masses, either at St. George or the Mortuary.

Three Areas of Help Needed:

- Meet with family for intake interview. Help in planning and preparing for church service.
- Assist in setting up and assisting the priest during church service.
- Assist in setting up Father Bill's gathering place or breezeway.
- Helping the family in preparing refreshments on the day of the funeral.
- Ensuring that the family cleans up after the funeral.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Carlotta Kidder.



BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE MINISTRY

The Planning & Building Committee provides suggestions on long-range strategic planning as well as making recommendations for major renovations or new construction to meet the needs of our growing parish.

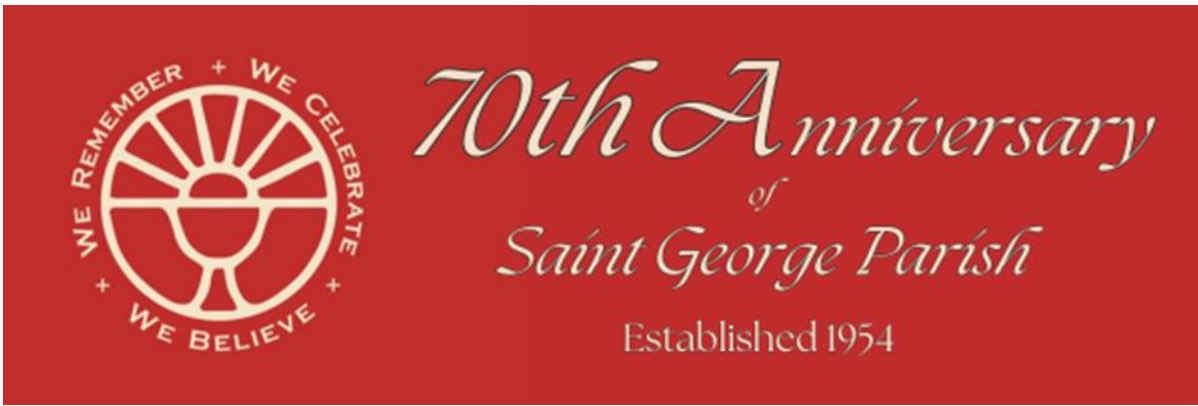
Under the direction of the pastor we solicit and utilize parishioner's input, work with outside consultants as needed, follow diocesan building procedures and policies and report progress to the parish on a timely basis. The committee meets as needed for special parish projects.

Repair and Maintenance

- Assist the pastor in the maintenance and repair of our church building, rectory, hall and grounds.
- We meet periodically as needed during the year.

Are you an experienced electrician, plumber or carpenter? We need handy men, groundskeeper, janitors, or any experience in building maintenance. We welcome individuals that would commit to periodic meetings throughout the year as well as be used as informational resources within the field of their expertise. Your expertise will help evaluate the problem and to advise the committee on the proper course of action that would be needed to complete the repair.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Malala McMoore.



CHURCH CLEANERS' MINISTRY

We strive to be a welcoming parish and commit ourselves to serve the people of God through Outreach, Unity and Renewal (St. George Mission Statement)

We give our time and energy to clean our church on Saturday mornings immediately following the 7:00am mass.

We sweep, mop, vacuum, clean the glass sliding doors and windows, wipe and polish the pews and straighten up the church.

Come and help clean our Father's House, whether it be for ½ hour or a full hour, cleaning our Father's house is an act of love. It is prayer in action. Action does speak louder than words".

All materials and cleaning supplies are provided. We just need our hands and muscles. God provided the grace and blessings.

We would like to share the beauty and cleanliness of our church with all our parishioners and visitors.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Carlotta Kidder or Louanna Kaio-Almony.



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY EUCHARISTIC

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist assist the Priest and Deacon in administering the Body and Blood of Jesus at Mass and at other liturgical celebrations. They may also be called upon to bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound when requested.

Monthly Scheduling

- You'll normally be scheduled at the Mass you attend.
- Based on the number of lay ministers, you may be scheduled on a rotation basis. You may also be asked to fill in if a scheduled minister is unable to make it.

Requirements

- Baptized and Confirmed (*under 18 years old will need permission from the priest*).
- Strive to live the Gospel message.
- If married, married in the Church.
- Regularly participate at Sunday Mass.
- Available for ongoing training.
- Commissioned at Mass by the Priest.

Comments by Eucharistic Ministers

- Makes my own spiritual life stronger.
- It brings me closer to Jesus.
- Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is more meaningful.
- I feel blessed.

