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#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Saturday: 7:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation) Sunday: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

#### RECONCILIATION

Wednesday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (unless noted in bulletin)

#### **Devotions**

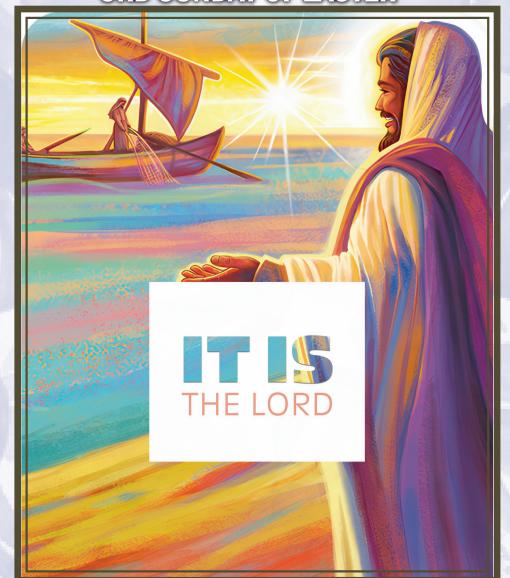
First Friday Adoration/Benediction at 10:00 a.m. First Saturday Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass (unless noted in bulletin)

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

MONDAY through FRIDAY 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed on holidays

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# MAY 4, 2025 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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**This week's Readings:** Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

**Next week's Readings:** Acts 13:14, 43-52; Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5; Revelation 7:9, 14b-17; Alleluia - John 10:14; John 10:27-30

#### "THE SHORE OF GRACE: ENCOUNTERING THE RISEN LORD"

Beloved Pilgrims of Hope,

Greetings of peace, love, joy, and hope!

The narrative of Peter and the disciples fishing on the Sea of Tiberias unveils profound truths about our walk of faith. Guided by Peter, they sought a catch but returned empty-handed. Yet, in a transformative moment, Jesus, unrecognized at first, appeared on the shore and gently instructed them to cast their nets on the other side. Their obedience, even without recognizing Him, brought forth abundance beyond imagination. Then came the beautiful exclamation of the beloved disciple: "It is the Lord!"

How powerful it is to witness Peter's eager response, leaping from the boat to meet Jesus on the shore. This joyous reunion culminates in a shared meal, a sacred act reminding us that Christ, indeed risen, invites us into communion with Him. This encounter is not just a testimony from ancient times; it is an

invitation for each of us, today, to recognize His presence and respond with faith and love.

As we journey through the Easter season, the accounts of the Resurrection are not merely stories—they are revelations meant to nourish our faith. We may ponder, as did Thomas, how much easier it would be to believe if we could see Him face to face. Yet, Jesus lovingly assures us with His words: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Faith is the lens through which we behold the Risen Lord. It anchors our hope in His promises, moves our hearts to love Him wholly and deeply, fortifies us in trials, and assures us of His abiding presence. Through faith, we come to understand what it means to follow Him, not with hesitation but

with unwavering trust.

Consider the tender exchange between Jesus and Peter after the Resurrection. Asked three times, "Do you love me?" Peter's initial distress gave way to steadfastness, a love that would endure through martyrdom. It reminds us that to love the Lord is to love without reserve, to persevere in our devotion even amid life's storms.

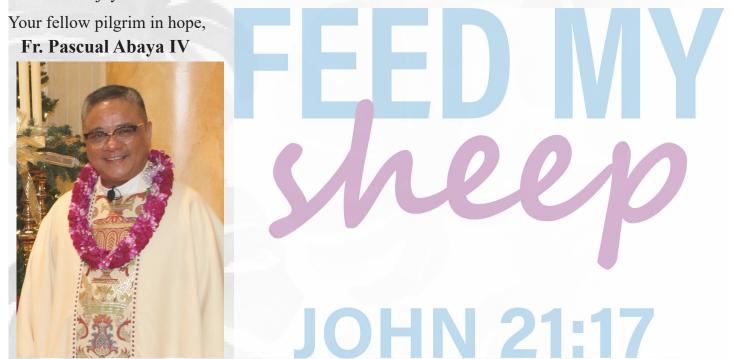
When asked by our Lord, "Do you love me?" how would we respond? Let us not answer casually or out of fleeting emotion. Instead, may our response arise from a faith that is deep, genuine, and wholehearted, that sees beyond momentary pleasures and holds firm in trials. To love the Lord is to love until the end,

with hope that rests in Him alone.

In the Word of God, we hear His voice calling us. In the life of the Church, we see His invitation to take part in His divine life. In acts of love—even toward those who wrong us reflect His presence within us. These are moments of grace, glimpses of eternity, made possible through faith. Let us proclaim, with the beloved disciple: "It is the Lord!" He is risen, indeed, and He lives among us.

May this Easter season renew your faith, fill your heart with hope, and inspire you to live each day in

the love and joy of the Risen Christ.



#### CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 4, 2025 3rd Sunday of Easter Masses at 8:00am/10:00am/12:00pm/5:00pm Mass at the School, 1728 Nuuanu Ave.

