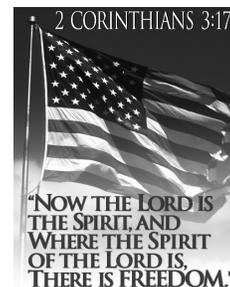


# PARISH CALENDAR

Thirteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

July 2, 2017

Bless the Lord, O my soul!



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Saturday, July 1	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Sunday, July 2	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Monday, July 3	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, July 4	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	<b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY</b>	
Wednesday, July 5	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, July 6	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 7:30 p. m.	<b>Prayer Meeting - Church</b>
Friday, July 7	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, July 8	..... 4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

### NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Zech:9:9-10:** *God's people are given the promise of a hopeful future.*  
**Rom:8:9, 11-13:** *The life-giving Spirit dwells in us.*  
**Mt:11:25-30:** *"Come to me. . . for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."*

### **Living Catholic in the 808 Receiving Sacraments "Out of Order"**

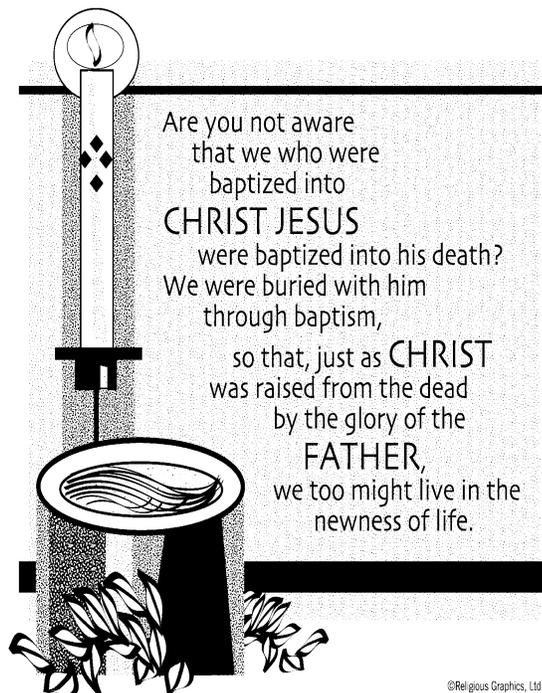
*Did you know that children baptized as infants usually receive the sacraments out of sequence, out of order? To be fully initiated as Christians, as followers of Jesus Christ, we receive three sacraments, namely Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. When Confirmation comes last, perhaps even years after First Communion, we can get the impression that Confirmation is the "final" sacrament, that Confirmation is what brings us fully into the Body of Christ.*

*This is not true. Our faith tells us that Eucharist, not Confirmation, is the source and summit of our faith. Our faith tells us that First Communion is what completes our initiation into the life of Christ.*

*In 1971, Blessed Pope Paul VI issued the revised Rite of Confirmation saying "The faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and finally are sustained by the food of eternal life in the Eucharist. . . . the faithful, after being signed by holy Baptism and Confirmation, are incorporated fully into the body of Christ by participation in the Eucharist" (Apostolic Constitution, "Divinae Consortium Naturae," 1971)*

*Over the coming weeks, we'll more fully explore these three sacraments as well as the upcoming changes our diocese is making to establish the original order of the three sacraments of initiation and faith.*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS:** The pantry is in need of volunteers to help distribute food on Wednesday and Friday. Do you have two hours to spare in the morning's from **9-11 a.m.?** This is one way to be a steward of your time and give back to those in need. Contact the parish office at 668-7833, for more information.