Training and Spiritual Formation

- Training sessions and meetings are provided several times a year.
- An annual spiritual retreat is offered each year.

There is nothing more spiritually uplifting than being a Lay Eucharistic Minister. Will you allow God the chance to work HIS miracle through you?

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Bernie Seabury.



FILIPINO CATHOLIC MINISTRY

The FCM is comprised of individuals who wish to support one another as they grow in faith, while at the same time sharing the rich culture in faith tradition of the Philippines.

Our group is “Faith in Action” with ongoing perpetuation of the Blessed Mother rosary, group prayers and Novenas during the months of May and October. We also foster home-based prayer groups.

The purpose of the FCM:

- Establish and develop our Filipino community to be more cohesive and fruitful Catholics!
- To share our Catholic faith through our rich Filipino culture, tradition, and heritage.
- To enrich the devotional life of our parish both at church and at home.
- To foster a rich devotion to the Blessed Mother, especially during May and Oct.
- To welcome and fellowship with all people through food, dance and music.
- To reach out to new members in our community including recent Filipino immigrants.
- To encourage lapsed and inactive Catholics to return to church.
- To instill pride and understanding of our Catholic Filipino culture and heritage in our youths.
- To reach out and invite other ethnic cultures to actively participate in the life of the parish.
- Yearly spiritual gatherings:
 - 3rd Sunday of January – Santo Nino Celebration Mass – Sinulog
 - Last Friday of May – May Flower Celebration in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
 - San Lorenzo Ruiz Celebration
 - September 19-27: Novena / Rosary
 - September 28, Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz Mass, Fellowship
 - Simbang Gabi on December 15-23, 7:00pm
 - FCM Christmas gathering on December 20th

We meet about once a month OR as needed especially in May, October and December. While we are devotional and traditional in celebrating our Catholic faith, we also combine this with fun, fellowship, and fiesta. We embrace to bring color and flavor to our parish community in a unique blend of all the cultures and traditions that make Hawaii a rich rainbow of people. PLEASE JOIN US!

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Rebecca Fuller.



70th Anniversary of Saint George Parish Established 1954

GARDEN MINISTRY

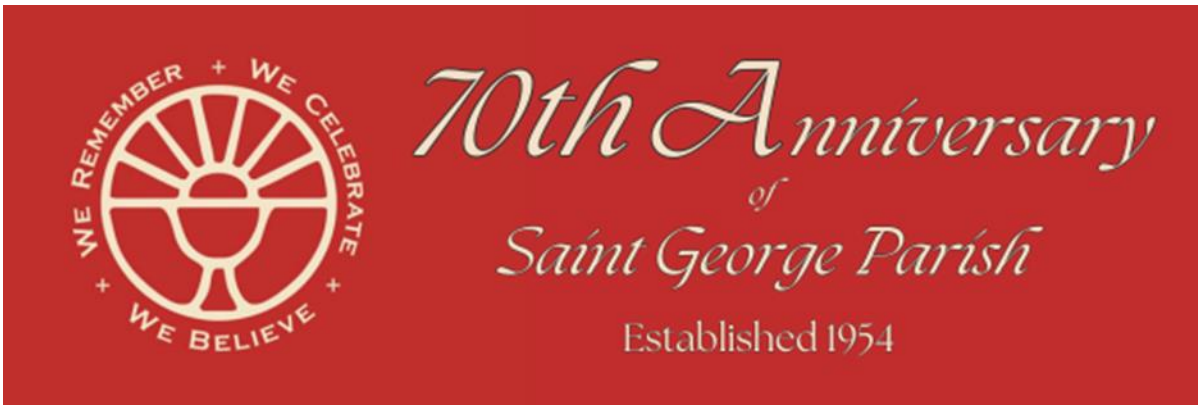
Together with our Pastor and the Holy Spirit, we plan and execute special projects to create a beautiful, natural environment for our Parish. Each project is dedicated to our Lord. We also assist the ground maintenance with watering, trimming and weeding.

Come and JOIN us!!!

We are blessed to be surrounded by so much natural beauty. Our parish grounds are well maintained and attractive, however it takes a lot of work to keep it up. As you look closely, there are many areas around our parish that need more work and attention. Without the proper attention, plants will dry up and die. The entire church grounds require commitment and a lot of daily work. One of the best ways to measure a parish's faith is how well it keeps its ground maintenance. With our hands and muscles joined with our love and labor, the grounds of St. George will have an expression of fitting praise to our loving God. We need you to make this possible.

