

St. Augustine by-the-sea



With the servant leadership of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary since 1854

Fr. Lane K. Akiona, ss.cc.

Pastor

Fr. Lusius Nimu, ss.cc.

Parochial vicar

Deacon Andy Calunod

Sunday Liturgy

5 p.m. Saturday

6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

Daily Mass

7 a.m., 5 p.m. Monday-Friday

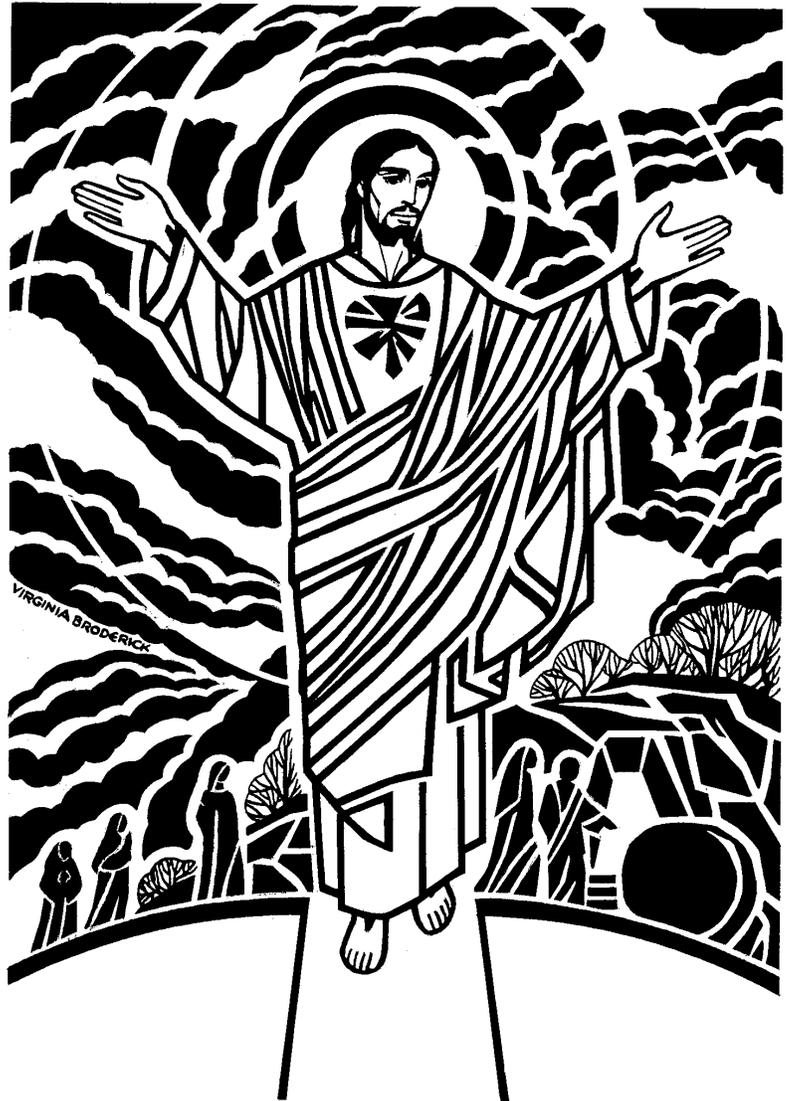
7 a.m. Saturday

Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i

Heritage Center

Open daily, featuring displays of the work of St. Damien and St. Marianne

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*You have made us for yourself, Lord,
and our hearts are restless until they
rest in you*

-- St. Augustine of Hippo

Alleluia! He is Risen!

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Office hours

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed noon to 1 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to noon. Closed Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 6:30-6:45 a.m. and 4:30-4:45

p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 3-4 p.m. Saturday.

Baptism: Call the parish office for information.

Marriage: Email staugustineweddingcoordinator@gmail.com before making arrangements.

Confirmation: Call the parish office for information.

Funerals: Call the parish office when finalizing services with the mortuary.

