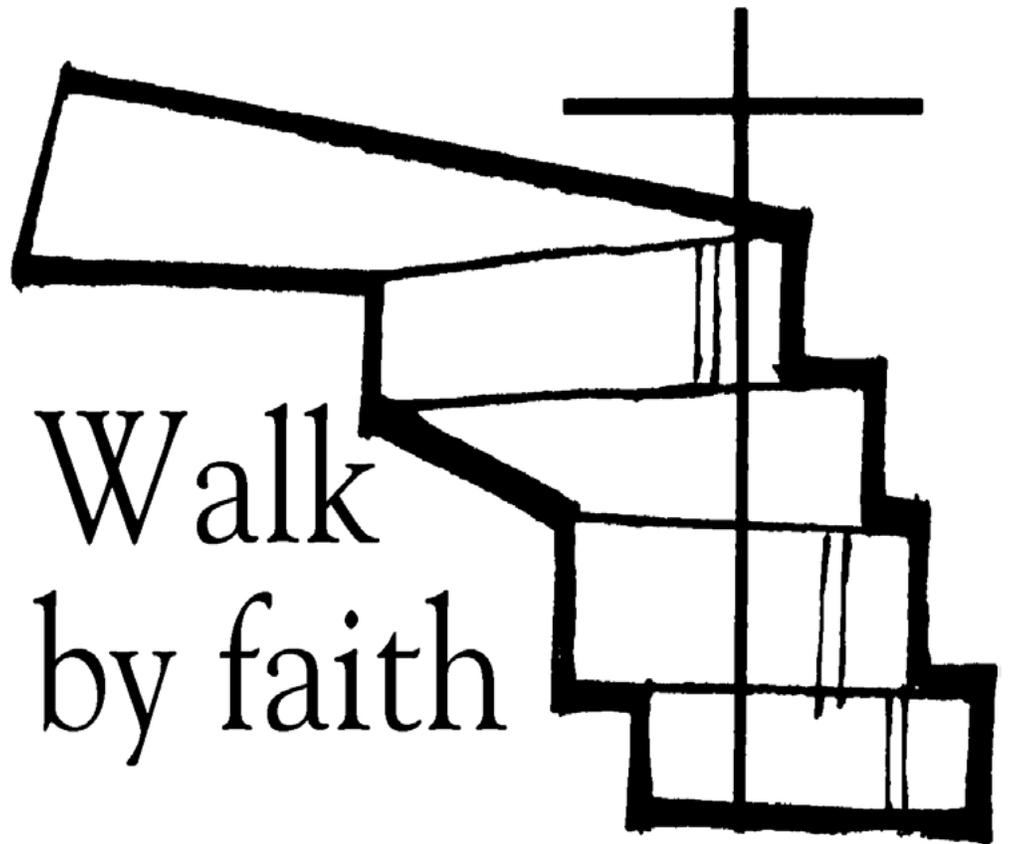


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Sunday Liturgy
5 p.m. Saturday
6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

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: 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, Sept. 2—22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green

6 a.m. Mass—S/I Sala Shafer (birthday)

8 a.m. Mass—S/I JisooVivianne Hong

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

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Walter Mackowski

Monday, Sept. 3—St. Gregory the Great

Labor Day

PARISH OFFICE AND AUNTY CARMEN'S KITCHEN CLOSED

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I Faye Pabo (birthday)

No 5 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, Sept. 4

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

9 a.m. Rosary Making, Damien Meeting Room

5 p.m. Mass

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

Wednesday, Sept. 5—St. Teresa of Calcutta

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S James Ahloy

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Thomas Cruz (birthday)

7 p.m. Tongan Choir, Annex Building

Thursday, Sept. 6

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

5 p.m. Mass

6 p.m. Scripture reflection, Annex Building

6 p.m. Baptism class, Annex Building

Friday, Sept. 7

First Friday

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S John and Kathleen Bero

Benediction and adoration

Saturday, Sept. 8—The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Liturgical color: White

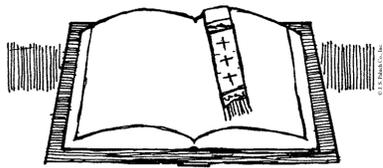
6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Altar Rosary Society and Knights of Columbus

8 a.m.-Noon Hula Halau car wash, Church parking lot

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Elizabeth Aida Sinkovits



Breaking open the Word

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Jews practiced washing their hands before eating and this was passed down from generation to generation. This practice continues even to this day and at times it is demanded that we do as such not only before eating but also at other times. We do this for a reason, cleanliness. Jesus in his teaching applies this line of thought to something much more important, the character of a person. He speaks of the hypocrites – “This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.”

