

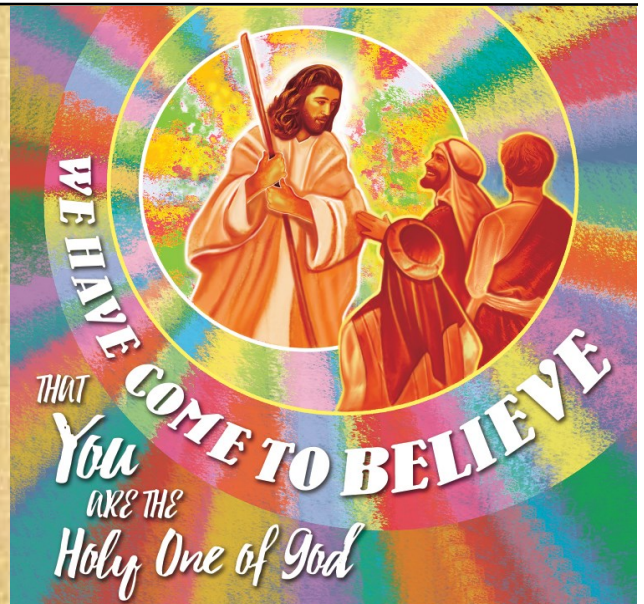
Sunday Bulletin

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish

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August 25, 2024

**21ST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



Father's Message



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Let Us Remain With Christ The Holy One Of God

Aloha, God's blessings and peace to you. May you have a wonderful week filled with great happiness and joy.

On this twenty-first Sunday of ordinary time, the Church encourages us to always remain with Christ, the Holy One of God. At times, when we come to the crossroads of life, we are confused about which way to go. These are moments when we must make the right decisions, and the decisions and choice we make at such moments shape our future.

In our first reading, having almost come to the end of his mission, Joshua reminded Israel of how faithful and good the Lord has been to them. Finally, he challenged them: *"If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve..."* Their response was quite rapid and positive: *"We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God..."*

In our second reading, Paul employs the analogy of marriage, to explain and to remind us of the type of relationship that should exist between Christ and us, His disciples. Paul describes this relationship as a mystery with many implications. It is a relationship based on mutual love for one another.

Such a relationship is devoid of deceit. Rather, it is based on trust and faith. It is a relationship that endures the test of time. It is different from what we see today in our society. Where, we are married in the morning and are divorced by the evening. Just as one cannot abandon oneself, one must not abandon Christ his Lord.

In today's gospel, after the bread of life discourse, some followers of Christ were disappointed. What they heard was not what they expected to hear from Christ. This teaching is too difficult for us! You are complicating our lives! They could not take it anymore. For this reason, many of them abandoned Him.

There are lots of lessons for us today. Many of us come to Christ thinking that everything must be easy. Some come with a very shallow faith. Yet, some of us come with fixed expectations and just to hear only what we wish to hear. So, if our expectations are not met, we quit and bid Christ farewell. So, we must ask ourselves today, how many times have we abandoned God and his church especially, at difficult moments in life?

Hang on to God always. Have a wonderful week...God bless you!

With love and prayers,

Father Sebastian Gossai
Pastor





Calendar of Events

AUGUST 26-SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

26th - MONDAY

7:00 AM MASS

5:30 PM Bible Study (w/Sr. Stella) - Room 8

27th - TUESDAY

7:00 AM MASS

6:00 PM Samoan Choir Practice - Room 1-2

28th - WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM MASS

8:15 AM SES MASS - Church

5:15 PM Zumba Fitness Class - Hall

6:00 PM 8am Choir Practice - Church

6:30 PM SES PTG Meeting - Hall

29th - THURSDAY

7:00 AM MASS / ADORATION

5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal - Church

5:00 PM Food Pantry - Hall

30th - FRIDAY

7:00 AM MASS

11:00 AM Funeral Mass (+Isaiah Tashima)

6:00 PM **SES Back to School Bash** - Grounds

31st - SATURDAY

*Register for Religious Education,
EDGE, Life Teen, OCIA
(after 5pm Mass)*

7:00 AM MASS

9:00 AM Confessions - Church

1:00 PM Wedding - Church

5:00 PM MASS

SEPT. 1st - SUNDAY (Reg Schedule)

6am • 8am • 10am • 12pm • 5pm

Register for Faith Formation Classes

9:30 AM OCIA Class Begins - Room 1-2

11:30 AM Healing Ministry Mtg - Room 3

Chuukese Mass 2 pm

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month

We no longer live-stream Mass.

