

February 2022

12-13 - Second Collection: Augustine Educational Foundation
 13 - World Marriage Day
 19-20 - Bring in your old palms for Ash Wed (March 2)
 26-27 - Bring in your old palms for Ash Wed (March 2)
 23—Rosary for Life, 6pm, Holy Ghost Church
 27 - HG Feast 2019 Booth Chairs, meeting 10:30 at HG hall

Stewardship of Treasure, Feb. 5 & 6, 2022

	Weekend 2/5 & 6/22	Month of Jan (includes online)
Weekly Offertory	\$2,458.00	\$11,727.80
Building & Maint Fund	\$1,350.00	\$615.00
Black & Indian Mission	\$60.00	
Church in Latin America	\$60.00	
Augustine Foundation	\$10.00	
Mass Intention	\$60.00	
HG Gift Shop donations	\$32.00	
HG Gift Shop Sales	\$24.98	\$478.51
HG Credit card sales	\$36.46	\$299.47
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$4,091.44	\$13,120.78

Mahalo!



The month of February is the special collection for the Building & Maintenance Fund. Please kokua and help us rebuild this important fund so we can continue the repairs to the interiors of our cherished churches and buildings. Mahalo for your support!

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 continue to open after the 5pm Mass & on Sundays from 9am to 10:45am. Phone 878-1091 during shop hours. **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. MAHALO!

A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The prophet Jeremiah minces no words in today's first reading: "Thus says the LORD: Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings ... whose heart turns away from the LORD." And the prophet's "beatitude" resembles that of Jesus' teaching in today's Gospel reading when he proclaims: "Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD." Good stewards understand that what the world values is not consistent with Gospel values. They realize that God has placed in their midst all the gifts, charisms, and resources needed to bring Christ to a world desperately in need of his loving presence. But to exercise good stewardship over God's gifts takes a great deal of trust. **How does our stewardship reflect our trust in the Lord? What did we do today to give others hope in Christ Jesus?**



CANNOT MARRY IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH DUE TO A PRIOR MARRIAGE?

Pope Francis streamlined the process to petition for a declaration of nullity to make the process shorter. He also eliminated the mandatory fee. If a person is able to prove in this process that their prior marital bond was invalid for some reason, then he or she can marry in the Catholic Church or validate a current civil marriage. For assistance in petitioning, please contact the Parish Office who can assist you as an advocate.

Liturgical Ministers: Weekly Mass Schedule: Feb. 19 & 20

Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm

(L) B. Ventura, S. Holtrichter

Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am

(L) K. Aipa, L. Arrieta

Holy Ghost Mission Church 9:30am

(L) H. Chong, M. Rompasky

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

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.

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

Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

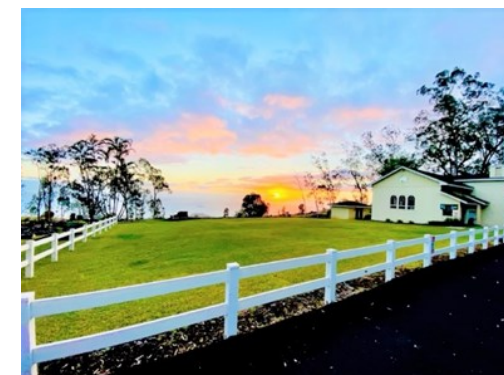
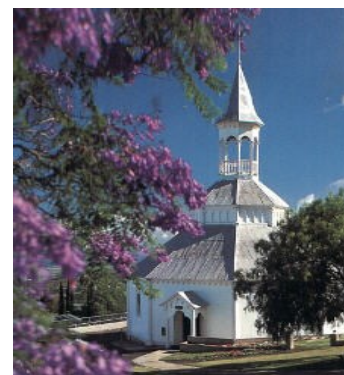
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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Happy World Marriage Day 2022! Congratulations to our Longest Married Couple in the Kula Catholic Community, Arthur & Betty Ventura, 70 years come May!



Arthur & Betty Ventura were married on May 10, 1952, at the Holy Rosary Church in Paia by Father Putman. They were blessed with two (2) sons, Arthur and Scott, who in turn married Doris & Dee Ann, respectively and blessed them with three (3) grandchildren. I asked Betty, "What has kept your marriage strong and enduring?" She said, "Our Lord. My husband and I pray the rosary together daily. We ask His blessings upon us for guidance; that we give freely to each other, love & forgiveness. We also pray for our family to be safe and strong."

Arthur and Betty believe strongly that a family that prays together stays together. Another very important bit of advice Betty shared, "Never go to bed angry, forgiveness is key!"

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
February 13, 2022



1st Reading Jer 17:5-8
Trust in the Lord

Guided by God, the writer of this poem offers his ideas on lasting happiness, for which human beings are ever restlessly searching. His observation is: Unhappy is the person who trusts in humans alone. Comparing such a person with a shrub in the desert clearly expresses the reason why there can be no lasting happiness.

