

January 2022

26—Rosary for Life, 6pm, Holy Ghost Church

Stewardship of Treasure, Dec. 25-26, 2021

Christmas Masses	\$2,708.00
Weekly Offertory	\$2,202.00
Online November Offertory	\$2,229.50
Bldg. & Maint. Fund	\$100.00
2nd Collection—CCHD	\$40.00
Candles	\$93.00
Mass Intentions	\$70.00
Christmas Flowers Donations	\$10.00
HG Gift Shop Sales	\$506.28
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$7,958.78

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

The Magi brought the child Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. What gifts do I place before Jesus? My time? My talent? My treasure?

Prayer Quilt Ministry: The recipient of the 164th quilt is Yvonne Fukumoto. 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 continue to open after the 5pm Mass & on Sundays from 9am to 10:45am. Phone 878-1091 during shop hours. **New items coming in weekly!**

Home-bound Parishioners: If you would like to have an E.M. come to your home and administer Communion to you, please call the Office 878-1261.

Affected by COVID-19 CRISIS: Please call the Catholic Charities Maui at 873-4673, press 1 and leave a message for rental, mortgage and utilities help. Federal funds available for back rent & utilities! **Non-Perishable Food donations:** Please continue to bring in a food item when you can and leave it at the front entrance on the floor or counter.

Electronic Gate at Our Lady Queen of Angels: Monday to Friday, gate opens at 6am, closes at 7pm; Saturday-gate opens at 6am to noon; Sunday, gate opens at 6am—9:30am only.



Happy Blessed Birthday Fr. Adondee!!



You have touched many lives with your presence and your kind and caring ways. May you always know how much you mean to many of us. God bless you always!

Liturgical Ministers: Weekly Mass Schedule: Jan. 8 & 9

Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm

(L) M. Turek, S. Holtrichter

Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am

(L) E. Wilson, K. Aipa

Holy Ghost Mission Church 9:30am

(L) H. Chong, B. Frampton

Holy Ghost Mission Church 11:00am

(L) M. Covey



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.org

Church Bulletin Announcements: due by Wednesday at noon prior to weekend.

Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord

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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.



Interim Administrator, Rev. Adondee Arellano, M.S.

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Livestreaming of 7am Mass continues

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



My Fellow Parishioners from Father Adondee:

As we celebrate the solemn feast of Epiphany on the first Sunday of the New Year 2022, we cannot but express gratitude to God for His gracious gift of life and for the opportunity to enjoy more of His goodness this year. More importantly, we have to thank God for His overwhelming gift of salvation, which humanity began to enjoy with the conception and birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

(Father's letter continues on inside page.)

Open seating and no reservations required at the Masses, except for the Sunday, 11am at Holy Ghost. Attendance at the 11am is by reservations only for our most vulnerable.

This Sunday's Gospel
Thoughts for the Week
January 2, 2022



1st Reading Is 60:1-6
Glory of God's Church

Returning from exile in Babylon, the Jews make a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. The poet envisages all nations joining this pilgrimage to the light. God manifesting himself in Jesus Christ is a light shining in the darkness of the human condition. The Gentiles (non-Jews) responding to this revelation of God in Christ are symbolized by the Magi.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

2nd Reading Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Good News for All

Paul stresses that God manifested himself in the Lord Jesus not only to the Jews, but to all nations. The Gentiles (non-Jews) are now coheirs with the Jews, members of Christ's body and sharers of the divine promise. "God has called you out of darkness, with his wonderful light: May you be strong in faith, hope and love" (Solemn Blessing).

Gospel Mt 2:1-12
Magi with Gifts

Yearning for self-determination, the Jews were constantly expecting a Messiah (Anointed King), freedom fighter, and redeemer from oppression. There was even a horoscope circulating, telling about his star, and we can readily understand that a superstitious Herod might be upset by Magi.

But rather than searching for the background material of this story we ask: Inspired by God, what does Matthew try to bring out by adding this legend to his Gospel, because that is God's word to you and me? Quoting Scripture, Matthew teaches Jesus is the ruler who is to shepherd God's people. God's Epiphany (self-manifestation) in Jesus Christ is for all! All should join mankind's search for the Light of the World!



