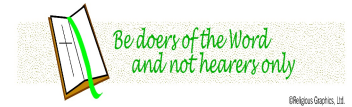


PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2021

Let us live in
the presence of the Lord!



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Saturday, August 28 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, August 29 7:00 a.m.	Mass
 8:30 a.m.	Mass
 10:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, August 30	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 7:00 p.m.	No Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, August 31	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Wednesday, September 1	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, September 2	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday, September 3	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, September 4	..... 10:00-12 pm	NO CONFESSIONS
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Isaiah:35:4-7a: God will come with healing.

James:2:1-5: Show no partiality among yourselves.

Mark:7:31-37: Jesus heals the deaf and mute man.

(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. **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/

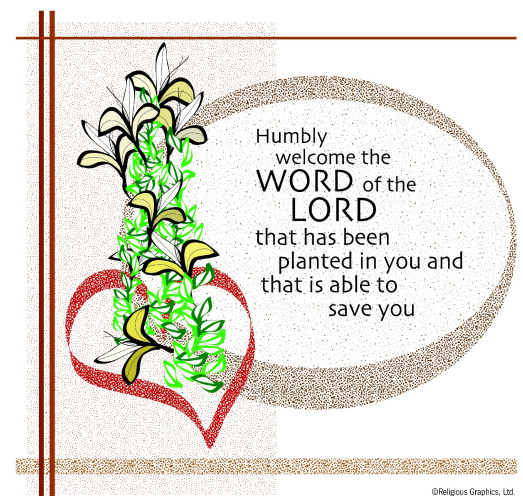
Reflecting on God's Word

Is someone in your house going back to school? If so there are books and supplies to buy, schedules to plan, transportation to be arranged. There is the worry over new teachers and whether everything that was learned last year has been forgotten. But no matter. Most of the time the school year begins with a review. That's good because sometimes we understand things better the second or third time we learn them.

With the scriptures this Sunday all of us are going back to school. The series of selections from the Gospel of Mark and the letter of James that we begin this week will teach us one more time what it means to be a disciple. Lucky for us, since most of us can only learn this lesson if we hear and apply it on a daily basis. Today's first reading also instructs us to "hear" and "observe" "the commandments of the Lord . . . that [we] may live" (Deuteronomy 4:1, 2). And the psalm reviews the basics: "The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord" (15:1a).

—Virginia Stillwell

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

R. C. I. A.: Do you or someone you know want to become a Catholic? Do you or someone you know want to complete the Catholic Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Communion, & Confirmation)? Do you want to do your part fulfilling the Church's evangelization goals? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (or R. C. I. A. for short) is the process the Catholic Church uses to achieve these goals for those who desire to participate and become candidates. Here's a few details of the program:

- 1) St. Rita's R. C. I. A., program will begin **Sept 12, 2021.**
 - 2) R. C. I. A., candidates will meet roughly **every other Sunday** night at **7:00 pm in the church.**
 - 3) R. C. I. A., sessions will last for 1.5 hours. These sessions will be based on adult learning principles, with candidate participation a must. However, there will be no formal text or homework.
 - 4) R. C. I. A., candidates will participate in some or all of the following ceremonies leading up to the Easter Vigil mass:
 - a. Rite of Acceptance (beginning of Advent)
 - b. Rite of Election (beginning of Lent)
 - c. R. C. I. A., Scrutinies (during Lent)
- If you or someone you know is interested, please call Mele or our R. C. I. A., Director (Don Gerry, 489-9529)"

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HAITI: Prayers and Aid for Haiti: Please consider a donation to the USCCB's Emergency Disaster Fund to support those in the most immediate need of help. Go to www.catholichawaii.org/support-relief.

WORD OF LIFE: "No sin or crime is greater than God's mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ's greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Death Penalty: Catholic Q & A"

WEEKLY READINGS

Aug 29 Sun: 22ND Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuts:4:1-2, 6-8; Ps:15; Jam:1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk:7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Aug 30 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

1 Thes:4:13-18; Ps:96:1 & 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk:4:16-30

Aug 31 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

1 Thes:5:1-6, 9-11; Ps:27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk:4:31-37

Sep 01 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Colo:1:1-8; Ps:52:10, 11; Lkt:4:38-44

Sep 02 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

Colo:1:9-14; Ps:98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk:5:1-11

Sep 03 Fri: Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Colo:1:15-20; Ps:100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk:5:33-39

Sep 04 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Colo:1:21-23; Ps:54:3-4, 6 & 8; Lk:6:1-5

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In the reading from the letter of St. James we are urged to be "doers" of the Gospel, not just listeners. Being a "steward" of God's Word is a matter of listening to the Good News, embracing the Good News and putting the Good News into action in our day-to-day lives. And whenever we are uncertain as to what decisions to make or actions to take as good stewards of the Gospel, St. James reminds us: We can never go wrong if we resist popular values that are not compatible with the Gospel, and we come to the aid of those who are burdened, distressed and poor." International Catholic Stewardship Council