On the contrary, **Happy the person who trusts in the Lord!** Again, the comparison gives the reason. Such a person is like a fruitful tree planted beside water. The Responsorial Psalm continues that same idea of trust in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

2nd Reading 1 Cor 15:1-12, 16-20
Hope for Eternity

As already mentioned (see Theme) happiness implies hope for more to come. Paul deals with our restless desire for more that reaches even beyond the grave. "If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all." Christianity is that philosophy of life which offers hope to our "restless heart till it rests in [God]" (St. Augustine).

Gospel Lk 6:17, 20-26
The Beatitudes

(For Matthew's version of Jesus' sermon, see the Gospel of the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time—A) We should see this sermon as a challenge to perfection directed to all who seriously search for happiness. "Blessed are you who are poor...Woe to you who are rich." It is true that the poor feel the insufficiency of the human condition, hence the need for God, more keenly than the rich do. Matthew's version speaks of the "poor in spirit," which refers to responsible stewardship. **If the have's are constantly aware that they do not own anything, but that they are just God's stewards, and that having more means more responsibility (social justice, charity by sharing), then they too will receive their reward in heaven.**

God's word to the wealthy Christian is: With your money and talent for management, are you actively involved in any program to make the poor help themselves? If there is none, start one! "More will be demanded of the person entrusted with more" (Lk 12:48).

Mass Intentions



February 12, 2022

◆5:00pm: Hunter Otani (Deceased); Father Thomas Joseph (Deceased)


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◆7:00am: Pro-Populo (For the People); Father Thomas Joseph (Deceased)

◆9:30am: Eric Bega (Deceased); Benedicto Manuel, Sr. (Deceased); Lilineo Johnson-Davis (Deceased)

◆11:00am: Marie Robello (Healing); Ken Ono (Thanksgiving Blessings); Father Thomas Joseph (Deceased)

Pray for the Sick : *Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Jason Allencastre, 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, 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, Reagen Olivares, Ginny Gonsalves, Eleanor Martin, Yvonne Fukumoto, Fred Janosko, Kehau May, Tammy Jardine and Marie Robello.*



"Married love differs from any other love in the world. By its nature, the love of husband and wife is so complete, so ordered to a lifetime of communion with God and each other, that it is open to creating a new human being they will love and care for together." USCCB, *Married Love and the Gift of Life*

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 **February 23rd**. Please come and join us as we pray for our Blessed Mother's intercession. Any questions please call Cathy White at 269-5449.

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

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

Lk. 6: 17, 20-26

It is known as Jesus' sermon on the plain by St. Luke. It might not be the sermon on the mount, as presented by Matthew (5:1-12), but it is hard to preach and practice; as hard as climbing a high mountain. It is so hard to preach poverty, hunger, mourning, weeping and humiliation as blessings! While, preaching against people, who have all their fill, who enjoy life and taking pleasure on human honor and glory in this life.

Jesus does not glorify or promote poverty, suffering, discrimination, and distress either but when it comes to us not on our own accord/because of own fault, we are to stand firm and faithful to the Lord. Only by faith in the risen Lord makes us persevere through hardships and makes us believe that poverty, sicknesses and distress, and all forms of sufferings on earth will not last forever (2nd reading). Let us not seek human recognition but offer our sacrifices to the Lord, who alone knows our hearts no matter how much it might cost.

Father Anton Nyo, M.S.



PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church. Look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



Called Home to Our Lord

Father Thomas Joseph

Please pray for the response of the soul of Father

Thomas Joseph who died February 9, 2022 in India after struggling with brain cancer for some time. Father Thomas served here in Kula from 2014 to 2015. Taken from our "80 Years of Grace" booklet, Fr. Thomas loved Hawaii. He was known for all his ALOHA SHIRTS. His spirit was like his cooking, "SPICY". May you rest in the loving hands of Our Lord, loyal and faithful servant.

Blessing at St. James for High School Maui High Senior Ky-mani Corpuz

Ky-mani has fond memories of Ulupalakua growing up, his parents are Alika & Violet Ventura Corpuz. Ky-mani had his baseball commitment and signing at St. James to attend Olympic College in WA.



Father Anton gave him a blessing and the timing was perfect as the Sisters from Maria Lanakila Church were having a retreat given by Fr. Anton that morning on Jan. 29th, so Ky-mani had additional blessings! God Bless you Ky-mani as you start your new journey in college! Left to right: Sister Rosal, Father Anton, Ky-mani Corpuz, Sister Ja Len, Sister Mary from the Missionary Sisters of Faith.

Save the Dates for Lenten Activities!

Ash Wednesday: March 2nd
Lenten Reflection by Father Ace: March 9th

Parish Penance Service: March 16th

Calendar coming soon!