August 2023

Father Anton will be off-island: Aug. 13th to 16th

15 - Tuesday, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 7am Mass at Our Lady Queen of Angels with Father Nap 23 - Rosary for Life, 6pm at Holy Ghost Church

Stewardship of Treasure August 5 & 6

Offertory	\$2,303.00
Catholic Charities	\$1,438.00
Building & Maint. Fund	\$1,015.00
Mass Intentions	\$10.00
HG Gift Shop donations	\$77.00
HG Gift Shop Sales	\$522.09
HG Gift Shop Credit Card Sales	\$79.09
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$5,365.09

Thank you for your weekly donations!



The month of August is the special collection for the Building & Maintenance Fund. Please ko-kua and help us rebuild this important fund so we can continue the repairs to the interiors of our cherished churches and buildings. Donations are accepted year round. Mahalo for your support!

Prayer Quilt Ministry: 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. Mahalo to this wonderful group of Prayer Warriors! 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, 65 S. Kane St. Kahului, 808-872-6251, for rental, mortgage and utilities help (limited emergency financial assistance). Non-Perishable Food donations welcome at our church!

Church Bulletin Announcements: due by Wednesday at noon prior to weekend. Office closed: Mondays & Wednesdays.

SAVE THE DATE

September 8th—A Family Event with guest speaker Chris Stefanick! How to share your FAITH with a world that doesn't seem to want it? St. Anthony Church, 5:30pm Praise & Worship, 6:00pm Talk.

September 9th—2023 Youth Gathering for Maui/Lanai Vicariate for middle & high school youth. St. Anthony Church, 9am to 6pm. Contact Mary Jean Bega to register, 808-283-7545.



EPIC's Young Adult Ministry has funds and goods that we would love to deliver to people in need. If you have names, addresses, contact information, and specific requests that you can share with us, please email info@epicministry.net and

maui@epicministry.net

We're looking for <u>volunteers</u> to help with different types of relief efforts. If you are willing to help, please <u>info@epicministry.net</u> and <u>maui@epicministry.net</u> your name, contact information, and usual availability. Thank you so much! You can also, call Pua or Jeremy 808-870-2233. Mahalo!

The 6th Annual Holy Ghost Golf Tournament

Held In Memory of Eric Bega

Will be held on Saturday, September 23rd

at the Pukalani Golf Course

Proceeds go to:

Maintain the Kula Catholic Community's

Historical Churches

This year's Chairs are Sandra Morikawa 808-264-0322 email: smorikawa05@gmail.com and Derek Onaga 808-214-2571 email: derek.onaga@gmail.com

Liturgical Ministers: Mass Schedule: Aug. 19th & 20th

Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm

(L) S. Holtrichter, C. White (EM) J.&C. White (A) A. Manlansing

Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am

(C)E. Adachi (L) E. Wilson, C. Sylva (EM) D. May, J Andrews, M. Marchese

Holy Ghost Church 9:30am

(L) B. Tantisira, H. Chong (EM) D. Janosko, S. Morikawa (A) Enriquez's

Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Kula Catholic Community Mission Statement

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

Congratulations to new Holy Ghost Feast 2024 Queen Chloe Manlansing! Mahalo to our outgoing Queen Haylee Lundberg!



Chloe is the daughter of Ray & Tracy Manlansing. She is a sophomore this year at Maui High School. Chloe is currently the Vice President of her class, volunteers at the hospital, is an active member of the parish's youth group and lectors at the 5pm mass on Saturday. She is very humbled and blessed to be chosen as the 2024 Feast Queen and looks forward to continuing her efforts in servicing the church and her community. At the Feast dinner they did a beautiful hula to the song "Nani Ahiahi".

On-line Giving: please visit Website

New Holy Ghost Feast Chairs for

Facebook site: Our Lady Queen of

Angels Church, icon: Mary's Grotto



Many thanks to our outgoing Feast Chair Joe White!

This Sunday's Gospel Thoughts for the Week August 13, 2023



Reading in Blue Missal: pg. 227

1st Reading 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Coming of the Lord

This beautiful narrative tells about God's prophet in trouble. Elijah had confronted the prophets of Baal, the god Queen Jezebel worshiped. He took a stand that caused him to lose Jezebel's favor. She threatened the prophet's life. Elijah went to a cave where he met the Lord—not in a mighty wind, an earthquake, or fire, but rather in a tiny whispering sound. A lesson for the prophet so fond of the spectacular!

As Christians, we know that the Bible does not tell stories just to entertain us. Inspired by God, the sacred writer wants to teach by relating these ancient traditions to the believing reader. The point of the narrative is God's word to us. In this case, it could be a hint as to what we should do when evil besets us, and/or that we should find God not in the spectacular but in the simple events of daily life. In time of confusion, our prayer should be: "Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation".

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

2nd Reading Rom 9:1-5 Blessed Be God

Paul expresses his love for his people of origin in strong language that might scandalize if taken literally. They were chosen by God and received the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; they gave birth to the patriarchs and indeed to Christ himself! His example could be a lesson to love, respect, and care for others even if we cannot share their opinions!

