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St. Augustine Church by-the-sea

Sunday Liturgy

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

Daily Liturgy

7 a.m. Monday-Saturday
5 p.m. Monday-Thursday



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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

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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.

Aunty Carmen's Kitchen

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, Jan. 8—The Epiphany of the Lord

Liturgical color: White

6 a.m. Mass—S/I Kelly Navarro (healing)

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Pua Bow

10 a.m. Mass—R/S Edward & Agnes Cordeiro

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Sage Kong Kee and the Kong Kee Family

Monday, Jan. 9—The Baptism of the Lord

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass

6 p.m. Knights of Columbus, Damien Meeting Room

Tuesday, Jan. 10

First Week in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

Wednesday, Jan. 11

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

8 a.m. Altar Rosary Society, Damien Meeting Room

5 p.m. Mass

6:30 p.m. RCIA, Damien Meeting Room

Thursday, Jan. 12

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Wedding rehearsal

Friday, Jan. 13—St. Hilary

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Dominador & Segundina Ayala

Saturday, Jan. 14

Liturgical color: Green/White

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Dominador & Segundina Ayala

10 a.m. Regina Kawananakoa funeral

2 p.m. Wedding

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Patrick Park; S/I Sage and the Kong Kee Family



Breaking open the Word

The Epiphany of the Lord

The Three Kings were guided by a star to where the child Jesus lay. It was not an ordinary star for it moved, waited, and then finally stopped where Jesus lay. Have you ever wondered if more people saw the star? It goes without explanation that the event in itself was beyond human imagination.

Does the story of the star have any significance for you? Do you feel the same as the Three Kings who journeyed far hoping to see the child Jesus? They immediately fell down and worshiped Him with joy and jubilation. Have you felt the same response?

The message of the star does not end with the Three Kings. For even today we have a guiding light as we journey in this life. And it shines just as it did then, except it is in our hearts, pointing the way to Jesus. But we need to believe just as the Three Kings did and not be distracted or consumed by the sins of the world.

Remember, the Three Kings found Jesus in a very ordinary place with ordinary people. There was no presumption of a king by its surroundings. It was a humble place and, by our perceptions, not a place for a king. This may be a sign of where we can find Jesus in the world today.... in our humble hearts.

Let us reflect on this star as we journey in faith. May it strengthen us, help us to be courageous in our belief, and grant us the wisdom to trust in our Savior each day.

Deacon Andy Calunod

Readings

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

Weekday

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29; Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19; Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday

Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Daily Prayer

In this first week of Ordinary Time, we might find ourselves feeling let-down after the Christmas season. This is where we can ask for the grace to let the stories of the gospels come alive in our hearts.

The narratives of this week's gospel are packed with stories of Jesus' entering into the lives of real people and touching them in extraordinary ways. These are not far away stories, but ones that have a real meaning for us.

Jesus encounters Levi, a Jewish tax collector. Because of his profession, he was probably wealthy but he had humiliated his family and made himself a pariah to most of those around him. Jesus' response to this "outcast" was to invite him to be one of his closest disciples - and to dine at his house.

In our own lives we may find a loneliness or separation from people in our family or others in our lives. We have parts of our lives that are dark and embarrassing and seem unchangeable. It is into this very darkness and discomfort that Jesus extends the same invitation to us - "Follow me." This clear and personal call to us is from Jesus who already knows us and our failings and yet asks us to be with him. We can hear this invitation more clearly if we can be touched with awareness of our own failings and understand more deeply how much we need a savior in our lives. It is then that our hearts open to accept this invitation.

This week Jesus invites us to follow him, as friends and disciples. This is a good week for us to contemplate with Jesus what we are looking for and how much we want to turn and follow him. We can pray to Jesus for the strength to leave the patterns and habits of our lives that so often turn us away from him and ask for the grace to make a new beginning in our lives. If we can sit with our hands open in humility, we can accept that we can't do this on our own, but know in our hearts that with the help of God, nothing is impossible.

