

# PARISH CALENDAR

Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

January 16, 2022

We believe in the love  
God has for us!

Saturday, January 15	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, January 16	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, January 17	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
		<b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY HOLIDAY</b>
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Closed
Tuesday, January 18	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:00 p.m.	<b>Liturgy Committee Meeting (Virtual)</b>
Wednesday, January 19	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, January 20	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Friday, January 21	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, January 22	..... 10:00-12 pm	<b>Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St.</b>
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Neh:8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10: Ezra the priest stood before the people and proclaimed the book of the law.**  
**1 Cor:12:12-30: The body is one and has many members, but all members, though many, are one body.**  
**Lk:1:1-4, 4:14-21: Jesus proclaimed "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing".**

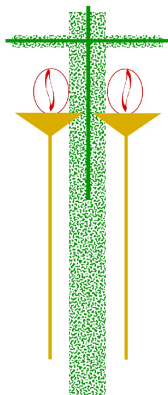
**(Everyone who attends Mass must wear a Masks)**

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

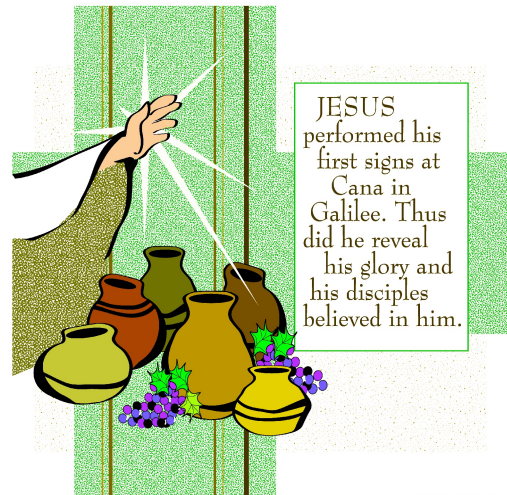
## REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

"Do whatever he tells you," is what today's Gospel pointedly suggests (John 2:5). Perhaps too pointedly, because it just may turn out that none of what he tells us seems appealing. Be that as it may, life does serve up new wine. Yet as always the question remains, how does anyone know what we're being told to do? How does one read the signs of personal times? A good marker, it would seem, is to pay attention to one's gifts. It may not be the only marker, but certainly one not to be ignored. St. Paul writes to the Corinthians that our strengths and talents come from the Spirit, and that each is given for some benefit. Other translations say they are given for the common good, which seems to be a better way of putting it, because it broadens our view and prevents us from understanding any gift in terms of personal benefit or preference. It may be that the old wine we just drained did quench our personal thirst, but that the new wine is for the common good. So when the old wine runs out and we're offered new wine, it's worth considering whether we're being called to some new role in life. It may be that life is ratcheting up our degree of participation, calling us to make some new contribution we have not even considered. And we may be surprised. It may enrich the taste of life. On this day, then, raise a toast to God's new creation. To new wine. The British say Cheers! The Germans, Prosit! Poles, Na Zdrowie! In Spain, Salud! And Lithuanians, Sveikas! Believers, well, they say Alleluia!

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis  
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA:**

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support for the collection provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. To learn more about how your gifts make a difference, visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america)

## **COLLECTION FOR THE BLACK AND INDIAN**

**MISSIONS:** Next weekend is also The Black and Indian Mission Collection, it exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground.

**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 any 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

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## **WEEKLY READINGS**

### **Jan 16 Sun: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Isa:62:1-5;; Ps:96: 1 Cor: 12:4-11; Jn:2:11-11

### **Jan 17 Mon: Saint Anthony, Abbot**

1 Sam:15:16-23; Ps: 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mk:2: 18-22

### **Jan 18 Tue: Ordinary Weekday**

1 Sam:16:1-13; Ps: 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk:2:23-28

### **Jan 19 Wed: Ordinary Weekday**

1 Sam:17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps:144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk:3:1-6

### **Jan 20 Thur: Ordinary Weekday**

1 Sam:18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps:56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk:3:7-12

### **Jan 21 Fri: Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**

1 Sam:24:3-21; Ps:57:2, 3-4, 6 & 11; Mk:3:13-19

### **Jan 22 Sat: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

2 Sam:1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps:80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

## **NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP**

In today's second reading, Saint Paul makes a list of gifts dispensed to members of the Christian community by the Holy Spirit. Each gift bestowed has a specific purpose for the person for whom it is intended: wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, mighty deeds, prophecy, discernment, tongues, and interpretation. Good stewards know these gifts are not meant to be kept hidden by the recipient but to be shared with the community and beyond. As we begin a new year, let us reflect on the gift of the Holy Spirit has given to each of us. Do we recognize this gift? How was it intended that we use this gift? Are we being good stewards of this gift? (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](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**

## **GOD'S GIFTS**

When you discover what you are good at, you cannot let go. You may have a gift for parenting, teaching, listening, or playing a hand of bridge. Or golf. Once in a while we find out something else about the gifts God gave us. We may not know why we have them, but events may call us to use our gifts in a way that reveals God's will.

You may have given advice that somebody needed. You may have helped a child overcome an obstacle. You may have lifted someone's spirits. You may have saved someone's life. You did all this because you had a gift, and when the moment arrived, you used the gift God gave you.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you." God's words to Jeremiah ring deep within our souls. Think about this: God knew you before you were born. God had you in mind before you were conceived. God designed gifts for you from the very beginning. God had a plan.

We are born without knowledge of God's plan. We are not sure how we fit. We may never know. God may be using us in ways beyond our awareness. The gifts we have are not ours. They belong to God.

When we use God's gifts, they bring us satisfaction. We cannot let go of what God meant us to be and do. God knows us better than we know ourselves.

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Image: A mosaic of Our Lady of Guadalupe decorates a side altar in the Church of Santa Maria della Famiglia at the Vatican. Dec. 15. (CNS photo/Paul Haring.)



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