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# St. Augustine Church by-the-sea

Sunday Liturgy  
5 p.m. Saturday  
6, 8, 10 a.m., 5 p.m. Sunday

Daily Liturgy  
7 a.m. Monday-Saturday  
5 p.m. Monday-Thursday



*The Spirit of  
Truth  
will guide you  
to all truth*



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*You have made us for yourself,  
Lord, and our hearts are restless  
until they rest in you*

*-- St. Augustine of Hippo*

*With the servant leadership  
of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus  
and Mary since 1854*

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#### Office hours

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed noon to 1 p.m.  
Closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

#### Sacraments

Reconciliation: 3-4 p.m. Saturday.  
Baptism: Call the parish office for information.  
Marriage: Email [staugustineweddingcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:staugustineweddingcoordinator@gmail.com) before making arrangements.  
Confirmation: Call the parish office for information.  
Funerals: Call the parish office when finalizing services with the mortuary.

#### Religious education

Contact the parish office to enroll your child in religious education classes or to inquire about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

#### Parish organizations

Altar Rosary Society  
Tongan Society  
Knights of Columbus  
Ka Huaka'i (Marriage ministry)  
Please call the parish office for information about joining any of these organizations.

#### Aunty Carmen's Kitchen

Hot meals are served between 11 a.m. and noon Monday to Friday, except holidays

#### Hospitality

Join us for doughnuts and juice after all morning masses on the first Sunday of the month.

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## This week at St. Augustine

### Sunday, Nov. 24—Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

Liturgical color: White

6 a.m. Mass—R/S Joanne Trueblood  
8 a.m. Mass—S/I Carmen Cruz (birthday)  
9 a.m. Religious Education, Annex Building  
10 a.m. Mass—S/I Joanne Lee  
3 p.m. Divine Mercy (in Tongan)  
3:30 p.m. Tongan Religious Education  
5 p.m. Mass—R/S Albert Carse

### Monday, Nov. 25—St. Catherine of Alexandria

Last week of Ordinary Time

Liturgical color: Green/Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours  
7 a.m. Communion Prayer Service  
5 p.m. Mass—R/S Dennis Wilhelm  
6:15 p.m. Pastoral Council meeting, Damien Room

### Tuesday, Nov. 26

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours  
7 a.m. Mass  
5 p.m. Mass  
5:30 p.m. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

### Wednesday, Nov. 27

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours  
7 a.m. Mass—R/S John and Kathleen Bero  
5 p.m. Mass  
8 p.m. Tongan Choir, Annex Building, upstairs

### Thursday, Nov. 28

PARISH OFFICE AND AUNTY CARMEN'S KITCHEN CLOSED

Thanksgiving Day

Liturgical color: Green/White  
8 a.m. Mass—R/S Pua Bow

### Friday, Nov. 29

PARISH OFFICE AND AUNTY CARMEN'S KITCHEN CLOSED

Liturgical color: Green

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours  
7 a.m. Mass—S/I Yunghan Sarah Moon

### Saturday, Nov 30—St. Andrew

Liturgical color: Red

6:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Hours  
7 a.m. Mass—S/I Cresencia Jimeno  
Church cleaning: Altar Rosary Society and Knights of Columbus  
5 p.m. Mass—S/I Kong Kee Family

# Breaking Open the Word

## *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

### **The Good of the Good Thief**

The term "foxhole conversion" refers to when a non-believer experiences an alarming life-threatening situation, and desperately pleads God to save his life. Sometimes, it's a shallow act of despair, where the once non-believer only wishes to save his neck. So, one might think that the story of the Good Thief (Dismas) is one of these foxhole conversions. But the words that flowed from Dismas' heart and soul, present a much more profound truth. The fact is, Dismas is a model of perfect faith in God's mercy.

To the suffering and dying Jesus, the cacophony of the crowd's insults and scorn must have been deafening and defeating--- but the solo voice of Dismas' profession of faith was enough to silence evil itself. In a single breath, Dismas confessed his sins and proclaimed the goodness of the King of Kings. His words were the only words in that crowd to proclaim that truth.

An earthly king couldn't have offered anything near what the King of Glory bestowed on Dismas. An earthly king can't offer salvation. He can't offer new and everlasting life. He can't offer anything of importance for the Kingdom in Heaven that awaits us. Dismas knew this, and this is why eternity calls him "Good."