**Welcome
to our
Church**



In preparation for the new catechetical year, those entrusted to teach our children about their faith gathered for a special Mass.

BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF HAWAII
PROUDLY PRESENTS

Summer Spiritual Retreat

**WALK
by FAITH**

All are Welcome

WHEN OUR CIRCUMSTANCES ARE UNCLEAR AND CHALLENGING,
MAY WE WALK WITH CHILDLIKE FAITH, PUTTING OUR HAND IN THE
HAND OF THE FATHER'S, TRUSTING IN HIM TO LEAD THE WAY.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

THE VERY REVEREND
MSGR. GARY SECOR
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

Sr. MERISTELLA UMDOR
MISSIONARY SISTER OF
MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

**13-15
SEPTEMBER 2024**
2-NIGHT RETREAT

**SAINT ANTHONY
RETREAT CENTER**
3351 KALIHI ST, HONOLULU

RETREAT #126 WWW.BCCHAWAII.COM BCCHRETREATS@GMAIL.COM

**REGISTER
NOW**
(After All Masses)

Rel Edu, Gr. K-5
(Register in Room 1-2)

EDGE, Gr. 6-8
Life Teen, Gr. 9-12
(Register under awning.)

*New to the program? Please
have a copy of your child's
baptism certificate available.*

Classes begin Sept. 14/15.

ST ELIZABETH CATHOLIC SCHOOL
invites you to our

**3rd ANNUAL
BACK
SCHOOL
Bash Party**

FRIDAY
AUGUST 30

AT ST ELIZABETH SCHOOL CAMPUS
91-310 MOANALUA RD AIEA 96701
DOORS OPEN AT: 06:00PM

Featuring
ROCKSTAR MDJ & BRADDAHDANTZ +
FOODTRUCKS, CRAFT VENDORS, GAMES
AND MORE

ENTRY TICKET: \$1. FREE FOR CURRENT SES STUDENTS & STAFFS.
FREE PARKING. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL OFFICE:
+808.488.4322 OR VISIT WWW.STELIZ-HI.ORG

**GOOD SAMARITAN
MINISTRY**

Mahalo to all who so generously donated toiletries! This will greatly assist the needs of our clients!

We need to ask for your help now with canned goods. With the growing number of families looking to us for assistance, we find ourselves short on Spam, Vienna sausage, corn beef, tuna, canned spaghetti, chili, soups, peanut butter, fruits and vegetables, etc.

We thank you in advance if you are able to assist us and ask that all items be left in the drop box outside the church.

**MAHALO
FOR YOUR
CONSIDERATION!**

**Food
Collection**



SUNDAY COLLECTION
August 17-18, 2024

Total Collection	\$13,219.50
Assumption.....	\$ 607.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 62.00
Candles.....	\$ 391.00
Energy.....	\$ 85.00
Good Samaritan.....	\$ 200.00
<i>Faith Formation Registration</i>	
EDGE.....	\$ 210.00
Life Teen.....	\$ 120.00
Religious Education.....	\$ 350.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$ 27.29
Total Other Revenue	\$ 2,052.29
Total Weekly Deposit.....	\$15,271.79
On-Line Giving	
July 2024.....	\$ 6,830.73
Donations to Other Organizations	
Catholic Herald.....	\$ 160.00

Thank You for your Support!!

SECOND COLLECTION

Ohana in Christ TODAY: Aug 24/25
Catholic Univ of America Sep 7/8
SES Tuition Assistance Sep 21/22



On-line Giving Available through VANCO Use the following hyperlink:

<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZK22>
Or scan the QR Code above with your phone.



St. Elizabeth Family Apostolate Ministry ... has been busy going out into the community to share the blessings of God. If you wish to join this exciting new ministry, or have them pray with you, please contact Sr. Stella at umeristella@gmail.com, or call the parish office.

