

Annunciation Parish – January 6, 2019

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: Mass 7:00AM – Waimea

First Friday: Mass 12:00 Noon – Waimea

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

Confession: Saturdays 4:00 – 4:30PM or by appointment

Religious Education Classes: Grades 1-5: Sundays, 8:15AM in Puako; 9:15AM in Waimea

Youth Grades 6-8 & 9-12: 2nd & 4th Sundays in Annunciation Parish Hall

Marriage Allow six months for preparation.

Baptism of Children Parents attend class, held quarterly.

Hospital Visits / Anointing of the Sick Please call parish office.

My Brothers and Sisters,

As we continue our celebration of the Christmas season, we observe today the great Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The word “epiphany” means manifestation; and throughout the Christmas readings we have seen that the newborn King is eager to reveal Himself to all those willing to accept His presence in their lives. From poor and humble shepherds to the international group of magi featured in today’s Gospel passage, Jesus makes it clear that He offers Himself as a gift to everyone.

We also see throughout the scriptures that God uses what is familiar to us to draw us to Himself. In the case of the magi – astrologers – He uses a star. Our Lord continues to speak to each one of us today. But we must be alert to “hear” and “see” Him in our daily lives.

How can we become better attuned to the ways God is speaking to us? We must strengthen our spiritual “senses” by spending time with the Lord in prayer every single day. In the same way that we set professional goals or exercise goals, we can set spiritual goals to ensure that we are taking the time to listen intentionally to God daily.

When we establish a regular, intentional time for prayer, we will find that the Lord continues to speak to us throughout the day. We will more easily recognize the “stars” He places before us to draw us into closer relationship with Him. We will begin to see that He is indeed present in our lives at every moment.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Stephen

A Stewardship Note on this Feast of the Epiphany

The three kings in today’s Gospel traveled a great distance at considerable cost to offer their richest gifts to the Infant Jesus. How far will I go and what will I offer to do homage to this newborn King and Savior?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes resume this Sunday, January 6th for grades K-5 and January 13th for Middle & High School Youth. Welcome back!!

9 Days for LIFE: January 14-22, 2019

Visit www.9daysforlife.com to join thousands as we pray for the respect of human life. If you don’t have access to internet for this Novena, **you may obtain a copy of the daily prayers at the parish office.**

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children – January 22, 2019

“In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23 when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.” *The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373*
Please join us in Waimea at 12 Noon on Tuesday, January 22nd for an outdoor Rosary as we pray for an end to abortion (weather permitting ... otherwise, in the chapel).

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Food Pantry & Hunger-Free Keiki MAHALO

A Big Mahalo to all of you who have GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED OUR FOOD PANTRY & HFK programs by VOLUNTEERING and by YOUR DONATIONS THROUGHOUT 2018. WITHOUT your help AND WITHOUT your donations, FEEDING THE HUNGRY WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE. We value and appreciate your generosity of sharing your time and treasure.

By Water and the Spirit

We joyfully welcome **Alaula Waianuhe Pickard** to our parish family. Alaula, daughter of Michael and Kimberly (Giffin) Pickard, was baptized on Sunday, December 30, 2018 at the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Offering Envelopes

If you use envelopes for your Sunday offerings, and wish to continue, you may obtain a 2019 packet of envelopes from the parish office. Please see Mary or call 887-1220. Thank you.

Hospitality Sunday Schedule for Waimea

Hosted by following ministries:

Jan 27	Pastoral Council/Finance Council and Stewardship Council
Feb 24	Eucharistic Ministers & Sacristans
Mar 31	Lectors & Ushers
Apr 28	Parents of children in R.E.
May 26	Social Ministries (Food Pantry, Kupuna Min/ Hunger-Free Keiki / Bereavement
Jun 30	Catechists/Youth Ministers/Young Adults
Jul 28	Women of the parish
Aug 25	Men of the parish
Sep 29	Choir
Oct 27	Environment/Church & Hall Cleaners/Cemetery Maintenance
Nov 24	Open & offertory counters/office angels
Dec 30	Open – all parishioners

Word of Life

“Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its conception, and do not be deterred from the commitment to defend the dignity of every human person with courageous determination. Christ is with you: be not afraid!”

...Address of John Paul II to the Bishops and Apostolic Administrators of Albania February 3, 2001”

On-Line Giving – Month of December 2018

30 people - \$6,828.60

December 29/30 Sunday Mass Count and Your Gift of Treasure

5PM (w)	281 people	\$2,315.00
8AM (w)	201 people	\$1,793.00
10AM (p)	370 people	\$2,533.55

Mahalo for your gifts of treasure!