

Sunday Bulletin

# St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish

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January 5, 2025

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

LORD,  
every nation  
on earth will  
ADORE  
you.



**Father's Message**



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

### Living the Example of the Wise Kings

Aloha and Happy New Year! I extend my heartfelt wishes for a joyful and blessed year ahead. It is truly uplifting to begin this new year with the blessings of God and renewed energy. I am grateful for the generous Christmas gifts and warm greetings you have shared with us, your priests. This reflects your deep love, care, and support. I assure you that I will keep all your holy intentions in my prayers and will offer my Masses and prayers for you throughout January.

This Sunday we celebrate the solemnity of Epiphany. The term Epiphany is of Greek origin, "Epiphaninen." It is a verb that means "to reveal" or "to manifest." It celebrates the many ways through which Jesus has revealed himself to us and our world. These include the three events that bring to light his mission and divinity: the visitation of the three kings or Magi (Mt 2, 10-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mk 1, 9-11), and the miracle at Cana (Jn 2, 1-11).

So today, God reveals himself to us because he is good and loving. The light that shines forth upon us today is the light of life from which we must get our light and reflect it unto others. Today, the Lord Jesus Christ extends and expands the horizon of his love to us by not being selfish. He allows himself to illuminate the darkness of our lives.

The lesson we can learn from this is simple. We must also make our lives better by letting the goodness that flows from us help others. We must let our light shine so that others can see with it as Christ illuminates our way and life this New Year with his light, life, divine presence, and counsel. Any time we are confused or come to the crossroads of life, we must seek and wait until the star of Christ appears to show us the way we must proceed.


Have a wonderful week...God bless you.

With love and prayers,

*Father Sebastian Soosai*  
Pastor







*Adoration*

of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us in  
Adoration of the  
Most Blessed Sacrament  
Every Thursday  
7:30am until Noon

Please let us know you can come -  
our sign-up sheet is located on  
the Welcome Table.  
Mahalo!

## 1 Calendar of Events

### JANUARY 6-12, 2025

#### 6th - MONDAY

7:00 AM MASS

5:00 PM Bible Study (Sr. Stella) - Rm 1-2

#### 7th - TUESDAY (School Resumes)

7:00 AM MASS

3:00 PM Hula (Beg/Int) - Hal

6:30 PM Rosary - Church

#### 8th - WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM MASS

8:15 AM SES Mass - Church

3:00 PM Hula (Adv) - Hall

5:15 PM Zumba - Hall

6:00 PM 8am Choir Practice - Church

6:30 PM Knights of Columbus - Room 8

7:00 PM Dance - Hall

#### 9th - THURSDAY

7:00 AM MASS / ADORATION

5:00 PM **Food Pantry Open**

6:30 PM SES EO PTG Mtg - Room 1/2

#### 10th - FRIDAY

7:00 AM MASS

#### 11th - SATURDAY

7:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM RE Classes (K-5) - Campus

9:00 AM Confession - Church

5:00 PM MASS

#### 12th - SUNDAY (Regular Mass Schedule)

6am • 8am • 10am • 12pm • 5pm

9:30 AM OCIA Class - Room 1-2

5:00 PM EDGE (begins w/Mass) - Hall

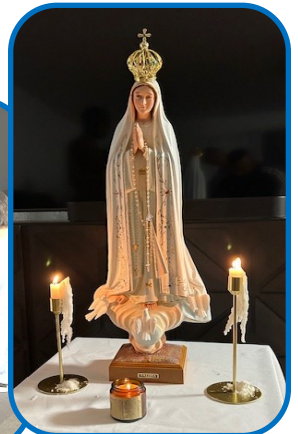
5:0 PM Life Teen (begins w/Mass) - Room 8

**Chuukese Mass 2pm**

**1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month**



## Family Apostolate



### St. Elizabeth's Family Apostolate Ministry

has been busy going out into the community to share God's blessings. This past week they had the pleasure of visiting Alan and Kim Abella, who are new to the area and related to Val Streff. We

appreciated their warm hospitality and are excited to see them at the parish. If you're interested in joining this ministry or would like to have them pray with you, please reach out to Sr. Stella at [umeristella@gmail.com](mailto:umeristella@gmail.com), or give the parish office a call.