Mass Intentions



January 1, 2022

◆ 5:00pm: Shirley Williams (Thanksgiving Blessing), Fr. Adondee (Birthday Blessings)

January 2, 2022

◆ 7:00am: Fr. Adondee (Birthday Blessings)

◆ 9:30am: Fred Janosko (healing), Yvonne Fukumoto (healing), Fr. Adondee (Birthday Blessings)

◆ 11:00am: Ken Ono (Healing Blessings), Fr. Adondee (Birthday Blessings)

Pray for the Sick : *Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Jason Allencastre, Charles "Bala" Spencer, Father Adondee, Cru Silva, Jennifer McMahan, Mary B. Oliveira, Ben Kikuyama, Tasha Ham-DePonte, Dwight & Milagros Joan, Sr., Larry Pascual, Dolores Saki, Lucie Marie Cochran, James Gonzalez-Wesley, Chiree Souza, John Otto, Kevin O'Brien, Colin Yoshida, Frances Garcia, George Poteet, Judith Wagner, Kameryn Rylee Blackburn, Aeris Joseph, Canaska Gonzales, Shantel Kapoi, Maggi Fleming, Francis DeLara, Hayden Silva, Julio Franco, Reagen Olivares, Jessica Bartlett, Ginny Gonsalves, Eleanor Martin, Yvonne Fukumoto, and Fred Janosko.*

"Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

"The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"

***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 **January 26th**. Please come and join us as we pray for our Blessed Mother's intercession. Any questions please call Mary Covey at 280-2709.**

Bereavement Committee: *Lorraine & Damien Pires, Maggie Flinn, Jeanne Ono and Wayne & Dotty Purdy. Mahalo!*

The gospel reading narrates the story of the visit to the child Jesus by the wise men (magi). The wise men were non-Jews and so they knew nothing about the promised Savior; yet they found it necessary to undertake a long journey to locate the child they thought was a mere new-born King of the Jews, to do him homage and to offer him precious gifts. If the wise men who did not know the divine nature of the child nonetheless rendered him homage and offered him gifts, then we who know Him as the Son of God and enjoy His blessings must render heartfelt appreciation to Him.

Whereas the wise men were guided by the light of what they perceived to be a physical star, we are guided by the radiant light of supernatural faith to know that Jesus Christ was not just the king of the small nation of the Jews, nor merely king of the whole earth, but He is indeed the King of heaven and the whole universe. He is the King of kings, and the Lord of lords. And knowing that He through whom everything was created and without whom nothing was created decided to become a child so as to save us, our gratitude to Him should know no bounds.

Furthermore, as the wise men sought the Lord by their long journey, so may we never tire on the long and twisted journey of faith as we seek to know the Lord ever more throughout this year and beyond. On the practical level, may we never find the journey (walk, ride or drive) to our church (especially on Sundays) too long or boring to make.

In addition to their journey, the wise men had to make enquiries to locate the exact place of birth of the newborn King. When they made this enquiry at the palace of King Herod, the chief priests and scribes provided the answer by referring to the Scriptures. May the Scriptures we read and hear in the house of God enlighten us ever more about the mystery of the God-made-man.

When the wise men found the child Jesus, they offered Him the precious gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Let us, likewise, offer our precious gifts to the Lord in appreciation of His blessings. We may not have gold, but we can offer some of our precious time, talent and treasure for the service of the Lord and His Church.

We may not have frankincense, but we can offer the Lord what it signifies, namely, prayer and worship. Let us, therefore, always worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Finally, we may not have myrrh. Myrrh was used as perfume and medicine; and because of its sweet smell it was used for embalming bodies. The anxious Mary Magdalene and her companions ran to the tomb of the crucified Jesus to embalm Him, but they soon learnt that the Lord never needed myrrh to embalm Him, for His divine holiness diffuses eternal sweet aroma. Let us, therefore, be anxious to offer Him not myrrh but the sweet-smelling life of holiness. Amen!

Fr. Adondee, MS

Angel Tree Delivery



Members of the Youth Ministry and Social Ministry delivered gifts to MEO. Your generosity helped to make Christmas brighter for many of our Maui families.

Mahalo to the Enriquez, Morikawa, and Chong Ohana.



Sandra happily unloads gifts.



LJ, Leila and Haylee help to maneuver the bikes through the MEO office.

