

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

March 19, 2023

Priests:
Rev. Apolinario Ty, SSS
Rev. Ferdinand Tomo, SSS

Deacon:
Dcn. David Watson

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919



43 Kapiolani Street
Hilo, HI 96720
(808) 935-1465
www.stjoehilo.com



*Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament begins
Weekdays &
Sundays at 4:00 p
Saturdays at 3:00 p*

Mass Schedule

6 am 12:15 pm Monday—Friday
7 am Saturday Morning

5 pm Saturday Vigil Mass
7 am, 9 am, 11:45 am and 6 pm Sunday

PRAY FOR US!



*Please remember St. Joseph
Parish in your will!*



4th Sunday of Lent – (A) 2023

I am the light of the World

The Kingdom of God has been unfolding in our midst but man fails to recognize it because of the darkness that has filled our eyes. As light of the world, Our Lord Jesus wants to provide us with the gift of vision – the eyes of faith - to see and to take part in the establishment of God's Kingdom.

This is the invitation as well as the challenge in this Sunday's gospel of the healing of the blind man. But more than just about physical blindness the concern of Jesus is geared towards spiritual blindness as exhibited by the pharisees as well as the apostles. With the Pharisee, they have closed their eyes and their hearts to the person of Jesus. Envy and jealousy have blinded them from recognizing the hands of God as they work in the lives of people. The Apostles on the other hand are asking who sinned, manifested a blindness brought about by their religious prejudices.

The journey of the blind man toward greater insight about Jesus is a journey we are all called to make. The gospel challenges each one of us to look into our own blind spots. How often do we judge rashly and fail to see things as they really are? How often do we let our fears impair our vision like the parents of the blind man. Other times we think we know it all like the Pharisees and fail to recognize the surprises of God in our lives. We all need to reflect on our spiritual blindness - those obstacles that hinder us from recognizing God so that we might see the Lord clearly with the eyes of faith and thus be able to follow him more faithfully and lovingly.

Scripture OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March 19

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Eph 5:8-14
Jn 9:1-41

Monday, March 20

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16
Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Tuesday, March 21

Ez 47:1-9, 12
Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 22

Is 49:8-15
Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday, March 23

Ex 32:7-14
Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23
Jn 5:31-47 Jn 5:31-47

Friday, March 24

Wis 2:1a, 12-22
Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday, March 25

Is 7:10-14; 8:10
Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11
Heb 10:4-10
Lk 1:26-38

Sunday, March 26

Ez 37:12-14
Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Rom 8:8-11
Jn 11:1-45



Mother of Perpetual Help Prayer Group

Novena devotions have resumed on Tuesday at St. Joseph Church; 6:00p.m. (evening).

Come join us every Tuesday praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary, Consecration and Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

Our church environment committee members are seeking donations of Easter Lilies, and yellow and white blooming plants for our Easter decorations.



Donations can be dropped off during office hours 9-1, during Holy Week.



Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

	March 8-13	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	5,926.47	325,883.86	317,157.25
R&M Collection	415.00	11,538.83	22,451.60
Security Project	40.00	643.00	982.25
All Other Income	2,498.31	202,698.17	74,811.51
Deposited to Bank	8,879.78	540,763.86	415,402.61
Loan to School			66,690.41
Designated Funds			195,536.35
Restricted Parish Hall Funds			620,253.27
			882,480.03

We are once again asking for donations of cleaned palms for Palm Sunday.

If you have please bring for yourself and also to share.



St Joseph School Annual 2nd Collection

On the weekend of **March 18-19** all parishes in the East Hawaii Vicariate will be holding the annual second collection for St. Joseph School. Envelopes are available for those who want them.



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL JR./SR.
CAMPUS MINISTRY PRESENTS

Family RETREAT

For more questions, contact:
Email (Campus Ministry Director): cvillena@sjshilo.org
Call (St. Joseph High School): (808)-935-4936

Prayer Services | Age Group Activities |
Ohana Discussions | Fellowship

APRIL 1ST, 2023
9:00AM-2:00PM



WHAT/WHERE?
Lenten Family Retreat
St. Joseph School Gym

WHY?
St. Joseph School Campus Ministry's theme is "Coming Together through Christ." Our team wants to bring families closer while promoting spiritual growth. This day retreat allows for strengthening family bonds, quality time together, and a way to better understand your family.

REGISTRATION INFO
Fee: \$15 per family, all ages are welcomed
(Checks/Cash made to St. Joseph School Campus Ministry)
Please bring a potluck SNACK to share

Registration Form (Point your camera at barcode and click on link) →

DEADLINE IS MARCH 24

If a printed registration form is desired, please contact Campus Ministry Director, (Chrislyn Villena)



The 4th Sunday of Lent—also known as Laetare Sunday—looks hopefully towards Easter. Clergy may wear rose vestments instead of purple. Flowers may be used at the altar, but sparingly. The entrance antiphon begins, “Rejoice, Jerusalem;” in Latin: “Laetare, Jerusalem...” but we’re still only halfway to Easter.

As the faithful journey through Lent, we are joined by the elect, those who will receive the sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation, holy communion) at the Easter Vigil. They celebrate the scrutinies on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent. This period of purification and enlightenment is meant to “uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all this is upright, strong, and good.” The presider is encouraged to carry out the scrutinies in such a way that the assembly also benefits from the liturgy. The scrutinies and the Gospels (the Samaritan woman at the well; the man born blind; the resurrection of Lazarus by Jesus) are meant to guide the elect in “their perception of sin and their desire for salvation.”

Their progress in these last weeks is an example to the assembly of striving for conversion and a reminder that we must also persist in our efforts. How is the Holy Spirit guiding us through Lent to prepare ourselves to fully witness the Resurrection of our Lord? Perhaps sitting quietly in personal prayer, going to the sacrament of reconciliation, attending the parish recollection, or collecting palms with your family for Palm Sunday. There’s still time!

March 2023

19 7:00 Mass-FP 9:00 Mass-FP 11:45 Mass-FF 6:00 Mass-FF	20 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF	21 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	22 6:00 Mass-FF 12:15 Mass-FF	23 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF	24 6:00 Mass-FP 12:15 Mass-FF <u>3:00 Stations</u> <u>7:00 Stations</u>	25 7:00 Mass-FP 10:00 Confessions 5:00 Mass-FF
Office open 9-1						

What is


FASTING ABSTINENCE

Catholics@Work

One full meal per day and two smaller meals if added together would not exceed one full meal.



Refraining from eating meat. Fish, seafoods, egg, and milk are allowed.



WHEN

- ✓ Ash Wednesday
- ✓ Good Friday

- ✓ Ash Wednesday
- ✓ Good Friday and All Fridays of Lent

WHO ARE REQUIRED

18-59
years old

14
years old and above

Lenten Confessions:
Monday to Friday : @ 4 - 4:30 pm
Saturdays : @ 10:00 am

Stations of the Cross :
Every Friday of Lent
3pm and 7pm

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil.
Amen

Knights of Columbus will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 21 beginning at 6 pm in the downstairs meeting room. All knights and those interested in becoming Knight should attend.

I can be said, the Knights of Columbus is a group of good men doing Godly things. Come and be a part of this diverse group of Catholic men.

**St. Joseph Church
Marriage & Family Corner**

This week, instead of useless worry about any family issues, lets follow the directions given to us in Scripture.

“...In every situation, by prayer and petition, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:6-7