## The Little Bethlehem Christian Group

The *Little Bethlehem Christian Group* is a community of 200 Christian families residing in Bethlehem, the holy land, who earn their livelihood through wood carving. Their representatives, the Alshouri family, are here in the islands and will be at our parish this weekend. After the Saturday and Sunday Masses, a selection of beautifully hand-carved olive wood religious items will be on display and available for purchase. The proceeds will help support Christianity in the land of Christ. We invite you to visit this beautiful collection of items under the tent fronting the parish office.





**SUNDAY COLLECTION**  
**Dec 28-29, 2024**

<b>Total Collection</b> .....	<b>\$11,793.50</b>
Building Fund .....	\$ 31.00
Candles .....	\$ 589.00
Christmas .....	\$ 290.00
Christmas Flowers .....	\$ 90.00
Good Samaritan .....	\$ 75.00
Jubilee Fundraiser .....	\$ 6,761.52
St. Damien .....	\$ 77.00
Solemnity of Mary .....	\$ 50.00
TMIY .....	\$ 107.00
<b>Total Other Revenue</b> .....	<b>\$ 8,070.52</b>
<b>Total Weekly Deposit</b> .....	<b>\$19,864.02</b>

**On-Line Giving**

December 2024..... \$ 7,965.05

**Additional Offerings (December)**

Baptisms .....	\$ 105.00
Blessings .....	\$ 20.00
Funerals.....	\$ 1,000.00
Mass Intentions.....	\$ 2,692.00

**Total Additional Revenue for December 2024**..... **\$ 3,817.00**

**Donations to Other Organizations**

Catholic Charities .....	\$ 60.00
Catholic Herald.....	\$ 10.00
Diocesan Retr Fund .....	\$ 250.00
Seminarian Edu Fund.....	\$ 32.00

*Thank You for your Support!!*

**SECOND COLLECTION**

*SES Tuition Assistance Jan 11/12*  
*Church in Latin America*  
*& Blk/Indian Missions Jan 25/26*

*The Annual Parish & School Finance Report is on the parish website for your review.*



On-line Giving Available through **VANCO**  
Use the following hyperlink:  
<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZK22>  
Or scan the QR Code with your phone.



**A Fond Aloha and Mahalo!**

While we are sad to see Father Arrion leave, we recognize that this transfer is an important milestone in his journey and development within the priesthood, setting the stage for him to eventually lead his own parish. He came to us as the youngest newly ordained priest and made great contributions during his time with our church. We are truly grateful for his wisdom and guidance, the many hours spent in the confessional, numerous blessings provided, rushing to anoint the seriously ill, supporting our parish and school youth, and so much more. We sincerely appreciate everything he has done and wish him God's blessings as he steps into the role of Parochial Vicar at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Kailua, effective February 1. You will be missed Fr. Arrion!



The **RESPECT LIFE CAMPAIGN** begins this month, and is sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus**. This initiative aims to support Respect Life ministries within our parish and diocese. Your assistance is crucial; we kindly ask you to take a baby bottle, fill it with cash, and return it to the parish next week or drop it off at the parish office. We appreciate your generous support.



*Aloha Kekahi i Kekahi*  
*Love One Another*

**March for Life**

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*The Four Pillars of Respect Life Ministry: We Pray, We Teach, We Serve and We Vote*

**March for Life 2025 at the State Capitol**  
Friday, January 24, 2025  
2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**March for Life Mass**  
Thursday, January 23, 2025  
6 p.m. at St. Theresa  
President: Bishop Larry Silva



**Congratulations & blessings** to the families of the recently baptized children:

*Hayden Kam*  
*Shae Yamamoto-Aquino*

May God's love be with you always!

