

## January 2022

22-23 - Second Collection, Church in Latin America & Black and Indian Missions

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

### Stewardship of Treasure, Dec. 31, Jan. 1-2, 2022

	Current	Dec Month Totals
Weekly Offertory (Jan. 1 & 2)	\$2,240.00	
Weekly Offertory (Dec. 31)	\$6,285.00	\$21,492.00
2nd Collection (January's)	\$25.00	
2nd Collection—CCHD	\$20.00	
Restricted Gift	\$800.00	
Building Fund	-0-	\$10,200.00
Mass Intentions	\$80.00	
HG Gift Shop Sales	\$48.50	\$1,548.73
HG Gift Shop donation	\$21.00	
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT</b>	<b>\$9,519.50</b>	

Note: Dec. month totals column, weekly offertory will include Immaculate Conception and Christmas offerings; it does not contain the December online figures.



**Prayer Quilt Ministry:** The recipient of the 165th quilt is Fred Janosko who is in need of our prayers. May God's healing blessings be with him. 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 50% Off Christmas Ornaments & Decorations thru January!

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

## A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

How, or in what ways, have we personally experienced God's special favor in our lives?

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**CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE COMING TO A CLOSE THIS WEEKEND. MAY WE CONTINUE TO CARRY CHRIST'S MESSAGE OF HOPE, LOVE & JOY IN OUR HEARTS!**

Mahalo to the many hands that helped prepare our Churches with the beautiful decorations and Poinsettia flowers. Pic left are tree decorators Darralyn & Lauren.

### Liturgical Ministers: Weekly Mass Schedule: Jan. 15 & 16

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

(L) J. & C. White

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

(L) BJ Karlen, E. Wilson

**Holy Ghost Mission Church 9:30am**

(L) L. Andrews, H. Lundberg

**Holy Ghost Mission Church 11:00am**

(L) MJ Bega

**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](http://www.kulacatholiccommunity.org)

# Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

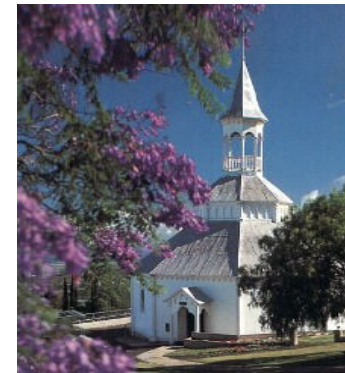
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The Baptism of the Lord

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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.*



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Livestreaming of 7am Mass continues  
Facebook site: Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, icon: Mary's Grotto



**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 9, 2022**



**1st Reading Is 40:1-5, 9-11**  
**Promise of Salvation**

Isaiah's central message is an announcement of salvation for the people of God. He reveals God as a Shepherd-King, attracting and ever caring for his people.

**Responsorial Psalm:**

O bless the Lord, my soul.

**2nd Reading Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7**  
**Called through Baptism**

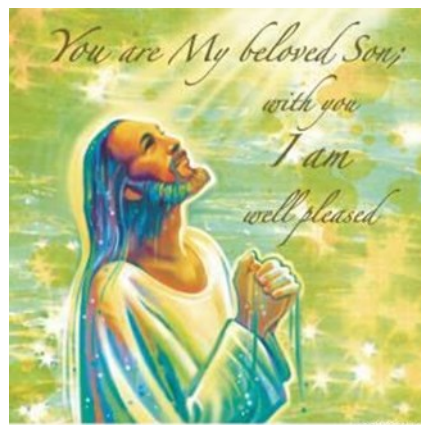
Paul proclaims that the "grace of God has appeared" in Christ. This has set us on the road to salvation by giving us the gifts of God, especially Baptism, and by calling us to lead lives dedicated to Christ.

**Gospel Lk 3:15-16, 21-22**  
**Beloved Son**

"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire": fire is a familiar biblical image that points to the presence of God. Here it could indicate the Holy Spirit's purifying and sanctifying activity at baptism. "Like a dove": Israel is often compared with a dove. Here it stands for the new Israel, the community founded by Jesus, and our Lord himself representing it.

Luke has Jesus pray after his baptism, just as he has him pray often before important decisions in his life. This was an important moment in the life of Jesus, namely one in which he received a clear awareness of the great mission he had to accept.

