

PARISH CALENDAR

Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

July 12, 2020

Remain in me,
says the Lord!

Saturday, July 11	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, July 12	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 8:30 a.m.	Mass
	..... 10:00 a. m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, July 13	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	.... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p. m.	Mass
Tuesday, July 14	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p. m.	Mass
Wednesday, July 15	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	.... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p. m.	Mass
Thursday, July 16	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 7:30 p. m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Friday, July 17	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday, July 18	..... 4:00 6 p.m.	Mass
	..... 6:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Wis:12:13, 16-19: God is both powerful and compassionate.

Rom:8:26-27: We do not know how to pray, but the Spirit prays for us.

Matt:13:24-43: The good and the bad grow together until harvest time.

(Everyone who attends Mass must wear a Masks)

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. If you do not have a computer you may call the parish office between 10 am - 12 pm (Mon-Tue- Wed-Fri) for tickets

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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND: Next week our Special Collection will be for our Diocesan Seminarian Education Fund. The education costs (tuition, room and board) per seminarian total approximately \$320,000 over the course of his journey towards Ordination to the priesthood. Please prayerfully consider making a financial donation towards priestly vocations. Your gift would directly contribute to the education of our seminarians and is much needed and greatly appreciated. Envelopes are you envelope packets. Please be generous **MAHALO**.



WORD OF LIFE: “Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God’s power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives.” **USCCB “An adoption Love Story”**

WEEKLY READINGS

July 12 Sun: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isa:55:10-11; Ps:65; Rom:8:18-23; Mt:13:1-23

July 13 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

Isa:1:10-17; Ps:50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mt:10:34-11:1

July 14 Tue: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Isa:7:1-9; Ps:48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt:11:20-24

July 15 Wed: Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor

Isa:10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps:94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15; Mt:11:25-27

July 16 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

Isa:26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps:102:13-14ab & 15, 16-18, 19-21; Mt:11:28-30

July 17 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

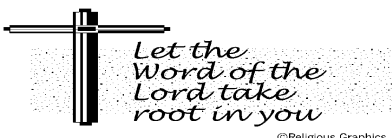
Isa:38:1-16, 21-22, 7-8; Isa:38: 10, 11, 12abcd, 16; Mt:12:1-8

July 18 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Mic:2:1-5; Ps:10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; Mt:12:14-21

Seeds of a Fruitful Harvest

In a garden shop I looked through packets of seeds. I came across some morning glories. “Morning glories!” I wondered. I didn’t know people actually planted them! I thought they just wildly wrapped around my flowers, trees, shrubs, corn stalks, tomato plants, and delicate herbs. Their roots are easy enough to pull from the ground, but you can get dizzy trying to unwrap them from hundreds of stems. They threaten to suffocate and choke out everything that grows. Copyright © 2004, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

In today’s second reading, Saint Paul gives us reason to hope for a wondrous future beyond our imagination. He preaches this hope amidst the suffering of the early Christian communities. “Brothers and sisters: I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us” (Romans 8:19). Good stewards realize that by remaining faithful to the Gospel with persistence, fervor and endurance, our hope in the promises of Christ Jesus will be rewarded. Reflect this week on concrete ways you can remain faithful to the Gospel during these challenging times. **International Catholic Stewardship Council**

Reflection

We are the soil in which God plants the seeds. Are we fertile soil or does our sinfulness or righteousness make us thorny? Are we filled with weeds of distraction and busy-ness? Paul points us in the direction of hope. His letters to the early Church tell us that our great hope and salvation rests in Christ who died for us. It is Christ who removed the thorns of sin for us.

We need to be attentive to the care of our soil. Sometimes we can do our own gardening. Other times we need the help of a gardener. And still other times, we offer nutrients to others trying to maintain a fertile soil. We are a community of believers. We all need one another’s help to ensure good soil. Like the rain mentioned in Isaiah, which will not return to God until it has watered the earth, God’s word will not return to God void. This means it falls on fertile soil. We already know about the thorns of sin and the weeds of distraction. How will we prepare the soil today for God’s word? What action have we put off that we now must do in order for God’s word to land gently on us and move us to action?

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