

# PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-second Sunday  
In Ordinary Time

September 2, 2018

Let us live  
in the presence of the Lord!

Saturday, September 1	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Sunday, September 2	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass, Aloha Sunday
Monday, September 3	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	<b>FOOD PANTRY CLOSED</b>
Tuesday, September 4	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday, September 5	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, September 6	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Meeting Church
Friday, September 7	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, September 8	..... 4:00-4:45 p.m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY**



## NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

**Is:35:4-7a: Be strong! Fear not! Here is your God!**

**Jas:2:1-5: Show no partiality**

**Mk:7:31-37: He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak**

### **Living Catholic in the 808 How to Respond**

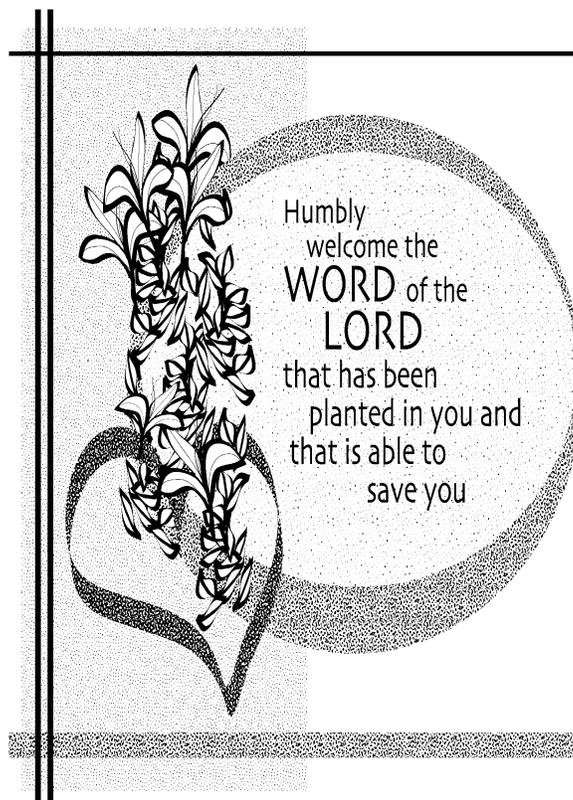
*(As followers of Jesus), there are times when one does not protest one's innocence. Part of Jesus' mission, as our liturgy puts it, was "to become sin for us", to risk having his innocence mixed in with guilt and be perceived as sin so as to help carry darkness and sin for others.*

*Beyond our apologies, all of us, clergy and laity alike, are invited to do something for the church right now, namely help carry this scandal as Jesus did.*

*Indignantly separating ourselves morally from this sin is not the way of Jesus and the cross. Like Mary standing under the cross, we must not replicate the anger and darkness of the moment so as to give it back in kind.*

*Instead, like her we must do the only thing possible when standing beneath the consequence of sin, that is, let our posture, like Mary's speak deeply through a voice that, unlike bitterness or collapse, says: "Today, I can't stop this darkness, nobody can. Sometimes darkness just has its hour. But I can stope some of the sin and bitterness that's in the moment by absorbing it, not distancing myself form it, and not giving it back in kind." Sometimes darkness has its moment and we, followers of Jesus, may not self-servingly distance ourselves from the sin but need to help absorb it.*

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*Be doers of the Word  
and not hearers only*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**R. C. I. A. CLASSES:** Begins next **Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, in the St. Francis Trailer.** If someone you know would like to become a Catholic, this class is for them. If you or someone you know have not been Confirmed or received your First Holy Communion, this class is also for you. **R. C. I. A.**, is the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults it's the process the Catholic Church uses to achieve these goals for those who desire to participate and become candidates. Should you have any questions please contact Don Gerry or RCIA Director @ 489-95-29.

**ST. RITA - SOUVENIR BOOK:** Mahalo to all who handed in inserts for the souvenir book. It is still in the process of being completed. We want to get it right and have something that is good, not just OK. Updates will follow.

