

March 25, 2018

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### **Weekdays:**

**Mon.-Fri.**

6:00 am & 12:15 pm

**Saturday:** 7:00 am

**Legal Holidays:** 7:00 am

### **Saturday Vigil Mass**

5:00 pm

### **Sunday**

7:00 am, 9:00 am,

11:45 am & 6:00pm

## CONFESSION

### **Saturday:**

10:00 am-11:00 am\*

St. Joseph Church

or by appointment

\*Please note: confession schedule does not apply during some liturgical seasons.

## PRAYER TIMES

### **Adoration**

M-F 4-5:00 pm

Sat 3-3:30 pm

Sun 4-4:30 pm

### **Evening Prayer & Benediction**

M-F 5:00 pm

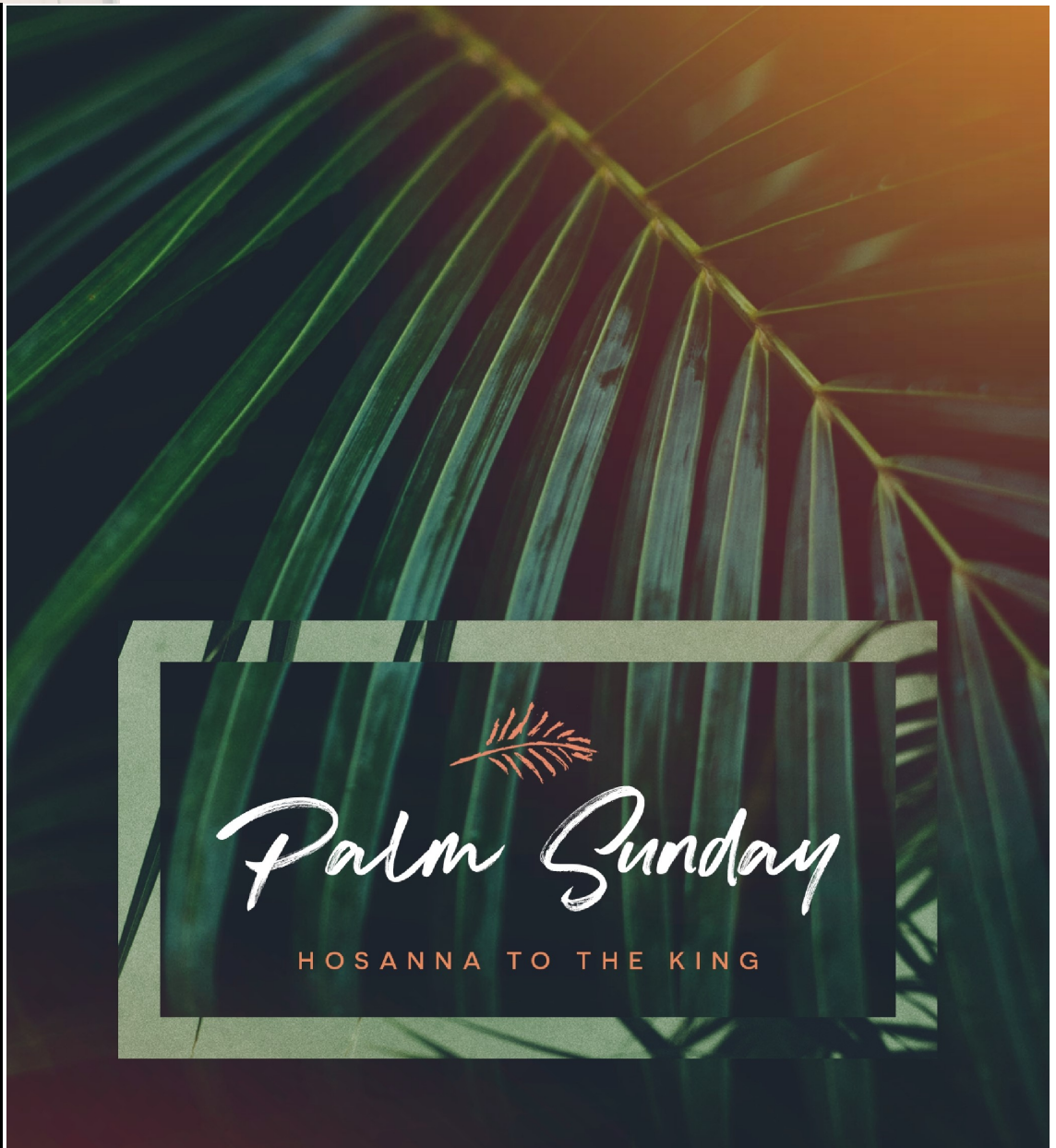
Sat 3:30 pm

Sun 4:30 pm



**ST. JOSEPH**

**PRAY FOR US!**



## **Family Easter Egg Hunt** **Sunday, April 1 after the 11:45 am Mass**

Join the parish youth & YA ministry and the San Lorenzo Family Choir for the parish Easter Egg Hunt  
*Location at the Hilo Union Large Field (across the street)*  
*Please bring your own baskets or Easter bags*

**Weekly Reflection: Palm Sunday – March 25, 2018**

***"Truly this man was the Son of God!"***

Today's celebration of the Palm Sunday or more properly the Passion Sunday (this is the Sunday when the suffering and death of Christ on the cross is proclaimed) ushers the beginning of the Holy Week. But why HOLY WEEK?

Because it is about moving into a HOLY TIME. First, it is entering God's time – the Kairos. The time when we are invited to focus on God's greatest act of love for us – the giving of himself even unto death. It is also the time He fulfills everything He has promised.

Second, because it is the time to ask ourselves about our response to what God is offering to us...whether God is at the center of our lives and whether we love God with all our hearts, our minds, and our strength?

Thus, it is Holy because we are being led to the road of true HOLINESS. So that in the end the cross comes as no surprise: it is the consequence for choosing a life of extravagant love. And such kind of loving is the passion of Christ.

The cross of Jesus stands at the center of the Christian story as the sign of the lengths love will go to in its passion for others. Are we ready to follow Jesus in the way of the Cross?

**"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."**

**-St Jerome**

**Sunday, March 25**

Mk 11:1-10

