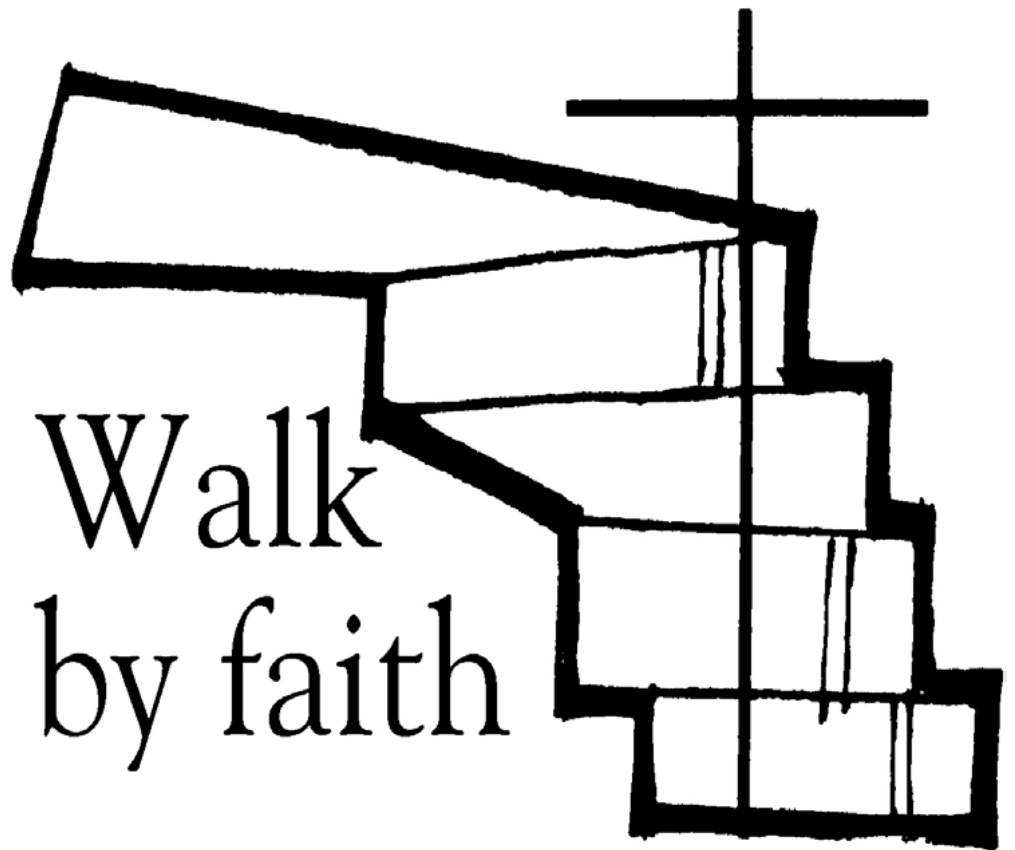


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# St. Augustine Church by-the-sea

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: 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.

### **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

### **Hospitality**

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

To see our website on your mobile device, scan this QR code:



## **This week at St. Augustine**

**Sunday, Nov. 25—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

Liturgical color: White

6 a.m. Mass—R/S Thelma Ah Choy

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Pua Bow

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Dr. Orlando Sanidad

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Jennie Shyne

**Monday, Nov. 26**

Last week in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Communion Prayer Service

**Tuesday, Nov. 27**

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

9 a.m. Rosary Making, Damien Meeting Room

5 p.m. Communion Prayer Service

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

**Wednesday, Nov. 28**

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Communion Prayer Service

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

7 p.m. Tongan Choir, Annex Building

**Thursday, Nov. 29**

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

5 p.m. Mass—S/I Ulysses & Rutchel Sulit

5:30 p.m. Wedding rehearsal

6 p.m. Scripture Reflection, Damien Meeting Room

**Friday, Nov. 30—St. Andrew, Apostle**

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Crescencia Jimero

**Saturday, Dec. 1**

Liturgical color: Green/White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

Church cleaning: Altar Rosary Society and Knights of Columbus

2 p.m. Wedding

5 p.m. Mass

# Breaking open the Word

## *Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

Stories of kings and queens are often relegated to fairy tales or medieval gallantry. Sometimes, of course, we see modern royalty in the media, and many might remember the wedding of Prince Charles and Princess Diana decades ago, and more recently, their son Prince William's wedding to Kate Middleton. But modern royals tend to be figureheads rather than political heads of state. So it can seem a bit odd to celebrate Christ as King. He is certainly more than a figurehead.

