### PARISH CALENDAR

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 16	5:00 p.m.	Mass	in Ordinary Time
Sunday, January 17	7:00 a.m.	Mass	I 17, 2021
	8:30 a.m.	Mass	January 17, 2021
	10:00 a. m.	Mass (Live Stream)	Here I am, Lord;
	5:00 p.m.	Mass	I come to do your will.
Monday, January 18	8:00 a. m.	Mass	
		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.	
		DAY HOLIDAY	
	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Closed	
	7:00 p. m.	No Mass	
Tuesday, January 19	8:00 a. m.	Mass	
Wednesday, January 20	8:00 a.m.	Mass	
	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open	
Thursday, January 21	8:00 a. m.	Mass	
Friday, January 22	8:00 a. m.	Mass	
Saturday, January 23	8:00 a. m.	Mass - St. Marianne Cope, Virgin B.V.M.	
	4:00-4:45 pm	Confession	
	5:00 p.m.	Mass	

### **NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:**

1 Samuel:3: 3b-10, 19: Samuel responds to God's call.

1 Corithians:6: 13c-15a, 17-20: The body is the temple of the Holy Spirit.

John: 1:35-42: The disciples heard and followed

# (Everyone who attends Mass must wear a Masks)

Saturday Evening Mass <u>@ 5 pm</u>
Four Sunday Masses <u>@ 7 am</u>, 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-MjmZpe7Cq/

EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION: "One of the most difficult decisions I have had to make as a bishop was the suspension of public Masses due to the coronavirus pandemic from mid-March to late May, 2020. Since then the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days has been dispensed. In light of the ongoing pandemic. I am extending the dispensation through Tuesday, February 16, 2021, the day before Ash Wednesday.

While I am extending this dispensation for the sake of those who are at higher risk if they should be infected with COVID-19 virus, <u>I would like to urge all our parishioners who can safely do so to return to worship at Sunday Mass.</u>

<u> Bishop Larry Silva - December 6, 2020</u>





## Living God's Word

Our prayer can be full of words, giving voice to our plans, our needs, our desires. We can bring a lot of "help, help, help" or "gimme, gimme, gimme" to prayer. Try just listening.

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

THE 48<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE: Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm, Mass with Bishop Larry Silva; Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7 pm to 12 midnight. Please register for Mass and Adoration time @ https://bit.ly/RespectLifeMassandAdorationJan21. On Friday January 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4 pm-6pm there will be Virtual event. This year's theme "For We are God's Masterpiece." To participate the virtual event, RSVP by January 7<sup>th</sup> to Janet Hochberg at (808)225-4511, or email: janet@hilifealliance.org, Monday-Friday between 9 am -4 pm An event login will be sent to you no late than Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

WORD OF LIFE: "There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of an innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is always and radically incompatible with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image." United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Living the Gospel of Life, "© 1998 ISSCIE

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

Jan 17 Sun: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sam:3:3b-10, 19,: Ps:40; 1 Cor:6:13-15a, 17-20; Jn:1:35-42

Jan 18 Mon: Ordinary Weekday Heb:5:1-10; Ps:110: 1, 2, 3, 4; Mk:2:18-22

Jan 19 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Heb:6:10-20; Ps: 111: 1-2, 4-5, 9 & 10c; Mk:2:23-28

Jan 20 Wed: Ordinary Weekday Heb:7:1-3, 15-17; Ps:110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk:3:1-6

Jan 21 Thur: Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Heb:7:25-8:6; Ps:40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17; Mk:3:7-12

Jan 22 Fri: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Heb:8:6-13; Ps:85:8 & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mk:3:13-19

Jan 23 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Heb:9:2-3, 11-14; Ps:47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Mk:3:20-21

### Sleep on It

Sleep on it. It may be clearer in the morning.

Many of the problems that seem unsolvable by day disintegrate with the dawn. It's almost as if God speaks to us when we sleep.

It happened to Samuel. Even while he was a young child, Samuel heard the voice of God calling him. But he did not know that it was God. He told Eli the priest. Eli did not know that it was God.

Not until God spoke for the third time did Eli figure out the mystery. God was speaking to Samuel in his sleep.

Eli gave Samuel some very simple advice: Listen. If God is trying to speak to you, listen. Tell God you are listening.

Too often our world is cluttered with unnecessary noise. We leave the television on when no one is watching. We turn on the radio behind our conversation with a friend. We disturb our neighbors by playing music loudly in public or using car horns instead of doorbells. Sometimes we create so much noise it is hard to sleep.

What do you do when God is trying to speak to you? Follow Eli's advice. Listen.

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## NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

Christian stewardship begins with the call to discipleship and in today's Gospel we discover those first individuals who sought out Jesus and wanted to listen to him, learn from him and stay with him. Today, Christian stewards search out the hidden presence of Jesus in their own lives every day. They know Christ is the "Messiah" who will one day bring about a perfect restoration to a troubled world. They further understand that they are sacraments of his hidden presence in the world. Their task is to make that reality known through their own words and actions. What is one thing we can do to be better stewards of Christ's life in us? 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 <u>www.stritananakuli.org</u> 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

#### Reflecting on God's Word

Once more we stand with John the Baptist and learn from what he does. Watching Jesus walk by, he says to two of his disciples, "Behold, the Lamb of God." And "the two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus" (John 1:36–37). One was Andrew, who, in turn, goes to his brother Simon and brings him to Jesus. And Jesus gives him a new name, Cephas, which means "rock."

A new life begins for Andrew and Simon, and most likely for the other disciple as well, possibly either James or John (both were fishermen with Peter and Andrew). It was clear to Jesus that they were searching for something: "What are you looking for?" They answered, "Teacher, where are you staying?" implying that it was going to take more than a few minutes to answer that question. Jesus took them in immediately: "Come, and you will see . . . And they stayed with him that day" (John 1:38–39).

As we return to Ordinary Time, which comes from the Latin ordo ("numbered"), we count the weeks off by numbers: Second Sunday, Third Sunday, and so on. But "ordinary time" is lived in a world touched by God's grace. God continues to come into our lives, if we would notice.

Like John pointing out Jesus to his two disciples, the old priest Eli helps Samuel to understand that the Lord is entering the boy's life and tells him to respond, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:9). We bring each other to God, to Jesus Christ, by being attentive to how God is at work among us. God continues to work through each of us, and that is what makes "ordinary time" continuously

 $extraordinary.\_{\tt James\ A.\ Wallace,\ C.Ss.R.}$ 

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