

This Weekend our Pop-Up Shop will be open on the Hall Lanai before and after Sat. 4:00 pm & Sun 8:30 am & 11:30 am Masses. Featuring Assorted Angels, Kitchen Crafts, Air Plants, Edibles and Much More . . .

Please wear your masks and observe 6' distancing while shopping.

Boaz cares for Ruth, a widow and a foreigner, giving her far more than the law requires.

Ruth 2:2-23

Be God's Beacon of Hope



## The SPX Social Justice & Outreach Ministry

# Christmas Baskets Shopping List

Mahalo to all who donated Gift Cards and Thanksgiving Food Baskets to our SPX Food Panty. Twenty parishioners supplied 106 gift cards and 12 baskets. Distributions were made in the past two weeks and will continue thru Christmas. To donate gift cards for Christmas, please drop them in the collection basket. Christmas baskets can be dropped off at the Parish office Mon thru Fri 8:00am - 1:00pm or before/after mass (leave with the ushers). Thank you for your generosity. Christmas Basket suggestions are listed here.

k Gift cards to Times, Foodland or Safeway (\$10 or \$20 amounts) | Canned Veggies & Fruits | Soups k 💋atmeal į Vienna Sausage į Tuna į Cookie or Cake Mix į Peanut Butter & Jelly į Saimin į Rice – 51bs. Toiletries - Bath soap, disposable razors, shampoo/conditioner, toilet tissue

#### Advent-Week Two

Reflect, today, upon the unerring truth that you need to repent. You do. The only person who doesn't need to daily repent is the one who lives perpetually in a state of perfect communion with the Most Holy Trinity. But these holy souls are rare. Don't be offended by this truth but rejoice in it. Give thanks to God for the strong words of Saint John the Baptist, spoken to the Pharisees and Sadducees, and allow yourself to hear those words yourself, as if they were spoken just for you. Receive them with humility and rejoicing, and allow them to prepare you more fully to receive our Divine Lord more deeply into your soul this Advent season. My powerful Lord, You sent Saint John the Baptist before You, so as to prepare many hearts to receive You and Your transforming truth. Please humble me, dear Lord, so that I will listen to the words spoken by John and will indeed continually repent of all of my sin with all my heart. Jesus, I trust in You. Mycatholic.life

## Our Stewardship Prayer

Generous and Loving Creator, you have called us to

Maalama i ka Makana (Cherish the Gift). As disciples of your Son, we ask that your Spirit open our minds and hearts to more deeply appreciate your countless blessings. Increase your transforming spirit within us, so as to nurture our call to stewardship as a way of life marked always by faith-filled prayer, service to others and generous giving. With the kokua of St. Marianne and St. Damien, teach us to be good stewards so we may return a hundred-fold the makana entrusted to us. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



## **Mission Statement:**

Living the Gospel of Our Lord as a Community of Faith.

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## **CHURCH SCHEDULE**

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed all State & Federal Holidays

WEEKDAY MASS Monday to Saturday 7:30 a.m.

## WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Weekdays (by appointment only) Saturdays (after 4:00 p.m. Mass)

#### Adoration & Benediction First Friday 8:00 a.m.

#### FOOD PANTRY Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

PADRE PIO DEVOTION **Third Saturday** 

After 4:00 p.m. mass

#### **WEBSITE:** St Pius X Church

www.stpiusxmanoa.com

## Ex Nihilo (From Nothing)

We begin the month of December in the good work of living the spirit of Advent with trust, hope, and love. In the beginning, there was only God, who hovered over the abysmal chaotic waters He created, and put all things in order. So, creation began with the light and its separation with darkness, then all creation to make ready the creation of humanity from mud (Adamah - which means red clay, and from which the name Adam originates). This Sunday, we are reminded by St. Paul to persevere in praiseworthy undertaking, not to live in regret over what we have been subjected to in this world. For life itself is not made for this world, but rather, to praise and serve the Lord. The robe of sadness and despair should be cast out, and we, instead, should wrap ourselves with the mantle of madness and be enthusiastic upon the hill where Jesus will meet us. Hope is arriving. As the prophet Baruch instructs in his message of love, let us welcome Him with a positive attitude. And St. John the Baptist, who was sent forth to prepare the way for the Lord, exclaims to us that it is our turn, after God created the universe and established order therein. To prepare the way for the Lord is to make straight the winding roads of our moral uncertainties and inconsistencies; to fill up the ravines of our past shortcomings and failings; and to level down the peaks of our pride and arrogance that put ugliness in our endeavors. He urges us to imitate the creator by putting things in order for the coming of the one who brings good news and salvation. Faith is compelling us to establish virtue in our lives, that we may be found pure and blameless at the coming of our Lord. From nothing, He made everything as a gift for us, and for this, we lift ourselves up in praise of Him. Fr. Norlito





## **Upcoming Events** DEC. 6—DEC. 12

# 6—MONDAY

7:30 AM Mass—Church 10:00 AM Food Pantry (Hall)

#### 7—TUESDAY

6:30 AM Outreach - Hall 7:30 AM Mass—Church 6:00 PM—Vigil of the **Solemnity of the Immaculate** Conception—Church

8—WEDNESDAY 7:30 AM Mass—Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception -Church

10:00 AM Food Pantry - Hall 6:00 PM—Solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception** 

#### 9—THURSDAY

6:30 AM Outreach - Hall 7:30 AM Mass—Church

## 10—FRIDAY

7:30 AM Mass—Church 10:00 AM Food Pantry - Hall

## 11—SATURDAY

7:30 AM Mass—Church 8:00 AM Church Cleaning 9:00 AM Religious Education-Conference Room Hall 10:00 Crafty Ladies/Men-Conference Room—Hall 4:00 PM MASS (Church) **Confession** (after Mass)

12—SUNDAY 8:30 AM MASS (Church) 11:30 AM PRAISE AND **WORSHIP MASS** 

(Church) Live-Stream







## FRIAR

someone who is a member of a mendicant order (Augustinians, Carmelites, Dominicans, Franciscans, and Servites)

#### **RELIGIOUS PRIEST**

Priests that belong to a particular religious Order or congregation. They are supervised by a superior in their order or congregation.

