

# Annunciation Parish – November 26, 2017

Church of the Annunciation Waimea – Ascension Mission Puako

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## Mass Times

Annunciation Church Waimea: Saturday 5:00PM Sunday 8:00AM

Ascension Mission Puako: Sunday 10:00AM

Tuesday – Friday Morning Prayer 6:45AM Mass 7:00AM

First Friday Mass 12:00 Noon

**Adoration Fridays after morning Mass until Noon and from 6-9PM on First Fridays**

**Confession Saturday 4:00 – 4:30PM or by appointment**

**Religious Education** Classes Sunday 8:15 AM Puako; 9:15 AM Waimea.

**Marriage** Allow six months for preparation.

**Baptism of Children** Parents attend class offered quarterly.

**Hospital Visits Anointing of the Sick** Please call office.

My Brothers and Sisters,

We celebrate today what is popularly and traditionally called the Feast of Christ the King. This is also the beginning of the last week of our Catholic Liturgical Year, as the New Year begins with Advent next Sunday. We often mention that time is a gift to us; this idea of measuring Church time is also a gift, but do we truly appreciate it?

People tend to say “I go to church.” In reality, Christ does not call us to “go” to church; He calls us to be Church. We should live our lives in such a way that it is clear we are Catholic and Christian and part of Christ’s Kingdom, for He is our King. Were you aware that the name “Christ” is a royal title in itself? In Greek it means “the anointed king.”

St. Paul referred to the Lord as “king of kings and lord of lords,” a phrase with which we are familiar. If we accept Christ as our King, and if we live our lives as His disciples and followers, we are certainly part of His Kingdom. Pope Pius XI instituted today’s solemnity in 1925 at a time when many countries were struggling with total loyalty to secular royalty. Pius XI wanted Catholics to recognize that their loyalty was to a higher power, their spiritual King in heaven.

Pius XI wrote at that time, “For Jesus Christ reigns over the minds of individuals by His teachings, in their hearts by His love, in each one’s life by the living according to His law and the imitating of His example.”

Yours in Christ,

*Fr Stephen*

### **Stewardship Note on this Feast of Christ the King**

*When the Son of Man comes in glory, may we be among those who have fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, and clothed the naked. For Jesus tells us clearly that it is those who have demonstrated good stewardship by sharing their gifts with the less fortunate who will receive God’s blessing and inherit the kingdom.*

## Up Coming Events

- R.E. Parents’ Mtg. re Confirmation for all parents of students who have been in R.E. at least 2 years: Wednesday, November 29 ~ 6:00-7:30PM ~ Hall
- Adoration – Fri., Dec. 1 until Noon & 6-9pm ~ Chapel
- Christmas Parade Sat., Dec. 2 ~ 5:30PM Waimea
- Special Mass Time Sat., Dec. 2 ~ 4:30PM Waimea (no confession)
- Island Treasures Sat., Dec. 2 ~ 10AM – St. Benedict’s
- Feast of Immaculate Conception – Holy Day of Obligation – Friday, December 8 ~ Masses at 7AM in Waimea and 7PM in Puako
- Healing Service – Dec. 9 ~ 5:00PM Mass, Waimea
- Advent RECONCILIATION Service – Dec. 15 ~ 6PM (w)
- Kupuna Luncheon – Dec. 16 ~ 11AM – Parish Hall

**Adoration: Mark your calendars...**we will be having evening Adoration on the 1st Friday of December, this week Friday, December 1, 2017. Adoration will be held in the chapel, Waimea, from 6:00pm - 9:00pm. This is IN ADDITION to the First Friday Adoration from 7:00am - 12:00 Noon on the same day. Plan on spending some time with the Blessed Sacrament.

## Ring the Bell for Salvation Army

at KTA on Saturdays in December. Annunciation/Ascension parishioners may sign up at kiosk or call Mary at 887-1220.

**Note:** Monday afternoon Rosary cancelled until January.

## ISLAND TREASURES

Please join Bishop Larry in honoring our **Island Treasures** at a special Mass next **Saturday, December 2nd at 10:00am at St. Benedict’s Painted Church** in South Kona. This year we honor a teenager, **Brooks Kaniho**; a family from Waimea, the **Hageraats**; and a Puako parishioner, **Carrie Voss**. **Please come and help us honor them!** Mahalo

## Christmas Parade Next Saturday – Dec. 2nd

Come join us! Youth are welcome to march with us; however, their parent(s) must be with them at all times. Please **wear our Parish T-Shirt, hoodie or anything red** and **meet us at the start of Church Row**. We will meet at **5pm** (or come after **4:30 pm Mass** that day). *Mahalo for joining us!*

## Kupuna Christmas Luncheon

**Saturday Dec. 16th from 11am-2pm in the Parish Hall**  
RSVP with Mary Kay 885-5640 or Karen 464-4651.

## Forgot to Turn in Your Commitment Card?

We’re still in the midst of our annual Stewardship Renewal. If you haven’t returned your Commitment Card, it is not too late! Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of Annunciation. Please take this opportunity to grow in your faith by making commitments of time, talent, and treasure. Where is the Lord calling you this year?

## Hunger-Free Keiki Program

Please kōkua our North Hawai’i keiki in need by picking up a reusable bag to fill with suggested snacks that will be used in the Hunger Free Keiki program at Annunciation. It is the mission of the Hunger Free Keiki project to provide food on weekends and school breaks for homeless, displaced and/or chronically hungry local school children. Mahalo nui for your support!

## Best Advent Ever

Remember getting ready for Christmas when you were a child? From decorating the tree to baking cookies, each moment brought you excitement and joy. Preparing for Christmas can be as joyful as it was then. Don’t let this be just another Advent where you get distracted and busy.

Rediscover the joy in the season with Best Advent Ever, a free email program that will help you prepare for Christmas in a way that will allow you to have a Christmas as memorable and joyful as when you were a child. **Get ready for the best Christmas of your life!**

SIGN UP AT [DYNAMICCATHOLIC.COM/ADVENT17](http://DYNAMICCATHOLIC.COM/ADVENT17)

## Living Catholic in the 808: Parish-Home-

**School .....** By: **Dr. Kristina M. DeNeve**

Back in the day, a majority of Catholic children attended the neighborhood Catholic school run by their local parish. That was the desired ideal in the mid-20th century. But that model is no longer the reality for Catholics in the U.S. In the islands, our keiki may go to a nearby public or Catholic school. However, they may just as easily have a 40 minute commute to attend school.

Today, our “home” parish may not be closest to where we live. But the truth is we still need a home parish. The parish is THE community of the faithful. It is the parish that ties us to the community around us AND also to the larger, universal Church. Our parish is where we are - day in and day out, week by week - over the course of our lives nourished by the Eucharist. It is our parish that sends us out to live and change the world into God’s Kingdom.

Our Catholic schools, our Catholic hospitals and nursing homes, our Catholic food pantries – these are all apostolic ministries of our faith. And important ministries at that! But they are not the center of our faith. The parish is. Thanksgiving is a time for home, for ohana. Might now also be a good time to (re)connect more deeply with your home parish?

### **Nov. 18/19 Mass Count and Your Gift of Treasure**

5PM	151 people	\$1243.00
8AM	212 people	\$1789.53
10AM	220 people	\$1972.26

Catholic Campaign for Human Development \$ 637.00

*Mahalo for your gift of treasure!*