**THE NATIONAL COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA:** Next week, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. Thank you for your generosity. Envelopes are attached to this weekend bulletin and in you Parish Envelopes. You can learn more at [www.collection.catholic.edu](http://www.collection.catholic.edu).

**CITIZENS FOR A PRO-LIFE SOCIETY:** On **Saturday, September 8, 2018**, [Citizens for a Pro-Life Society](#), [Priests for Life](#) and the [Pro-Life Action League](#) will co-sponsor the 6th annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children, calling on pro-life Americans to honor the memorials of our aborted brothers and sisters. You are invited to join in a Rosary at **Sacred Heart in Waianae on Saturday September 8 at 6PM (immediately following the 5PM Mass)** at their memorial for the unborn in front of the church. Please remember to pray for all respect life issues: for the victims of abortion, euthanasia, human sex trafficking, and for all homeless, prisoners, addicted, and refugees.

**WORD OF LIFE:** "We share Pope Francis' "conviction that everything possible must be done to rid the Church of the scourge of the sexual abuse of minors and to open pathways of reconciliation and healing for those who were abused." **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" (2018 Revisions), quoting Pope Francis, Letter, February 2, 2015. © 2015 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with Permission. All rights reserved**

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Sep 2 Sun: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt:4:1-2, 6-8; Ps:15; Jas: 1:17-18, 54b-22, 27; Mk:7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### Sep 3 Mon: Saint Gregory, Pope and Doctor of the Church

1 Cor:2: 1-5; Ps:119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102; Lk:4:16-30

### Sep 4 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:2:10b-16; Ps:145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14; Lk:4:31-37

### Sep 5 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:3:1-9; Ps:33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21; Lk:4:38-44

### Sep 6 Thu: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor:1:1-9; Ps:145: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk: 5:1-11

### Sep 7 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

1 Cor: 4:1-5; Ps 38: 3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk:5:33-39

### Sep 8 Sat: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mic:5:1-4a, or Rm 8:28-30; Ps:13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

## NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

In today's second reading, St. James urges us to be "Doers of the Word, and not hearers only" (James 1:22). Being a "Doer of the Word" means being a good steward of the Gospel; meditating on the sacred scriptures and putting the teachings of Jesus Christ into action in our day-to-day lives. Whenever we are uncertain as to what decisions to make or actions to take as good stewards of the Gospel, St. James reminds us: We can never go wrong if we resist popular values that are not compatible with the Gospel and we come to the aid of those who are burdened, distressed or poor. Being a steward of the Gospel is not taking one single action. It means embracing a lifestyle as a follower of Jesus Christ. What can we do this week to be better "Doers of the Word?" stewardship? (*International Catholic Stewardship Council~e-bulletin*)

## The Inside Story

Historians tell us that more knights in shining armor died because of that very shining armor than because of sword or lance or arrow. The shining armor was so constricting, so suffocating, and so cumbersome that the poor knight could be overcome by heat exhaustion and his heart would stop. The life-giving rules and customs of a people can become a deadly suit of armor. They can cause death of the heart. Jesus knew this, and he had plenty to say about it.

## REFLECTION

Manners and customs and conventional behaviors are telling. Simple manners ease relationships among strangers. In everyday commerce, we live in the company of strangers, to whom we owe respect. When our conventional behaviors are truly rooted in respect, manners help create a civil and decent people. But when manners cover for indifference or outright contempt, we are in deep trouble. Our words and ways must be honest expressions of respect and love. They must communicate a sense of mutual trust and responsibility.

What is true of the health of society is also true of religion. The core of our religion cannot be found in this or that era, custom, tradition, or set of rules. Searching for the heart of faith in any of these places may simply be enshrining a particular period in Christian history and endowing it with authority above all others. It may be our new little idol. When this is the case, mere lip service and empty reverence replace charity and service. The chatterers replace the doers; those who know about rules replace those who act in love. *Copyright © 2002, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.*

