## February 2023

20 - Burning of Palms, 5pm OLQA

22 - Ash Wednesday - 7am OLQA, 10am Kula Hospital, 6pm Holy Ghost Church

24 - Stations of the Cross, 5pm HG, every Friday of Lent

26 - St. James the Less Church, 12noon 26 -Youth Ministry, 5-7pm, OLQA; 4:00 volleyball

## Stewardship of Treasure, Feb. 11 & 12

Offertory	\$2,419.00
Building & Maint. Fund	\$425.00
Augustine Foundation	\$1,016.00
Church in Latin America	\$20.00
HG Gift Shop sales	\$43.12
HG Gift Shop credit card sales	\$21.27
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$3,944.39

## **THANK YOU!**



**The month of February** is the special collection for the Building & Maintenance Fund. Please kokua and help us rebuild this important fund so we can continue the repairs to the interiors of our cherished churches and buildings. Mahalo for your support!

**Prayer Quilt Ministry:** The recipient of the 210th quilt is Baron Okimoto who is in need of our prayers. The power of prayer is what this ministry is founded on to bring comfort in times of illness and distress. The only criteria to be gifted a prayer quilt is that the person is experiencing serious life challenges. Please call the office, and I'll forward the request to the Ladies. Holy Ghost Gift **Shop:** The Gift Shop is open on Wednesdays & Fridays from **11am to 3pm**. In addition they will be open after the 5pm Mass & on Sundays from 9am to 10:45am. Phone 808-878-1091 during shop hours. Holy Ghost Church will be opened when Gift Shop is open. Homebound Parishioners: If you would like to have an E.M. come to your home and administer Communion to you, please call the Office 808-878-1261. Catholic Charities Maui: Please call Catholic Charities Maui at 873-4673, press 1 and leave a message for rental, mortgage and utilities help. Non-Perishable Food donations welcome! Church Bulletin Announcements: due by Wednesday at noon prior to weekend. Office closed on Mondays & Wednesdays. See special office schedule for the next 2 weeks.

## Holy Ghost Feast Corner "Come and Make Us Whole!" May 27 & 28,2023

SMALL GOODS AUCTION- If you, a family member, or friends own a business and can donate a new item for the auction, please contact Mary Jean or Joe. In years past, items donated included hotel stays, recreation activities, restaurants, handmade item, to name a few.

SCRIP BOOTH—Volunteers needed to work in the 2 scrip booths and Finance booth. Job description: handling the sale of scrip for purchase and counting scrip taken in at the concession booths. We will have a training session prior to the feast. Call the office, 808-878-1261.

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Message from your Secretary Special Office Schedule

Dearest Parish Ohana.

Thank you for your prayers and support that you have continually shared with me as Dad went through his journey to the Lord. He died on Saturday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, it was hard to let go...but knowing he was going to the Lord made for a peaceful releasing. I ask for prayers for my Mom, as she is struggling with her own health issues. These next 2 weeks I will be in the office on a limited schedule. Week of Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>: Tuesday & Thursday; week of Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>: Tuesday only. If you have questions/issues please contact Mary Jean Bega (808-283-7545). Mary Jean will also be checking phone messages, so please feel free to leave a message. Father Anton is back home, his cell phone is 951-961-3777. Love & Blessings, Donna

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Liturgical Ministers: Weekly Mass Schedule: Feb. 25 & 26

Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm (L) J. & C. White (EM) S. Holtrichter (A) R. Aipa

**Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am** (L) K. Aipa, E. Adachi (EM) D. May

Holy Ghost Church 9:30am (L) MJ Bega, H. Chong (EM) S. Lomongo (A) I. & S. Enriquez

St. James the Less Church 12:00 noon (L) J. White

**On-Line Giving:** Online donations may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online donations are credited to your Year End Tax Statement (except when made anonymously). You can change your account preferences and or donation amounts at any time. Please visit our website www.kulacatholiccommunity.

# Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

February 19, 2023

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Kula Catholic Community, blessed by God, inspired by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, seeks to worship God with sincerity of heart, witness the Gospel by our words and actions, share Christian values in our personal and community lives, and offer service to all people.





Pastor, Rev. Anton Nyo, M.S. Secretary: Donna Ventura Email: kccchurch@rcchawaii.org

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

In another passage from his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus continues to turn his disciples' way of thinking upside-down. One of the lessons for the Christian steward in today's Gospel is that if we have a chance to help someone in need, we should be generous and give more than is expected of us. Jesus went "the extra mile" for us. Can we be more like Jesus and "go the extra mile" for others?

7am weekday masses: Monday to Thursday at Our Lady and Friday only at Holy Ghost

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### Kula Catholic Community Mission Statement



Facebook site: Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, icon: Mary's Grotto



## <u>This Sunday's Gospel</u> <u>Thoughts for the Week</u> <u>February 19, 2023</u>



### <u>1st Reading Lv 19:1-2, 17-18</u> Love of Neighbor

God's people is called to be holy, "for I, the Lord, your God, am holy." The verses that follow explain what is most essential for holiness. It all revolves around love, mercy, kindness, and compassion, as the Responsorial Psalm brings out so beautifully. "The Lord is kind and merciful." Hence, we should be the same.

