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St. Augustine Church by-the-sea

Sunday Liturgy

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

Weekday Liturgy

Monday:

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours
7 a.m. Communion Prayer
Service

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours
7 a.m. Mass



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

-- St. Augustine of Hippo

A large stained glass artwork featuring a profile of Jesus with a halo. The background is dark with the word 'worship' in a stylized font and a cross. The overall style is reminiscent of traditional church art.

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,
and he remained in the desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan.
He was among wild beasts,
and the angels ministered to him.

MARK 1:12-13

FIRST
SUNDAY OF
LENT
FEBRUARY 21, 2021

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of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus
and Mary since 1854*

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Reserve your seats for Mass

Reservations must be made for Sunday liturgy.

To reserve for Feb. 27/28 Masses:

[https://](https://staugustinehawaii.flocknote.com/signup/41803)

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The deadline to sign up is Thursday. Walk-ins will be taken as space is available. If you do not have internet access, please call the parish during office hours.

St. Augustine by-the-sea Parish

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Parish secretary: Bev Tavake

Pastoral Council Chair: Theresa Kong Kee

Finance Council chair Jim Dannemiller

Stewardship Council chair: Deacon

Keith Cabiles

Office hours

Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to noon

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 6:30-6:45 a.m. Wednesday, 3-3:45 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

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.

This week at St. Augustine

Sunday, Feb. 21—First Sunday of Lent

Liturgical color: Violet

6 a.m. Mass—S/I Liz Cruz (birthday)

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Jerry Galang

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Kong Kee Family

Monday, Feb. 22—The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

Liturgical color: White

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service

Tuesday, Feb. 23—St. Polycarp, bishop and martyr

Liturgical color: Violet

Wednesday, Feb. 24

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Janet Loo

Thursday, Feb. 25

Liturgical color: Violet

4--7 p.m. Services for homeless: Revive & Refresh Mobile Hygiene Center, Hawaii Home Project-Hawaii Medical Corps, affiliate of the John A. Burns Medical School, Kakaako, IHS

Friday, Feb. 26

Day of abstinence

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

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

Saturday, Feb. 27

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—S/I Bev Tavake (birthday)

Church & grounds cleaning: Tongan Society—Tauhi moe Tokoni

5 p.m. Mass—R/S Michael Trojan

Because of COVID-19, Bishop Larry Silva has dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass through noon on Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021. Those who cannot attend Mass in person are strongly encouraged to watch a live-streamed Mass and reflect on the Scripture readings.

Mass is live-streamed at 5 p.m. Saturdays at [facebook.com/StAugustineHawaii](https://www.facebook.com/StAugustineHawaii). The Mass will be uploaded to YouTube at 8 a.m. Sundays.

Face masks must be worn in church and social distancing must be practiced. Please enter through the front door of the church and exit by way of the two side doors. Mahalo for your kokua.

Breaking Open the Word

First Sunday in Lent

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days."

At the end of the day, there's no truer adage than "can't live with 'em, can't live without 'em." Just as our bodies need food and air, our souls need connections with other people. We are at our best when we are in healthy relationships and at our worst when we're not. Without connections, we just are not fully human. After thirty minutes of listening to a husband and wife talk about their marriage, the therapist got up and gave the wife a big hug. "Your wife needs this everyday," he said. The husband replied, "Okay, but I can only bring her in here on Mondays and Thursdays."

I know people who live with regrets after taking another person for granted and missing the opportunities to express and demonstrate affection. Saying "I love you" and following the words with hugs and kisses strengthens a relationship. Otherwise, it will die a slow death.

Lost moments are lost moments, and there's no going back. During Lent, ask yourself: "Have I been taking someone for granted?" Do something about it--a visit, a phone call, a text, a hug, a kiss....connect with them through words and actions.

Helpful Practice--pick a day and reconnect with someone you once cared about but let slip away.

Handy Prayer--Jesus, it's my fault I've lost touch with people I care about. Help me to be more attentive to them. Amen

From: "Embrace this Holy Season" by Joseph F. Sica

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Readings

First Reading — I will set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9:8-15).

Psalm — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

Gospel — Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him (Mark 1:12-15)

Weekday

Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23; Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119; Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

SCRIPTURE ~~ FIRST WEEK OF LENT

On the First Sunday of Lent, as we begin our Lenten journey, remembering how God re-established the covenant after the flood, and we reflect on how Jesus began his public ministry with a retreat of forty days - driven to the desert by the Spirit.

