### PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday, September 2	5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday	
Sunday, September 3	7:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday	September 3, 2023
	9:00 a. m.	Mass <i>(Live Stream)</i> , Aloha Sunday	Have mercy on me, O Lord!
	5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday	Trave mercy on me, o Lord.
Monday, September 4	7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass	
	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Closed	
	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY		
Tuesday, September 5	7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass	
Wednesday, September 6	7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass	
	9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open	
Thursday, September 7	7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass	
Friday, September 8	7:30 a.m	Liturgy of Hours/Rosary	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass	
Saturday, September 9	4:00-4:30 p.m.	. Confession - Church	©Religious Graphics, Ltd.
	5:00 p.m.	Mass	

### **NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:**

Ez:33:7-9: God called the prophet as a watchman for the house of Israel. Unless those called by God try to turn the wicked away from evil, they will not be saved.

Rom:13:1-2, 6-7, 8-9: All commandments are summed up in this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Mt:18:15-20: Jesus said, "If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.

## <u>Ka Leo O Ke Kahuhipa</u>

Aloha e ku'u hoahānau/'ohana aloha nui 'ia,

I want to take this opportunity to extend my mahalo nui loa to:

*Men's Restroom*: The men who replaced our damaged men's urinal with the new one and cleaned up the restroom sink. The replacement of the urinal and cleanup of the sink were much needed.

**Our parish Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers**: All who attended the Ministry of Lectors and Extraordinary Eucharistic meeting in the parish church this past Wednesday.

We hope to meet at least twice a year in person and to have an annual recollection day for these important ministries. Your dedication to your ministries truly blesses the parish ohana of St. Rita.

Francis & Brandy Tautua'a, Carlin Ujimori-Kaeo, Bob & Judi Wicks, Tom & Amy Zizzi, Sebastian Lopez, Carol Farias, Lani Alo-Chu, Cherrielynn Kamahele, Patrick B. Gomes, Kathy Paishon, Laura Manuel, Cathy Agor, Karen Victor, Laura Kawaiaea, Dawn Ka'awalo, Ivan Botelho, Kevin Clark, Chris & Krissy Kalili, Sandy Akana, Gloria Samson, Beverly Ujimori-Gonsalves, John & Iacolyn Cuban, Mele Ahuna and Dcn. Hal Levy.

**Parish Repair & Maintenance Committee**: The bulding repair and maintenance committee briefly met last Saturday. Mahalo to Patrick Gomes, Donna Costa and Paul Aio. We hope to clean and soon repaint the exterior of the St. Rita Church.

Mahalo to the ohana who brought the fresh t-leaves that were used in the parish last weekend.

Do know that each of our contributions in time and talent not only builds up the parish ohana of St. Rita but also blesses every member of the parish.

**Reminder:** So far, I have been able to visit 9 Homebound parishioners and I would like to visit all our parishioners who are homebound. Please call the office so that I can arrange a visit. Also if someone needs a priest for anointing do not hesitate to contact the Church office.

Have a blessed week in the Lord!

Fr. Paulo ofm cap.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

R. C. I. A.: Classes will begin next, Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p. m., in the church. Any questions please contact RCIA Director (Don Gerry, 489-9529)"

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA: This

weekend, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D. C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. You also supporting the University's research and training initiatives that help dioceses and parishes respond to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the crisis in the Church, a Master's program in Ecclesial Administration and management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples of how the University is serving our Church and our nation. Scan the QR code on the provided envelopes or visit www.collection.catholic.edu To learn more and give easily online.

WORD OF LIFE: "The Church has consistently taught that every human life is precious and worthy of protection." "USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Another Look at Abortion" respectlife.org/another-look-at-abortion

## **WEEKLY READINGS**

**Sep 3 Sun: 22**<sup>nd</sup> **Sunday in Ordinary Time** Jer:20:7-9; Ps:63; Rom:12:1-2; Mt:16:21-27

Sep 4 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

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

Sep 5 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

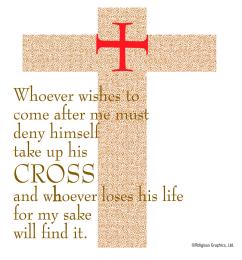
1 Thes:5:1-6, 9-11; Ps:27: 1, 4, 13-14; Lk:4:31-37

Sep 6 Wed: Ordinary Weekday Col:1:1-8; Ps:52:10, 11;Lk:4:10, 11 Sep 7 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

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

Sep 8 Fri: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi:5:1-4a ;Ps:13:6ab, 6c; Mt:1:1-16, 18-23 **Sep 9 Sat: Saint Peter Claver, Priest** Col:1:21-23; Ps:54:3-4, 6 & 8; Lk:6:1-5



#### SPEAK UP

When you know you are right, you can keep speaking the truth, even in the face of opposition. If you have not thought enough about the right thing to do, you are in danger of being influenced to do something else. If your need for acceptance is stronger than your need for doing right, you will surrender to beliefs opposed to your own. But when you know you are right, and when it becomes a matter of expressing who you are and what you believe, you cannot give in. You have to speak up. You have to keep on going, even when others do not support you anymore

Jeremiah the prophet, in his prayer, has heard God's Word, but when he speaks it, people deride him. He tries being quiet, not telling the message God has given him, a message that expresses outrage against the misdeeds of his companions. But when he tries to remain silent, the Word of God becomes like a fire burning in his heart. He cannot keep it in. It must come out. It is not easy to speak God's Word. To hold it in becomes unbearable. To speak it creates enemies. But only the truth brings inner peace. Lectionary Bulletin Inserts: Reflections on the First and Second Readings, Year A © 2019 Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications. All rights reserved. Written by Paul Turner. Lectionary for Mass © 2001, CCD.



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