What is in the heart of a person is also in his mind. If it is filled with evil desires, his mind is filled with the same. It is done freely because it is kept a secret within the person, a secret no one has access to. Feeling this sense of privacy, the mind is free to wander as it pleases, even to the deepest recesses of evil. This evilness is eventually displayed by the character of the person in ways of deceit, denial, greed, dishonesty, to name a few.

We must nip this sense of sinfulness in the bud. To do this we must cleanse our hearts of all evil. This can be very challenging so we must look to a greater power for help – God. Through his Son Jesus, we can obtain the help to free us from being sinful in our thoughts and ways. Pray for strength and wisdom and go to confession when giving in to temptation. Be positive, striving to obtain and maintain a clean heart as we journey in faith.

Deacon Andy Calunod

Readings

First Reading — For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us? (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

Psalms — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

Second Reading — Religion that is pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

Gospel — This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

Weekday

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119; Lk 4:16-30,
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Next Sunday

Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Daily Prayer

Among the many healing stories in this week's gospels is the story of the call of Peter. It is powerful for us because we see the very human moment of Peter's self-doubt: he realizes the power of Jesus, falls down in an awareness of his own sinfulness and wants Jesus to turn away from him because he is too sinful.

All of us can have moments of feeling we are unworthy - and the truth is that we can never be worthy of the unending love Jesus offers us. But how blessed we are if we realize that we are loved without limits even though we have done nothing to deserve that kind of love.

Knowing in a balanced humility that we are sinful is not a bad thing - but if we get stuck there, and are tempted to turn away from Jesus as Peter did, then we have become more focused on ourselves than on the love we are being offered. This week is a week to rejoice in that love and healing Jesus wants to give us. It is a prayer we can carry throughout our days.

Each morning as we awake, we can ask the Lord to open our hearts in gratitude for what we will be offered this day. We might pause to imagine ourselves being healed and touched by Jesus. For just a moment, we might see Jesus in front of us, his eyes filled with such love, reaching out to give our ears and tongue a healing touch; to lift us from an invalid's bed or to drive the unclean spirits from us.

Throughout the day we can remember that gentle touch from Jesus and ask him to continue to drive out any of those unclean spirits we may be carrying today. What is Jesus calling me to? Who am I being invited to listen to and speak on behalf of today? Who will come across my path today that needs Jesus' healing through my own care and kind words?

Dearest Jesus, be with me in this day. I can feel how much I long for a deeper connection with you, and yet I am ashamed of my weaknesses. Touch my heart so that I might be open to your healing love.

Let me be open to all of those you put in my life today and let me be aware of their needs and care for them before I worry about my own. Give me an awareness of the love that is already there for me and a generosity of heart that allows me to share it with others.

Creighton University Online Ministries

Scripture reflection

Our weekly Scripture Reflections are held at **6 p.m.** **Thursdays** in the Annex Building and are open to all who interested in deepening their knowledge of and appreciation for Scripture. Please bring a Bible with you or a copy of the readings for the following Sunday.

Shoe drive

We are assisting St. Michael's parish in Waiialua in their drive to collect 25,000 pairs of shoes in a fundraising effort. If you want to help, donate used shoes in good condition. Shoes must be wearable (no holes or cracks) and have laces if applicable.

Hula halau car wash Sept. 8

Keali'ika'apunihonua Ke'ena A'o Hula Halau is holding a car wash and bake sale Saturday, Sept. 8, from 8 a.m. to noon in the church parking lot. The car wash is \$10 for cars and small SUVs and \$20 for trucks, minivans and large SUVs.

Aging successfully St. Francis Healthcare programs on healthier living for seniors

Senior nutrition: Saturday, Oct. 13, 9 to 11 a.m.

You are what you eat! This session will address the needs of our frail and disabled loved ones AND your needs as care-givers. Learn basic information about nutritional principles and practical tips to create meals while restricting sugar, salt and fat. **Speaker: Mary Arakaki**, registered dietician.

Home modifications: Saturday, Oct. 20 from 9 to 11 a.m.

Most seniors want to age in place, but their living conditions may not match their physical conditions. **Speaker: Curt Kiriu**, general contractor and aging in place instructor for Hawaii Building Industry Association. All programs at St. Francis Kupuna Village in Liliha, Weinberg Building, 5th floor conference room. Register with Maylynn Wong at mwong@stfrancishawaii.org or 547-8138. Classes are \$10.

RCIA begins Sept. 12

Do you know someone who is not Catholic who wants to explore the beauty of our faith tradition and is interested in joining the Church?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) was established by the Church for individuals who are not Catholic and wish to become Catholic.

