



October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading**

-Sirach 35:12-14,16-18

*"The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds."*

**Responsorial Psalm**

-Psalm 34:2-3,17-18,19,23

*"The Lord hears the cry of the poor."*

**Second Reading**

-2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18

*"From now on, the crown of righteousness awaits me."*

**Gospel Reading**

-Luke 18:9-14

*"The tax collector, not the Pharisee, went home justified."*



**Reflection on the Readings**

What is common between two people? Without adding any details, both are children of God. The readings today tell us the dispositions we need to take when presenting ourselves before our maker.

Let us take a look at our two people in the gospel passage, a Pharisee and a tax collector. The Pharisee's role was being an expert in the Torah and upholding Jewish Traditions. The tax collector's role is collecting dues for the Roman Empire. As such, in Jewish communities, the Pharisee would be highly respected while the tax collector would not (even worse if the tax collector is Jewish himself). The author makes a point of using opposite points of a social ladder.

Keeping in mind the reading from Sirach's passage, God loves each of us. For the Pharisee, his role was supposed to let that known for everyone else. Instead, this particular Pharisee compares and places himself above humanity. As such, the tax collector knows he has done wrong, yet asks God for mercy. Even how the gospel passage describes the two prayers is different; the tax collector prays to God (Luke 19:13) while the Pharisee prays to himself (Luke 19: 11). Meaning, the tax collector's prayer was heard.

We are loved by God, simple as that. In Paul's second letter to Timothy, even though he is nearing his end, Paul admits what the Lord has done through him to the Gentiles. All the while still, mentioning others who were righteous who deserve the same reward. The path of righteousness is meant to be walked with God and leading others through it. Not like the Pharisee back in Luke's gospel, where he placed himself above others.

As we are God's children, each of us goes through life differently. Yet all of us are heading towards the Kingdom. God has given us all gifts, as life's circumstances are different, he assists those who need it the most. It is not that God doesn't answer all prayers, but rather he listens to those who come to him like a child needing something from their parent. Let us be like the tax collector, being humble as we pray to the Lord.

*-From the desk of Bro. Emmanuelle*

**Vision Statement**

We are a loving community witnessing and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Mission Statement**

We the members of Saint Patrick Parish, are called by Baptism in Jesus Christ to: celebrate our faith as a community of believers through worship, prayer and community action, to participate in opportunities and experiences that strengthen our knowledge and love of Jesus and his Church; to foster a welcoming environment which serves our 'Ohana and reaches out to the community at large.

-Reaffirmed 2018

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL PRESENTS  
A HAUNT ON HARDING:

# ONCE UPON A FRIGHT

Mahalo Nui Loa for  
your continued support.



**RESPECT LIFE VISUAL ART AND MEDIA CONTEST 2025**

THEME: ALOHA KEKAHI I KEKAHI



Scan the QR Code for Goals, Guidelines, and Requirements

*As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable from the beginning to the end of their lives. Let's creatively spread awareness of God's call to "Love One Another" through artistic expression created by our youth - the future of our church.*



Deadline to submit entry is **Monday, November 3, 2025**

Cash Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 winners by grade level:

PreK - K	1st Place: \$50	2nd Place: \$30	3rd Place: \$20
1st - 3rd Grade	1st Place: \$50	2nd Place: \$30	3rd Place: \$20
4th - 8th Grade	1st Place: \$75	2nd Place: \$50	3rd Place: \$25
9th - 12th Grade	1st Place: \$75	2nd Place: \$50	3rd Place: \$25

Top winners will receive their cash prize and will also march with Bishop Larry Silva during the March For Life Rally at the State Capitol on Friday, January 23, 2026.

Questions? Call (808) 673 - 3074

## Religious Education



Religious Education registration is available.

Classes start  
after the 8:30 AM Mass.

**200 Years of  
Catholicism  
in Hawai'i**



**Logo & Poster Contests**

In preparation for the 200th anniversary of Catholicism in Hawai'i, the Diocese is inviting parishioners to participate in two creative contests: one to design a logo and another to design a poster for this historic celebration. Contest details, instructions, and deadlines are available in the parish office and on the parish website. Mahalo for sharing your talents!

*Forms for both contests can be found on the parish website.*

1124 Seventh Avenue  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816  
Congregation of the Sacred Hearts

**Church est. 1929**  
**Sunday Liturgy of the Eucharist**  
Saturday: 6:00 pm  
Sunday: 6:30am, 8:30 am, 11:00 am

**Weekday Liturgy of the Eucharist**  
Monday to Saturday: 7:00 am

**SACRAMENTS**  
Contact the Parish Office for further information regarding the sacraments.

**Baptism** – Parent Sessions  
**Marriage**—One year notice before marriage date.  
**Anointing of the Sick**– Before hospitalization. This Sacrament is celebrated with family and friends.  
**Homebound**—Eucharist is available for the sick  
**Penance Service**—Advent and Lent  
**Reconciliation (Confession)** Saturdays: 4:30pm to 5:00pm

**Church Directory**  
**Rev. Lusius Nimu, ss.cc. - Pastor**  
**Rev. Bertram Lock, ss.cc. - Parochial Vicar**  
**Dr. Fernando Ona - Deacon**  
**Sherry Shimoda – Rectory Receptionist**  
**Bro. Emmanuelle del Castillo, ss.cc. - Parish & School Associate**