After last week's first four days, the next three weeks of Lent represent a period of instruction, originally designed for the Catechumens (those preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil). We can read these readings as a catechism of renewal for us all. The first weekday reading of week one is the great giving of the Commandments: "Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy."

Jesus gives the great parable about the last judgment - separating the charitable from the uncharitable: "whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Then, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray. He says that it is an evil generation that looks for "signs." He's the sign - a call to repentance.

On the day we hear the desperate but faith-filled prayer of Esther, Jesus tells us to pray confidently. And he sums up the whole law and the prophets for us: "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you."

Jesus says our holiness has to go beyond the letter-of-the-law holiness; it must touch our anger, our judgments of others, and be reconciled with those we've wronged.

The holiness Jesus proposes for us calls us to love our enemies, even to pray for those who persecute us. We are called to love the way God does.

Creighton University Online Ministries

Sacred Hearts Academy admissions

Sacred Hearts Academy's virtual Admissions Open House will be held on Sunday, Feb. 28, at 11 a.m. via Zoom. To register, please contact the school at 734-5058 ext. 224 or sacredhearts.org/open-house

Lent food drive

Our Lady of Kea'au on the Waianae Coast weekly serves hundreds of hot meals to needy and homeless individuals and families. The parish of St. Augustine will be collecting nonperishable food items and toiletries for Our Lady of Kea'au through Palm Sunday.

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.

Remembered in prayer

The parishioners of St. Augustine will be remembered in the prayers and the works of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent **March 7-13, 2021**. If you have intentions you would like the Sisters to remember, please let the Sisters know by phone, mail or email.

Regina Pacis Community

1120 Fifth Ave.

Honolulu HI 96816-5828

Tel: 737-5822

Email: reginasscc@cs.com

Their chapel is open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. to anyone who wishes to spend some time in prayer.



The Lenten path

In 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 those 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.

Spiritual resources

The Magnificat Lenten Companion Lent 2021

If you are interested in renewing your spiritual well for the next 40 days, I've ordered this Lenten Companion booklet offered by Magnificat. If you are interested in a copy, please ask one of the ministers at mass. Copies will be available at the front office during office hours. They are available for FREE.

~Our parish emails a **weekday reflection** to parishioners. If you are not getting the reflection and would like to, please call the parish office to give us your email address.

~We also send a **weekly reflection on the Sunday readings** by email to all lay ministers to help them prepare for their ministry. If you would like to receive that, call the parish office and give us your email address.

Other resources:

Magnificat. Morning and evening prayers from Liturgy of the Hours, reflections, Mass readings. Website: us.Magnificat.net

Give Us This Day. Morning and evening prayers drawn from the Liturgy of the Hours. Mass readings. Website: Giveusthisday.org

Living Faith. Reflections on daily Mass readings from noted Catholic spiritual writers. Website: livingfaith.com

Online:

sacredspace.ie (from the Irish Jesuits)

apostleshipofprayer.org (the Pope's worldwide prayer network)

Dailycatholicgospel.com (reflections on the Gospel by Bishop Barron)

ronrolheiser.com/e-newsletter/ Twice weekly meditations by Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI

~Bishop Larry Silva urges all who are able to attend Sunday Mass to do so. Those who cannot attend Sunday Mass, are strongly encouraged to do one or more of:

~Participate prayerfully in a live-streamed or televised Sunday Mass AND spend at least 15 minutes in meditation on the Scriptures, preferably those proclaimed at Mass.

~Attend, in person, a weekday Mass AND spend at least 15 minutes on Sunday reading and meditating on Scripture.

~Spend at least 30 minutes on Sunday prayerfully reading and meditating on the Sacred Scriptures.

~Pray at least two rosaries on Sunday, meditating on the Glorious Mysteries and one other set of Mysteries you choose. Sorrowful, Luminous).

SPIRITUAL READING FOR LENT

Some spiritual books to help guide and inspire you on your Lenten journey

Available at Pauline Books and Media downtown (1143 Bishop St. Tel: 521-2731):

Contemplating The Face of Christ A Way of the Cross

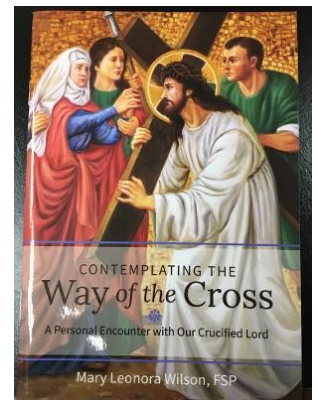
~ Art and spiritual imagery have always played an integral role in allowing Christians to enter more deeply into the mystery of the suffering & death of Jesus. Drawing from the religious traditions of both East & West, art & reflections provide a unique way to pray the Stations of the Cross.