No experience necessary. You give whatever time and effort you can manage in your schedule. Together "*laulima*" with many hands we can make it happen for the Glory of God!

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Fe Duque.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

MISSION:

To provide services that will allow seniors to maintain their health and well-being while living in their home safely and with dignity. Services include companionship visits, rides to doctor appointments and assistance with grocery shopping.

GOALS:

- Work in partnership with Catholic Charities homebound training programs for senior care and safe driver education when transporting seniors.
- Solicit volunteers from St. George Parish and from the Waimanalo community to participate in the program.
- To reach out to all parishioners at St. George and the Waimanalo community who may be in need of senior services.
- To work toward alleviating the loneliness of homebound seniors as well as expose them to services provided by Catholic Charities, St. George Church and the Community.

The generosity of our volunteers makes it possible for us to extend a level of compassion and caring to our community.

PRAYER FOR OUR KUPUNA

Blessed Mary, mother of all the living, keep our kupuna constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage and by your prayers. Grant that all of us may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life and happiness without end.

Lord Jesus, help us to value the presence and role of our kupuna. May they never be ignored or excluded but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all years of their life. AMEN

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Diane Carlos.



LECTORS

What is a Lector? This ministry may also be called reader or proclaimer of the word. A lector is the person who proclaims the first or second reading at Mass. This person may also lead the “Prayers of the Faithful”. As a proclaimer of the Word, you are the instrument of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit works through your being and your voice to accomplish in the Sacred Scriptures proclaimed aloud, the spiritual transformation of those listening.

Who can be a Lector?

- A man, woman or young adult in full communion with the Catholic Church.
- A person serious about the practice of their faith and willing to complete a parish formation process.

What does the Lector do?

- The introduction before the Mass begins.
- Unless the Deacon is present, the lector carries the Book of the Gospels during the entrance procession.
- After the Opening Prayer, the two lectors do the first and second reading.
- After the Nicene Creed, lector reads the intercessions, if the Deacon is not in attendance.

Training and Spiritual Formation

- Training sessions and meetings are provided several times a year.
- An annual spiritual retreat is offered each year.

Monthly Scheduling

- You’ll normally be scheduled at the Mass you attend.
- Based on the number of lay ministers, you may be scheduled on a rotation basis. You may also be asked to fill in if a scheduled minister is unable to make it.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Bootsie Kauwe.



MUSIC MINISTRY

The purpose of this ministry is to enhance awareness of Christ through music and song. Music allows us to express our love and praise for God in an uplifting way. Musicians and choir provide support for the more active participation of the assembly in celebrating Mass. Music enhances what is going on at the altar and deepens our spiritual life by providing a medium by which God's Word penetrates more deeply into the depths of our soul.

The Music Coordinator (MC) provides/directs music and organizes musicians for Masses. The MC selects the music for the Masses appropriate to the scripture readings and the liturgical season. The MC organizes choir practices as needed, especially for the liturgical seasons: Advent / Christmas / Lent / Easter.

Schedule:

- Arrive 30 mins prior to Mass to help set up mics and stands, amp and song numbers.
- During Mass: Lead the entrance, closing hymn, responses and acclamations and communion hymns.
- After Mass: Dismantle, secure and put away all materials and equipment.

Meetings and Practice

- Meet periodically for musicians and choir practice, especially during the special seasons of Christmas and Easter. We welcome all those who want to sing in the choir or who would like to play a musical instrument in the accompaniment.

Requirements

Faithful attendance at practice and masses. Voice that is trainable.

For singers, music literacy is desirable but not required.

Familiarity with the rites of the liturgy.

Practice and training for Advent / Christmas / Lent and Easter seasons.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Celia Chun



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

OCIA is a process of accepting and preparing interested adults (inquirers) into the Catholic Church.

OCIA is also for:

- Adults from another faith who would like to join the Catholic Church.
- Adults who were baptized as infants, however, have not received First Eucharist and Confirmation.
- Baptized Catholics who need to be confirmed.
- Children above the age of 7 who need sacraments of initiation.
- Anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Paul or Maria Dumas.



70th Anniversary of Saint George Parish

Established 1954

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **Pre-K through High School**

As members of the Body of Christ, we are encouraged to live the Sunday gospel message in our daily lives. With parents as partners, we strive to strengthen our relationship with Jesus and our church community.

Religious education is for anyone and everyone who wants to learn more about their Catholic faith and live it.

Catechist: Faithful servant, teacher, good listener, supporter, team player, Christ center, and Advocate.