*(Call the parish office to arrange for baptism.)*



**Aloha & Welcome Father Clement Beeri**

Father Clement Beeri originates from Ghana, a small country on the coast of west Africa. He arrived in the islands on July 1, 2019, and has since served at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Honolulu, St. John the Baptist Church in Kalihi, and most recently at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Kailua. Throughout these assignments, he has held the roles of Parochial Vicar and Interim Administrator. This year marks the 28th anniversary of his ordination as a priest (Ordained: August 10, 1996, Diocese of Navrongo-Bolgatanga, Ghana). We eagerly anticipate Father Clement joining our ohana; please extend to him a warm welcome.



**SUNDAY KIDZ**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

O T R E A S U R E S K  
 X Q A Z J L G F C U O  
 I N Q U I R E I W Z A  
 I N U N Q X G R T S P  
 D C V Q P A G L T P R  
 R U S X M H E R O D O  
 E S N E W B O R N O P  
 A O V E R J O Y E D H  
 M S S H E P H E R D E  
 H O M A G E B R Z P T  
 M J O P U N F C U I J

Magi Newborn Homage Inquire Prophet  
 Herod Shepherd Overjoyed Treasures Dream

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**Mass Intentions**

<b>Sat., Jan. 4</b> 7am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Clifford Shatos
5pm	Gerry Chang (Birthday Blessings) +Mary N. E. Png +Clifford Shatos
<b>Sun., Jan. 5</b> 6am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Vern Erickson +Vicente Nacorra Ildefonso
8am	+Oscar, Marijane, Josefina & Efraino Damo +Joe Enright +Raymond Len +Carlina & Sosimo Valencia +Walter Wong
10am	Lisa McCracken (Birthday Blessings) +Marie T. Kaneshiro +Masa Niko +George Souza +Vaelua Tuala (Death Anniversary)
12pm	Craig Wetberg (Special Intention) +Maria & Joachim
5pm	St. Elizabeth Parishioners
<b>Mon. Jan. 6</b> 7am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Vicente Nacorra Ildefonso +Clifford Shatos
<b>Tue. Jan. 7</b> 7am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Vicente Nacorra Ildefonso
<b>Wed. Jan. 8</b> 7am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Vicente Nacorra Ildefonso +Evelyn Guerrero Mabuti +Clifford Shatos
<b>Thurs. Jan. 9</b> 7am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Vicente Nacorra Ildefonso +Evelyn Guerrero Mabuti +Bialis Umdor (15th Death Anniversary)
<b>Fri. Jan. 10</b> 7am	Maximino Nacorra Ildefonso (Healing) +Vicente Nacorra Ildefonso

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday: 9am - 5pm  
 Saturday, Sunday, Holidays: Closed

**MEET OUR STAFF**

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**MASS: Sat Vigil: 5pm**

**Sun: 6am, 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5pm**  
**Weekdays: 7am, (Mon-Sat)**

**RECONCILIATION (Subj to change)**

**Saturday: 9am or by appt.**

**ADORATION**

**All Thursdays - 7:30 am to 12 pm**  
 Healing Mass (anointing during Adoration) - 1st Thursday of each Month

**BAPTISM (Schedule Subj to Change)**

**Sunday - February 9, 2025**  
**Class: Fri., February 7, 2025**  
 Must register with the parish office.

**WEDDINGS - Schedule with parish office six months ahead.**

**READINGS THIS WEEK**

<b>Sunday, Jan. 5</b> Epiphany of the Lord Isa 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matt 2:1-12	<b>Thursday, Jan. 9</b> 1 John 4:19-5:4 Luke 4:14-22a
<b>Monday, Jan. 6</b> 1 John 3:22-4:6 Mat 4:12-17, 23-25	<b>Friday, Jan. 10</b> 1 John 5:5-13 Luke 5:12-16
<b>Tuesday, Jan. 7</b> 1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44	<b>Saturday, Jan. 11</b> 1 John 5:14-21 John 3:22-30
<b>Wednesday, Jan. 8</b> 1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52	<b>Sunday, Jan. 12</b> Baptism of the Lord Isa 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

**MISSION STATEMENT:** "Our mission as good stewards of St. Elizabeth Parish in Aiea, a Roman Catholic faith community in the Diocese of Honolulu, is to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by protecting and supporting the sanctity of human life, being committed to ongoing faith formation and evangelization, and the steadfast devotion to the Sacraments of the Church."