

PARISH CALENDAR

Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023

The love of God has been
poured into our hearts!

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

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Ex:34:4b-6, 8-9: Moses went up Mount Sinai to meet the Lord. He begged the Lord to accompany the Israelites.
2 Cor:13:11-13: Paul encouraged the Corinthians to mend their sinful ways and help one another live in peace.
Jn:3:16-18: God loved the world so greatly that he sent his only Son that all may have eternal life.

We continue to Live Stream the Sunday Mass @ 9:00 a.m. @ <https://www.sritananakuli.org/livestream>

THE REASONS FOR GIFTS

Look around your church and you will see many gifts. You will see those who sing and those who read, those who preach and those who greet. You will see some who feed the hungry and others who serve on committees. You will see some who decorate and others who converse. Some have a gift for leading prayer, for parenting children, or for making people feel at home. Everybody has some gift.

Still, not all gifts are equal. Some people excel at their gifts. Others exercise them less capably. The quality of the gift is not that important. It is important to exercise the gift, whatever its extent may be. The use of our gifts releases the power of the Spirit. St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."

God gives gifts for a reason. They are meant to be nurtured and used. The gifts manifest the Spirit. When used properly, they draw attention to God who gives, not to the person who has received.

The manifold gifts within one community show the marvels of the Holy Spirit. When people share their gifts, they create a spirit of selflessness and inspire others to service. They help everyone appreciate the goodness of God, who gives even before we ask. When people look at you, they also see gifts. For which gifts are you most grateful? How do you share them?

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORLD FAMOUS MOLOKA'I HOT BREAD FUND-

RAISER: Tickets will go on sale starting next weekend, June 3rd -4th **Cost \$14!** All proceeds will support St. Rita's general fund.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN (CCC):

Thank you for your generosity toward last week's special collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC engage and build community for millions, here in the United States and around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

SIDEWALK ADVOCATES FOR LIFE: Come learn the peaceful, prayerful method of sidewalk advocacy from Sidewalk Advocates for life and help women and men entering the abortion facility to choose life! We offer a peaceful, prayerful, law-abiding method that is very compassionate and woman-oriented and credited with saving thousands of lives at abortion facilities across the United States and beyond! Our next training will be held on Saturday, June 17, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at St. John Apostle & Evangelist Catholic Church in Mililani, if you would like to learn this method and check out our program, please contact Program Leader Patrick Guzman, at (808)351-6179 or email pguzman_5k@yahoo.com. More information at www.sidewalkadvocates.org!

WORD OF LIFE: "Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect." "USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis" Day for Life Greeting" © 2013 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

WEEKLY READINGS

May 28 Sun: Pentecost Sunday

Acts:2:1-11; Ps:104; 1 Cor:12:3b-7, 12-13; Jn:20:19-23

May 29 Mon: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Gen:3:9-15, 20; Ps:87:1-2, 3 & 5, 6-7; Jn:19:25-34

May 30 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Sirs:35:1-12; Ps:50:5-6, 7-8, 14 & 23; Mk:10:28-31

May 31 Wed: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Zep:3:14-18a; Is:12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk:1:39-56

Jun 1 Thur: Saint Justin, Martyr

Sir:42:15-25; Ps:33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk:10:46-52

May 26 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Sir:44:1, 9-13; Ps:149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Mk:11:11-26

May 27 Sat: Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions

Sir:51:12cd-20; Ps:19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mk:11:27-33

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

This weekend we celebrate the feast of Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit among the believers of the early church. Saint Paul reminds us of the special power the Holy Spirit has bestowed upon us and how that power gives us the potential to live extraordinary lives of faith. Good stewards recognize this power and use their gifts through God's channel of grace, to transform their lives and the lives of others, and thus hasten God's Kingdom. Good stewards know that it is through the Holy Spirit that they can proclaim: "Jesus is Lord." Do we believe that Jesus is our Lord? If so, how do we show it? (International Catholic Stewardship Council)

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

MAHALO FOR SHARING YOUR TREASURE

A NEW POWER

What could change fear into confidence? What power is strong enough to put fears to rest and bring confidence to life? Our fears come from many sources. Failure, loneliness, and rejection can all make us afraid to try anything. Confidence often comes from outside, especially when we cannot find it ourselves. Someone else notices a talent in us that we have overlooked. A friend helps us laugh at ourselves. Or by sheer gift, we receive a new power, a new opportunity that makes all the difference in the world.

