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# St. Augustine Church by-the-sea

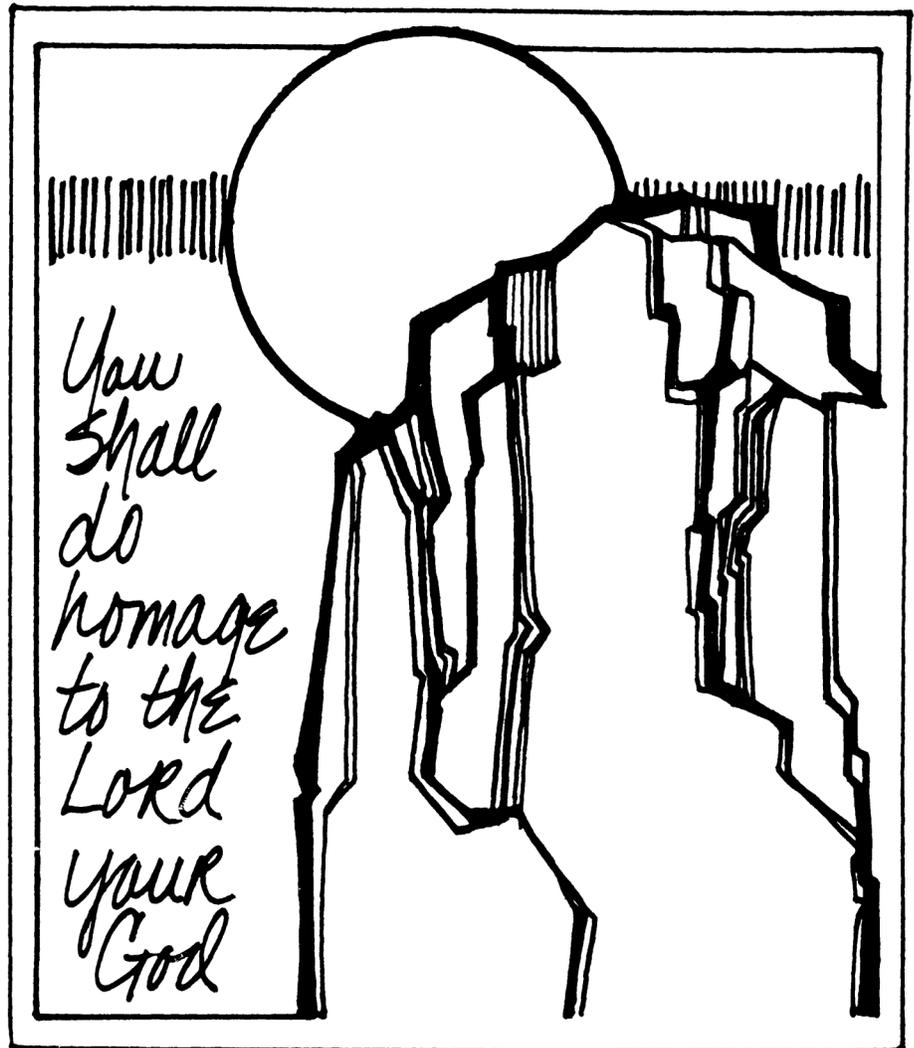
**Sunday Liturgy**  
5 p.m. Saturday  
6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

**Daily Liturgy**  
7 a.m. Monday-Saturday  
5 p.m. Monday-Thursday



*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](mailto: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.