Is 50:4-7

Ps 22:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24

Phil 2:6-11

Mk 14:1—15:47

**Monday, March 26**

Is 42:1-7

Ps 27:1-3, 13-14

Jn 12:1-11

**Tuesday, March 27**

Is 49:1-6

Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday, March 28**

Is 50:4-9a

Ps 69:8-10, 21bcd-22, 31, 33-34

Mt 26:14-25

**Holy Thursday, March 29**

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16c, 17-18

1 Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

**Good Friday, March 30**

Is 52:13—53:12

Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25

Heb 4:14:-16; 5:7-9

Jn 18:1—19:42

**Holy Saturday, March 31**

(1) Gn 1:1—2:2

Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35

(2) Gn 22:1-18

Ps 16:5, 8-11

(3) Ex 14:15—15:1

(Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-18

(4) Is 54:5-14

Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13

(5) Is 55:1-11

(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6

(6) Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4

Ps 19:8-11

(7) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28

(Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6

(8) Rom 6:3-11

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-2

(9) Mk 16:1-7

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4

Lk 24:13-35

**Easter Sunday, April 01**

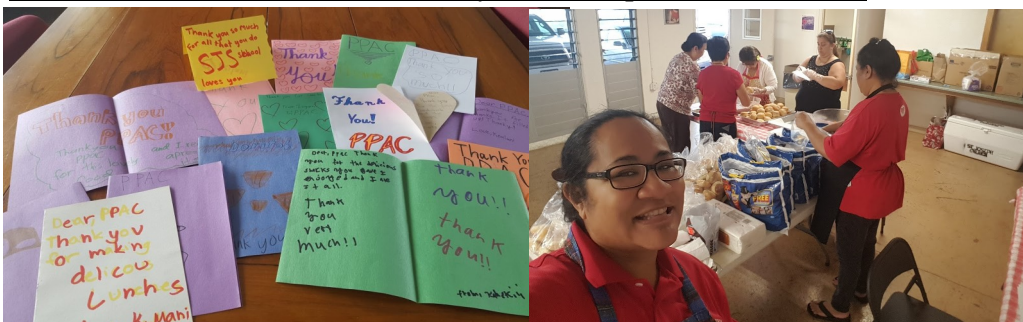
Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4

Lk 24:13-35

**SJS Students "feast" for the Feast Day of St. Joseph, March 19, 2018**



Thank you to those who responded to the request to make little snack bags for the students & faculty/staff of St. Joseph School on March 19. Originally the students were to walk to the church to celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph. They were to walk back after the mass and continue their celebrations at their campus. We, the church intended to have a small snack for the students & the adults to have to help continue their day. However, due to weather conditions, the Mass was in their school gym. Parishioners helped donate to the project, prepare the food & deliver the bags. Appreciation was expressed by all the students & the faculty/staff of St. Joseph School. Mahalo to all!