### **Responsorial Psalm:**



### 2nd Reading 1 Cor 3: 16-23 Temple of God

There is dissension in the congregation of Corinth. How is this possible if Christians are aware that they are a temple of God and the spirit dwells in them? Being smart, wise in a worldly way, and wanting to have it your way or no way is contrary to what Christians should be; they should be holy as depicted in the First Reading and the Responsorial Psalm.

### Gospel Mt 5: 38-48 Love of Enemies

The Gospel is a continuation of Jesus' sermon of last Sunday. "Love your enemies!" A civil rights leader who strove to follow this command till he was ultimately killed comments:

"I am not speaking of love in a sentimental or affectionate sense. It would be nonsense to urge people to love their oppressors in an affectionate sense. When I refer to love in this context, I mean understanding good will—we must in strength and humility meet hate with love."

## Mass Intentions

February 18, 2023

♦ 5:00pm: Pro-Populo (For the People)

♦ February 19, 2023

 7:00am: Ken Ono (Healing Blessings); Damien Pires (Healing Blessings); Lyndell Beach (Deceased); Rosemary and Kevin Thomas (Deceased)

♦9:30am: Marco Molina, JR (Deceased)

• **Pray for the Sick :** Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Charles "Bala" Spencer, Father Adondee, Cru Silva, Jennifer McMahon, Mary B. Oliveira, Ben Kikuyama, Tasha Ham-DePonte, Dwight & Milagros Joan, Sr., Larry Pascual, Dolores Saki , Lucie Marie Cochran, James Gonzalez-Wesley, John Otto, Kevin O'Brien, Colin Yoshida, Frances Garcia, Judith Wagner, Aeris Joseph, Canaska Gonzales, Shantel Kapoi, Reagen Olivares, Ginny Gonsalves, Eleanor Martin, Yvonne Fukumoto, Kehau May, Tammy Jardine, Gary Souza, Marie Robello, Roselle Armitage, Fred Howard Ventura, Sean Souza, Ethel Fernandez, Richard Carvalho, Jacob & Jaxson Rivera, John Ritchie, Amanda Roberts, Russell Okimoto, Cheryl Medeiros, Damien Pires, Ian Yannell , Evelyn Molina and Adreia Silva.

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility"

As part of our Pro-Life Ministry, we say the Rosary for Life on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6pm at Holy Ghost Church. Our next Rosary will be on March 22nd. Please come and join us as we pray for our Blessed Mother's intercession. Call Cathy White at 269-5449.

<u>Bereavement Committee:</u> Lorraine & Damien Pires, Joe & Cathy White, Jeanne Ono, Wayne & Dotty Purdy. Mahalo!

## WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is a liturgical season that focuses on the three spiritual pillars of prayer, fasting and <u>almsgiving</u>. This 40-day journey, beginning with Ash Wednesday and ending with Holy Week, is a time for sacrifice and spiritual reflection preparing us for the joyful celebration of Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday.



One simple way to enhance your Lenten experience is to participate in the <u>CRS Rice Bowl program</u>. During Lent, Catholic families across the United States use a Rice Bowl—a small cardboard box—to collect alms. Each Rice Bowl also comes with a calendar that guides families through the 40 days of Lent with activities, reflections, recipes and stories. A renewal through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, it's appropriate that this ancient sign marks the beginning of the season. The ashes themselves are usually made by burning the palm fronds from the previous year's Palm Sunday. This symbolically connects the beginning of Lent with its end, connecting our change of heart with Christ's passion, death, and resurrection. (*Taken from "Why Ashes?" By Fr. Larry Rice, USCCB*)

As Catholics, the spiritual pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving guide us in daily reflection on our own lives as we strive to deepen our relationship with God and neighbor—no matter where in the world that neighbor may live. Lent is a time of personal and spiritual growth, a time to look outward and inward. It is a journey in mercy.

Be sure to pick up a Rice Bowl to begin your Lenten journey.

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Weekday Bible Readings

7th Week in Ordinary Time (A)

Monday - <u>Sir 1:1-10</u>, <u>Mk 9:14-29</u>

Tuesday - <u>Sir 2:1-11</u>, <u>Mk 9:30-37</u>

Wednesday—Ash Wednesday <u>JI 2:12-18</u>, <u>2 Cor 5:20–6:2</u> , <u>Mt 6:1-6, 16-18</u>

Thursday - <u>Dt 30:15-20</u>, <u>Lk 9:22-25</u>

Friday - <u>Is 58:1-9a</u>, <u>Mt 9:14-15</u>

Saturday - Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32





Catholic Christians have marked the beginning of the season of Lent by receiving ash on their foreheads on Ash Wednesday. This tradition has its roots in the Old Testament, where wearing ashes was a common sign of repentance for sins, and a sign of one's humility before God. Since Lent is a season of penitential



Join us on Ash Wednesday at 7:00am at OLQA or at 6pm at Holy Ghost Church.

Calling all who are involved in ministry (PPC, Finance, Liturgy, Building & Maintenance, Youth & Young Adults, Religious Education). You are highly encouraged to attend.

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MAUI STEWARDSHIP DAY "IT IS RIGHT AND JUST"

March 4, 2023, St. Anthony Church, 8:00 Mass with Bishop Silva; 9:00 - 9:15 Registration. Lunch will be provided. Contact the office or Mary Jean Bega