Aloha Sunday
Hosted by LifeTeen and Edge Night Youth Ministry



Last week Sunday our youth ministries, Edge Night & LifeTeen provided

our parishioners with an array of breakfast favorites. We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the families and core members for their generosity and support. A special thanks to Theresa Sorensen and her little niece, "Addie" and Pastoral Council for setting up the coffee and donating fresh orange juice and drinks. We also enjoyed having Fr. Arrion sample the breakfast goods! Thank you to Soane and Margaret for making three types of fried rice to satisfy the hungry heart. *Psalm 34:2-3 "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord"*.

(Submitted by *Bernie Manoa*)

What We Believe

THE BEAUTY OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

EXPLORE THE AMAZING RICHES OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Bible Study Classes

with Deacon Gary & Val Streff
Starts Sept. 4, 6 p.m., Room 1-2
gstreff@rcchawaii.org
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'Ohana in Christ
THE ANNUAL APPEAL for the CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

Your generous gift helps support numerous ministries and services at our parishes, schools and beyond - as well as our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth & Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. Please consider making a generous gift to this appeal.

many thanks!

EDGE CALLING FUTURE YOUTH LEADERS!

JOIN OUR TEAM!

WITH THE 2024-25 CATECHETICAL YEAR APPROACHING, WE ARE THRILLED TO INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE EDGE TEAM!

YOUTH LEADERS ARE INTEGRAL TO OUR TEAM AND ASSIST IN SMALL GROUPS, AND OVERALL NIGHT ACTIVITIES.

PLEASE REACH OUT WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR FOR MORE INFORMATION. CONTACT: BERNIE MANOA (808) 499-9157 | manoa001@gmail.com

REQUIREMENTS:
- JOYFUL HEART FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS/TEENS

- RECEIVED SACRAMENTS
- PASS BACKGROUND SCREENING- VIRTUS PROGRAM

SUNDAY KIDZ

SUMMER

FAN
FUN
BALL
PLAY
PARK
CAMP
SPADE
SHORTS
PICNICS
SUMMER
HOLIDAY
CAMPING
ICE CREAM
SWIMMING
SUNGLASSES

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Mass Intentions

Sat., 8/24 7am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) Darrin & Justin Pascua (B'day Blessings) Flor Pedronan (Healing) Pat Souza (Health) +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya +Perpetua Noveloso
5pm	+Dru Borges +Richard Heidemann +Ernest William Oliver +Walter Wong
Sun., 8/25 6am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) +Vern Erickson
8am	OCIA - Walking in Faith +William Kagawa +Peter Mantanona
10am	Special Intention +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya +Masa Niko
12pm	Flor Pedronan (Healing) Phyllis (Health) Special Intention +Deceased Members of the Jose & Filomena Suan Family
5pm	St. Elizabeth Parishioners
Mon., Aug. 26 7am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) Flor Pedronan (Healing) +Robert & Antoniette Fontana +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya +Peter Mantanona
Tues., Aug. 27 7am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) Flor Pedronan (Healing) +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya (Death Anniversary) +Peter Mantanona
Wed. Aug. 28 7am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) Flor Pedronan (Healing) Special Intention +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya
Thurs., Aug. 29 7am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) Flor Pedronan (Healing) Sr. Mary Pillado, (B'day Blessings) +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya
Fri., Aug. 30 7am	Consolacion Felix (Thanksgiving) Flor Pedronan (Healing) Sr. Lucy Salboro (B'day Blessings) +Inocema Espinosa Lantaya +Isaiah Tashima

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 - September 8, 2024

Class: Fri., September 6, 2024

Must register with the parish office.

WEDDINGS - Schedule with parish office six months ahead.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Register on the parish website.

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 25
21st Sunday in Ord Time
Josh 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69

Monday, August 26
2 Thess 1:1-5, 11-12
Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 27
St. Monica, Married Woman
2 Thess 2:1-3a, 14-17
Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 28
St. Augustin, Bishop/Doctor
2 Thess 3:6-10, 16-18
Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday, August 29
Passion of St. John the Baptist
1 Cor 1:1-9
Jer 1:17-19
Mark 6:17-29

Friday, August 30
1 Cor 1:17-25
Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday, August 31
1 Cor 1:26-31
Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday, September 1
22nd Sunday in Ord Time
Deut 4:1-2, 6-8
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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."