#### Auntie 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, March 26—Fourth Sunday in Lent

Liturgical color: Violet/Rose

6 a.m. Mass

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Jerry Galang

9 a.m. Religious education, Annex Building

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Kong Kee Family (healing)

5 p.m. Mass

### Monday, March 27

Prince Kuhio Day

PARISH OFFICE AND AUNTY CARMEN'S KITCHEN CLOSED

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Dr. Jorge Camara

No 5 p.m. Mass

### Tuesday, March 28

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

9 a.m. Altar Rosary Society executive meeting, Annex Building, upstairs

5 p.m. Mass

6-9 p.m. Marriage Preparation, Church

7-9 p.m. Tongan Choir practice, Annex Building, upstairs\

### Wednesday, March 29

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

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

8:30 a.m. HCAP Kupuna Independent Living Series, Damien Mtg Room

5 p.m. Mass

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

7 p.m. Tongan Choir practice, Annex Building, upstairs

### Thursday, March 30

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

6 p.m. Scripture reflection, Damien Meeting Room

### Friday, March 31

Day of abstinence

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Abraham & Rosenda Foronda

5 p.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6 p.m. Soup supper, Damien Courtyard

7 p.m. Stations of the Cross—Tongan Community

### Saturday, April 1

First Saturday

Liturgical color: Violet

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Tongan Society, Choirmaster's Mystery

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Kong Kee Family (healing)



## Breaking open the Word

### *Fourth Sunday in Lent*

As a Church we celebrate the Second Scrutiny alongside those in Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The challenge for us baptized is, are we strong and brave enough to also take an intense look inwards, like when your mother looks at you — trying to tell if you might be lying. Scrutiny comes from the Latin *scrutari*, which means “to search,” but which originally meant, “to sort trash.”

So, what are our stumbling blocks to enlightenment? Anyone can have a religion, however, how many of us truly have a relationship with God. Are we seekers looking for Christ only in the externals or disciples accepting and assisting in spreading the doctrines of another? Or an apostle willing to act on our encounter of Christ by deepening our commitment to carry out the mission of Christ no matter how we will be tested like St. Paul. No matter where we are on this spiritual journey, having and developing an authentic relationship with our God and each other requires us to be vulnerable, and we only have to look at Jesus’ life to know how to act upon our own obstacles to faith.

In all the readings we see and hear all the symbols that are used in Baptism, oil, water, sight and the journey going from the externals to the encounter and acting on it. During Lent I am always reminded of the Bible verse taken from 1 Cor 2:10 “for the Spirit scrutinizes everything, even the depths of God.” For me, this verse not only reminds me but inspires and motivates me as a child created in the image of God and who believes in the Resurrected Christ to be strong, brave, humble and joyous and allow the Holy Spirit to enter into my depths to shine His light on the areas that hinder me from being a light to the world.

So, this Lent may we journey as deeply as our RCIA candidates and allow the Holy Spirit to blow where it wills so as to be able to truly celebrate this Easter whose we are in a world that truly needs light today.

May this Lent be grace filled for you.

*Sister Cheryl Wint, osf*

## Daily Prayer

The readings this week make it very clear that Jesus faced opposition that couldn't accept who he is. We see that Jesus comes to lay down his life that we might live. So, this week of Lent is an important time for us to ask ourselves if there are any parts of our hearts, any of our patterns, which oppose Jesus and his desire to give us life. This kind of honesty can transform our lives. It can allow the grace of God to bring reconciliation and healing we might not have imagined.

Even if it hasn't been easy to get really engaged with Lent so far, we can still make a beginning, even now. The key is openness and desire. If we can feel any attraction, any sign that the Lord is possibly drawing us closer, then the Lord can work with us - no matter what resistance or fear we might also be experiencing. All we have to do is act out of these desires and simply ask the Lord for the grace to help us be more honest and more open to what he is offering us. For example, we can ask for the grace to examine our consciences more thoroughly. We could try a different approach to facing any resistance we might have to the Lord's working in us. We might not commit the big sins, but we may not have examined what we fail to do. Who am I failing to love, to forgive, to be generous to? With whom am I withholding affection, care, reconciliation? Where can I live more honestly, with more integrity? How might I proactively change patterns of escape with patterns of care for others?

It is a time of grace when we can experience moments of “recognition,” or self-understanding. It isn't grace to “beat up on” ourselves. It is grace to feel grateful to the Lord for showing us obstacles to the life he is offering us. . This week, let us give thanks to the Lord who deeply desires our greater freedom and joy.

