

## September 2023

2/3 - 2nd Collection: Catholic University of America  
 3 - Adoration for More Vocations, 3:00pm, OLQA  
 5 - PPC Meeting, 6:00pm, OLQA  
 6 - Healing Mass, HG, 5:30 pm  
 16 - Breadmaking, HG  
 30/Oct. 1 - Ohana in Christ

### Stewardship of Treasure August 19 & 20

Offertory	\$2,317.00
Maui Disaster Relief	\$2,050.00
Building & Maint. Fund	\$170.00
Mass Intentions	\$80.00
Candle donations	\$168.00
Christmas in July Sales	\$25.00
Golf Tournament Donation	\$50.00
HG Gift Shop Sales	\$379.60
HG Gift Shop Credit Card Sales	\$505.76
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT</b>	<b>\$5,745.36</b>

**Second Collection next week:** The Catholic University of America. Your generous donations will support future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. You also support the University's research & training initiatives that help dioceses and parishes respond to the most pressing needs of their faithful.

**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 Maui wildfire relief call 808-873-4673 or visit website at [catholiccharitieshawaii.org](http://catholiccharitieshawaii.org) for updates. If you would like to make a donation, please visit [www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/maui-relief/](http://www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/maui-relief/).

**Non-Perishable Food donations welcome especially in this time of great need!**

**Church Bulletin Announcements:** due by Wednesday at noon prior to weekend. Office closed: Mondays. Next week Wednesday, 8/30/31, office is closed.

## SAVE THE DATE

**September 8th— FREE!! A Family Event with guest speaker Chris Stefanick! HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH WITH A WORLD THAT DOESN'T SEEM TO WANT IT. Everyone is invited. Chris will share inspiring stories and practical ideas to help us get through these trying times. Treat yourself and your family to a night with Chris. St. Anthony Church, 5:30pm Praise & Worship, 6:00pm Talk.**



**September 9th— COMMUNITY IN UNITY, Youth Gathering for Maui/Lanai Vicariate for middle & high school youth.**

**Our 3 high school youth who attended Christian Leadership Institute (Chloe, Landon, and Sophia) will be testing out the skills they learned at CLI and will take an active role during this youth event. St. Anthony Church, 9am to 6pm. Registration forms are at the entrance of the church. Contact Mary Jean Bega if you have questions, 808-283-7545.**

**Sweet Bread Sale: Saturday, Sept. 16th to support the Building & Maintenance fund. Place your order with Bernadette 808-281-2718 by Friday, Sept. 8th. Cost \$10 each. Pick-up at the Holy Ghost hall between 11am to 2pm.**

*Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist, and Altar Servers, please let us know dates that you will be unavailable to serve from October through December. Contact Lillian (OLQA), Mary Jean (HG), or Tracy (altar servers).*

**Liturgical Ministers: Mass Schedule: Sept. 2 & 3**

**Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm**

(L) J. White, S. Holtrichter (EM) C. White  
(A) R. Aipa

**Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am**

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

**Holy Ghost Church 9:30am**

(L) J. & L. Ritchie (EM) MJ Bega, S. Lomongo, S. Morikawa  
(A) L. St. Pierre

# Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

August 27, 2023

21st 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.*



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 On-line Giving: please visit Website

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Saint Paul reminds us in today's second reading that the ultimate origin of everything is God. Since everything comes from God, we are God's own. We can never put God in our debt. There is absolutely no negotiating with God. Every breath we take is a gift. Every good deed we perform is grace.

Good stewards realize they are created and called to make the beauty, greatness, compassion and justice of God and his gifts known throughout the world. The stewardship question for us is whether we are willing to embrace this call, acknowledge our dependence on God and give our lives over to him completely for this purpose.



**Reminder: Mass at St. James the Less this Sunday, August 27th, 12 noon in Ulupalakua**



**This Sunday's Gospel**  
**Thoughts for the Week**  
**August 27, 2023**



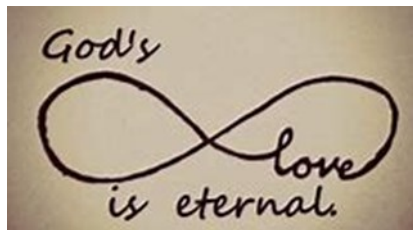
Rely on God for wisdom  
 (Reading in Blue Missal: pg. 232)

**1st Reading Is 22: 19-23**  
**The Gift of Authority**

The oracle of Isaiah announces the appointment of a new royal overseer, who will exercise authority in the name of his master. The keys given to him are a symbol of his vicarious power. The tradition concerning the keys of the kingdom entrusted to Peter as we have it in today's Gospel refers to this oracle.

The Church knows that the human instruments of God's authority on earth can fail but they cannot undo the divine purpose. Hence, we pray with the words of Psalm 138: "Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands."