What changed the disciples' fear into confidence? Something mighty must have happened. The same group that fled at the arrest and crucifixion of Jesus, the same people who cowered in an upper room after his ascension—these people started proclaiming the message of salvation to large crowds in every language. How did it happen?

There is only one answer. The Holy Spirit made it happen. The Spirit, promised by Jesus, came in wind and fire to lift up the disciples and bolster their confidence.

No matter where your fear comes from, the Holy Spirit may find you and change your life forever. Will you cooperate? Are you ready to share the gifts of the Spirit?

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SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST



Come, Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
Pour out your wisdom so that we may
bring light
to the challenges of our world.
Fill us with understanding to untangle
our confusion.
Give us counsel to guide our choices
in Christian living.
Grant us courage, especially when our
efforts seem fruitless.

Empower us with knowledge to see the
truth with eyes of faith.
Teach us piety so that we may worship you
with respect and gratitude.
Infuse us with wonder and awe
in your presence.
Help us be conduits of your limitless love
through our thoughts, words, actions,
and relationships.
Come, Holy Spirit, and renew the faith
of the earth. Amen.

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Come Holy Spirit!

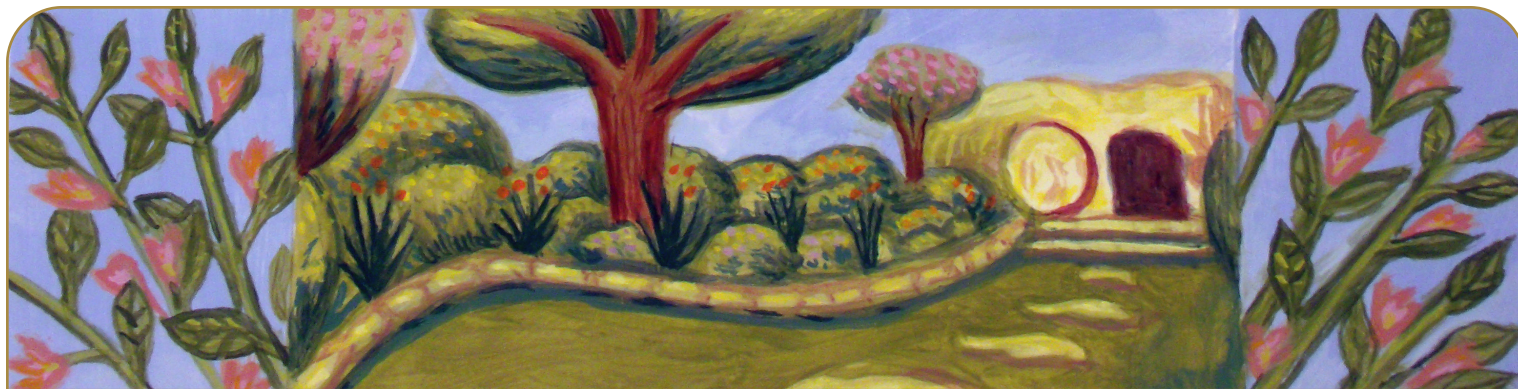


Today's readings: Acts 2:1–11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29–30, 31, 34; 1 Corinthians 12:3b–7, 12–13; Sequence: Veni Sancte Spiritus; John 20:19–23. With the celebration of Pentecost, we have traveled on a ninety-day journey since Ash Wednesday. Throughout Lent we watched for signposts in the Scriptures directing our hearts toward God. At Easter we committed (some of us for the first time and the rest of us once again) to our journey of faith in the risen Christ. As we journeyed through the weeks of Easter, Jesus continually beckoned us to remain close and promised to give us the Holy Spirit. The Spirit will bind us to one another and to God.