*Creighton University Online Ministries*

## Readings

**1st Reading** — As Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

**Psalm** — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

**2nd Reading** — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

**Gospel** — The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash. When I washed, I was able to see! (John 9:1-41)

## Weekday

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7; Jn 7:40-53

## Next Sunday

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45

# LENT

The readings in Lent make God's call to us clear: "Return to me with your whole heart." During Lent, the Church calls us to prayer, fasting, almsgiving and penance. Prayer deepens our relationship with God. Fasting helps us to be more aware of our sisters and brothers in need and reminds us to be selfless. Almsgiving is a way of practicing generosity and reminds us that all that we have is a gift and is meant to be shared. Through penance and the Sacrament of Reconciliation we can change sinful patterns.

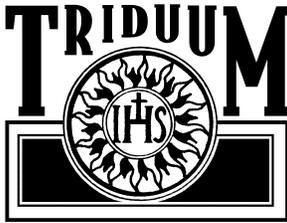
The Church offers many opportunities to grow during Lent:

**Daily Mass:** Monday-Friday 7 a.m. & 5 p.m.; Saturday 7 a.m.

**Liturgy of the Hours:** 6:30 a.m. Monday-Saturday

**Stations of the Cross:** 5:30 p.m. Fridays, 7 p.m. in Tongan.

**Build prayer into your daily life through online resources:** [Sacredspace.ie](http://Sacredspace.ie), [Prayingeachday.org](http://Prayingeachday.org), [ebreviary.com](http://ebreviary.com), [apostleshipofprayer.org](http://apostleshipofprayer.org), [lectio.americanbible.org](http://lectio.americanbible.org)



**Holy Thursday Mass: 7 p.m. April 13**

**Good Friday service: 3 p.m. April 14**

**Easter Vigil: 7 p.m. April 15**

**Easter Masses: 6, 8 & 10 a.m., 5 p.m.**

The Good Friday collection will support the work of the Franciscans in the Holy Land. All money collected throughout the United States on Good Friday is used to care for the people and places of the Holy Land. This collection keeps Christianity alive in this area made holy by the life, suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Join us for Stations, soup on Fridays

The Knights of Columbus are providing a light soup supper on Fridays in Lent after the 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross. Please join us in the Damien Courtyard for food and fellowship immediately following the Stations of the Cross.

## Lenten Penance services

Communal Lenten Penance services with individual confessions will be offered:

March 28 @ 6:15 p.m. Mary, Star of the Sea

April 3 @ 7 p.m. Newman Center/Holy Spirit

## "Come"

### *How do you answer God's invitations?*

When God calls us, how do we answer? Are we timid or wary? Or worse, do we ignore and dismiss it?

In this season of Lent, we are asked to look inward to reflect on our relationship with God; to examine those areas where we can improve, and then strive to be more and more intimate with Him.

We must realize that God yearns for this type of intimacy. And the Good News is he is constantly inviting us to do so. We simply need to answer, "Yes!"

Come join us as we reflect on our Lenten Journey and discern God's invitations in our lives.

When: **April 3 at 6 p.m.** in the church. Deacon Keith Cables will be the presenter.

## Lenten food drive for the homeless

Every week the outreach ministry of Our Lady of Kea'au on the Waianae Coast provides food to homeless individuals and families. St. Augustine will be collecting nonperishable food and toiletries for this ministry through Palm Sunday.

This annual Lenten food drive brings home to us the needs of so many of our brothers and sisters. Drop off your nonperishable, unopened food items (particularly canned meats and canned meals such as spaghetti and canned vegetables and fruit) and unopened toiletries in marked boxes in the church.

## Graduates invited to May 25 Mass

All middle school, high school, and college/university graduates are invited to celebrate Mass with Bishop Larry May 25 at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace at 6 p.m..

A reception with light refreshments will follow the Mass in the Kamiano Center. RSVP to [oyyam@rcchawaii.org](mailto:oyyam@rcchawaii.org).

