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Anne Harpham
Pastoral associate
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Administrative assistant

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

St. Augustine Church by-the-sea



Brothers and sisters,
whether you eat or drink,
or whatever you do,
do everything for the

GLORY OF GOD.

1 Corinthians 10:31

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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 Ash Wednesday:

<https://staugustinewaikiki.flocknote.com/signup/39693>

To reserve for Feb. 20/21 Masses:

<https://staugustinewaikiki.flocknote.com/signup/40889>

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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.

Aunt Carmen's Kitchen

Hot meals are served between 11 a.m. and noon Monday to Friday.

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This week at St. Augustine

Sunday, Feb. 14—Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green

6 a.m. Mass—S/I Adam Suapaia

8 a.m. Mass—R/S Jerry Galang

10 a.m. Mass—S/I Aniyah Long

Monday, Feb. 15

PRESIDENTS DAY

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass

12:15 p.m. Altar Rosary Society Board meeting, Damien Room

Tuesday, Feb. 16

Liturgical color: Green

Wednesday, Feb. 17—Ash Wednesday

Day of fast and abstinence

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—In Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus

5 p.m. Mass

Thursday, Feb. 18—Thursday after Ash Wednesday

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. 19—Friday after Ash Wednesday

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

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

Saturday, Feb. 20—Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Liturgical color: Violet

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours

7 a.m. Mass—R/S Eueario Castro

Church & grounds cleaning: Mortlock Community and Knights of Columbus

8 a.m. Altar Rosary Society general meeting, Damien Room

5 p.m. Mass

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. 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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

That our Lord touched the leper, a person forbidden contact with the community, points out something striking in this gospel passage, namely the **compassion** of our Lord. Mark tells us that Jesus accepted a great deal of risk by **daring to touch** a leper because our Lord was "moved with pity." Jesus' action demonstrates God's mercy, love, and compassion for his people, **including us** today.

We are all touched by various forms of leprosy. We all have our unclean areas and aspects of our lives (they are called sins) that we would rather hide from the sunlight. But Jesus who comes in the flesh touches **our** human flesh; The Word becoming flesh is God's total commitment to each of us. God **speaks** himself into our bodily condition so true healing can take place. We, in turn, are invited to turn ourselves over to God, and to trust and believe in God's infinite love and care for us.

How are we to respond to this compassion and love? St. Paul urges us in the second reading: "Whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." Paul shows us by his example that doing all for God's glory means that must serve our brothers and sisters in every way, not seeking our own benefit but that of the many.

Paul admonishes us to imitate Christ, to also be ministers of healing, to lovingly touch everyone who is hurting and in need. So many in our society and church crave healing and acceptance (the divorced and remarried, those who have had an abortion, victims of violence and abuse, in prison or in hospice, the jobless, the boy or girl who no one wants to play with or looks a little strange, the aged and ill who are confined, those severely affected by the pandemic, and all "the little ones" who are hurt by life). For whatever you do for the least brothers of the Lord, you do for him. So, no matter who we are, or where we live, or what we do, no matter how little we have, no matter how loaded we are with problems, even without money or a place to sleep, **we can give help**. Even if it's only a compliment, we can give that.

Jesus still heals---through **your** hands and mine. Jesus still touches people and heals people when we let **our** hands be **his** hands and **our** hearts be **his** heart.

You cannot begin to imagine how wonderfully happy God feels about you! He smiles over every nice gesture, every kind deed, every helpful outreach, every use of your gifts and talents, even the tiniest ones. And when you do something that displeases him, he is still thrilled by everything that's good about you! So, let us all go out and touch as many "lepers" as we can. What a wonderful way to prepare for Ash Wednesday and **live** during the days of Lent and beyond!!

Anonymous

Readings

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalms — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading — Do everything for the glory of God; be imitators of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).

Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).

Weekday

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29; Mk 8:14-1
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86; Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday

Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

DAILY PRAYER

This first week of Lent is the time we are given to begin our Lenten patterns, to re-align our priorities, and to make use of more reflective time each day. It is a time to fast and abstain from those things that hinder our relationship with the Lord, and to consider being more generous to the poor.

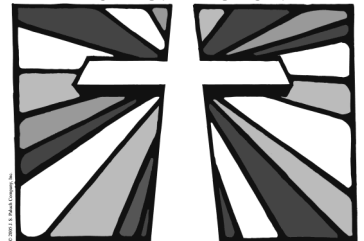
As we make this beginning, we are offered some beautiful instruction about what is expected of us. These readings describe a very Jesus-like love. We can examine our care for the hungry, thirsty, naked, sick or imprisoned. We can reflect upon who in our lives needs us and whether we love them as we want to be loved. And we can look at the deeper things, like our anger or how we treat others, and our response to those who are our "enemies."

What is most important this first week, beyond a sharper examination of our consciences, is to see this as a time for God's grace to work in us. So, it is a time to ask for the graces we are starting to see we need.

Each morning this week we can ask our Lord to help us focus this day on the neediest people around us. We can ask to begin new patterns this week by practicing special charity and love, where I haven't been so generous or kind before. The key is to ask and to be very specific. Then, throughout the day, we can keep talking with our Lord, in the background about these graces we ask for and the concrete circumstances we find ourselves in. It is in the particular events of our day that we will become attentive to our need for our Lord's presence and grace, as well as our need to choose a new pattern. Each evening, we can briefly review the day and recognize some missed opportunities to connect with the Lord or take advantage of a situation here or there, but most of all, we can thank the Lord for the moments of connection that have begun our Lenten journey.

Creighton University Online Ministries

Do everything for the glory of God





From the Pastor

Tongan Community leadership election

Congratulations to the newly elected leaders of our Tongan Community. Every two years this election takes place for the positions within the community. May the Holy Spirit be the guiding force for these new leaders. Much blessings.