#### MONK

A member of a men's religious community who lives a life of prayer in a monastery.

#### **BROTHER**

Men who belong to a religious community and promise to serve the Church in a special way

#### DEACON

An ordained minister who may preach the Gospel, teach, baptise, lead prayers, witness marriages and conduct funerals

#### DIOCESAN PRIEST

Serves parishioners within a diocese and reports to the Bishop.

#### **PRIEST**

Men who offer service to the Church and administer the sacraments to

#### MONASTERY

The home of monks or nuns devoted in prayer.

#### **MOTHERHOUSE**

The main home and headquarters of a religious congregation, often the home of the superior of a religious institute acting under the Order's Superior General who exercises a general supervision over all the members in a specific area.

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ACCORDING TO THY WORD

#### **SEMINARY**

A school specialising in classes for students, called seminarians, who are studying to become a priest.

#### NOVITIATE

A time of intense spiritual formation in which candidates. called novices, learn more about

#### VOWS

Religious men and women make three promises, called vows, pledging to imitate Jesus in poverty, chastity, and obedience for their whole life

#### **VOW OF OBEDIENCE**

By professing this vow, Religious make decisions in tune with God's Will, which is often mediated for them through the authority of their congregation.

#### **VOW OF POVERTY**

By professing this vow, Religious own everything in common, and promises to share possessions and live simply

#### **VOW OF CHASTITY**

By professing this vow, Religious give themselves in love to God in a way so total that the pursuit of union with God makes it impossible for anything or anyone to be more central.

#### ORDINATION

Ceremony for men who have fulfilled all the requirements to become a priest where they receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

#### RELIGIOUS ORDER OR CONGREGATION

A national or international group of priests, sisters, nuns, or brothers who take vows to serve the Lord in a special way, such as teaching or missionary work.

#### **TEMPORARY VOWS**

A promise a man or woman makes to spend a period of trial and testing with a religious order

#### SOLEMN OR PERPETUAL VOWS

A promise made to commit oneself as a priest, sister, or brother for the rest of one's life



#### NUN

Women in religious orders living a secluded life of prayer in a monastery

#### SISTER

Woman who takes vows to serve God in a special way and are more involved in socio-pastoral activities





#### **Holy Day of** BEHOLD THE HANDMAID OF THE LORD, BE IT DONE TO ME **Obligation**

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH, MANOA

The Solemnity of the Feast of the **Immaculate Conception** 

> **Holy Vigil Mass on:** Tuesday, December 7 At 6:00 p.m.

**Holy Mass on** Wednesday, December 8 At 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

## **Diocesan Prayer for Vocations**

Heavenly Father, your divine Son taught us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into His vineyard. We earnestly beg you to bless our Diocese and our world with many priests, deacons and religious who will love you fervently and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to your Son's Church, especially the poor and the needy. Bless our families and our children, and choose from our homes those whom you desire for this holy work. Teach them to respond generously and keep them ever faithful in following your Son Jesus Christ, that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit and with the Inspiration of Saint Damien and Saint Marianne the Good News of redemption may be brought to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **OFFERING** November 27 and 28

| Weekly Collection           | 2,972.71 |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| <b>Building Fund</b>        | 75.00    |
| Candles                     | 26.00    |
| Wednesday Mass-Thanksgiving | 125.00   |
| <b>Human Development</b>    | 60.00    |
| Thanksgiving Day Mass       | 502.00   |
| Thanksgiving Gift Cards     | 250.00   |
| Parish Outreach             | 1,100.00 |
| Donations                   | 725.00   |
| Retirement for Religious    | 50.00    |
| Total:                      | 5,885.71 |

On line Giving: 11/22—11/26 \$ 105.00

Mass Attendance for 11/27 & 11/28 4:00 pm = 99 8:30 am = 66 11:30 am = 58

Thank you for your Support!!

## Mass Intentions for

8:30 am—Sunday, December 5 Mason Kieschnick+

Maynard, Loretta & Kaipo Kwock+

11:30 am—Sunday, December 5 Pro Populo

7:30 am—Monday, December 6 Esteban and Sabina Salvacion+

7:30 am—Tuesday, December 7 Esteban and Sabina Salvacion+

7:30 am—Thursday, December 9 Lori Kim & Andy Liu— **Special Intentions** 

7:30 am—Friday. December 10 Lori Kim & Andy Liu— **Special Intentions** 

7:30 am—Saturday, December 11 Fr. Tom-H

4:00 pm—Saturday, December 11 James Souki+ Joan Hernando+



Readings for the Week

Sunday, December 5

Second Sunday of Advent Baruch 5:1-9 **Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 Luke 3:1-6** 

Monday, December 6

St. Nicholas, Bishop Isaiah 35:1-10 Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 7 St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Isaiah 40:1-11 Matthew 18:12-14 Or Ephesians 3:8-12 John 10:11-16

Wednesday, December 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Genesis 3:9-15, 20 **Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12** Luke 1:26-38

Thursday, December 9

St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin Isaiah 41:13-20 Matthew 11:11-15

Friday, December 10 Our lady of Loreto Isaiah 48:17-19 Matthew 11:16-19

Saturday, December 11 St. Damasus I, Pope Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, December 12 Third Sunday of Advent Zephaniah 3:14-18a Philippians 4:4-7 Luke 3:10-18

