

# PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-seventh Sunday  
In Ordinary Time

October 3, 2021

Blessed are they who fear the Lord!

Saturday, October 2	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, October 3	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 8:30 a.m.	Mass
	..... 10:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, October 4	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 7:00 p.m.	No Mass
Tuesday, October 5	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Wednesday, October 6	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting - Church
Thursday, October 7	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday, October 8	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, October 9	..... 10:00-12 pm	<b>Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St.</b>
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Wisdom:7:7-12: Wisdom is more valuable than anything.**

**Hebrew:4:12-13: The word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword.**

**Mark:10:17-30: Requirements for entering the kingdom of God.**



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

**Saturday Evening Mass @ 5 pm**

**Four Sunday Masses @ 7 am, 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](http://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-MjmZpe7Cg/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCepqtr_VuHL7R-MjmZpe7Cg/)**

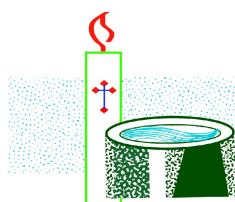
## Reflecting on God's Word

Of all the events and circumstances that draw people together, it would seem that marriage is the most universal and obvious manifestation of that longing to be one. Though some may sacrifice marriage for what they deem to be a greater good or need, and others may never find their heart's way to that dream, all of us long to be touched by the magic of committed love. There is something woven into the warp and woof of our lives that passionately searches for it. More than anything, it is the ideal of marital love that reveals what we are meant to be—all of life and love so united to one another that there is nothing to divide, since there is no longer anything but pure oneness. Then we are no longer two simply because we are one, one flesh. That is what makes divorce such a sadness, such a personal and even communal tragedy—that it shatters the vision of what we are meant to be. That is also why it causes such pain, such a wrenching; for if marriage fails, might not then also God's dream of who we shall be? That seems to be too unbearable even to dare consider.

Into such fragile human becoming, then, comes the Lord Jesus, among the married and the divorced, among the sad and the joyful, among the lost and the hopeful, into what we are no matter what we are. He is the most profound and transforming revelation of that unity to which we are called simply because he unites and embodies both the human and the divine in such a way that it can never again be alienated.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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**One Faith, One Baptism, One LORD**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MYPARISH APP:** Have you tried the St. Rita myParish app? It is available for iPhone and Android phones and provides information for St. Rita Nānākuli church, and also other churches you may visit. The app is handy for rosary, current readings, messages, bulletins and more. Go to [www.myparish.com](http://www.myparish.com) for info and download or type in "myParish" on your phone's app store to download.

**'OHANA IN CHRIST: The Annual Appeal for the Catholic Church in Hawaii (October 2-3, 2021):** This weekend kicks off the "Ohana In Christ" The Annual appeal for the Catholic Church in Hawaii. Bishop Larry is asking every faith community to actively support this new initiative—an effort to raise awareness of our wider church mission and services, as well as to help raise the funds to sustain them through an annual diocesan appeal. You can watch the OIC video YouTube at:

<https://youtu.be/mCknnhzdFDY> or <https://vimeo.com/591743522>

**WORD OF LIFE:** "St. Joseph's "yes" to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us"

USCCB, "Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Respect Life Reflection: St. Joseph, Defender of Life [www.respectlife.org/reflection-joseph](http://www.respectlife.org/reflection-joseph)

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Oct 3 Sun: 27<sup>TH</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gen:2:18-24; Ps:128; Heb:2:9-11; Mk:10:2-16

**Oct 4 Mon: Saint Francis of Assisi**

Jon:1:1-2:2, 11; Jon:2:3, 4, 5, 8; Lk:10:25-37

**Oct 5 Tue: Ordinary Weekday**

Jon:3:1-10; Ps:130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8; Lk:10:38-42

**Oct 6 Wed: Ordinary Weekday**

Jon:4:1-11; Ps:86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10; Lk:11:1-11

**Oct 7 Thur: Our Lady of the Rosary**

Mala:3: 13-20b; Ps:1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk:11:5-13

**Oct 8 Fri: Ordinary Weekday**

Joel:1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps:9:2-3, 6 & 16, 8-9; Lk:11:15-26

**Oct 9 Sat: Ordinary Weekday**

Joel:4:12-21; Ps:97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk:11:27-28

## NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches us about the sacredness of marriage; a covenant that is a gift from God. Our relationships with our spouses, family friends, coworkers, and those in our community of faith are all gifts from God. Jesus reminds us today that it is the hardened heart that damages or breaks up relationships. Good stewards understand the holiness of relationships and pray for the love, patience, understanding and kindness necessary to sustain those relationships. Take time out to prayerfully reflect on your relationships this week. Is your stewardship of these relationships as God intended? What relationships need to be healed and reconciled? (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**

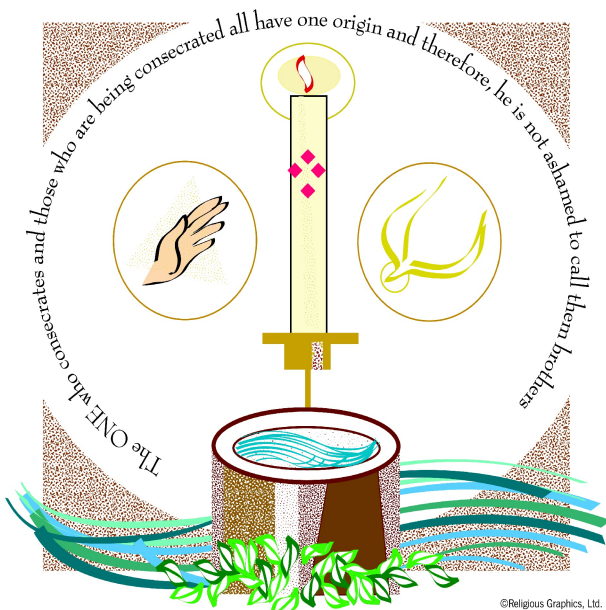
## LOVING THE FUTURE

A lot of us have a good life today because our ancestors sacrificed. Some of them worked the land by the sweat of their brow. Some left their home in one country and took a hard journey to another. Others came unwillingly and worked as slaves for those with power. Our ancestors wanted a better future. They sacrificed for it. They knew they might not enjoy the finer things of life. But they hoped their children would. At our worst, our generation spends more than it saves. It enjoys the present more than it plans for the future. Many of us have forgotten the sacrifices of the past and the character of our ancestors. We will not sacrifice until we love the future—until we care enough about a generation yet to be born.

Jesus Christ loved the future and gave his life for generations yet to be born. The Letter to the Hebrews, commenting on Psalm 8, says that Jesus "for a little while" was made "lower than the angels," that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone." When Jesus came to save us, he did not come as a great king, a wealthy businessman, or a pampered adolescent. He came in order to taste death, and so bring us to glory.

We have a good life because of our ancestors. We have a rich spiritual inheritance because of Christ. Sacrificial love prepares for future generations.

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*for the*  
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**PARISH PRIESTS AND DEACONS**

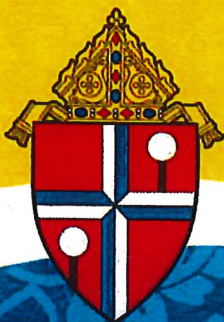
recruitment, assignment, professional development, health and wellness needs

**YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

developing faith formation groups, programs, events, and support for Catholic schools

**THOSE MOST IN NEED**

resourcing for parish food and shelter programs, and for Catholic social ministry agencies serving our kupuna, keiki and migrant communities



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