**Pro-Life Call for Action**

**This Sunday, March 25, 2018, Senator Lorraine Inouye will have a "Talk Story" at Kalaniana'ole School Cafeteria in Papaikou at 5 p.m.** She wants to hear our thoughts on issues such as "Death with Dignity, the Our Choice Act."

What a marvelous opportunity to let her know where we stand!

**PLEASE ATTEND! BRING A FRIEND!**

"All that is necessary for evil to prevail is for good people to do nothing."

SB 501 is now law in Hawaii. It forces faith-based pregnancy Counseling Centers to tell those who are pregnant where to get free or low-cost abortions.

The United States Supreme Court heard arguments this week on a very similar California law. Like our law, It advocates killing unborn babies. It attacks our right to freedom of speech by **forcing** us to say what is against our conscience.

**The case is now before the United States Supreme Court. Let us pray the Court will decide to protect the unborn!**

**For ore information, take home a handout located in the back resource rack of the church**

**Mahalo!-St. Joseph Parish Respect Life Committee**

**Let us pray for the souls of our dearly departed. May they find peace.**

**+Elizabeth Estigoy  
+Benjamin Rosete  
+Charles Paiva, Jr.  
+Elaine Christian  
+Clyde Saragosa  
+Clara Aiona**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Weekly Calendar

**Monday, March 26** “Prince Kuhio” Holiday—Rectory office closed

7:00 am Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass  
**5:00 pm** EOM Training/Mtg. Room  
**6:00 pm** RCIA Rehearsal/Church  
**7:30 pm** Holy Week Liturgy Rehearsal/Church

**Tuesday, March 27**

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 12:15 pm Mass/Church  
**6:00 pm** Apostle’s Recollection & Rehearsal/Church & Library

7:00 pm Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Mtg. Room

**Wednesday, March 28**

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 11:00 am Prayer Service (+Benjamin Rosete)/Dodo Chapel

12:15 pm Mass/Church  
 6:00 pm Stewardship Work Session/Mtg. Room  
 6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church  
**6:30 pm** St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Library

**Thursday, March 29** “Holy Thursday”

6:00 am Lauds/Church  
 7:00 pm Mass of the Last Supper/Church

**Friday, March 30** “Good Friday” Holiday—Rectory office closed

**6:00 am** Stations of the Cross/Parking Lot  
 7:00 am Lauds, Office of Reading/Church

**3:00 pm** Good Friday Service/Church

**Saturday, March 31** “Easter Vigil”

7:00 am Lauds, Office of Reading/Church  
 8:15 am Church Cleaner's #1 (F. Veriato)/Church  
**5:00 pm** NO High School Youth Ministry (Easter)

7:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass/Church

**Sunday, April 01** “Easter Sunday”

7:00 am Mass/Church  
 9:15 am Mass/Church  
**10:15 am** NO Religious Education Classes (Easter Sunday)

11:45 am Mass/Church (Easter Egg Hunt after this Mass)  
 6:00 pm Mass/Church

## Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	Week (3/12-19)	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	7,378.25	359,091.48	379,834.66
All Other Income	3,289.60	258,845.24	252,631.15
Deposited to Bank	10,667.85	617,936.72	632,465.81
Parish Hall	171.25	Parish Savings	
		Loan to school	141,088.43
		Designated Funds	341,293.48
		Restricted Funds	429,247.92
			<b>911,629.83</b>



*Mandatory Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion General Assembly*

**Monday, March 26 | 5:00-7:00pm**  
**Downstairs Meeting Room**

**All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must attend.**  
**Ministers at Facilities, Homebound, Hospital, Daily Mass & Weekend Masses.**

**If you have any questions or concerns please contact Fr. Zaldy or Linda Villena**

**Mark your Calendars!**

**PRAYER PILLAR RECOLLECTION**

**Saturday, April 21 at SJS Gym**

All Ministry Members & their families are encouraged to attend.

Keep your formation growing strong!

“Developing a safety plan we hope we never need”  
 Knowledge is power! Protocols make it happen!