Pulengaue/President: Soane Sevelo

Tokoni/Assistant: ZCO Uhatafe

Tauhi/Catechist: Feleti Sole

Tokoni/Assistant: Seiloni Manukeu

Sekelitali/Secretary: Anne Lefai

Tokoni/Assistant: Uheina Faalevao

Tauhi Pa'anga/Treasurer: Moana Sevelo

Tokoni/Assistant: Sauliloa Ngata

Pule Hiva/Music Coordinator: Sosefo Raass

Tokoni/Assistant: Punou Lefai

Talekita ECL/Religious Ed Director: Petronilla Sole

Tokoni/Assistant: Faleaka Green

Ongomatua/Parents of the Lataki: Faleaka & Sefesi Green

Tokoni/Assistant: Odetta & Lakalaka Manupuna

Lataki (Young Adults)

President: Taiena Uhatafe

Tokoni/Assistant: Mana Manukeu

Vice President: Soane Tuihalafatai

Tokoni/Assistant: Ana Kauvaka

Secretary: Mele Uhatafe

Tokoni/Assistant: Helena Kama & Peta Manukeu

Treasurer: Suititi Takai

Tokoni/Assistant: Mana Manukeu

Our Lady of Ke'eau outreach

During our Lenten Season, we will continue to collect food items and toiletries for the Outreach ministry in the Waianae area. Help support the Sisters of St. Francis of the Neumann Communities in serving the needs of those in the Leeward side of the island. Mahalo for your stewardship

Lenten spiritual resources

Please take advantage of growing in the faith with resources listed for the Lenten Season in the bulletin. With the uncertainty of our local COVID 19 situation, in-person services during Lent will not be held, Please take advantage of other opportunities to grow in the faith. With those who can assess the internet, there are several options available. Booklets of the Stations of the Cross will be available for your personal use at home. Feel free to ask a minister for a copy.

Fr. Lane

Your support is needed

The diocesan Respect Life Ministry is asking parishioners to support passage of SB 842 at the Hawaii State Legislature. The bill ensures that every viable child that survives an abortion attempt is provided the same life-sustaining care and treatment every other newborn receives.

You are encouraged to write or call State Sen. Jarrett Keohokalole, chair of the Senate Health Committee, asking that the bill be heard in committee and be open to public testimony. Sen. Keohokalole can be reached at:

Hawaii State Capitol
Room 231

phone: 808-587-7215

fax: 808-587-7220

senkeohokalole@Capitol.hawaii.gov

You are also asked to contact your state senator asking him or her to support SB842. If you unsure of your state senator, you can go to capitol.hawaii.gov and click on the Find Your Legislator app. You can read the bill in its entirety by using the bill status search function on the legislative webpage.

SS.CC. Retirement Fund

The annual SS.CC. Retirement Fund collection will be taken up the weekend of Feb. 20/21. The U.S. Province has 13 men in retirement. They represent 776 years of consecrated life and 620 years of ordained priesthood. These Sacred Hearts members deserve our best support in their final years.

With fewer brothers serving in compensated ministries, and the blessing and costs of 17 students, the congregation is turning to parishioners to help safeguard the care of senior clergy.

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.

Saint Louis School admissions

Saint Louis School will host a "Virtual Admissions Open House" on Sunday, Feb. 21 at 1 p.m. To attend, please register on the school website, www.saintlouishawaii.org



LENT

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.

All are encouraged during Lent to spend time in prayer and spiritual reading and to take advantage of prayer and reflection resources.

Spiritual resources

~Our parish sends a **weekday reflection** by email 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)
apostleshishopofprayer.org (the Pope's worldwide prayer network)
loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer/ (a 3 minute retreat from the Jesuits)
Dailycatholicgospel.com (reflections on the Gospel by Bishop Barron)
ronrolheiser.com/e-newsletter/ Twice weekly meditations by Fr. Ron Rolheiser OMI
explorefaith.org
cssr.org.au/bread4today/ Provided by the Redemptorists

Mobile device Apps:

Magnificat, iBreviary, Daily Readings, Laudate

~Bishop Larry Silva has urged 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 the following:

~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).



OUR RE STUDENTS' LENTEN JOURNEYS

Our religious education students are focusing on the Season of Lent with projects that focus on prayer, fasting and caring for the marginalized and needy.

The Tongan Community's Religious Education Ohana Lenten Journey includes:

~ Family Lenten Candle Making on Feb 14. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, families will light one candle during dinner. Family will come up with Lenten fasting goals to be completed as a family during their Lenten journey. A weekly scripture verse will be given to families for discussion and reflection.

~ Students will also contribute to 40 Bags in 40 Days. Bags will be donated to needy families and will include household items.

~ Prayer chains with a prayer on a chain for each of the 40 days of Lent. Each family

will make prayer chains and a different family will bring prayer chains to the Sunday 10 a.m. Masses during Lent. At the Offertory, the prayer chains will be placed on the tree in church. Parishioners are asked to help pray for those needs during the season.

Religious education students in the parish's Saturday morning religious ed program will also be focusing on Lent with:

~ Their own "rice bowls" for their donations that at the end of Lent will go to families in need.

~ Easter cards for women incarcerated in the Women's Correctional Facility.

~ A Lenten resource book that includes a calendar for the season and a journal for their reflections on their Lenten journey.



2021 Lenten Regulations

FASTING: Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. To fast means to consume one full meal a day; taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: Catholics 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Fridays and Good Friday. No beef, veal, pork, or poultry; eggs and milk products are acceptable.

EASTER DUTY: All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, must receive Communion at least once a year during the Easter Season. This period includes Lent through Trinity Sunday.