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

MAHALO FOR SHARING YOUR TREASURE

You can still continue contribute to St. Rita during this time of Social - distancing by going to our web-site www.sritananakuli.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

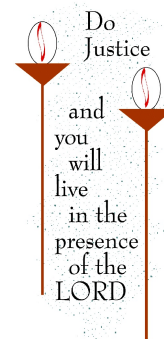
DON'T JUST STAND THERE

Some people like being a Christian more than acting like one. They know the basic stories about Jesus—that he was born in Bethlehem, that he was baptized by John, fasted in the desert, gathered disciples, worked miracles, taught with eloquence, was arrested, tried, crucified, died, buried, and rose again. And that's all important to know.

But then that's it. They pick and choose from the way Christians live. Worshiping on Sundays, serving others, making peace, confessing sins, forgiving others, contributing to charities, practicing morals, and learning more about religion—well, maybe yes and maybe no. Calling yourself a Christian is easier than acting like one.

But James is having none of that. The Letter of James in the New Testament takes a strong position about the importance of acting, not just being. "Be doers of the word and not hearers only," James says. Otherwise, you delude yourselves.

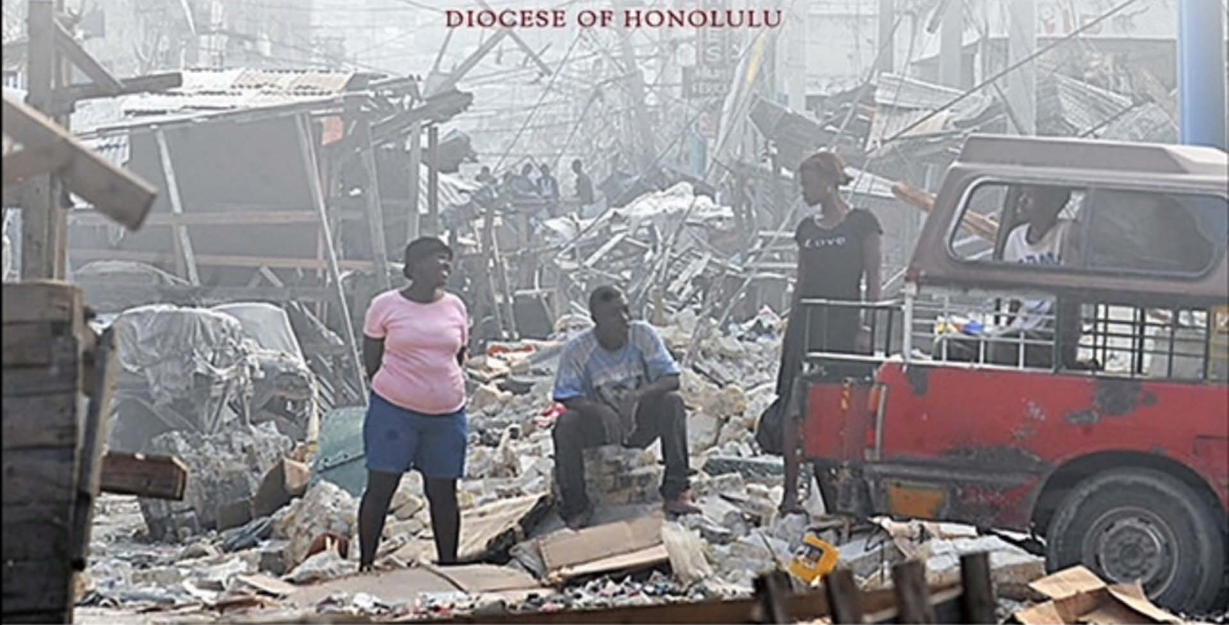
The Word of God comes to us in many ways—at church, in private prayer, in spiritual conversation, and in the events of our daily lives. If we are alert to God's presence, we will hear the Word. But God usually speaks in order to get something done. God would like a little action. Hearing the Word is good—a lot of people don't even take the time to do that. But acting on the Word—that's what makes pure religion. Lectionary Bulletin Inserts: Reflections on the First and Second Readings, Year B © 2019 Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications. All rights reserved. Written by Paul Turner. Lectionary for Mass © 2001, CCD.



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strangers With Aloha, which means with love. Aloha is the key word to the universal spirit of real hospitality, which makes Hawaii renowned as the world's center of understanding and fellowship. Try meeting or leaving people with aloha. You'll be surprised by their reaction. I believe in it and it is my creed.



"Aloha to you." Uncle Duke Paoa Kahanamoku

Saturday, September 4th, 2021
10AM - 4PM
Nanakuli Village Center

JOIN US FOR MUSIC BY:
Jeff Rasmussen & Robi Kahakalau,
Jimmy Burgess and Friends, Tony Silva from Da Braddahs,
DJ by Pipi

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