## Fundraiser to support seminarians

Since 1827, the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary (SS.CC) has ministered to this local church and provided an experience of church into this 21st century. Even though our numbers are less, we are HOPEFUL for the future. We have 11 seminarians studying in Fiji at the Pacific Regional Seminary and three students in our Novitiate program here in Hawaii.

We are grateful to God for all his blessings with an increase of vocations to the religious life/priesthood.

You are invited to join us for a fundraiser on April 29 to support our seminarians who are in our Province Formation Program. Our Brothers come from different cultures and experiences of church and we hope they will continue the strong missionary zeal and spirit of those who came before us, such as our brother Damien.

Join us at a Mass of Thanksgiving at 10 a.m. April 29 with Cardinal Soane Patita Paini Mafi, Diocese of Tonga, as presider and a luncheon with entertainment to follow at St. Ann Church, Kaneohe. Tickets for lunch/entertainment are \$30 per person. Contact the parish office for more information.



## Birthday celebration hosted by Knights

“God has called all of you to a special vocation, which you live with reference, faithfulness, kindness, and joy. It was an honor that some of our brother knights from Kamiano and myself were able to gather in celebration of both of your birthdays (Fr. Lane and Fr. Lusius) at Assagio and at the same time be able to be joined by your brother priests (Fr. Benny and Fr. Santhosh and Deacon Andy). It was fun, the food was awesome, and the laughter and the brotherhood shared by all displayed the kind of love we all have for one another. You are all an inspiration! May God bless you abundantly in your priestly ministries praying that the Holy Spirit will continue to strengthen you as you serve your parishes and community. ~Thank you for all you do in the service of God. Hau`oli Lā Hānau, and God Bless You!”

*Brother Bob Allen and the members of Kamiano Council  
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## Fall conference will feature author of ‘Dead Man Walking’

Sister of St. Joseph Helen Prejean, author of “Dead Man Walking,” and Cardinal Soane Patita Paini Mafi, Tonga’s first cardinal, will be among the speakers at the inaugural Damien and Marianne Catholic Conference Oct. 20-22 at the Hawaii Convention Center.

Conference attendees will also have an opportunity to meet two women whose miraculous cures led to the canonizations of St. Damien de Veuster and St. Marianne Cope. Katie Mahoney, at age 14, survived multiple organ failure through the intercession of Mother Marianne, one of two miracles needed for the Franciscan Sister’s canonization. Retired school teacher Audrey Toguchi received a “spontaneous complete remission” from an aggressive, metastasized cancer, thanks to the intercession of Father Damien, leading to his canonization.

## Visit Kalaupapa with Bishop Larry

Kalaupapa is only accessible to invited guests and Bishop Larry Silva has made special arrangements, through Seawind Tours & Travel, Inc., for a limited number of visitors to accompany him as he visits this spiritual place. The cost of the day-trip is \$399.00 per-person and early registration is recommended as space is limited.

Available tour dates are:

- Sunday, June 25, 2017
- Sunday, August 13, 2017
- Sunday, September 24, 2017

For more information contact Ed Land at Seawind Tours at [elane@seawindtours.com](mailto:elane@seawindtours.com) or (808) 949-4144.

## Weekly Scripture discussions

Our weekly Thursday evening Scripture Reflection continues at 6 p.m. in the upstairs room of the Annex Building. Our deacons are interested in being part of the rotation of presenters. Come and check them out.

April 6 is the Chrism mass at the Co-Cathedral, there will be no reflection on that night.

All lectors – and anyone interested in deepening their knowledge of Scripture – are encouraged to attend weekly. Lectors scheduled to read that Sunday are expected to attend.

## Kupuna Independent Life Series

The Kupuna Independent Life Series is a comprehensive approach to assisting seniors, age 55+ with health education, support for living productive independent lives, and proactive engagement in the community

### Spring Series Schedule:

Wednesdays 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Through April 19, 2017

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For questions or additional information, contact:

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