This class, over 10 months, takes inquirers and catechumens through Scripture and Tradition, the sacraments, liturgy, faith sharing and spiritual growth, morality and conscience, and justice and peace issues.

St. Augustine's 2018-19 RCIA program begins **Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Damien Meeting Room. Please call the parish office to register in advance of the first class.

Religious Ed classes begin Sept. 16

The 2018-2019 Religious Education classes will start on Sunday, September 16. Completed Registration Forms should have been submitted to the Parish Office by Aug. 31.

Before any student can be registered in the Religious Education Program, the family should be registered in the parish.

Registration forms can be requested from the parish office either by emailing staugustinebythesea@gmail.com or by calling our parish office at 923-7024.



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Damien & Marianne Of Moloka'i Education Center

The Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Education Center will be constructed adjacent to St. Augustine Church and will tell the story of Hawaii's two saints, St. Damien de Veuster and St. Marianne Cope, who ministered those with Hansen's Disease who were exiled to Kalaupapa.

Their lives are a model and inspiration for all of us today.

For more information about the Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Education Center please call the parish office.

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Letter to Diocese - Clergy Sex Abuse Scandal

August 24, 2018

To the Clergy, Religious, and Parishioners of the Diocese of Honolulu

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Peace be with you!

Satan is dancing with great joy! A Cardinal of the Catholic Church is now a former Cardinal because of credible accusations of abuse of minors and using his power to gain sexual favors from various priests and seminarians – while all the while moving up the “ladder” of the hierarchy in respect and prestige. A Pennsylvania Grand Jury report shocks the nation by putting together sexual abuse claims in six dioceses over 60 years, indicating 1,000 minors who were abused by priests or other Church workers and that some bishops covered up the abuse. Some non-Catholics are wondering why anyone would remain a Catholic, and some Catholics have had their faith shaken to the core, doubting the integrity of the bishops and of priests. The Church, which teaches the importance of chastity, the value of every human life from conception to natural death, and the sanctity of marriage between one man and one woman, has had its moral authority questioned because of the immorality of many in authority. Some clergy and others now want to have nothing to do with caring for our youth, because they are afraid of being falsely accused of impropriety. Satan is reeling with delight!

This is not to say that “The devil made them do it.” Each guilty person had the free will and the ability to resist temptations to sin and criminal behavior but decided to engage in it anyway. The point is that we must now resist the temptation to dance with the devil! It will lead us farther away from the light and further into darkness.

Yes, anger is legitimate because of these sins and failures and when it motivates us to find ways to eliminate this scourge once and for all; but it crosses the line into the diabolical when the anger is cultivated for its own sake and becomes a weapon that unjustly judges the many faithful and dedicated priests who serve us, leaves our youth abandoned, or even questions the teachings of the Church because of the failings of its teachers.

While Pennsylvania has been the focus of the recent round of scandalous news, we have to shamefully admit that abuse of minors by clergy and Church workers took place here in Hawaii as well. Some who are living among us are bearing the deep wounds of this abuse, or they are no longer among us because they have given up on us. To them I, as the bishop of this diocese, offer my sincerest apologies for the actions of those who wounded not only their psyches but their very souls, in many cases driving them away from a Church that is meant to embrace them in the name of Jesus.

I want to assure you that we are doing all we can to see that these things never happen again and to reach out compassionately to those who were victims of these sins and crimes. The Diocese of Honolulu has had policies and procedures for dealing with these crimes even before the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops issued our *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* in 2002. We have a full time Director of Safe Environment, and we have trained everyone who has contact with children or youth – including all clergy – to safeguard our youth, respect proper boundaries, and report any suspected violations of our standards. An outside auditor has audited our compliance with this program annually since 2004, and we have been in full compliance every year. We have a Victim Assistance Coordinator who helps those who have been abused find a voice and work toward healing. Please see our diocesan website: www.catholicohawaii.org and at the bottom of the home page click on “Child and Youth Protection” for more information. We are doing all we can do to make sure these patterns of abuse do not continue one more day. Above all, let us dedicate ourselves to prayer and fasting, first for the healing of all survivors of this terrible abuse, and then for our beloved Church, that true reform and healing may be hers as well. Let us never be afraid to be with our youth, who need and want the guidance of good role models, both clerical and lay.

Finally, I have further thoughts about this matter that I have put into a more extended reflection. I encourage you to read it on the diocesan website under “Child and Youth Protection.” Let us put our faith in the Lord Jesus, who alone can heal what seems impossible to heal and who can even raise the putrid death to life again. Let us dance with him, because he alone will dance us into the light and into the fullness of truth.

**Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu**