

PARISH CALENDAR

Thirty-first Sunday
In Ordinary Time

October 31, 2021

The Lord lives!
Blessed be my rock!

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| Saturday, October 30 | 5:00 p.m. | Mass |
| Sunday, October 31 | 7:00 a.m. | Mass |
| | 8:30 a. m. | Mass |
| | 10:00 a. m. | Mass (Live Stream) |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Mass |
| Monday, November 1 | 8:00 a. m. | Mass |
| | 9:30-11:00 a.m. | Food Pantry Open |
| Tuesday, November 2 | 8:00 a. m. | Mass |
| Wednesday, November 3 | 8:00 a.m. | Mass |
| | 9:30-11:00 a.m. | Food Pantry Open |
| | 5:00 p. m. | Prayer Meeting - Church |
| Thursday, November 4 | 8:00 a. m. | Mass |
| Friday, November 5 | 8:00 a. m. | Communion Service |
| Saturday, November 6 | 10:00-12 pm | Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St. |
| | 5:00 p.m. | Mass |

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

1 Kings:17:10-16: God rewards the trust of the poor widow.

Hebrew:9:24-28: Christ offered himself, once and for all.

Mark:12:38-44: The parable of the poor widow.

(Everyone who attends Mass must wear a Masks)

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 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/

Reflecting on God's Word

Gospel love is not about feelings. It's about choosing to care regardless of how we feel. It's about making decisions based upon the vision of Jesus regardless of how many other visions are demanding our allegiance. If we wait until we feel like loving, well, we may in fact never get around to loving. Gospel love is about the will without paying any attention at all to the emotions.

In *The Road Less Traveled*, M. Scott Peck distinguishes between infatuation and love. Infatuation, he says, is when we allow all the walls that we have put up in order to protect ourselves to collapse and thus permit another to enter into the most sacred and vulnerable portions of our lives. We think that in such a way we are becoming one with another because there are no more walls to divide us, except that before long our walls begin to go back up one by one.

On the other hand, notes Peck, real love is not about collapsing our walls but about expanding them in never-ending fashion, thereby choosing to allow more and more people into the deepest portions of our lives. Real love is the choices we make and not feelings we experience. Once we begin to choose to live in such a fashion, says Jesus, we are not far from the kingdom of God.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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We welcome **Samson, Jr, Liliana-Marie and Tristan-Orion Hoohuli** into our parish family. **Samson Jr. Lilana-Marie and Tristan-Orion** was baptized into the Christian faith at the 10 am Sunday Mass!

GOD is
LOVE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOVEMBER MONTH OF ALL SOULS: The month of November is set aside to reflect and remember those who have gone before us. During November, all Masses said at St. Rita will be said for the deceased members of our parish families and friends. **NO OTHER MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Beginning, **Tuesday, November 2nd** the book of remembrance will be placed in the church where you may place your love ones's name and the parish will pray for all those who have died.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY. THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of the World Mission Sunday, by visiting www.MISSIO.org.

WORD OF LIFE:



WEEKLY READINGS

Oct 31 Sun: 31ST Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deut:6:2-6; Ps:18; Heb:7:23-28; Mk:12:28b-34

Nov 1 Mon: All Saints

Rev:7:2-4, 9-14; Ps:24: 1 Jn:3:1-3; Mt:5:1-12a

Nov 2 Tue: All Souls

Wis:3:1-9; Ps:23; Rom:5:5-11; Jn:6:37-40

Nov 3 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Rom:13:8-10; Ps:112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk:14:25-33

Nov 4 Thur: Saints Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Rom:14: 7-12; Ps:27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk:15:1-10

Nov 5 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Rom:15:14-21; Ps:98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk:16: 1-8

Nov 6 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Rom:16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps:145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Lk:16:9-15

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel Jesus said: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." It was not meant to be a suggestion or an option. He didn't say we shall love our neighbor when it fits into our day or suits our schedule, or after we've completed our various recreations. It is a requirement for Christians; to exercise good stewardship over the neighbors entrusted to us by God. It is a requirement often ignored when we put up barriers of anger, fear, or intolerance for a neighbor. How can we look beyond our own personal difficulties to see what we can do to love the person who lives next door, works next to us, or who sits next to us in the church pew? (*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

WORDS TO LIVE:

A lot of us have words to live by. Our parents and their parents have handed down bits of wisdom that help us throughout our lives. Play fair. Try your best. Learn from your mistakes.

You probably have special words you live by. When something goes wrong, you might have some saying that helps you get through. When you rejoice with friends, words of thanksgiving may spring from your heart. When you face a major decision in life, you might fall back on the wisdom you have learned from others.

Perhaps you have these words of wisdom enshrined somehow. Maybe they are framed on your wall. Perhaps they hang from a banner. You might even carry them with you at all times.

When you need your words, they are there for you.

When Moses received the covenant, God gave him some special words to live by. There were too many words for anyone to remember all of them. So God gave a few words for Israel to hear and remember.

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength."

Those are the words that can guide us all our days.

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Hear, O Israel!
The LORD our GOD is one!
You shall
LOVE the LORD
with all your heart
with all your soul
with all your mind
and with all your strength
and you shall
LOVE your NEIGHBOR
as yourself

There is no commandment greater than these.

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Live
in the
spirit
of
Love

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St. Joseph

Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ “came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph” (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God’s plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, “God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child” (PC 5).

Dear St. Joseph,
help us to
imitate your
faithful trust and
courage.

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, “in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’” (PC 3). His “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.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him “an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble” (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say “yes” to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was “chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true ‘miracle’ by which God saves the child and his mother” (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were “able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence” (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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