**190th ANNIVERSARY OF CATHOLICISM IN HAWAII:** **Sunday, July 9, 2017**, the feast day of Our Lady, Queen of Peace, principal patroness of the Diocese of Honolulu, marks the 190th anniversary of the arrival of the first Catholic missionaries in Hawaii, members of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

**SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION & THE ORIGINAL ORDER WORKSHOP:** To learn more about the transiting of the instructing our children who are seven yr olds and older, in the "Original Order of the Sacraments of Initiation", Sacred Heart Waianae will be offering the workshop **Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>** at Sacred Heart Waianae, from **6:30-8:30 p. m.** The workshop is open to everyone especially our Religious Education teachers and Youth Ministry leaders. If you are unable to attend the July 18<sup>th</sup> workshop, they will offer it again on **Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 9 a. m. - 1 p.m.**, should you have any questions, please contact Rosa Lefu'a at 861-3747 or email [lefu77@yahoo.com](mailto:lefu77@yahoo.com)

**WORD OF LIFE:** "Human dignity is the same for all human beings: when I trample on the dignity of another, I am trampling on my own." Pope Francis, "Message for the Lenten Brotherhood Campaign in Brazil." © 2014 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. <https://goo.gl/JElrMo>

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Jul 2 Sun: 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
2 King: 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89; Rom: 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt: 10:37-42

**Jul 3 Mon: St. Thomas, apostle**  
Eph: 2:19-22; Ps: 117: 1bc, 2; Jn: 20:24-29

**Jul 4 Tue: Independence Day, (U. S.)**  
Gn: 19: 15-29 Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12; Mt: 8: 23-27

**Jul 5 Wed: Ordinary Weekday**  
Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Ps 34: 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Mt: 8:28-34

**Jul 6 Thur: Ordinary Weekday**  
Gn 22:1b-19; Ps 115: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Mt: 9:1-8

**Jul 7 Fri: Ordinary Weekday**  
Gn: 12:3: 1-4, 19; 24: 1-8, 62-67; Ps: 106: 1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5; Mt: 9:9-13

**Jul 8 Sat: Ordinary Weekday**  
Gn: 27: 1-5, 15-29; Ps 135: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt: 9:14-17

## THE LITTLE ONES

This week and next Matthew refers to "little ones." Who are the little ones in these scriptures today? The woman cares for Elisha in his time of need. Elisha cares for the woman in her time of need. The "little ones" are anyone in need, in whom we are to see the face of Christ himself. Who are the little ones in your community? How are you called to reach out to them and care for their needs? What willing sacrifice will you have to make? What will be the reward?



**ONE FAITH  
ONE BAPTISM  
ONE LORD**

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## NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's Gospel, Jesus minces no words: "whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Few of us will be called to die the way Jesus did. But to be his disciples means having the willingness to lay down our lives with him and for him. Exercising good stewardship of the Gospel requires taking up one's cross daily and following Jesus. There will be dying to do on our way to the Father. It could be unfair treatment, health problems, fatigue, frustration at work, failed relationships, loneliness or sadness. If we, like Jesus encounter and accept suffering, we will bring the hope of the cross to others. There is no cross the Lord's love cannot transcend. In your reflections this week, consider how your cross, no matter how heavy, might become in instrument of hope and Christ's love. **(International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin)**

## NEW LIFE

Most parents will say that the arrival of their first child was the beginning of a new life for them. They will say that the life of parenting involves lots of sacrifices, but the rewards are worth far more than the cost. And there is no one they would rather sacrifice for than their darling "little one."

This week all three scripture readings illustrate the rewards that God offers to those who are born into the new life of Christ in baptism. Paul tells us that all who die to sin in baptism shall live with Christ "in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). In this new life, sacrifices are freely and joyfully chosen, and they bring eternal rewards. The story of Elisha and the soon-to-be-widowed woman exemplifies the rewards of freely given sacrifice. She meets Elisha's needs not out of self-interest, but because she recognizes that Elisha is holy. Her sacrifice is rewarded with new life in her womb, a son to care for her in her old age.

Jesus' words to us reinforce this message: "Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it . . . and whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones" (Matthew 10:39, 42) will be rewarded. Willing sacrifice for others is at the heart of living out our baptism, but then, so is newness of life.



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