**Faith Formation Ministries:**  
Music Ministry: Leslie Segundo – Call rectory  
RCIA: Stella Christopher  
Social Ministry:  
Baptism: Bert Nakamura  
Karen Nakamura  
Eucharistic Ministry: Karen Nakamura  
Lector: David Tom  
Rosemarie Tom  
Hospitality: Garrett Miura, Tammy Miller, Gene Vosberg  
Altar Servers: Bro. Emmanuelle del Castillo, ss.cc

**School est. 1930**  
**Congregation of the Sacred Hearts**  
President: Rev. Lusius Nimu, ss.cc.  
Vice President/ Principal: Shireen Santiago  
Finance Officer: Hong Li Luo  
Vice Principal: Gavin Kim  
Registrar/Admissions: Karen Nobuji  
Dean of Students: Tiani Ma'afala-Autagavaia

**Contact Numbers:**  
Parish Office: 732-5565 Fax: 737-2477  
School Office: 734-8979 Fax: 732-2851  
Religious Ed. Office: (Call the Parish Office)

**Parish Office hours:**  
Monday-Friday: 8:00am to 4:00pm  
Closed 12noon to 1:00pm daily; and all day on Holidays

**School Office hours:**  
Monday – Friday: 7:00am to 3:00pm  
After School Care: 2:30pm to 5:30pm

World Mission Sunday  
Thank you for your support.



### On Retreat

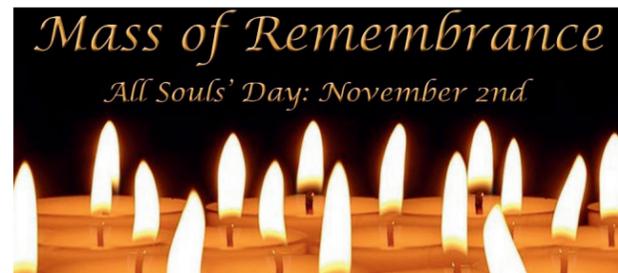
SS.CC Priests and brothers will be on retreat from October 26-31, 2025. It is their annual time for spiritual renewal. Please keep them all in your prayer.

The following will occur for that week:  
There will be no mass, a prayer service will take its place.  
Rectory Office will be closed at 12pm



### Solemnity of All Saints Day

will be celebrated on Saturday, November 1st, 2025  
at the 7:00 AM Daily Mass.



### Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

will be celebrated on Saturday, November 1st, 2025  
at the 6:00PM Mass  
and  
November 2nd, 2025  
6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, & 11:00 AM Masses

All Souls Envelopes will be available next Saturday at the entrances of the church, in the sacristy, and at the parish office. You are invited to write the names of your departed family members and friends on these envelopes. All intentions submitted will be remembered and prayed for at all Masses throughout the month of November.

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

As we give thanks for God's blessings this Thanksgiving season, we also remember those in our community who are in need.

We will be collecting non-perishable food items to help support our brothers and sisters in need. Your donations can be placed on the two collection boxes located at the entrances of the church.

Thank you for your generosity.  
Mahalo!

**Thanksgiving**  
**Turkey Dinner Giveaway**  
Show Thankfulness by Helping Others

**Wednesday November 26**  
Saint Patrick Church  
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

**Giveaway for parishioners, families of Saint Patrick School, and community members**

**90 Plates to be Given Away**

For more information:  
Call 808-732-5564 \* [church.saintpatrickhawaii.org](http://church.saintpatrickhawaii.org)  
Provided in partnership with **3660 on the Rise**



An Announcement of Joy! Does God still speak to us today as He did in the time of Abraham and the Exodus from the slavery of Egypt? If Jesus said he would be with his Church until the end of time, then where is he today? Many of us believe that Jesus Christ is still present today in the same way he has always been since his Ascension, but our lived experience suggests that it is more of a faint hope than a lived experience. But to discover that the history of Abraham's journey of faith is identical to our own, and the escape of Moses and the Hebrew people from the bondage of slavery is no different than what the Lord wants to accomplish in us today is to discover Him speaking to us in His Word. And to meet Jesus Christ, this same Word made flesh, in his Church. This discovery is the beginning of walking in a way of faith in a Community of concrete brothers and sisters, not as an anonymous person within a mass of people but in the communion of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

## Saint Patrick Church

### Upcoming Events

**October 27<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>** Neocatechumenal Way  
Church Meeting Room  
7pm

**November 1<sup>st</sup>** **All Saints Day**  
At the 7 AM Daily Mass

**November 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>** **All Souls Day**  
6:00 PM (November 1st)  
6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, 11 AM  
(November 2nd)

**November 7<sup>th</sup>** **First Friday Adoration**  
After the 7AM Daily Mass  
Until 4PM

*Events will be updated weekly.*

*St. Patrick School events can be seen here:  
<https://school.saintpatrickhawaii.org/news-events/>*

**Qr Code Church Website:**



**Neocatechumenal Way** *Mondays & Wednesdays*  
*7 PM at St. Patrick*