Monday, May 5, 2025 Monday of the 3rd Week of Easter Mass at 12:00pm, Finance Factor, Room 508

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 Tuesday of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter Mass at 12:00pm ,Finance Factor, Room 508

Wednesday, May 7, 2025 Wednesday of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter Sacrament of Reconciliation by Appointment only. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Diocesan Priest Rtrmt. Fund Please call the office for an appointment Mass at 12:00pm, Finance Factor, Room 508

Thursday, May 8, 2025 Thursday of the 3rd Week of Easter Mass at 12:00pm, Finance Factor 2nd Floor

Friday, May 9, 2025 Friday of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter Mass at 12:00pm, Finance Factor, Room 508

Saturday, May 10, 2025 Saturday of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter Sacrament of Reconciliation at the former Cathedral Catholic Academy, 1728 Nuuanu Avenue at 4:00pm Vigil Mass at 5:00pm at the School

Sunday, May 11, 2025 4th Sunday of Easter Masses at 8:00am/10:00am/12:00pm/5:00pm Mass at the School, 1728 Nuuanu Ave.

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Jesus didn't exactly lay out a detailed plan for his disciples to follow on how to build a believing community. He left no blueprints for constructing a church or the facilities to go with it, nor did Jesus list ten top qualities for leaders. But he did show them how to act as he did and follow in his footsteps. His last words to Peter that we hear in today's Gospel reading are "Follow me" (John 21:19).

Jesus taught his disciples how to treat one another, how to love the poor and the least, and even how to love their enemies. What Christ required of disciples was the same obedience to the Father's will he had demonstrated. This obedience meant preaching the Good News, healing the sick, and releasing people from sin. In the reading from Acts, we hear that the disciples followed and obeyed. In Jesus, the kingdom of God was already present. In us, it is built up. His call to his disciples is to follow his lead.

## **SHARING FAITH**

What do you look for in life? What are you seeking?

What do the words "leader" and "leadership" mean to you? What does it mean for a leader to be obedient to God?

How are you invited to be a leader where you live, study, or work? Name one concrete thing that means for the way you act.

# LIVING THE LITURGY

Send a card of congratulations and blessing to someone who was baptized in your parish at the Easter Vigil or to parents of a baby who was baptized during the Easter season. You don't have to know them but tell them something of your attempt to live as a disciple and offer to pray for them during this season.

With a group, watch a movie with a theme of leadership such as "Remember the Titans," "Ghandi," or "The Lion King." Discuss how the character was a leader. How does the model of leadership portrayed in the movie relate to the leadership disciples are called to exhibit?

In a group, talk about the leaders in your parish and diocese. What qualities do they display? Consider talking with one of them and asking how they consider themselves to be a leader. Write them a note or email and tell them what you appreciate about their leadership.

## REFLECTION

Peter and the apostles said in reply, "We must obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29)



# **ICSC STEWARDSHIP** PRAYER (MAY)

Mission statement: The mission of the **International Catholic Stewardship** Council is to foster an environment in which stewardship is understood. Throughout the Catholic Church.

Christ Our Lord, risen Lord, light of the world, to you be all praise and glory!

Shine your light on us this Easter season so that we may reflect brilliantly the glory of your resurrection.

Make us a blessing for those who suffer, live in fear or who are overwhelmed by life.

And let the Spirit fill our hearts with your loving presence so that we may become good stewards of your Gospel out of love for you who, for our sakes, lived, died and rose from the dead: you who live and reign with your Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Amen.



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

April 21 - 27, 2025

**Offertory Collection** 

Easter Sunday	\$ 3,626.17
Weekday + Coffers	\$ 690.73
Other Feasts, Solemnities, Holy Day	\$ 50.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,314.23
Total Offertory	\$ 5,681.13
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Other Collection	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 462.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 2,644.33
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 438.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 744.00
Total	\$ 9,969.46

**MASS SCHEDULE** 

Thank you to our neighbor, Finance Factor as they gave us permission to use one of their room for our Mass. They're located permission to use one of their room for our Mass. They're located at 1164 Bishop Street. Please follow Finance Factor's rules and they are: Arrive at the lobby at 11:45 a.m. Take the elevator to the 5th Floor, Room 508. Please remain quiet when entering and exiting the building. If you have any questions, please call the office. As for our Sunday Masses, please meet us at the former **Cathedral Catholic Academy** located at 1728 Nuuanu Ave. Mass time are: Saturday Vigil at 5:00 p.m., Sunday at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Please note parking space is limited. Again, if you have any questions, please call the office.

#### DIOCESAN PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND

Next weekend, our Second Collection will be for the Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund. This is a different collection from the Religious Retirement Fund that is done each December. Considering the beautiful connection with Good Shepherd Sunday, we are asked to prayerfully consider giving generously to this collection that will directly support our priests who are in their retirement years. They have given their lives shepherding our communities, and we pray that they are adequately cared for in this next chapter of their lives. If you would like to donate online, please visit catholichawaii.org/dprf

# 'OHANA IN CHRIST ANNUAL APPEAL

Help support the Cathedral Basilica and our many Catholic ministries and services by contributing to the **2024-2025** 'Ohana In Christ Appeal. **We collected \$34,655.00 of \$36,671 and we are at 95% of our goal.** Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve. Your generous gift will especially help support numerous ministries and services at our parishes, schools and beyond as well as our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. Mahalo for your generous Stewardship of Treasure. All gifts are important and appreciated. Please give online at **CatholicHawaii.org.** Or scan the **QR code on the left** with your phone. For more information on how you can give or please call the office at 808-536-7036. Thank you for your generosity! erosity!

SAINT FOR THE WEEK

It is patience that reveals every grace to you, and it is through patience that the saints received all that was promised to them.

St. Pachomius, (died 346), Founder of Christian Monasticism, Feast Day May 9