# Mission Statement: To feed the Lord's flock! Vision:

In the spirit of our Patron St. Pius X, we, the catholic community of St. Pius X Manoa aspire to live the happy and good witnessing of the Gospel through our Faith, Service, and Praise.

## St. Pius X Catholic Church, Manoa

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Nick Brown Pastor

## **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Closed: All State, Federal Holidays, and Special Church Events

#### CHURCH SCHEDULE

#### **Weekday Masses**

Rosary - 7 a.m.
Monday to Thursday,
7:30 a.m.
Friday - No Mass

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 7:30 a.m. Saturday 4:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday, 11:30 a.m. (Livestream)

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Weekdays (by appointment only)

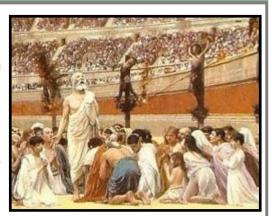
#### **Saturdays**

(before Mass at 3:00 -3:30pm)

#### FOOD PANTRY (HALL) Wednesday and Friday 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

## First Martyrs of the See of Rome

The holy men and women were also called the "Protomartyrs of Rome." They were accused of burning Rome by Nero , who burned Rome to cover his own crimes. Some martyrs were burned as living torches at evening banquets, some crucified, others were fed to wild animals. These martyrs died before Sts. Peter and Paul, and are called "disciples of the Apostles. . . whom the Holy Roman church sent to their Lord before the Apostles' death."



The **First Martyrs of the Church of Rome** were Christians martyred in the city of Rome during Nero's persecution in 64. The event is recorded by both Tacitus and Pope Clement I, among others. They are celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church as an optional memorial on 30 June. The Orthodox Church celebrates them on 30 June in its liturgical calendar as pre-1054 East-West Schism Western saints.

#### Background

Rome had a large Jewish population. The emperor Claudius ordered all the Jews to leave the city. Due to disturbances in the city between the Jews and the followers of "Christus". There were early Christians in Rome within a dozen or so years after the death of Jesus, though they were not the converts of Paul. He had not yet visited them at the time he wrote his Epistle to the Romans.

#### History

In July of 64 AD, Rome was devastated by fire. Largely made up of wooden tenements, fire was a frequent occurrence in the city. Rumor blamed the tragedy on the unpopular emperor Nero, who wanted to enlarge his palace. He accused the Christians whom many were put to death "not so much of the crime of firing the city, but as of hatred against mankind."

Covered with the skins of beasts, they were torn by dogs and perished, or were nailed to crosses, or were doomed to the flames and burnt, to serve as a nightly illumination, when daylight had expired. Nero offered his gardens for the spectacle, and was exhibiting a show in the circus, while he mingled with the people in the dress of a charioteer or stood aloft on a car. Hence, even for criminals who deserved extreme and exemplary punishment, there arose a feeling of compassion; for it was not, as it seemed, for the public good, but to glut one man's cruelty, that they were being destroyed.

Peter and Paul were probably among the victims.

#### Veneration

The placement of the feast is directly after the Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul, who are the principal patron saints of Rome. The subsequent martyrs are associated with this patronage. The feast day was formerly occupied with a Commemoration of St. Paul, and fell in the Octave of SS Peter and Paul.

The church of Santi Protomartiri a Via Aurelia Antica in Rome is dedicated to these first martyrs.





## **Upcoming Events**

**JULY 01 - JULY 07** 

#### 01 - MONDAY

7:00am - Rosary 7:30am - Mas**s** 

#### 02 -TUESDAY

7:00am - Rosary 7:30am- Mass

#### 03 - WEDNESDAY

Our Mother of Perpetual Help 6:50am - OMPH Novena 7:00am - Rosary 7:30am - Mass 10am -11:30am - Food Pantry

#### 04 - THURSDAY

4th of July - Independence Day

7:00am - Rosary 7:30am - Mass Office - Closed

#### 05 - FRIDAY No Mass

Food Pantry - Closed

#### 06 - SATURDAY

7:00am - Rosary 7:30am - Mass 8:00am - Church Cleaning 4:00pm - Mass

#### 07 - SUNDAY

8:30am - Mass

11:30am - Praise & Worship Live-Stream



#### **Mass Attendance**

Saturday, June 22 - 4 pm Mass: Adults 69 / 4 Children

Sunday, June 23 - 8:30am Mass: Adults 49 / 5 Children

Sunday, June 23-11:30am Mass: Adults 47 / 5 Children

## **Offertory Envelopes**

Please pick up your offertory envelopes at the back of the church.