Religious education

Contact the parish office to enroll your child in religious education classes or to inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Parish organizations

Altar Rosary Society

Holy Name Society

Tongan Society

Knights of Columbus

Ka Huaka'i (Marriage ministry)

Please call the parish office for information about joining any of these organizations.

Soup kitchen

Coordinator: Carmen Brewer

Hot meals are served between 11 a.m. and noon

Monday to Friday, except holidays

To register

Call the parish office to register and to sign up for envelopes

Bulletin deadline

Material to be considered in the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office by noon on the Monday before the Sunday of publication.

Hospitality

Join us for doughnuts and juice after all morning masses on the first Sunday of the month.

This week at St. Augustine

Sunday, April 7 Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday

Liturgical color: White

6 a.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

8 a.m. Mass—S/I Purie Cortez (thanksgiving); R/S Maria Lau

10 a.m. Mass—R/S Maria Lau, Zeb Rich; S/I Enrique & Hideliza

Tuason (40th anniversary)

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Tangitangi Sevelo

Monday, April 8-- The Annunciation of the Lord

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

5 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, April 9

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Eleanor Mackowski

5 p.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

5:30 p.m. Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Wednesday, April 10

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

5 p.m. Mass

7 p.m. Tongan Choir, Annex Building

Thursday, April 11--St. Stanislaus, bishop and martyr

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

2 p.m. Wedding rehearsal

5 p.m. Mass

Friday, April 12

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

2 p.m. Wedding

5 p.m. Mass

Saturday, April 13--St. Martin I, pope and martyr

Liturgical color: White/Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

7:30 a.m. Church cleaning, Tongan Society, Asst. Catechist's Mystery

5 p.m. Mass—S/I The Conrad and Ablen Families

Breaking open the Word

Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

Reflection

John's recounting of the appearance of the risen Jesus to his disciples is unique. We're told that Jesus stood in their midst and showed them his wounds and gave them his peace. The wounds of Jesus bring Thomas to healing faith: "My Lord and my God." And we heard Jesus speak to us: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

The wounds of Jesus reveal to us the extent of his love for us. Jesus took our wounds and struggles and made them his own. From his wounds flowed his sacred blood that washes us clean and give us the fullness of life. God's mercy and love are poured out on us in Jesus' death for us.

Jesus invites us to bring our struggles to him with great faith. Let him take our wounds and struggles into his heart, where he can transform them into saving grace for us. He desires to raise us up with him.

Jesus will give us his gift of peace in the midst of our struggles. He will remind us to stay beneath his cross in our struggles. He will encourage us to look into his eyes and see his love for us. He will help us to remember that his wounds remained when he rose from the dead. They have become signs of his love for us.

He will invite us to let our wounds become reminders of God's abiding love with us. Like Thomas, may we have the wisdom to proclaim with deep faith: "My Lord and my God, you are always with me."

Fr. Lusius Nimu ss.cc.

Readings

First reading — **Acts 5:12-16** A large number of people gathered, bringing the sick, and all were cured.

Responsorial psalm — **Psalms 118** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Second reading — **Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19** Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives.

Gospel — **John 20:19-31** The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts.

