

PARISH CALENDAR

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2020

Lord, your hand is full of justice!



Saturday, July 4	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, July 5	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 8:30 a.m.	Mass
	..... 10:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, July 6	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p.m.	Mass
Tuesday, July 7	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p.m.	Mass
Wednesday, July 8	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p.m.	Mass
Thursday, July 9	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Friday, July 10	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday, July 11	..... 4:00 p.m.	Mass
	..... 6:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Isa:55:10-11: God's word is like the rain – creating life

Rom:8:18-23: We believe that our present suffering is the seed of future glory.

Matt:13:1-23: The seed is God's word. What kind of ground are we?

(Everyone who attends Mass must wear a Mask)

Saturday Evening Mass @ 5 pm

Four Sunday Masses @ 7 am , 8:30 am, 10 am & 5 pm

Weekday Masses will be at 8 am & 7 pm (Mon)

To get tickets. You can go to www.stritananakuli.org on the Banner line look "Mass Tickets" click it. You will see screen "Mass Tickets" click on **Obtain Mass Ticket through Event Brite.com here** you will then have a screen which has a picture of the front of the church "St. Rita Catholic Mass Tickets" click; on the next page will be in orange box which says "Select a date" select date and time you wish to get tickets. Please remember there a limited amount of seats due to social distancing.

We will continue to live streaming the Sunday Mass at 10 a.m. @ <https://www.stritananakuli.org/livestream> or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCepqtr_VuHL7R-MjmZpe7Cg/

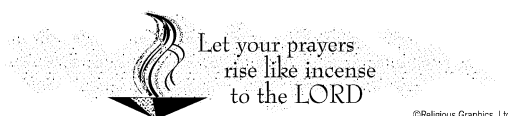
Extension of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass dispensation for the Diocese of Honolulu: Bishop Larry Silva extends the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass to all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu through August 31, 2020. All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection, are encouraged to do so, but are not obliged to do so.

Reflection

Sometimes it seems that the more material possessions we have the more we are a slave to them. Think of your car. If it's an old beater, it takes just enough maintenance to keep it running. It requires minimal insurance, not much soap and polish, and theft protection is unnecessary. But, if you just purchased a car that cost more than your first house, you can bet it will be in a garage, insured extensively, equipped with anti-theft devices, and cleaned and polished often. Easier than any of this would be to ride a horse ... or a donkey colt.

Zechariah shows us that the king will come victoriously in peace riding humbly on a donkey colt. He has no need to flaunt his greatness. As a matter of fact, this king will do away with all that the world has come to know as greatness. He will do away with chariots and war horses.

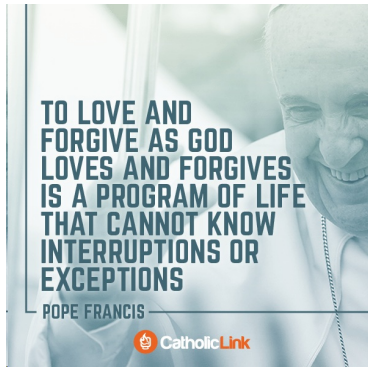
So what does it mean for us to serve this king? He demands one thing of us: love. We must love God, our neighbors, and our enemies. This is not a crushingly heavy load for those with humble hearts. Jesus gives us a yoke of constraint, but also gives us the grace to carry it. We are never alone with the burden of Jesus.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP



One of the most well known and beloved passages in scripture is the gentle invitation of our Lord in today's Gospel reading: "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." When we need physical rest, we sleep or take a nap. When we need emotional rest, we take a break, go for a walk, or when the opportunity presents itself, take a few days off. But how do we find spiritual rest? How do we discover Christ's peace as we grapple with this time of uncertainty and its complex issues deep in our hearts? Good stewards find their rest in the Lord. Reflect this week on what you do to welcome the peace of Christ into your heart. **International Catholic Stewardship Council**

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

You can still continue contribute to St. Rita during this time of Social - distancing by going to our web-site www.stritananakuli.org And click "On-line Giving" on the banner line. You can also send your Tithe/Donation via mail: St. Rita Catholic Church/ 89-318 Farrington Hwy. / Nanakuli, HI 96792

MAHALO FOR SHARING YOUR TREASURE

The Humble

This month, we in the United States celebrate our Independence Day. Perhaps during the celebration one may hear all or part of the poem inscribed on the Statue of Liberty: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free ... Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me ..." Interestingly, these words echo those of Jesus in today's Gospel. Both speak of welcoming the humble.

WE ARE NOT DEBTORS

Our King comes, not in the glory of earthly rulers, but as a humble poor man. Jesus tells us how God works in the world. Paul reminds us that we are not debtors to the flesh, but we are free people, liberated to be our best selves, to serve God and each other with humility and joy. How do we live out this freedom of ours? Many of the world's poor live in severe poverty, their nations' economies weighed down by the yoke and burden of debt. This crushing debt is owed to the wealthy countries of the world, their banks and their investors. Our affluence rests in some measure on the back-breaking poverty of our brothers and sisters. It is good to contemplate what we can do to relieve or forgive these debts that have been paid many times over, because interest payments are counted first. Pope John Paul II called for forgiveness of such debts, and some progress has been made, yet much suffering remains.

WORD OF LIFE: "O God our creator. . . through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society." **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops "Prayer for Religious Liberty"**

WEEKLY READINGS

July 5 Sun: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zech:9:9-10; Ps:145; Rom:8:9, 11-13; Mt:13:1-23

July 6 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

Hos:2:16 17c-18, 21-22; Ps:145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt:9:18-26

July 7 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Hos:8:4-7, 11-13; Ps:115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10; Mt:9:32-38

July 8 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Hos:10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps:105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mt:10:1-7

July 9 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

Hos:11:1-4, 8e-9; Ps:80:2ac & 3b, 15-16; Mt:10:7-15

July 10 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Hos:14:2-10; Ps:51: 3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 & 17; Mt:10:16-23

July 11 Sat: Saint Benedict, Abbot

Isa:6:1-8; Ps:93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mt:10:24-33



YOU WILL FIND REST

The promise of Jesus is good news indeed. God has hidden the knowledge of the reign of God from the learned and the wise, those who say that the poor are responsible for their own plight, and that nothing can be done for them. Jesus turns such human wisdom on its head, proclaiming instead that God works differently. We are poor in spirit if we follow Jesus in lifting the yoke of the law and slavery to the flesh, freeing the burdened of their crushing load. It may cost our economy some of its profits, but we can believe that our burdens will also be lifted and our work made light. What seems impossible to the learned is known to the humble. When we rest in Christ, laying down the burden of our preoccupation with "things," we can rejoice with all people at the coming of our meek and humble Lord, who brings holy rest to an anxious and materialistic world.

