

## December 2022

18 - 4th Sunday of Advent, Angel Tree Project ends, bring in your gifts with name tag firmly attached to 9:30am Mass. Sweetbread pickup at Holy Ghost hall, 11:30am to 2pm;  
 24 - Christmas Eve, 5pm at Holy Ghost  
 25 - Christmas Day (Holy Day of Obligation), 8am at OLQA and 9:30am at Holy Ghost  
 28 - Rosary for Life, 6pm at Holy Ghost  
 31 - New Year's Eve Vigil, 5pm at Holy Ghost Church  
 Sunday, January 1st: 8am at OLQA, 9:30am Holy Ghost; 12noon at St. James the Less, Ulupalakua

### Stewardship of Treasure, Dec. 10 & 11, 2022

Weekly Offertory	\$1,954.00
Immaculate Conception	\$681.00
Mass Intention	\$260.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$1,063.00
Restricted donation	\$2500.00
Christmas flowers	\$415.00
H. G. Gift Shop sales	\$174.17
Gift Shop credit card sales	\$234.30
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT</b>	<b>\$7,281.47</b>



**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. 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 878-1261. **Catholic Charities Maui:** Please call Catholic Charities Maui at 873-4673, press 1 and leave a message for rental, mortgage and utilities help.



**SWEETBREAD Pick-up on Sunday, December 18th at the Holy Ghost hall from 11:30am to 2pm**

**Christmas Angel Tree Project Ends, Sunday, December 18th, today!**



Please return your purchased gift, wrapped with the angel attached securely to the gift. Our Social Ministry Program, along with the Youth Program will be double checking their lists after Mass today and then transporting all the gifts to MEO. Your kindness has made it possible that no child went without. Mahalo for your support!



**Mahalo for your Christmas Flower donations!**

### Liturgical Ministers: Weekly Mass Schedule: Dec. 24 & 25

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

(L) J. Ritchie, H. Chong (EM) M. Chong (A) A. Manlansing

#### Our Lady Queen of 8:00am

(L) E. Wilson, BJ Karlen (EM) D. May (A) R. Aipa

#### Holy Ghost Church 9:30am

(L) M. Rompasky, S. Holtrichter (EM) ?  
 (A) L. St. Pierre, C. Cardoza

**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).

**Non-Perishable Food donations welcome!**

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

**Office closed on Mondays & Wednesdays.**

# Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

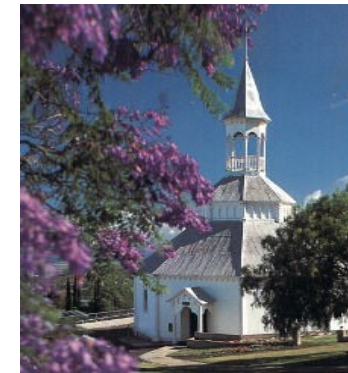
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Fourth Sunday of Advent

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### Kula Catholic Community Mission Statement

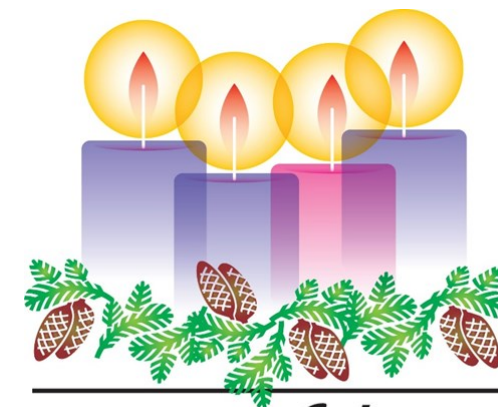
*The Kula Catholic Community, blessed by God, inspired by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, seeks to worship God with sincerity of heart, witness the Gospel by our words and actions, share Christian values in our personal and community lives, and offer service to all people.*



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

### The Fourth Sunday of Advent - The Love Candle



FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, we reach the culmination of love. The Messiah comes in love and righteousness. The angels filled the sky with the greatest news of love. Today we light all three violet and the rose candles on the Advent wreath and pray that the light of Christ will enter our hearts so that we may share the warmth of God's love with those we meet. As we light the four candles, we ponder, For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him (John 3:16-17).