Weekday

Monday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:31-36

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

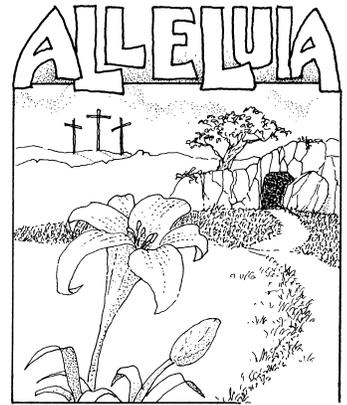
Next Sunday's readings

Acts 5:37-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

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Easter Time

Outside of Ordinary time, Easter (the 50 days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost) is the longest season in the liturgical year. They are the weeks of Easter, not after Easter. All of the readings in this season are from the New Testament, particularly from the Acts of the Apostle and the Gospel of John. During Easter Time, the first reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, which is the account of the history of the early Christian community. These are the post-Resurrection narratives and show the enthusiasm of the first followers of Jesus. The responsorial psalms in this season are all hymns of thanksgiving and praise. The second readings for the Sundays of this season are from the Book of Revelation. The Gospel readings are from the Gospel of John except for the Ascension. In these readings, we find the empty tomb, doubting Thomas, the Good Shepherd, Jesus feeding the disciples on the sea of Tiberius and Jesus' final discourse at the Last Supper. In the prefaces to the Eucharistic prayer in this season, we are reminded that Christ's resurrection is ours, that a new age has dawned and the joy of this season renews the whole world. On Pentecost, the preface proclaims that in sending the Spirit, God has brought the Paschal Mystery to completion. No other season brims with such life and promise



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A Year of Faith Prayer

We give you thanks, O Loving God of us all, for giving as a relationship with you. Sometimes we only trust your presence, love and care at some distance from you.

At times, we live out that relationship in our daily lives by the way we live gratefully and generously, with self-sacrificing love for others.

Today we ask you to help us renew our faith in the bond that you offer us with you.

Let us live today with greater trust in your presence with us, with a greater sense of our personal mission which flows from our relationship with you, and with a greater desire to express our faith in you through the choices we make today.

Help us with your grace today to witness our faith so it might be easier for others to want to know you and to place their trust in you.

And may our gratitude be expressed in deeds of love for those closest to us who need our love today and for those who whose needs cry out to us throughout the world.

With faith in your fidelity, Amen

Keys to fruitful Scripture reading

Today's Catholic is called to take an intelligent, spiritual approach to the Bible.

Here are keys to fruitful Scripture reading:

- The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself.
- Reading the Bible should begin with a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to the Word of God. Scripture reading should end with a prayer that this Word will bear fruit in our lives, helping us to become holier and more faithful people.
- When selecting a Bible, look for a Catholic edition. A Catholic edition will include the Church's complete list of sacred books along with introductions and notes for understanding the text. A Catholic edition will have an imprimatur notice on the back of the title page.
- The Bible is a library. The Bible is a collection of 73 books written over the course of many centuries. The books include royal history, prophecy, poetry, challenging letters to struggling new faith communities, and believers' accounts of the preaching and passion of Jesus. Knowing the genre of the book you are reading will help you understand the literary tools the author is using and the meaning the author is trying to convey.
- The Bible is the story of God's relationship with the people he has called to himself. It is not intended to be read as history text, a science book, or a political manifesto. In the Bible, God teaches us the truths that we need for the sake of our salvation.
- Read the Bible in context. What happens before and after – even in other books – helps us to understand the true meaning of the text.
- The Old Testament and the New Testament shed light on each other. Together, these testaments help us to understand God's plan for human beings.
- By reading and reflecting on Sacred Scripture, Catholics join those faithful men and women who have taken God's Word to heart and put it into practice in their lives.



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Mahalo

Mahalo to all who helped at Easter liturgy last weekend — to those who helped decorate the church, the music ministers, hospitality ministers and ushers, ministers at the altar. More than 4,500 people experienced the beauty of the Easter Vigil and Easter day Masses at St. Augustine. One of the comments we received: “My family and I attended Easter Mass at St. Augustine. You guys did a great job. Really enjoy the priest and his outlook on things.”

Mackey lecture at Chaminade campus

Tucson Bishop Gerald F. Kicanas will give the Mackey Marianist Lecture on “Catholic Social Teaching and Immigration Reform” on Sunday, April 7, at 4 p.m. at the Mystical Rose Oratory at Chaminade. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Bishop Kicanas is chair of the Board of Directors of Catholic Relief Service and a member of the Administrative Committee and the Budget and Finance Committee of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Bishop Kicanas was a member of the Board of Directors of the National Pastoral Life Center. He is a former member of the Catholic Legal Immigration Network. Bishop Kicanas is a former vice president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. He has served as Secretary of the Conference and as chair of the Communications Committee, the Diaconate Committee, and the Subcommittee for Lay Ecclesial Ministry. He has served as a member of the Conference's Communications, Migration, Laity, Liturgy, Priestly Formation, and Doctrine Committees. He has been a member of the Conference's National Advisory Council.