**Responsorial Psalm:** Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.



**2nd Reading Rom 11:33-36**  
**Eternal Glory**

After Paul has been trying to describe the bounteous love of God, visible in Jesus Christ sharing himself with sinful humanity, we might say he gives up and exclaims in sudden emotion and gratitude: "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!" In his own unsearchable way, God has planned a future for each and everyone one of us. In our best moments we should try to feel as Paul did, when we meditate on the greatness, love and wisdom of God.

**Gospel Mt 16:3-20**  
**The First Pope**

This Gospel tradition puts things in their right perspective. Jesus is the Son of the living God. All authority has been given to him; hence he can delegate it. No longer visibly with his people, our Lord gives authority to the Church, by putting it into the hands of Peter, who rules over God's people together with his fellow apostles.

**Mass Intentions**



◆ August 26, 2023

◆ 5:00pm: Edwin Ferreira (Deceased)

August 27, 2023

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

◆ 9:30am: Sandra Morikawa (Healing); Rick Wilson (Deceased); Doris & Modesto Lomongo (Deceased)

◆ 12:00 pm: Pro-Populo/For the Parish Community

**Pray for the Sick :** *Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Charles "Bala" Spencer, Father Adondee, Cru Silva, Jennifer McMahan, 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 Carvalho, Jr., Mikey Enriquez, Byron Gonsalves, Arthur & Shirley DePonte, and Lawrence Gregulho.*

"God's love—individual, real, unchanging—is the true source of our worth, identity, and dignity. It really is not a question of who we are, but rather *whose* we are. Because his love will never change, nothing can reduce our God-given dignity, and nothing can diminish the immeasurable worth of our lives."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
["How to Build a Culture of Life"](#)

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 **September 27**. Please come and join us as we pray for our Blessed Mother's intercession. Call Cathy White at 269-5449.

**Bereavement Committee:** *Lorraine & Damien Pires, Joe & Cathy White, Jeanne Ono, Wayne & Dotty Purdy.*

**Pastor's Corner**

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in ordinary time year A

Who do you say that I am?

We live our lives according to how we are addressing the two questions: (1) Who is Jesus to us and (2) who are we to Jesus? If we consider Jesus as the Messiah, our Lord and Savior, we will live according to His Love and do His holy will at all times. We are to ask ourselves this question too, how will Jesus look at us? Who am I to Our Lord because most of the times we only care about how others will look at us and being affected by the comments, criticisms and their impression on us. We forget that Jesus, our Lord, must be number one important even though we might fail to please others. The Lord trusted and entrusted Peter the keys to eternal life because of his right answer and great disposition of himself before the Lord. It is both a privilege/ authority and a responsibility to him to lose and bind; to feed and lead the sheep and lamb of the Lord in His Church. Let us then be reminded of our own vows we made in our baptism; professing Jesus as our Savior, the judge of the living and the dead; the Holy Spirit, as the giver of life etc. that we take to heart our responsibility to love and care for others in this most difficult time.

Fr. Anton Nyo, M.S.

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**The 6th Annual Holy Ghost Golf Tournament**

*Held In Memory of Eric Bega*

**CHANGE IN DATE:**

**Will be held on Saturday, October 21**

*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  
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**Disaster Relief Assistance Options**

*Please don't forget the Power of Prayer—asking our Lord for strength, resilience and healing for victims and their families.*

Here are a few safe, trustworthy organizations if you're able to make a donation.

**1. Upcountry Emergency Kokua** - Upcountry parishes are joining forces to assist families who lost their homes in the Kula fires and anyone else in need. St. Joseph church will be the hub for all supplies. If you're available to help with distribution, report 30 minutes before they open. Contact Henrietta for more information. The highest needs are:

- Monetary donation—use the QR code on the flyer.
- School Supplies
- Rubber slippers
- Household items - pillows, blankets, sheets, pillow cases, hygiene, paper towels, toilet paper
- NEW, clean & gently used Infant and toddler clothes up to 4x; baby wipes, diapers, formulas, wipes
- Volunteers needed: Mon-Fri 4:30pm-7; Saturday: 8:30am-2pm; Sunday 12:30pm-4pm

**2. Maui Vicariate Maui Disaster Relief Fund** - We have placed envelopes at the entrance of church for your donation. Please make your check payable to Kula Catholic Community and write Maui Disaster Relief in the memo. Or, visit St. Anthony Church website at [stanthonymaui.org](http://stanthonymaui.org) or <https://www.osvhub.com/stanthonymaui/giving/funds/maui-disaster-relief>

**3. Honolulu Diocese** - The Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF) is also supporting the relief efforts. You may make a tax-deductible contribution by visiting the following link:

<https://tingurl.com/MauiCatholic>

**4. EPIC Ministry Maui** - A Catholic ministry comprised of young adults who are ready to assist. If your loved one has been displaced by the Maui Wildfire Disaster and are in need of supplies, visit their website, [epicministry.net](http://epicministry.net), use the QR code below or call (808) 354-0971. Items can be specific and delivered. To volunteer or make a donation, visit their website. You can also call Pua or Jeremy at 808-870-2233.