**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT** In today's Gospel we hear of the coming of Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." We celebrate three Advents: the birth of Christ, his Second Coming, and his presence in the world today. Our daily lives are attended by God's presence. Indeed, "God is with us." The Good News of Christ's Incarnation is that we are the sign, the "sacrament," of Christ's presence in the world. People are supposed to see us, see how we love one another, see how we treat the stranger among us, see how we give comfort to the poor and afflicted, and share the Good News with joy. They see how good stewards are the light of Christ. And there can be no possible response except to say: "God is here!"

**This Sunday's Gospel**  
**Thoughts for the Week**  
**December 18 2022**



**1st Reading Is 7:10-14**  
**The Virgin with Child**

Just as at the Second Sunday of Advent, the setting of Isaiah's oracle is Jerusalem of 735-715 B.C., the reign of King Ahaz. God's people is in deep trouble mainly through the mismanagement of the king, who has rejected the offer of a "sign", which in the Bible is usually some event assuring human beings of divine intervention. Nevertheless, a "sign" is given. The virgin (young maiden) who will bear a son is probably Abi, the young wife of King Ahaz. "Immanuel" (God-with-us) is his son.

The point (God's word to us) seems to be: When we are in trouble, going through the semi-darkness of the human situation. **God is willing to step in, if in faith we let him do so.**

**Responsorial Psalm:**

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

**2nd Reading Rom 1:1-7**  
**Jesus the Savior**

Paul explains who the Savior, Jesus Christ, is. He is fully man, a descendant of King David, but made Son of God in power. Paul's task is to bring to obedient faith all the Gentiles.

**It is through our "obedient faith" in the Lord Jesus, sent by God to enlighten all who go through the darkness of the human condition, that we will be saved.**

**Gospel Mt 1:18-24**  
**God-with-Us**

Matthew quotes Isaiah's oracle of today's first Bible reading. Both Matthew and the Church have seen in the birth of Christ from the Virgin Mother the perfect fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. It is in and through Jesus Christ that God steps in to save us, who pass through the twilight of human existence.

In the Lord Jesus, God is "Immanuel—God with us." And this tremendous mystery ("**God is with us—you do not have to go it alone**") is what we are going to celebrate at Christmas. **"Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory".**



**Mass Intentions**



December 17, 2022

◆ 5:00pm: John Moriki, Sr. (Deceased)

December 18, 2022

◆ 7:00am: Ken Ono (Healing); Damien Pires (Healing); Lyndell Beach (Deceased)

◆ 9:30am: Pro-Populo (For the People)

**Pray for the Sick :** *Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Charles "Bala" Spencer, Father Adondee, Cru Silva, Jennifer McMahon, Mary B. Oliveira, 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, Kameryn Rylee Blackburn, Aeris Joseph, Canaska Gonzales, Shantel Kapoi, Maggi Fleming, Reagen Olivares, Ginny Gonsalves, Eleanor Martin, Yvonne Fukumoto, Kehau May, Tammy Jardine, 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 and Marco Molina Jr.*

"Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother." Learn ten tips at [respectlife.org/support-her](https://respectlife.org/support-her). USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting"

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 **December 28th**. Please come and join us as we pray for our Blessed Mother's intercession. Call Cathy White at 269-5449.

**The Holy Ghost Gift Shop is the perfect place to start your Christmas Shopping and support our Church at the same time! See their great gift ideas and new inventory!**

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

**PASTOR'S CORNER**

My Dear Brothers and Sisters/ Parishioners / Co-sojourners as Kula Catholic Community,

Mary and Joseph helped fulfill God's plan of our Salvation!

All of us have our own priorities and plans in life. But sometimes God has a better plan for us and for our salvation. It was difficult for Mary and Joseph to redirect their plans and change their way of life; from being single to being a married couple. As for Mary, she did not want to be a mother (she knows no man) while as for Joseph, he was not the father of the child in Mary's womb. And yet they listened and obeyed the Lord and followed His will. They fully took upon themselves the responsibility for the coming Messiah. It is all because of their true love for God and others; they obeyed God and they thought of us.

All of us are called and entrusted with an important mission for the salvation of souls. We ask for God's grace to be able to be faithful to His call. We also pray in a special way for all parents that they will not destroy God's plan for their family and children; that they will take full responsibility to educate them in schools and in the Church; for their physical and spiritual growth.

Father Anton

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**"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us. Matthew 1:23**



**Landscaping at the Outdoor Stations**  
**Mahalo Clarence!**  
**Father continues his labor of LOVE!**



**Mahalo Buddy & Father for the new lamp posts installed on the fence line at Our Lady Queen of Angels. Perfect lighting!**