Of course, the image of king is deeply rooted in the ancient world, and not limited to biblical texts. Oftentimes in antiquity the king, or supreme ruler, approached the status of the divine. For example, Julius Caesar's clan was named for Julius, the son of Aeneas (prince of Troy), who was said to be the son of the goddess Venus. Julius Caesar received honors of divinity in his lifetime, and after he was assassinated the Roman Senate officially declared him divine. Centuries before, the kings of Judah and Israel were sometimes called divine, or sons of God. The biblical authors also applied the title of King to God, as Yahweh was "the great God/the great king over all gods" (Ps 95:3). By the time Jesus was on the scene, the Roman occupation of Judea led the people to long for their own king, to establish the kingdom as independent once again. It's no surprise that the Romans, always on the lookout for those who might attempt insurrection, crucified Jesus as "King of the Jews." The mocking, derisive sign became something the early Christians did not shy away from, but proclaimed. In essence, the early Christians said, Jesus was in fact king, but was king in a way unforeseen.

The gospel reading for today brings us into the scene between Jesus and Pilate. Of course, we know how it will end, ultimately with the crucifixion and the antagonizing sign proclaiming Jesus, "King." But here in the midst of conversation we hear the questions that cause us to consider, "What is truth?" Jesus makes a straightforward claim that he is the king and he has been sent to testify to the truth. Pilate, vested with political authority, including the power to inflict capital punishment, is wrapped up in a semantic argument about the nature of truth. He doesn't see the incarnation of truth, the King of Kings, standing before his very eyes.

And in Pilate's blindness, he will put to death Jesus as King of the Jews. So the early Christians, and even us today continue to proclaim Jesus as King. He is no mere figurehead. Instead, he shares the title with Yahweh, "great King over the gods." What Pilate said in mockery was utterly true. Jesus Christ is King.

The mocking tone of the political authority in calling Jesus "King" seemed to squelch this minor upstart who might have led an insurrection. But Jesus' followers began to proudly proclaim that mocking title. Jesus is King. But his kingship was of an entirely different kind than that expected by the people. Rather than a military conquest of an occupying force that restored the independence of the Jewish people, Jesus' kingship involved suffering and death, which then led to resurrection and exaltation. The kingship of Jesus is not one of splendid pageantry. It is not even the sort of medieval gallantry. Instead he is enthroned in heaven, with our great God who is king over all gods. As Jesus underwent death before his exaltation so must we. Our own path to glory, exaltation and ultimate resurrection comes through a dying to self.

Blessings for the Advent and Christmas seasons.

*Fr. Lane K. Akiona ss.cc.*

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).

**Psalm** — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).

**Second Reading** — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).

**Gospel** — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

## Weekday Readings

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24; Lk 21:1-4  
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96; Lk 21:5-11  
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98; Lk 21:12-19  
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100; Lk 21:20-28  
Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19; Mt 4:18-22  
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95; Lk 21:34-36

## Next Sunday

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



## Advent reflection for families

### *Keep Calm and Advent On*

**What:** A mini-retreat for families

**When:** Sunday, Dec. 2 from 3 to 6 p.m. with Mass

**Where:** Rose Hill, St. Anthony Retreat Center.

Activities include a hot cocoa station, Advent planning calendar, and games. A light dinner is included. Registration required by Nov. 27. Space is limited. Suggested donation of \$25 per family.

For more information and to register, please call 845-0065.

## Daily Prayer

This week we might be inspired by the gospels to ask God to help us be attentive for the signs of God's presence in our lives each day.

We can ask Jesus to help us open our hearts and be more generous in our daily lives. Inspired by the poor widow, we can ask ourselves, in faith, "How willing am I to share? Do I give from my surplus or is it a real sacrifice?" Are we generous with our time and talents? Perhaps we spend too much time at the computer or at work or in various other projects, neglecting our family or other relationships. Are there places where we could give more of ourselves to people who need us?

When Jesus speaks of the "tribulations" that are ahead for all Christians, this might prompt me to ask myself how willing I am to live my faith courageously. Caring for the poor, seeking justice and self-giving love are basic elements of following Jesus, but they are not valued by our culture. Am I willing to face the objections of others for being so "counter-cultural" in following the gospel?

Perhaps we are distracted by the pressures of daily life, or as Jesus says so aptly, we allow our hearts to grow drowsy from "carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise..." What is it in our lives that keeps us from recognizing God's Kingdom here on earth? Maybe we abuse alcohol, are greedy or know deep inside there is a basic selfishness we don't even want to recognize in ourselves. We can only rely on Jesus for an "awakeness" that will help us to see ourselves as Jesus sees us, with love and forgiveness. It is in that moment, when we recognize that we are "loved sinners" that we can ask for the strength to make changes in our lives.

As we "awake" each morning and sit by the side of the bed before we begin our day, we can ask Jesus for the grace to see his presence in our lives in this day, and beg him for the help that we need. And in all of the smallest moments of the day, we can ask him from the deepest part of our hearts for the mercy and grace that will keep our eyes and hearts open this day. Then we can say, from our hearts, Thank you.