Gospel Mt 14:22-33 Jesus Walks on Water

Matthew has molded this tradition in such a way that it is clearly a lesson for the harassed Church of his day and God's people of all times! The Church, the traditional bark of Peter, is tossed on the waves of affliction. It needs encouragement. It should have faith in Jesus, for he saves us if we have faith and pray with confidence. Jesus is able to still any storm and can bring us to safety.

<u>FOCUS</u>: It was in the tiny, whispering sound that Elijah experienced the Lord's presence. It is a good reminder for us that sometimes God is in the storm, sometimes he is in the whisper, sometimes he is the calming presence walking on the water. His love and mercy abound, and we need simply to keep our eyes on him and reach out our hand when we need help.

Mass Intentions



♦ August 12, 2023

♦ 5:00pm: Colette Ventura (Healing); Edwin Ferreira (Deceased)

♦ August 13, 2023

◆7:00am: Lyndell Beach (Deceased); Lilinoe Johnson (Deceased); Mary B. Oliveira (Deceased); and Nancy Pimentel (Deceased)

♦9:30am: Pro-Populo (For the Maui Community)

Pray for the Sick: Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Charles "Bala" Spencer, Father Adondee, Cru Silva, Jennifer McMahon, 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, 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, Andriea Silva, Darlene Tavares, Jessica Moriki, Frank Caravalho, Jr., Mikey Enriquez, Byron Gonsalves, Arthur & Shirley DePonte.

"Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage"

As part of our Pro-Life Ministry, we say the Rosary for Life on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6pm at Holy Ghost Church. Our next Rosary will be on August 23rd. 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.

MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS

The Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu

His Holiness Pope Francis was deeply saddened to learn of the loss of life and the destruction caused by the wildfires on the Hawaiian Island of Maui, and he expresses his solidarity with all those suffering from this tragedy, especially those whose loved ones have died or are missing. His Holiness also offers the assurance of prayers for the dead, injured and displaced, as well as for the first responders and emergency personnel. As a sign of his spiritual closeness the Holy Father willingly invokes upon all the people of Maui Almighty God's Blessings of Strength and Peace.

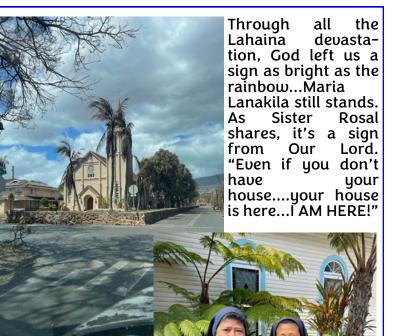
Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State Apostolic Nunciature United States of America No. 19712/23, August 11, 2023

A Prayer for the Victims of disaster:

O Lord, God of the universe, whom the wind and rain obey, listen to our prayer in this time of trouble. We lift up to you all the victims of this recent calamity. Give them back a hundredfold, the ones who lost everything including their dear lives here on earth. Bring us together in this time of distress to help our most vulnerable neighbors. And guide our hands to come to assist those who are the most in need. Let the survivors and their family members not lose their hope in You. Listen to the prayers, which could not even be expressed by words. We have no one to turn to except to You. We storm the heavens with our prayers as a community, as a nation, and as a Church. Ease our pains and cease our troubles, which vou know the most. Bring us comfort and consolation. We ask this in the powerful Name of Jesus Christ Your Son and through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, Comforter of the afflicted. Amen.

To offer Financial Assistance, the Maui Vicariate has set up the Maui Disaster Relief Fund: Helping those affected by the devastating fires here on Maui. To donate online visit St. Anthony Church website at stanthonymaui.org. https://www.osvhub.com/stanthonymaui/giving/funds/maui-disaster-relief

We have placed envelopes at the entrance of Church for you to place your donation in. Please make your check payable to Kula Catholic Community. In memo section of your check write Maui Disaster Relief. Mahalo!



Sister Rosal (left) and Sister Monica (right) will be staying with us at Our Lady Queen of Angels.

I asked Sister Monica what were her feelings as she was faced with this imminent danger of fleeing the fire? She shared, it felt like the

end of the world. I could see the fire, and I kept asking myself, "What do I grab? I cannot carry everything! I had to quiet myself, and remember that material things are irrelevant. My strength comes from God alone. I needed to focus on God, We jumped in the cars and prayed, prayed, prayed for safety as the fire kept coming. As she reflects back, looking at the aftermath pictures material things will turn to ash. I was again reminded, worldly things are only temporary, but only God is eternal.

I asked Sister Rosal the same question. She shared that in the Philippines, she was experienced with typhoons and the church she was assigned to would be the evacuation center for the people. But to experience this Fire Storm with its loud blood curdling sounds, she stayed in the Chapel and kept praying and when the sounds blasted she would yell out Hail Mary. When it was time to get into the car she ran from the Chapel with nothing. She remembered the reading from Job, you give us everything, and then you take it away. Blessed always the name of the Lord!

Both Sisters ask that people are traumatized and they need our help, we need to comfort each other. So many are homeless like us.

Please pray for us, so we can be a comforted and help us through this sense of loss.