Creighton University Online Ministries

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

This year, in the United States the celebration of the Epiphany falls on Jan. 8, but the traditional date for the Epiphany is Jan. 6. The date we know as Jan. 6 was established as the solstice in Egypt in 1996 BC, but the Egyptian calendar lost a full day every 128 years. Twenty centuries later the actual solstice had migrated to Dec. 25. People still kept Jan. 6 for the solstice celebration, but Dec. 25, matching nicely with the Roman pagan feast of the Unconquered Sun, launched an extended solstice holiday. By the time of the early church, the whole period of twelve days was celebrated just about everywhere.

Christians began to celebrate Christ as the true light of the world in four themes: the Nativity, the manifestation to the Gentiles, the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana. That was too much for one day to handle. A twelve-day season was ready to be adapted, so Christians borrowed from the pagan calendar for their own season of light. Thus early Christian celebrations of the Christmas season extended from one date for the solstice, Dec. 25, to the older date, Jan. 6. The darkest time in the Northern Hemisphere could now be filled with the Christian observance of the arrival of the Light of the World.

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Hawaiian societies at 10 a.m. Mass

This weekend, Hale O Na Alli will be honoring Princess Wahiikaahaula, their foundress, along with the other Hawaiian Royal Orders at the 10 a.m. Mass.

It has become a tradition for them to come to St. Augustine Church since many of the Royal family (the Kawananakoas) have been baptized at St. Augustine.

Our koa baptismal font was given as a gift by members of the Kawananakoa family in 1903.

Please welcome the Royal Orders and Hawaiian Societies to our parish community.

Hawai'i loses member of Royal family

Funeral services will be held on Jan. 14 at St. Augustine beginning at 10 a.m. for HRH Princess Regina Abigail Mary Wahīka'ahu'ula Keōpūolani Kawānanakoa, who died Dec. 10. She was 69.

Daughters of Hawai'i, the Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club and the Daughters and Sons of Hawaiian Warriors – Māmakakaua will be present.

The eldest child of HRH Prince Edward Kawānanakoa and Lila de Clark Whitaker Kawānanakoa, Princess Regina was a philanthropist who exemplified the spirit of 'Ōpūali'i, charitable generosity embodied in the actions of a true Ali'i.

She was a member of Friends of 'Iolani and was a contributing member of the Daughters of Hawai'i. She was also a life member of the Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club.

She is survived by mother, Lila de Clark Whitaker Kawānanakoa; son, HRH Prince Erik Linstrom Kawānanakoa; grandchildren; HRH Prince Nicholas, HRH Princess Alexandra, & HRH Prince Lucas; brothers, HRH Prince Edward, HRH Prince David, HRH Prince Quentin and HRH Prince Pi'ikoi; aunt, Marchesa Kapi'olani Kawānanakoa Marignoli; stepmother Carol, the Princess Edward Kawānanakoa, and cousins, nieces & nephews.

Birthday-Queen Liliuokalani

On January 17 at 7 p.m. at Kaumakapili Church on North King Street the Pacific Justice and Reconciliation Center will pay tribute to the 25th anniversary of Hookeikahi-Reconciliation. "Honoring, remembering, promoting the legacy of Queen Liliuokalani...her justice, nonviolence, reconciliation. Join us to remember her accomplishments that continue even today.

2017 envelopes available

Stewardship envelopes for those who give to St. Augustine using envelopes are available in the sacristy. If you do not use envelopes and would like to begin, please call the parish office during office hours.



Priesthood Anniversary

Fr. Lane Akiona, ss.cc., our Pastor, will be celebrating his 36th anniversary of priesthood ordination on January 24. Mahalo nui loa for many more happy years of dedicated service and ministry.

Aunty Carmen's Kitchen served more than 18,000 meals in 2016

In December, Aunty Carmen's Kitchen, the St. Augustine Parish ministry to those who are hungry, served 1,419 meals. In all of 2016, the number of meals served totaled 18,523. This ministry is supported through the generosity of St. Augustine parishioners and our many visitors. Mahalo for all that you do.

Aunty Carmen's Kitchen offers a free meal from 11 a.m. to noon weekdays. The next second collection for Aunty Carmen's Kitchen will be Jan. 29.

Our Christmas Masses

Mahalo to all who made our Christmas celebration so wonderful. The updated total of attendance at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses is 5,441.