Open invitation: Join Church Safety Committee, **April 4, Wed from 6-7p.**  
 Downstairs mtg room



“Lord my God, I called to you for help, and you healed me.” (Psalm 30:2)

**You are invited to our monthly Healing Masses in the Church!**

Mass at 7pm, followed by the Healing Service  
 future dates are: **April 18, May 30, June 20, July 18**

“Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.” (James 5:14)

**Let the Lord touch & heal you in all the ways you need to be healed, whether it be physical, spiritual, emotional, mental, or even healing of relationships....**

### Interior Decorations Ministry



is seeking donations for the Easter Décor  
**Yellow & White Lillies**  
 Drop off may be to the rectory March 29, 30 & 31.  
 Please leave them for Pina Andres.



**Fr. Poli** needs the yellow fruit or seed pods from the “HALA” or Pandanus tree for Holy Thursday Decorations. They need them by Tuesday March 27.

Please call the office if you have them & leave a message w/ your name & number.

## **PALM SUNDAY (Regular Weekend Mass Times)**

Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem, where he was greeted by crowds waving palm branches and crying out, "Hosanna!" This year's Solemn Entrance will start **15 minutes before each Mass** and will include the blessing of the palms and the Gospel reading. We invite those who can to gather at the main entrance of the church for the blessing and reading. Reserve signs for the pews will be available for those who come early. Please use caution when returning to your seats. A monitor will be set up in front of the sanctuary so that those who remain inside may also share in the rite. Please be aware that the blessing of the palms is valid whether you are gathered at the front entrance or remain in the church.

## **HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER (7:00P)**

Immediately following the mass, there will be a procession of the Eucharist to the table of Repose. There will be creative adoration until 12pm midnight

## **GOOD FRIDAY, 6AM STATIONS OF THE CROSS &**

## **LAST WORDS OF JESUS 12PM (NOON) followed by Good Friday Service (3:00P)**

\*Weather permitting, this year St. Joseph Church will offer an outdoor Stations of the Cross at 6am on Good Friday. Join us on this mini-pilgrimage as we accompany Jesus in his final journey to the Crucifixion and our redemption.

\*After our Lord Jesus was nailed to the cross, He spoke 7 short expressions. These statements are now commonly referred to as the "The Seven Last Words." These words are recounted in the Sacred Scripture. On Good Friday, we invite our Parishioners to go to the Church to the listen to the reflection on "The Seven Last Words."

## **EASTER VIGIL (7:00P)**

Easter Vigil begins with the Lucernarium, the blessing of the new fire and preparation of the Paschal Candle. While the church is in darkness, a fire is lit and blessed near the main entrance of the church. After preparing the Paschal Candle, the priest lights it from the new fire and it is carried in procession to stand in front of the sanctuary. As the candle moves forward, ministers share its light with the congregation using small candles. We invite those who can to gather at the main entrance of the church for the Lucernarium. A monitor will be set up in front of the sanctuary so that those who remain inside may also share in the rite. Please be aware that the church will be dark for the rite and use caution when moving to/from the pews.

## **EASTER SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE**

Please note that the 9:00AM Mass *will move to* **9:15AM.**

All other Sunday Masses will start at their usual times.

We expect increased attendance at all Masses, so please be patient, allow space for all to sit in the pews and drive with aloha.

Second Collection for Building, Repair & Maintenance (This Weekend)

**Thank you!**

**CRS Rice bowls may be turned into the hospitality minister, collection baskets or the rectory office**

**STARTING ON MARCH 25.**

**COLLECTION DATES: APRIL 1, APRIL 8 & APRIL 15**

## **ST. JOSEPH CHURCH-HILO**

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY-APRIL 8, 2018**

1:30pm: Adoration

2pm: Rosary

**2:45pm: Divine Mercy Service**

**Prayers of Mercy**

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

*"Say unceasingly the chaplet that I have taught you. Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death."*



Jesus | Trust in You!

*"My daughter, encourage souls to say the chaplet which I have given to you. It pleases me to grant everything they ask of Me by saying the chaplet."*

Jesus asked that the Feast of the Divine Mercy be preceded by a 9-day Novena to the Divine Mercy which would begin on Good Friday.

He gave St. Faustina an intention to pray for on each day of the Novena, at the beginning of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Booklets with these prayers will be available in the resource rack in the back of the church. Please take one to pray the novena at home.