Let's not kid ourselves--- we are both thieves in today's Gospel. We often hang ourselves on the cross with our sins--- and we have been both dismissive and contrite about them. What we learn from the Good Thief is that confessing our sins and acknowledging Jesus as Lord and King will lead to life-changing and life-saving results. Despite what sins we did, despite what weaknesses and temptations we continue to succumb to, God's mercy should inspire us to be Good -- *not only in the foxholes of our lives -- but all the time.*

*Deacon Keith Cabiles*

### **Readings**

**First Reading** — The Lord said to David, "You shall shepherd my people Israel" (2 Samuel 5:1-3).

**Psalm** — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord (Psalm 122).

**Second Reading** — Thanks to the Father who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light (Colossians 1:12-20).

**Gospel** — Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom (Luke 23:35-43).

### **Weekday**

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19; Mt 4:18-22

### **Next Sunday**

Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

## Preparing for Advent

### *Setting the Stage For Our Advent Journey Before It Begins.*

One of the best ways to prepare for the very special season of Advent, which begins Dec. 1, is to "get in touch with ourselves."

It may sound odd, but one symptom of our contemporary lives is that we can often be quite "out of touch" with what is going on in our very own hearts. We are about to begin our Advent, right



at the time our Western culture begins Christmas preparations. It is a busy time, and our heads are filled with details to remember. And, it is a time of emotional complexity that is part of this holiday season - with all of the expectations and challenges of family and relationships: who we want to be with and who we struggle to be with. So, our hearts are a bit tender, if not completely defended from experiencing anything deeply.

We are about to hear some very powerful readings from Isaiah. We will re-enter the ancient tradition of a people longing for the coming of a Savior. We can ask ourselves: "What is it I long for now?" The answer won't come easily. The more we walk around with that question, and let it penetrate through the layers of distraction and self-protection, the more powerfully we will experience Advent.

These are precious days for us to come into intimate contact with our own need for salvation. It is a time to make friends with our tears, our darkness, our hunger and thirst. What is missing? What eludes my grasp? What name can I give to the "restlessness" in my heart? Where do I need a peace that the world cannot give?

Coming to know where I need a Savior is how I can prepare for Advent.

*Creighton University Online Ministries*

## Food drive for Our Lady of Kea'au

The outreach ministry of Our Lady Of Kea'au on the Waianae Coast weekly serves hundreds of hot meals to homeless individuals and families. Again this year, as a part of our outreach ministry the parish of St. Augustine is collecting nonperishable food items and toiletries for the Outreach Ministry at Our Lady of Kea'au. Drop off your nonperishable food items and unopened toiletries in marked boxes in the church. The drive ends on Thanksgiving Day. We are NOT accepting donations of toilet paper or other paper products. All food items must be unopened and cannot be past their expiration date.

## St. Augustine Closet has closed

The St. Augustine Closet thrift shop has permanently closed and donations are not being accepted. Thank you for your support of this Altar Rosary Society ministry.

## Rosary making on hiatus

The Altar Rosary Society's Tuesday morning rosary making group will be taking a break effective immediately and will resume on Jan. 14, 2020 at 9 a.m. in the Damien Room.



## ***A time to be grateful***

As we approach Thanksgiving Day, what are the things that we are grateful for? Thanksgiving Day is another opportunity to show signs of gratefulness to Akua (God) for all that we have received. Mahalo nui loa to those who continue to support St. Augustine in so many ways. May you all be blessed for your generous stewardship and love.



Mahalo to those who gave to our food drive for Our Lady of Kea'au on the Waianae Coast, the Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Education Center, Aunty Carmen's Kitchen and especially to St. Augustine Church. Abundant blessings always,

I also realize that things are changing around us and we need to recognize that fact as we continue the mission of Jesus and His Church. We never say "it is too much," instead we should say, "what more can I do." For it is in giving that we receive a hundred times more the blessings from Akua. May this Thanksgiving bring great satisfaction for what you continue to share with others, especially those in need. Me ke aloha pumehana,

*Fr. Lane*

## **Advent Penance services**

<b>Dec. 4</b>	<b>Newman/Holy Spirit @ 7 p.m.</b>
<b>Dec. 5</b>	<b>Holy Trinity @ 7 p.m.</b>
<b>Dec. 10</b>	<b>Mary, Star of the Sea @ 6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Dec. 11</b>	<b>Sacred Heart @ 6 p.m.</b>
	<b>St. Patrick @ 7 p.m.</b>
<b>Dec. 13</b>	<b>Sts. Peter &amp; Paul @ 6 p.m.</b>
<b>Dec. 16</b>	<b>St. Augustine @ 6 p.m.</b>

## **Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on Monday, Dec. 9**

Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, is a Holy Day of Obligation in this diocese and falls on a Sunday this year. The Masses for Dec. 7/8 will be for the Second Sunday of Advent. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday, Dec. 9, and that day WILL be celebrated as a Holy Day of Obligation in this diocese. Catholic are expected to attend Mass on Holy Days of Obligation. There are only two Holy Days in the Honolulu Diocese, Immaculate Conception and Christmas.