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## St. Augustine Christmas party Jan. 5

Mark your calendars! Save the date! St. Augustine Parish's annual Christmas party will be held on Saturday, Jan. 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel. The theme will be the Roaring '20s. Tickets are \$35 and will be available in the parish offices and after Sunday morning Masses.

## 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. The shoes must be wearable (no holes or cracks) and have laces if applicable.

If you have shoes to donate, please call the parish office.

## Lay ministers meeting

There will be a mandatory meeting for all lay ministers at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, in the church.

## Seeking additional ushers

We are in need of additional assistance with our usher ministry for all of our Sunday morning masses. We would greatly appreciate your energy and enthusiasm in serving God for this ministry. Please contact the church office for additional information at (808) 923-7024 or [staugustine-bythesea@gmail.com](mailto:staugustine-bythesea@gmail.com). There will be an usher ministry meeting on Monday, Dec. 10, at 6 p.m. in the church for all current and new ushers and we also encourage all of our other ministries to attend.

## Scripture reflection

Our weekly Scripture Reflections are held at **6 p.m. Thursdays** in the Annex Building and are open to all who are 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.

## St. Augustine Closet open Dec. 1

The Altar Rosary Society's St. Augustine Closet will be open **Saturday, Dec. 1**, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Damien Meeting Room. Stop by for bargains, including clothing and housewares.

The Altar Rosary Society is also asking for donations for the Closet. They are seeking aloha shirts, muumuus and other clothing. Items may be dropped off at the Damien Meeting Room on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

## Christmas Concert Dec. 7

Tune up your singing voices, get ready for the Christmas season, and join us at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, for the annual and always much-anticipated St. Augustine Parish Christmas Concert. Join us for a festive evening of favorite Christmas carols.



## A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

### *Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus*

Hosted by: Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem –Western USA Lieutenancy - Honolulu Council

**September 9 to 21, 2019** under the spiritual direction of Fr. Lane K. Akiona.

Tour highlights include: Caesarea Maritime - where St. Paul was imprisoned, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee, Jericho & the Jordan River, Bethlehem, Jerusalem - Mt. Zion & Upper Room, Garden of Gethsemane & Via Dolorosa, Church of the Holy Sepulchre. For registration information and to be put on the mailing list, contact Fr. Lane at 923-7024.

## Bishop's Misa de Gallo/ & Simbang Gabi schedule

Bishop Larry Silva will do four early morning Misa de Gallo Masses, and six evening Simbang Gabi Masses, Dec. 16-24. All families throughout the diocese, their relatives and friends are warmly welcome to experience and become part of this great tradition. Traditional Filipino treats will be served after each Mass in the parish hall.

### Simbang Gabi

Dec. 15, 5:00-6:00 pm, Sacred Heart, Waianae  
 Dec. 19, 6:00-7:00 pm, Our Lady of Lourdes, Honokaa  
 Dec. 20, 6:00-7:00 pm, St. Michael, Kailua-Kona  
 Dec. 21, 7:00-8:00 pm, St Joseph, Hilo  
 Dec. 22, 5:00-7:00 pm, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Ewa Beach  
 Dec. 23, 7:00-9:00 pm, St. Roch, Kahuku

### Misa de Gallo

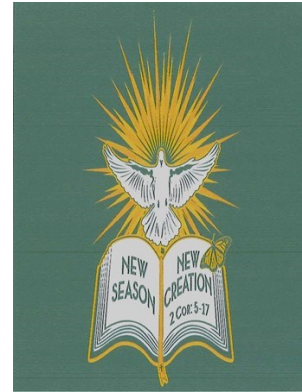
Dec. 17, 5:00-7:00 am, Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa, Honolulu  
 Dec. 18, 5:00-7:00 am, Our Lady of Sorrows, Wahiawa  
 Dec. 23, 4:30-6:30 am, St. Joseph, Waipahu  
 Dec. 24, 5:00-7:00 am, St. John A&E, Mililani

## St. Marianne Walk Jan. 26

It's that time of the year again. The annual St. Marianne Walk!  
**6th Annual St. Marianne Cope Walk**  
**Saturday, January 26, 2019**  
**Ala Moana Beach Park**

**Morning program begins 7 a.m. | Walk starts 7:30 a.m.**

All proceeds from the walk will benefit the new St. Francis Kupuna Village, a one-stop health and wellness center for seniors, caregivers and other family members in the heart of Liliha.



## Charismatic Renewal Conference Jan. 11-13

Hawaii Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services is holding its 4th Winter Charismatic Conference Friday, Jan. 11, to Sunday Jan. 13, at Catholic Charities Hawaii.

The keynote speakers are Jim Beckman, executive director of Evangelization and Catechesis for the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, and Fr. Joseph Freedy, parochial vicar at Holy Child and St. Barbara Parishes in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.

For more information, email [chariscenter.hccrs@gmail.com](mailto:chariscenter.hccrs@gmail.com) or call Patricia Nevada at 781-9254.



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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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