The promised gift of the Holy Spirit is affirmed on Pentecost. Before today's Gospel, we acclaim, "Come, Holy

Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." The gifts of the Holy Spirit—wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord—assure us that God is cultivating and nurturing us to life within him. We carry the Holy Spirit within us and radiate that Spirit to all we meet. With the Spirit dwelling within us, we are always close to God. Today this truth of our faith is celebrated!

Take time this week to note the gifts of the Holy Spirit that you depend upon the most. Pray for a strengthening of the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help you on your daily walk as a disciple of the risen Christ. Come Holy Spirit!



THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Monday, May 29

Mary, Mother of the Church

In 2018, Pope Francis added the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, to the liturgical calendar, placing it on the Monday after Pentecost. This memorial honors Mary in the role that she assumed at the foot of the cross with Jesus' final words to her, "Woman, behold your Son." Venerate Mary today by praying the glorious mysteries of the Rosary. *Today's readings: Genesis 3:9–15, 20 or Acts 1:12–14; Psalm 87:1–2, 3, 5, 6–7; John 19:25–34.*

Tuesday, May 30

Keep Calm, It's Ordinary Time

With the end of our ninety-day journey from Ash Wednesday to Pentecost Sunday, the Church enters the season of Ordinary Time. Do not mistake this season for being *ordinary* as in *routine*. In this season, *ordinary* refers to *ordered* or *counted* time. The Church is now in the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time. Change your prayer space colors to green and reflect on how you can grow spiritually as you decipher God in your life in the graced weeks ahead. *Today's readings: Sirach 35:1–12; Psalm 50:5–6, 7–8, 14 and 23; Mark 10:28–31.*

Wednesday, May 31

The Visitation

The Church devotes May to the devotion of Mary, so it is fitting that the last day of the month in the West is a feast day in her honor. In today's Gospel, we hear Mary proclaim the words of the Magnificat, which the Church prays as part of the Liturgy of the Hours every evening. Pray the Magnificat as part of your grace before meals or at the close of your day. *Today's readings: Zephaniah 3:14–18a or Romans 12:9–16; Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6; Luke 1:39–56.*

Thursday, June 1

St. Justin, Martyr

Justin converted to Christianity in the second century after years of study, prayer, and reflection. A lover of philosophy and vocal defender of the faith, Justin was martyred for his steadfast adherence to Christianity. During your prayer time, remember all who received the initiation sacraments at the Easter Vigil and pray that they have the resilience to remain steadfast in their faith. *Today's readings: Sirach 42:15–25; Psalm 33:2–3, 4–5, 6–7, 8–9 Mark 10:46–52.*

Friday, June 2

Growth during Ordinary Time

Ultimately, our Christian mission is to help others grow in an authentic and meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ. Each of us must be able to confidently answer Jesus' inquiry, "Who do you say that I am," with a conviction of faith. Take some time to look back over your spiritual journey since Ash Wednesday and then look forward to the coming weeks in Ordinary Time. How have you grown in your relationship with Christ through your daily attention to the Gospel and how do you hope to deepen your faith in the days and weeks ahead? *Today's readings: Sirach 44:1, 9–13; Psalm 149:1b–2, 3–4, 5–6a and 9b; Mark 11:11–26.*

Saturday, June 3

Triune Unity

Tomorrow the Church commemorates the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. This observance is a reminder that God desires to be close to us. God's ecstatic love for the world overflows in the gift of the Son and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We explicitly unite ourselves with the mystery of the holy Trinity every time we mark our bodies with the sign of the cross. Try to make the sign of the cross with more intentionality. Allow this gesture that we repeat so often to be a poignant reminder of our unbreakable unity with God. May your faith journey through Ordinary Time be abundantly blessed. *Today's readings: Sirach 51:12cd–20; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mark 11:27–33.*

