

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
 10 - Novena begins to Our Lady of La Salette
 14 - Stations of the Cross at OLQA, 5pm
 16 - Breadmaking, HG
 19 - Our Lady of La Salette Feast Day, 7am at OLQA
 20 - Mass at Kula Hospital, 10:00am
 24 - Mass at St. James the Less, 12:00pm
 27 - Rosary for Life, 6pm at HG
 30/Oct. 1 - Ohana in Christ

Stewardship of Treasure August 26 & 27, 2023

Offertory	\$1,775.00
Maui Disaster Relief	\$120.00
Mass Intentions	\$80.00
Social Ministry donation	\$300.00
Charity Walk 2023 donation	\$6,850.60
Building & Maint. Fund	\$100.00
HG Gift Shop Sales	\$95.68
HG Gift Shop Credit Card Sales	\$43.73
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$9,365.01

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 for updates. If you would like to make a donation, please visit www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/maui-relief/.

Non-Perishable Food donations welcome at our church!

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

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. St. Anthony Church, 5:30pm Praise & Worship, 6:00pm Talk.



NEW DATE: Maui/Lanai Vicariate, 2023 Youth Gathering for Middle & High School Youth will be on Saturday, December 9th from 9am to 6pm at St. Anthony Church.

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.

**Mary, Mother of the Eucharist
 October - Month of the Rosary Home Visits
 We will once again have the opportunity to have the Blessed Mother visit your home along with the reciting of the rosary.
 Call Marnie Rompasky (808-463-8160).**

Liturgical Ministers: Mass Schedule: Sept. 9 & 10

Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm

(L) L. Silva, C. White (EM) J. White.
 (A) A. Manlansing

Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am

(C)M. Marchese (L) P. Kaiailiili, K. Aipa (EM) M. & J. Andrews, D. May

Holy Ghost Church 9:30am

(L) M. Rompasky, A. Bowes (EM) H. Chong, M. Chong, D. Janosko
 (A) I. & S. Enriquez

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) by September 10.

Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

September 3, 2023

22nd 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, Mary Jean Bega
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Facebook site: Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, icon: Mary's Grotto
 On-line Giving: please visit Website



Our Lady of La Salette Novena begins on Sunday, September 10th to 18th. The Feast Day of Our Lady of La Salette will be on Tuesday, September 19th, 7am at Our Lady Queen of the Angels Church. Potluck to follow.

A Stewardship Moment

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus brings up the topic of the cross to his followers. They would not realize the cross was part of God's plan and was to be their legacy until after the Resurrection. Today's followers of Christ recognize they are stewards of his entire legacy, including his cross; that through their mutual sacrifices God's glory is revealed. They don't live their lives in Christ only when it is convenient for them. They make a decision to take up their cross and carry it, no matter what the cost. In the midst of the uncertain times we live in, what crosses do we bear in order to reveal God's glory.

Volunteers needed at St. Anthony to sort relief supplies coming in from CA. The items will be delivered either Sept. 9th or 11th. Please call the office if you can help. We'll know the exact date early this week.

This Sunday's Gospel
Thoughts for the Week
September 3, 2023



Take up [your] cross, and follow me.
(Reading in Blue Missal: pg. 234)

1st Reading Jer 20: 7-9
Power of God's Word

"You duped me, O Lord." Jeremiah here uses the same word that the Law of Moses uses for the seduction of a virgin. This is daring language but it brings our clearly how Jeremiah sees himself in relation to God. And Jeremiah, most tender and loving, is so human. He would love to escape from that relationship of love with God. He would rather not be a prophet anymore. "I say to myself ... I will speak in his (God's) name no more." But then he has to continue! Love is like a burning fire. But it can be painful. It requires sacrifice. "O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts." It is the prayer of a Christian who loves!

Responsorial Psalm: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

2nd Reading Rom 12: 1-2
A Living Sacrifice

Paul has been describing at length God's great love for human beings shown in his sending his Son Jesus Christ. Now he starts explaining Christian ethics as a response to that love. A life of love, a life pleasing the beloved (God), implies denial of self. "Do not conform yourselves to this age." i.e. the values advocated by a corrupt society and not compatible with the values of God.

Gospel Mt 16: 21-27
Taking Up the Cross

Our Lord speaks clear language. God's standards are not always the same as human standards. Love requires denial of self and by nature it is sometimes painful. Jeremiah was tempted to turn away from his mission in life: "I say to myself ... I will speak in his name no more." and all of us can feel that same temptation in certain stages of our lives.

A life of lasting commitment though leading to lasting happiness is not easy. It is a challenge! "May the Father of our Lord Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know what is the hope that belongs to our call".



Mass Intentions



◆ **September 2, 2023**

◆ 5:00pm: Arthur & Betty Ventura, Sr. (Birthday & Thanksgiving Blessings); Edwin Ferreira (Deceased)

◆ **September 3, 2023**

◆ 7:00am: Carmen Goble (Healing); Lyndell Beach (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, Andriela Silva, Darlene Tavares, Mikey Enriquez, Byron Gonsalves, Arthur & Shirley DePonte, Lawrence Gregulho, Sandra Morikawa, Carmen Goble and Winona Shim.*

"The Church has consistently taught that every human life is precious and worthy of protection."
 USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 "Another Look at Abortion"
respectlife.org/another-look-at-abortion

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 **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

We are made to understand the reality of the cross.

Peter was praised for professing the true faith in Christ last Sunday but now he is being rebuked for not understanding the cross, which defines the Messiah. To be a religious person is not painless; as to be the friend of Christ does not mean to be exempt from suffering, for Jesus Himself suffered and died. The cross is a sign of love and loyalty. Let us be faithful to one another and let us remain strong in the Lord's hand in our most challenging time. God might be telling us that through our pains, wounds, and injuries he is going save our souls for the holy Cross purifies the mind and heart of Peter. "By Thy Holy Cross Thou hast redeemed the world!"

Fr. Anton Nyo, M.S.

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 and support the Maui Community affected by the recent wildfires.



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

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. Updated: highest needs are:

- Water, Non-Perishable foods, can opener
- School Supplies
- Household items - paper towels, toilet paper, dish & laundry soap, shampoo/conditioner, razor/shaver, new bath towels
- New kitchen supplies
- 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 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://tinyurl.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 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.