#### Mahalo

## O, You of little Faith!

That must have been some storm! Even the fishermen among them, who knew this lake intimately and had survived many a storm, were terrified for their lives. You can understand why they woke Jesus up and begged him to save them. Wouldn't you do the same thing?

But Jesus didn't sound so understanding. You can hear the disappointment in his voice when he called them "you of little faith". Clearly, he was looking for a better response He wanted them to believe that his Father was more powerful than whatever forces were driving the storm. He wanted them to trust that even if they were to die, God would bring them into eternal life. Why couldn't they place themselves in his Father's hands, just as he had done?

If it sounds like Jesus was setting a pretty high bar for the apostles, it's because he did. Jesus knew what faith could do in the human hearts it could remove obstacles as tall as mountains and calm anxieties as overwhelming as storm seas. If only they had known how powerful faith could be, they might not have woken him up!

Jesus wants us to have this kind faith as well: the kind of faith that keeps us peaceful even in the most difficult situations. The kind of faith that enables us to offer comfort and encouragement to others even as we face our own trials. The kind of faith that continues to trust in his love and protection even when it seems he has fallen asleep.

So yes, it's fair to say that Jesus has set a high bar, even for us. But that doesn't mean he will condemn you for not meeting that bar, even for us. But that doesn't mean he will condemn you for not meeting that bar. It just means that he knows how much power his gift of faith has. He knows that the ore you exercise your faith, the more you'll see that faith bear fruit—in your life and in the lives of the people around you.

Is there a storm of some kind raging around you or within you right now? If so, try putting your faith to work. Imitate Jesus and try to rest in God's presence, maybe for just a few minutes. Surrender the storm to him, and let him give you his peace.

"Lord, you know I believe. Help me unbelief"

## **Used Car Wanted**

St. Pius X Parishoner is looking for a used car preferably a

Toyota Corolla or Honda Civic

Please call Stephen at (808) 258-2255 MAHALO

#### **Mass Intentions**

7:30am- Monday, July 01 Rachel Yew & Julia Liu (H)

7:30am—Tuesday, July 02 Una Tong (SI)

7:30am—Thursday, July 04
Arleen Wong (+)

7:30am—Saturday, July 06 Samuel & Marget Wong (SI)

4:00pm—Saturday, July 06 Thomas Sills (+)

8:30am—Sunday, July 07
Mass for the People

11:30am—Sunday, July 07
Rachel Yew & Julia Liu (H)



## **JUNE 22 & 23**

Weekly Collections
Repairs & Maint
Mass Intentions
Candles
Dioc Sem Edu Fund
1355.00
146.00
200.00
28.00
5.00

Peters Pence 18.00

Total: \$1652.00

## **On-line Giving:**

June 17 – 21: \$ 1,070.00



#### Father Nick Brown's First Year

at St. Pius X Church July 1, 2023 — July 1, 2024

## E ho'omaika'i ia 'oe! - Congratulations to you!

We are blessed to have you.

God has truly blessed us with such an amazing pastor.

May God grant you grace and strength to continue the good
work that you have started with St. Pius X Church.

## Mahalo!

Come and join us for light refreshment and fellowship after the 4pm Mass this Saturday, June 29, on the lanai of the Church!

Sponsored by Fidelis and his Choir.



## Saint Irenaeus (June 28)

The Church is fortunate that Irenaeus was involved in many of its controversies in the second century. He was a student, well trained no doubt, with great patience in investigating, tremendously protective of apostolic teaching, but prompted more by a desire to win over his opponents than to prove them in error.

As bishop of Lyons he was especially concerned with the Gnostics, who took their name from the Greek word for "knowledge." Claiming access to secret knowledge imparted by Jesus to only a few disciples, their teaching was attracting and confusing many Christians. After thoroughly investigating the various Gnostic sects and their "secret," Irenaeus showed to what logical conclusions their tenets led. These he contrasted with the teaching of the apostles and the text of Holy Scripture, giving us, in five books, a system of theology of great importance to subsequent times. Moreover, his work, widely used and translated into Latin and Armenian, gradually ended the influence of the Gnostics.

The circumstances and details about his death, like those of his birth and early life in Asia Minor, are not at all clear. However in 2022, Pope Francis named Saint Irenaeus a Doctor of the Church.

(from the Franciscan Media)

## Is the Lord calling on you?

St Pius X Church is in need of ministers to assist in lecturing at Saturday and Sunday masses as well as Altar Servers and Eucharistic ministers. Do you think you would like to be a part of the Lord's ministries? Please pray that you would respond to the Lords' call to serve.