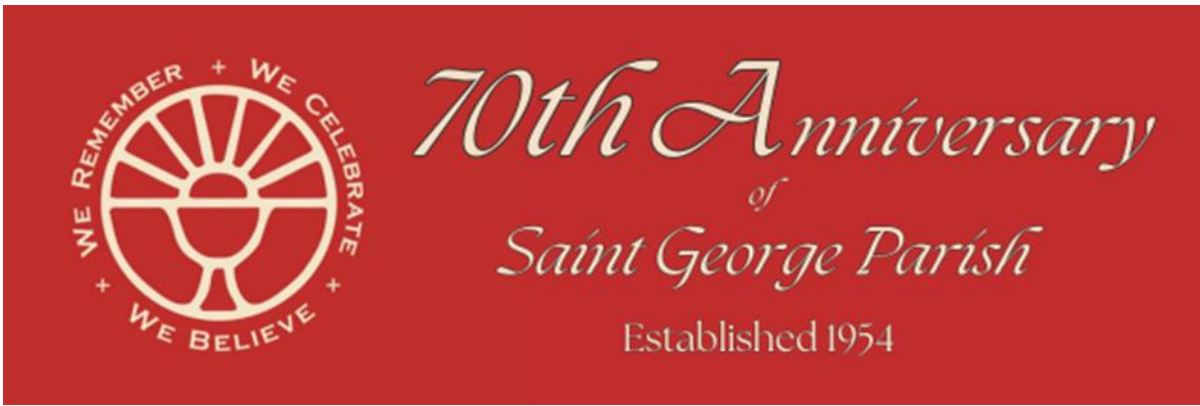
Training: All Catechists go through training with the Director of Religious Education to help facilitate the teaching-learning process. Catechist **certification classes** are also offered through the Diocese of Honolulu.

Requirements: Anyone over 18 years old wishing to be a Catechist is required to complete a Safe Environment Certification.

What we do: As volunteers, Catechists are the people in the classroom who give instructions to the children. Weekly duties:

- Sunday school is from Sept to May. Be prompt for class.
- Be prepared to teach the children about Jesus. Read the teacher's book to get ready for the class work & discussions.
- Engage the children/youth in the way that they learn well. Encourage them to be active members of the class. Keep their dignity intact.
- Keep all students safe from harm, this includes physical, mental and verbal harm.
- Be an active parishioner/member of the St. George community.
- Be a role model for the children by living the gospel values.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Vicky DeSilva.



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

St. George Catholic Church and the Respect Life Ministry promotes and supports the ***“Sanctity of life from conception until natural death”***.

Some of the activities include:

- Praying a monthly rosary for life
- Praying and advocating for life in front of Planned Parenthood
- Joining in 40 days for life campaigns
- Annual March for Life
- Baby Showers celebrating and supporting new parents of St. George Church and in the Waimanalo Community.

We are always looking for help with this ministry. Please join us in supporting the blessing of life!

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Jeremy Kwock.



SACRISTANS

Guardians of the Eucharist

What does a Sacristan do?

There are three main roles: **Security, Mass Setup & Clean-up, Mass Coordinator.**

Security of the Tabernacle IHS Jesus Christ. Security of the sacristy and most importantly, the *Eucharist*. We're responsible for assuring proper treatment of the Sacred Body and Blood during and after mass and for keeping the Holy tabernacle secure. You will serve all three roles each time as a Sacristan, though some of the roles may play a bigger part than others depending on the mass.

Mass Setup & Clean-up. Setup in preparing the books, vessels, offertory, and incense when appropriate.

As **Mass Coordinator**, a Sacristan also assists the presider with any details / duties he requires.

Sacristans are needed at every mass. Usually, you will be assigned at the mass of your choice, but you may be asked to cover masses where there is a need, especially on Feast Days, Holidays or when other Sacristans are unable to cover their schedule.

Depending on the number of Sacristans assigned to a particular Mass, you may serve once or twice a month or more infrequently. You can choose to serve as a substitute or trade with another Sacristan or serve on a rotating basis.

Generally, it is asked to be there a ½ hour before and after mass. That may vary depending on the mass you serve.

Meetings are few, it's only when there are changes to the routine or when requested by our pastor. There are training sessions for all new Sacristans.

Requirements: A registered parishioner; Be approved by the pastor; 15 years or older; willing to serve God.

You may call the parish office @ 808.259.7188 for more information, or you may leave a message for Carlotta Kidder.