Rest in peace, Joseph Carter

Please remember the happy repose of Joseph Carter, who passed away on Christmas day. Joseph had been a parishioner for more than 30 years at St. Augustine. May he enter into eternal peace and rest, good and faithful servant. Services will be held in February.

Stewardship of treasure

Collection for the week ended Jan. 1: \$9,258.54

2nd collection for Repair & Maintenance: \$5,138.18

Public lecture by Bishop Barron

"Seven Keys to Evangelization" will be offered by Bishop Robert Barron from Word On Fire on Monday, January 16 at 7 p.m. at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa Parish.

This lecture is free and open to the public.

Bishop Barron is auxiliary bishop of Los Angeles. His Word on Fire programs have been broadcast regularly on WGN America, EWTN, Telecare, Relevant Radio and the Word on Fire YouTube Channel. Barron's Word on Fire website also offers daily blogs, articles, commentaries and over ten years of weekly sermon podcasts.



Mass attendance encouraged on Holy Days, other important feast days

A number of years ago, the Vatican gave the Diocese of Honolulu permission to reduce the number of Holy Days of Obligation to two: the Immaculate Conception (December 8) and Christmas (December 25). The diocese's Presbyteral Council last fall decided to leave the current practice in place, but to encourage Hawaii Catholics to attend Mass on the other Holy Days of Obligation celebrated in the United States of America as well as some other feast days.

Those days include:

January 1 – Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 23 – Memorial of St. Marianne Cope

May 10 – Memorial of St. Damien DeVeuster

May 28 - Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
(Celebrated on a Sunday in the Diocese of Honolulu)

August 6 - Solemnity of the Transfiguration occurs on a Sunday this year, so it replaces the Sunday in Ordinary Time and includes its own Saturday evening vigil.

August 15 - Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 16 – Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace (Celebrated as a Solemnity in the Cathedral Basilica and as a Feast in all other churches of the Diocese of Honolulu)

November 1 -- Solemnity of All Saints

November 2 – Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (Not a Holy Day of Obligation anywhere in the USA)

December 8 – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

December 25 – Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Evening Masses on Sunday, December 24 will be Vigil Masses of the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, not Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent.)



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Oahu Catechist Retreat 2016-17 *“The Evangelizing Catechist”*

Part I: Evangelization: The Heart of the Catechist
Part II: Special session for those who have lingering questions about implementing original order.

Saturday, January 21, 2017

9:00 AM - 12:30 PM - Part I

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM - Part II

St. Stephen Diocesan Center

Laulima Auditorium (under the chapel)

Facilitator: Jayne Monday

Attendance is free

Participants receive Track II credit

(Snacks provided. Please bring your own lunch)

Register online at www.catholicahawaii.org/oahucatechistretreat

Registration Deadline: January 14, 2017

St. Anthony Retreat Center presents: *“Lord, Teach us to Pray”*

Saturdays, Jan. 21 & Feb. 18, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There are many ways to pray!

Come discover with Sr. Marie Lemert ss.cc. and Malulani Kamanu some of the riches and diversity in prayer in one or both days of this two-part series.

Lunch is provided -- free will offering.

Located in St. Damien House at St. Anthony Retreat Center

Call to register: 845-0065

Charismatic Conference Jan. 13-15

Hawaii Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services holds its 2nd Winter Charismatic Conference on Jan 13 -15 at Catholic Charities Hawaii, 1822 Keeaumoku St. This winter conference opens HCCRS' 50th year.

The conference begins with registration Friday Jan. 13 at 6 p.m. Saturday includes 8 a.m. Mass; all-day talks, fellowship, healing service and 8 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration. Sunday includes 9 a.m. talk and 10:45 a.m. Mass with Bishop Larry Silva.

Speakers are: Fr. Mike Dalton OFM, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, Fr. John Farao OFM, exorcist for the Diocese of Monterey and a prison chaplain in San Luis Obispo, and Fr. Lou Cerulli, who developed a series of teachings on "Healing in The Eucharist" and conducts retreats, workshops and courses on this important and unique dimension of our faith.

Donation of \$55 is suggested for all three days, lunch and dinner included

Call 781-9254 for information or email chariscenter.hccrs@gmail.com