

PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

September 25, 2022

Praise the Lord, my soul.

Saturday, September 24	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, September 25	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, September 26	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, September 27	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday, September 28	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, September 29	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Friday, September 30	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, October 1	..... 10:00-12 pm	Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St.
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass



NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Hb:1:2-3; 2:2-4: *The prophet learned that his hopes would be fulfilled, even though it may take longer than he expected.*

2 Tim:1:6-8, 13-14: *Paul reminded Timothy that God bestows a spirit that makes the people strong, loving and wise.*

Luke:17:5-10: *Jesus taught the apostles that faith gives power: a person with faith the size of a mustard seed can uproot a giant sycamore tree.*

(Masks are optional but encouraged)

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

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

St. Rita Parish Ohana...are you interested in hearing about the progress that has been made by the building committee? Please join us on **Sunday, October 2nd after the 9:00 Mass** for a parish town hall. The town hall will also be streamed live on Facebook for our Parishioners who can't make it in person. We will answer your questions, provide all the details of what has been accomplished so far and what our next steps are. We also encourage you to continue making donations designated to the building fund. All donations to the building fund are exempt from the Diocesan assessment, so 100% of your building fund donation is utilized only for our project. Mahalo for your continued support!

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

If anyone is the prophet of the punch line, it is Amos. He travels up from the south to preach to the people of the northern kingdom of Israel and he pulls no punches. "Woe to the complacent," he begins, and then in a quick series of brush strokes lets them know how God sees them: lying upon their beds, stretched out on their couches, eating their tender lamb and calves, drinking fine wine while the music plays and they anoint themselves with the best oils. Then the punch line—they shall be the first to go into exile. The party is over!

In a similar vein Jesus paints a portrait of "Richman"—tradition has named him Dives (Latin for "rich man")—dressed in the best, eating the best, insulated in his own little world, while at his door Lazarus lies starving, with only dogs coming to lick his sores. It is a scene of total indifference to the plight of the poor. God's response is clear. The wheel will turn. And when it does, so shall Lazarus and Richman. What was a gap between them becomes a chasm.

The Letter to Timothy today contains advice from a mentor to his beloved child in the faith. It offers of profile of how the baptized person is to live. It's a shame that the reading does not begin earlier (1 Timothy 6:9-10) and end later (6:17-19), because these verses directly warn about the dangers of money, offering advice for the wealthy so that they may "lay hold of eternal life" (6:12).

—James A. Wallace, C.S.S.R.

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Living God's Word



Jesus became poor so that we might be rich in the grace and wisdom of the Lord. We can pray and meditate on the responsorial psalm for this week: "Blessed is he who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets captives free" (Psalm 146:7).

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD PANTRY: Do you have old/unused reusable shopping bags? The Food Pantry is in need of them, the pantry can no longer use plastic bags for our food distribution. A box will be placed in the back of church for your old/unused reusable shopping bags. Mahalo!

RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT: Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats offer healing and support for anyone who has experienced emotional pain and suffering after abortion. Both women and men are welcomed to this private retreat where the mercy, love and compassion of Jesus Christ will be felt in an environment of safety and trust for healing to take place. The next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat will be held on **October 14-16, 2022 (Arrival at 5:30 pm on Friday/departure on Sunday at 5:00 pm)** To register, contact Lisa Shorba at (808) 349-5071 or email.rvinhawaii@gmail.com {Registrations are strictly Confidential) A fee of \$175 person (covers room, meal, refreshments and retreat materials). Space is limited. For more information visit: www.raceheisvineyard.com

WORD OF LIFE: "Suicidal individuals—with our without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die. . . . The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, "Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?" USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Every Suicide is Tragic"

WEEKLY READINGS

Sep 25 Sun: 26TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am:8:4-7; Ps:113; 1 Tim:2:1-8; Lk:16:1-13

Sep 26 Mon: Ordinary Weekday

Job:16:6-22; Ps:17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Lk:9:46-50

Sep 27 Tue: Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

Job:3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps:88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8; Lk:9:51-56

Sep 28 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Job:9:1-12, 14-16; Ps:88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15; Lk:9:57-62

Sep 29 Thur: Saint Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Dan:7:9-10, 13-14; Ps:138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn:1:47-51

Sep 30 Fri: Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Job:38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps:139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab; Lk:10:13-16

Oct 01 Sat: Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Job:42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps:119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk:10:17-24

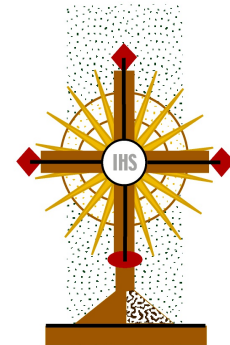
NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel Jesus offers a warning about living selfishly in his parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus. The Rich Man holds sumptuous feasts and dresses in fine clothes. But despite his affluence he does nothing to relieve the painful hunger and debilitating condition of his neighbor Lazarus. He neglects to love his neighbor as he loves himself and is sent to hell for his lifestyle and desire for self-gratification. The Rich Man represents those who spend their money on their own personal pleasures with no regard for sharing their material possessions with the poor and needy in their own neighborhood. Good stewards realize the practical implications of not only loving God, but loving their neighbor as they would love themselves. Who are the less fortunate in our neighborhood? Do we share a portion of our blessings with them. (International Catholic Stewardship Council)

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

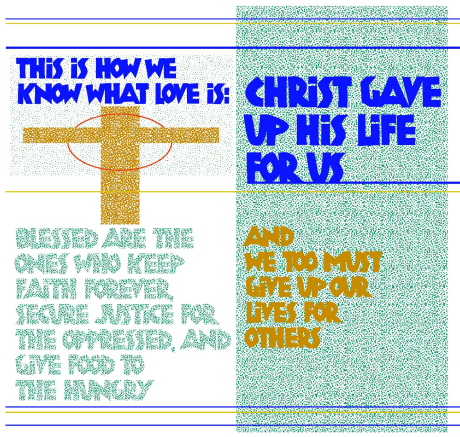
MAHALO FOR SHARING YOUR TREASURE

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



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