Fr Nick Brown , Pastor St Pius X Manoa



Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena @ 6:50AM Every Wednesday Rosary @ 7:00AM Weekdays



## Readings for the Week



#### Monday, July 01

Saint Junipero Serra, Priest Amos 2:6-10, 13-16 Matthew 8:18-22

#### Tuesday, July 02

13th Week in Ordinary Time Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12 Matthew 8:23-27

#### Wednesday, July 03

Saint Thomas, Apostle Ephesians 2:19-22 John 20:24-29

#### Thursday, July 04

Independence Day Amos 7:10-17 Matthew 9:1-8

## Friday, July 05

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal Amos 8:4-6, 9-12 Matthew 9:9-13

#### Saturday, July 06

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr Amos 9:11-15

Amos 9:11-15 Matthew 9:14-17

## Sunday, July 08

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ezekiel 2:2-5 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Mark 6:1-6a



Loving Father, touch me now with your healing hands, for I believe that your will is for me to be well in mind, body, soul and spirit. Cover me with the most precious blood of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ from the top of my head to the soles of my feet. Cast out anything that should not be in me.



You shall love the LORD your GOD with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. Mk 12:30

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#### **Independence Day Prayer**

Dear Lord,

There is no greater feeling of liberty than to experience freedom from sin and death that you provided for me through Jesus Christ. Today my heart and my soul are free to praise you. For this, I am very thankful.

On this Independence Day, I am reminded of all those who have sacrificed for my freedom, following the example of your Son, Jesus Christ. Let me not take my freedom, both physical and spiritual, for granted. May I always remember that a very high price was paid for my freedom. My freedom cost others their very lives.

Lord, today, bless those who1 have served and continue to give their lives for my freedom. With favour and bounty, meet their needs and watch over their families.

Dear Father. I am so thankful for this nation. For all the sacrifices others have made to build and defend this country, I am grateful. Thank you for the opportunities and freedoms we have in the United States of America. Help me never to take these blessings for granted.

Help me to live my life in a way that glorifies you, Lord. Give me the strength to be a blessing in someone's life today, and grant me the opportunity to lead others into the freedom that can be found in knowing Jesus Christ.

In your name, I pray. Amen.

#### **Independence Day Prayer**

Lord, we stand today as our forefathers have stood before You in times gone by, celebrating our history and revelling in all the great things that our country has achieved. On this day we rejoice in the favour you have graciously given us. We thank You for the blessings of liberty, for this generation and for the generations to come. We thank you for our independence, peace and for all those who have bravely given their lives in the defence of freedom and justice. We thank you that your gracious and provident hand has given us so much. Yet as a nation and people we have not always chosen the right way. We ask You to forgive us for these times. On this day we commit ourselves to wholeheartedly honouring and serving You. With everything that we are, we lay our lives before You. Make us a generous people, A holy nation, A people set aside to love You forever. For the sake of the land of the brave and free, And the peoples and nations of this world. Today, we do not presume Your grace for our country. Our land is in need of you, our people are in need of You, our industry and business are in need of You. May we look only to You This Independence







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#### **Independence Day Prayer**

Day, dependent on You. Please come now by Your glorious Holy Spirit, Breathe new life into the sinews of this nation. May justice flow like rivers, and righteousness like a never-failing stream, Until the whole of our country is covered with Your glory. As the waters cover the sea. We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit. One God, now and for all eternity. Amen.

#### **Star Spangled Banner As You've Never Heard It**

You Tube https://youtu.be/YaxGNQE5ZLA



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Whitney Houston -**Star Spangled-Banner** 

You Tube https://youtu.be/N ICmBvYMRs

#### Star Spangled Banner with Lyrics, **Vocals, and Beautiful Photos**

You Tube https://youtu.be/vPKp29Luryc



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Lee Greenwood -God Bless the USA (Lyrics)

You Tube https://youtu.be/MYvUmhga104

### **The Battle Hymn of** the Republic

You Tube https://youtu.be/Jy6AOGRsR80

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**SOUSA The Stars and Stripes Forever -**"The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band

You Tube https://youtu.be/a-7XWhyvIpE

Admiral McRaven Leaves the Audience SPEECHLESS | SCAN ME One of the Best Motivational Speeches

You Tube https://youtu.be/TBuIGBCF9jc



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7 Year-Old Crushes National **Anthem, Zlatan Approves** 

YOU Tube https://youtu.be/HU0SZXcNNbY









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