**Pray often to the Holy Spirit for fidelity to your calling in life!**



**Mass Intentions**



January 8, 2022

◆ 5:00pm: Kevin Herbert Tavares (Deceased) and for spouse Janet and his Ohana.

January 9, 2022

◆ 7:00am: Kehau May (Healing Blessings); Keith Pocock (Healing Blessings) and Fred Janosko (Healing Blessings)

◆ 9:30am: Pro-Populo (For the People)

◆ 11:00am: Ken Ono (Healing 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, Hayden Silva, Julio Franco, Reagen Olivares, Ginny Gonsalves, Eleanor Martin, Yvonne Fukumoto, Fred Janosko, Kehau May and Keith Pocock.*

"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life" ([respectlife.org/culture-of-life](https://respectlife.org/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 **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!*

My Fellow Parishioners,

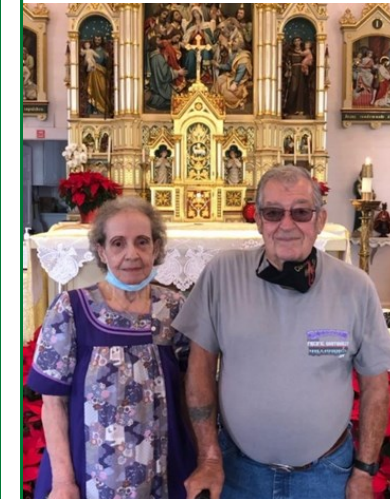
This Sunday is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This celebration naturally leads us to the consideration of our own baptism. To most Catholics, Baptism is just one religious' ceremony. But the fact is, it effects a fundamental change in our whole being. From being just the son or daughter of our parents, in Baptism we become sons and daughters of God. And as God's children, we are expected to exhibit the characteristics of God. In fact, Jesus revealed to us the benchmark of our life: "Be perfect as the heavenly Father is perfect" (Mt 5:48). We are supposed to be holy, and to live and act according to our Christian dignity. Our whole being should be infused with the Christian spirit and values. We should think, behave, move and live as citizens of heaven. As St. Paul puts it, we are in this world but not of this world. So, we must conform ourselves, not with the standards of this world, but to the standard of God.

How many of us are consciously aware of this? This Sunday, we are invited to examine ourselves. This is quite appropriate because we are still in the first days of the New Year. Let us look at ourselves and see what behaviors and activities we have that do not conform to our Christian faith. There are many Catholics who go to Mass on Sundays and even receive Holy Communion regularly, yet they are engaged in immoral activities, or living together without the benefit of the Sacrament of Matrimony or engaged in adulterous relationship; or are ardent believers in superstitious beliefs, horoscopes, palm reading or various occult practices. And there are more Catholics who are proud, arrogant, chronic liars and are active slanderers and gossips, destroying the reputation of others who shamelessly go to Mass and receive Holy Communion to show to everybody that they are good Catholics. I mentioned these things, not to condemn anybody, but to help all of us, myself included, to examine ourselves honestly, and be moved to repentance and conversion.

In the Gospel this Sunday, we see Jesus going down the waters of the Jordan to be baptized by John. He did not need to undergo this baptism of repentance for He is sinless and holy. Yet He did this for our sake. St. Gregory of Nazianzen tells us why: "He comes to bury sinful humanity in the waters. He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake." Jesus made holy the waters of the earth so that we can use it in our baptism to cleanse and sanctify us. Let the feast this Sunday remind us of our sublime dignity we received in Baptism as God's children. And let us strive to live according to this dignity, so that we may eventually hear the words of the Heavenly Father, "You are my beloved children; with you I am well-pleased."

God Bless us all! Fr. Adondee, MS

***Happy Wedding Anniversary!***



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***OLQA Fallen Tree***



Before and after pics of large uprooted tree after the Dec. 4th storm. Father Anton went to work with his trusted hand saw and later finished up with his Christmas present to himself, a new chainsaw! Thank you Father Anton, and Dane who held onto the ladder for Father. Father Anton using his wheel barrow transferred and stacked the carefully cut logs onto the Kula hospital side of the property. Way to go Father Muscles!