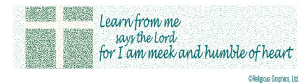


PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

August 28, 2022

How Blessed are the peacemakers!



Saturday, August 27	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, August 28	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, August 29	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, August 30	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday, August 31	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, September 1	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Friday, September 2	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, September 3	..... 10:00-12 pm	Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St.
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Wis:9:13-18b: No one understands heaven or earth completely, but God sends wisdom and the Holy Spirit.

Phlm:9-10, 12-17: Paul begs Philemon to receive back the runaway slave, Onesimus, as a beloved brother and partner in Christ.

Luke:14:25-33: Jesus taught his followers the hard lesson of the cross.

(Masks are optional but encouraged)

We continue to live streaming the Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m. @ <https://www.stritananakuli.org/livestream> or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCepqtr_VuHL7R-MjmZpe7Cg/

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

The story is told of a priest who was a brilliant scholar and an extraordinary lecturer. His one concern in life was the position he would hold at God's eternal banquet. One night, in a dream, an angel revealed that he should expect to be seated next to the butcher from Regenberg. The priest was aghast. Surely a mistake, he thought. He decided to set out for Regenberg to see the man who would be his companion for eternity. As he traveled, he thought to himself that perhaps this butcher was really a man of great distinction who had fallen on hard times and was temporarily forced to cut meat for a living. With that thought, he tried to console himself.

In Regenberg, the priest found the butcher working quietly at his trade. He asked him if he had been a butcher all his life. The butcher replied, "Yes, I have, my good man, but I'm a second-rate butcher. You see, I have not had much time to devote to my trade. I have two elderly parents and they are very helpless in the daily tasks of life. As a result, much of my time is consumed in their care. Every day I must bathe them, clothe them, and feed them. And there's the cleaning and washing of clothes." The priest, with tears in his eyes, knelt down, kissed the rough hands of the butcher, and thanked God for giving him a place in heaven next to a man of such great distinction.

—Rev. Richard Zajac

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We welcome Antony Rosa Longo into our Christian family, Antony was baptized at the 9:00 a.m. Mass and is the son of J.P. and Janine Longo.



Conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. Water quenches a flaming fire, and alms atone for sins.

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 RCIA 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 RCIA program will begin **Sept 18, 2022.**
- 2) RCIA candidates will meet roughly every other Sunday night at 7:00 pm in the church.
- 3) RCIA 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) RCIA 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. RCIA Scutinies (during Lent)

If you or someone you know is interested, please call or our **RCIA Director (Don Gerry, 489-9529)"**

HELP NEED WITH 9 AM LIVE STREAM: Do you have time to help with Live Stream Broadcast, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, we are looking for assistance with the set-up and monitoring the camera's and sounds of the Live Stream camera during the 9:00 a. m., Mass, training will be provided. Please see Mele or call the Parish Office.

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 28 Sun: 22ND Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir:3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps:68; Heb:12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk:14:1, 7-14

Aug 29 Mon: The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

1 Cor:2:1-5; Ps:119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Mk:6:17-29

Aug 30 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:2:10b-16; Ps:145:8-9, 10-11, 12-3ab, 13cd-17a; Lk:4:31-37

Aug 31 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:3:1-9; Ps:33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk:4:38-44

Sep 1 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:3:18-23; Ps:24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk:5:1-11

Sep 2 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:4:1-5; Ps:37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk:5:33-39

Sep 3 Sat: Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor:4:6b-15; Ps:145:17-18, 19-20, 21; Lk:6:1-5



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NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenged the social structure of the Pharisees and teaches his hosts and their guests some profound lessons in humility. Pharisees maintained deep social divisions between who they considered "holy" and "unholy," rich and poor, honored and despised. They didn't invite someone to a banquet or dinner who couldn't reciprocate. And the lowly, the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind had no capacity to reciprocate. Good stewards realize that if they embrace a humility that allows them to be generous to those who cannot repay them, they give evidence of having the kind of heart that will enjoy the Lord's intimate friendship. This week let's reflect on our attitude towards those who cannot repay our generosity. What is the extent of our hospitality toward others? Are we generous with those who cannot repay us? (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.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

THE GIFT OF HUMILITY

We learn humility in different ways. Sometimes we try to attain what is beyond our reach. We try to accomplish something we desire to attain. We fail. We humbly learn our limitations.

Sometimes we boast of our accomplishments. We have achieved much and we tell others the truth. But we lose the esteem of our friends when we do. Boasting might be honest, but humility brings rewards.

Still, some people erroneously believe that humility is weak and pride is strong. Some public figures — entertainers, politicians, and professional athletes, for example — boast in the midst of combat. They want attention. They disdain the competition. Their success depends on their self-certitude.

Their fall is all the more sharp. In the end, even the most talented share the same mortality as everyone else. We are all humans. We shall all taste death. In the sight of God, humility is the only honest stance we can take.

The Book of Sirach urges us to conduct our affairs with humility. We will be loved by others and favored by God. We will recognize that, in spite of our gifts, there is One who is greater: the giver of these gifts. When we acknowledge the might of God, humility becomes a way of life.

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Living God's Word



In our Gospel today Jesus states, "Those who exalt themselves will be humbled and those who humble themselves will be exalted!" How can you humble yourself this week for the sake of another?

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