Divine Mercy liturgy at Star of the Sea

Bishop Larry Silva will be the celebrant at Divine Mercy Sunday Liturgy, April 7, at 3 p.m. at Star of the Sea Church.

Pinwheels for Prevention

April is Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month. Help bring attention to the prevention of child abuse and neglect in Hawaii by planting a pinwheel at the Hawaii State Capitol Sunday April 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. The pinwheel display will be visible April 7 to 14. Pinwheels for Prevention is sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse Hawaii, the state Department of Health and the Child Abuse Prevention Planning Council.

Stewardship

Collection, week ending March 31: \$17,034.95

Easter collection: \$10,103.71

Disbursements week ending March 31: \$22,169.12

Faith formation

Faith Formation class

Spend some time opening yourself to the power of God in our monthly Faith Formation class. We gather for prayer, reflection and faith sharing, using Joyce Rupp's book "Fresh Bread and Other Gifts of Spiritual Nourishment."

"Surrender yourself a bit more to God's power working through you," writes Joyce Rupp "...by ourselves we can do nothing, but with a surrendered heart we can do all things through the one who gives us strength."

Our next gathering will be at 7 p.m. Monday, April 15, in the Damien Meeting Room. Our time together is led by Fr. Ken Templin SM. All are welcome to join us. Copies of the book are available for sale at the parish office. Please bring a Bible to class with you.

RCIA Day of Recollection

An RCIA Day of Recollection will be held at St. Anthony Retreat Center on Saturday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will look into the Easter Season and discuss the question, "What does the Risen Christ want?" The cost for the day is \$20, which includes lunch. Fr. David Lupos, S.C.C. will present the day. The registration deadline is April 17. Please call Kimberly at 845-4353 or email Fr. Lupo at lupos.david@yahoo.com

Parish outreach

You can be part of Family Promise!

Homelessness can seem like an overwhelming problem. Many people wonder what one person or congregation can do to make a difference. Family Promise of Hawaii provides a way for churches to work together to help homeless families. Holy Trinity Parish in Kuliouou is one of a network of Hawaii congregations participating in Family Promise by providing overnight lodging and meals for three to five families for two weeks every quarter. St. Augustine will help Holy Trinity this month by providing household cleaning April 6 and meals the evenings of Saturday, April 20 and Saturday, April 27. A generous parishioner has already organized the meal for April 20 but we are still looking for volunteer help April 27. Wouldn't you like to be part of this special ministry? For more information or to volunteer, email staugustine-bythesea@gmail.com or call the parish office (808) 923-7024.

Soup Kitchen served 1,090 in March

The St. Augustine Soup Kitchen served 1,090 hot meals in March to those who are homeless and those who are hungry in our community. The Soup Kitchen is one of our ministries to those in our midst who lack adequate food and is supported by donations from parishioners and visitors. Your financial support makes you a part of this ministry and is one way we are living examples of the Gospel message of service and ministry. The next second collection for the Soup Kitchen will be on June 30.

"Absolute Faith" Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Heritage Center



"Absolute Faith" intertwines the stories of Father Damien, Mother Marianne and the people of Kalaupapa using historic and contemporary photographs, quotations, poetry and song. There are many never-seen-before portraits from the early 1900s that offer a rare and compelling glimpse of life in the land of exile.

The Heritage Center is in front of the church in the ABC Building on the second floor. It is open daily.

A lift is available for those with special needs. For arrangements for groups of 20 or more,

call 922-3121.

**No admission fee,
free-will offerings appreciated**

To learn more

The Heritage Center offers for sale several books about Sts. Damien and Marianne, including:

"Holy Man - Father Damien of Moloka'i" by Gavan Dawes

"Pilgrim & Exile - Mother Marianne of Moloka'i" by Sister Mary Laurence Hanley OSF & O.A. Bushnell

"Damien The Making of a Saint," published by Mutual Printing