

# PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2020

Love one another  
as I have loved you!

Saturday, September 12	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, September 13	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 8:30 a.m.	Mass
	..... 10:00 a. m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, September 14	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	<b>Food Pantry Open</b>
	..... 7:00 p. m.	Mass
Tuesday, September 15	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p. m.	<b>Liturgy Meeting - Virtual</b>
Wednesday, September 16	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	<b>Food Pantry Open</b>
Thursday, September 17	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 7:30 p. m.	<b>Prayer Meeting - Virtual</b>
Friday, September 18	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Saturday, September 19	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Isaiah: 55:6-9: God's ways are not our ways.**

**Philippians:1:20c-24, 27a: In life or in death, Christ is everything.**

**Matthew:20:1-16a: The last will be first, and the first will be last.**

**(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](http://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/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCepqtr_VuHL7R-MjmZpe7Cg/)**

**EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION: Due to the ongoing Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Larry Silva extends the dispensation of all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu from the obligation to attend **Sunday Mass through October 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

**CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA:** This weekend, parishes in our diocese are taking up the National Collection for the Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C. By giving to the National Collection, you will help support more the 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting edge research in multiple fields. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. Thank you for your generosity.

**WORD OF LIFE:** "By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God." USCCB "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Sep 13 Sun: 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sir:27:30-28:7; Ps:103; Rom:14:7-9; Mt:18:21-35

**Sep 14 Mon: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

Num:21:4b-9; Ps:78:1b-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Jn:3:13-17

**Sep 15 Tue: Our Lady of Sorrows**

1 Cor:12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps:100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn:19:25-27 or

Lk:2:33-35

**Sep 16 Wed: saint Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprilian, Bishop**

1 Cor:12:31-13:13; Ps:33:2-3, 4-5, 12 & 22; Lk:7:31-35

**Sep 17 Thur: Ordinary Weekday**

1 Cor:15:1-11; Ps:118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk:7:36-50

**Sep 18 Fri: Ordinary Weekday**

1 Cor:15:12-20; Ps:17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b & 15; Lk:8:1-3

**Sep 19 Sat: Ordinary Weekday**

1 Cor:15:35-37, 42-49; Ps:56:10c-12, 13-14; Lk:8:4-15

## Letting Go of Anger

The oddest thing about being angry is that it feels good. Anger takes our opinions, our feelings, and our actions and unites them in one interrelationship. When we get good and angry at somebody, it feels so good that it is hard to change. Anger locks us up. It makes us afraid to let go. The longer we hold the anger the harder it is ever to change.

How else can we explain the comment by Sirach: "Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight"?

When you forgive someone, you are the one who becomes free. When you withhold forgiveness, you hurt yourself, not just the other. Often the person against whom we hold the anger pays little attention to our feelings. But the feelings remain strong within us, eating away at our ability to find peace.

Granting forgiveness does not have to mean approving of what an offender did. It does not mean you have to be best friends. It just means letting go of the hate. If you quit letting the offender control your feelings, you can regain some peace and enjoy the mercy of God.

Who have you not forgiven? Why? By remaining angry, are you helping anyone?

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Should one refuse mercy  
to another  
and yet seek pardon  
for his own sin?

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## NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

Today's Gospel reading continues Jesus' instructions on being good stewards of others – the direction that if we love Jesus Christ, we must forgive an individual 77 times. The reading compels us to consider one of the most difficult practices of Christian discipleship. Forgiveness is the way of Jesus, the way of the cross. Vengeance, bitterness and hatred seem so much easier and certainly more desirable. Forgiveness is a hard road to travel, but it is the only road that leads to life in Christ. Consider this week who you need to forgive.

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](http://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

### Beloved of the Master

Sadly, it may take a tragedy to remind us that we belong to God. We fill our lives with activities. We rely on our own strength. We depend on other people. We forget sometimes the God who made us, who loves us, and who will one day call us home.

When life is going well, we think of ourselves as our own masters. We have freedoms and choices. We make decisions about our families, our work, and our play.

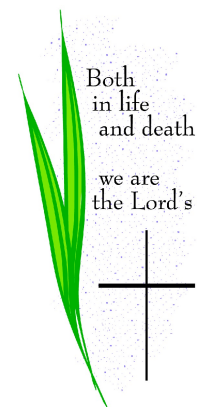
But every so often, we discover we are not the masters. We do not have complete control over our health. We cannot determine what another driver will do. We cannot stop enemies of the state from acting irrationally and irreverently. We cannot control everything.

St. Paul tells the Romans, "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. . . . whether we live or die, we are the Lord's."

Sometimes this does not sink in until a tragedy touches our lives. When we suddenly realize we are not in control, we wake up to our dependence on God.

God governs creation and redemption and all that lies in the middle. Although we are not masters, we are not slaves either. We are the beloved of God. God does everything for us in love, and all that we do in life is in response to the love we receive. Yes, we live. Yes, we shall die. Yes, we belong to God.

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