## **ON THE CALENDAR**

- Dec. 1 First Sunday of Advent**  
**Hospitality Sunday**  
**Religious education, 9 a.m. Annex Building**  
**Divine Mercy (in Tongan) 3 p.m.**  
**Tongan Religious Education, 3:30 p.m.**
- Dec. 2 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**
- Dec. 3 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**
- Dec. 4 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**  
**RCIA 6 p.m. Damien Room**  
**Tongan Choir 8 p.m., Annex Building**
- Dec. 5 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**  
**IHS Shower Van 4-7 p.m. parking lot**  
**Scripture Reflection, 5:45 p.m. Annex Bldg**
- Dec. 6 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**
- Dec. 8 Second Sunday of Advent**  
**Religious education, 9 a.m. Annex Building**  
**Divine Mercy (in Tongan) 3 p.m.**  
**Tongan Religious Education, 3:30 p.m.**
- Dec. 9 Feast of Immaculate Conception/ Masses at 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.**  
**Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**  
**Knights of Columbus 6 p.m. Damien Room**
- Dec. 10 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**
- Dec. 11 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**  
**RCIA 6 p.m. Damien Room**  
**Tongan Choir 8 p.m., Annex Building**
- Dec. 12 Aunty Carmen's Kitchen 11 a.m. -noon**  
**IHS Shower Van 4-7 p.m. parking lot**  
**Scripture Reflection, 5:45 p.m. Annex Bldg**

## **Parish Debt Reduction Collection**

Over the years, the Diocese has asked that parishes do an attendance count for the month of October. For the last two years there has a dramatic drop of 2,000 people attending St. Augustine for Sunday liturgy. With that said, it means that contributions to the parish have dropped significantly. This year especially with the additional challenges of unexpected payables, we are doubly challenged. Other pastors are facing the same dilemma even with a larger stable community. St. Augustine is quite unique and different since we have a very small base community. Therefore, the Debt Reduction collection will continue as it is additional income that we would not otherwise receive.

Mahalo to our parishioners who use the parish stewardship envelope system, especially for increasing your gift to the parish.

Mahalo nui loa to all who continue to assist our parish during these times of greater challenge, may you all be blessed for what you share.

*Aloha, Fr. Lane*

## Hala Tree Remembering Damien

When Fr. Damien first arrived in Kalawao on the Island of Moloka'i he lived and slept under a hala tree because there was no other shelter for him. This hala tree, planted at the Damien and Marianne of Moloka'i Education Center commemorates Damien's dedication to the patients at the Leprosy Settlement. "My greatest pleasure is to serve the Lord in his poor sick children rejected by other people," Damien wrote in a letter after arriving at Kalawao.

***St. Damien, pray for us.***



## St. Augustine Christmas party

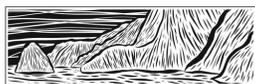
Mark your calendars! Save the date! St. Augustine Parish's annual Christmas party will be held on Saturday, Jan. 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel.

## St. Faustina movie

There will be a second showing of "Love and Mercy: Faustina," a movie about the life of St. Faustina at Dole Cannery Regal Theatres on Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. The movie dramatizes key moments in St. Faustina's life, the Divine Mercy message and the difficulties and triumphs that accompanied the spread of the message following her death in 1938. Purchase your tickets early, the Oct. 28 showings were sold out

## Stewardship envelopes

The 2020 Stewardship Envelopes are available to be picked up in the church near the choir area. Be sure to check the listing for correct info and number. If you need assistance, please ask or contact the parish office. Parents with children, please have your children pick up their stewardship envelopes as well. No need to sign in, just have them place their names on the envelopes.



DAMIEN & MARIANNE  
OF MOLOKA'I  
EDUCATION CENTER

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PLEDGE FORM

To demonstrate my/our support for the **Damien and Marianne of Molokai Education Center**, it is my/our desire to pledge a gift totaling \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the capital campaign to build a new center.

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Contributed by: \_\_\_\_\_  In honor/memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please DO NOT publish my name as a donor.

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Matching gift form enclosed.  Matching gift form will be forwarded.

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