Open Your Heart Daily Reflections from Pope Francis

~ This book provides a Scripture passage, a meditation from the Pope, a question and reflection, and a concluding prayer

Contemplating the Way of the Cross A Personal Encounter with our Crucified Lord

~ Through vivid imagery, beautiful artwork, and moving reflections, contemplate the personal love of Christ manifested at each moment along the way of the cross.



Children's Way of the Cross

Classic Spiritual titles: (Check with local booksellers or online book sellers for availability):

Into his likeness: Be Transformed as a Disciple of Christ by Edward Sri.

An approachable but in-depth exploration of what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Sri emphasizes the importance of every Christian developing the desire to be a true disciple of Christ and gives the reader a first glimpse of what the life of a disciple looks like. As the book progresses, he unfolds what a true encounter of love with Christ entails and explores the transforming power of God's grace.

Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World by Henri Nouwen

This sincere testimony of the power and invitation of Christ is indeed a great guide to a truly uplifting spiritual life in today's world.

A Tree Full of Angels: Seeing the Holy in the Ordinary by Macrina Wiederkehr

A spiritual classic on the art of reading the world for signs of the presence of God.

No Greater Love by Mother Teresa

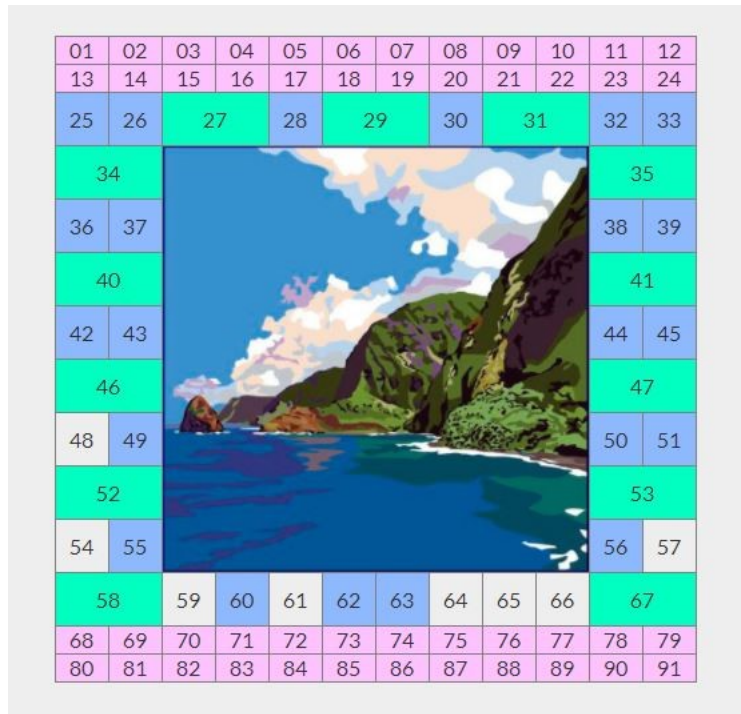
No Greater Love is the essential wisdom of Mother Teresa — the most accessible, intimate, and inspiring book of her teachings. Thematically arranged to present her revolutionary vision of Christianity in its graceful simplicity, the book features her thoughts on love, generosity, forgiveness, prayer, service, and what it means to be a Christian. **Page 4**

Remembrance tiles

You can support the Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Education Center by making a donation for a Remembrance Tile. Your name or the name of a loved one, along with a personal message, will be etched on Corian and permanently placed on the Donor Wall near the front entrance. It's an opportunity to be part of this historic undertaking in the heart of Waikiki.

We've commissioned a local artist to create one-of-a-kind mosaics. The tiles are shown below. The tiles that are grayed are already chosen, the remainder are available.

SMALL TILE: \$1,000 MEDIUM TILE: \$3,000 LARGE TILE: \$5,000



To purchase a tile, please fill out the form below and mail it to the parish office, St. Augustine Church, 130 Ohua Ave. Honolulu HI 96815.

You can also purchase a tile on our website at www.damienandmarianne.org.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Checks should be made payable to St. Augustine Church.
To pay by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Amex):

Card # _____

Exp. Date _____ CVV/CVC # _____

Name on card (print) _____

Signature _____

Engrave my tile with the following:
(2 lines for \$1,000 tiles, three lines for \$3,000 tiles and 4 lines for \$5,000 tiles.
(20 characters per line, including spaces and punctuation)

I would like to reserve tile # _____
(Please give a first, second and third choice)