MASS SCHEDULES
St. Catherine Chapel
Monday ~ Saturday ~ *8:00 A. M.*
Tuesday ~ *Communion Service Only*
Saturday *(Main Church) ~ 4:00 PM*
Sunday *(Main Church) ~ 9:30 AM*

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 PM
Or by appointment.
DEVOTION
Holy Rosary before Mass
ADORATION
First Wednesday of the Month
After the 8:00 AM Mass
From 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM
Other Wednesdays
8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

PARISH MINISTRIES
♦ **Homebound & Bereavement**
Virginia Jordan & Helen Luke
♦ **Hospitality**
David Tom
♦ **Liturgical Music**
Dr. Stanley Wong ~ Sat. 4:00 PM
Sunday, 7:15 AM (TBA)
Sunday, 9:30 AM (TBA)
♦ **Lectors**
Beverly Perry
♦ **Holy Communion At Mass**
Jennifer Tamayo
♦ **Sacristy**
Celine Asato & David Tom
♦ **Respect Life**
Juanita Ruis
♦ **Holo Holo Ministry**
Stan Contrades

FAITH FORMATION
♦ Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Children
Velma Guieb-Mamuad
♦ Youth & Confirmation
Brian Laroya
♦ Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Debbie Fujiyama
♦ Parish Scripture Group
Francis Jordan

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS
♦ Pastoral Council
Patricia Silva
♦ Stewardship/Discipleship
Randy Tom
♦ Finance Council
James Solidum
♦ Knights of Columbus
Worthy Grand Knight Randy Tom
♦ Liturgy Committee
Sr. Marykutty Kottuppallil, MSMHC

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 6, 2018

…"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete. This is my commandment:love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friend. You are my friends if you do what I command you."

~ John 13:34

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

♦ A Catholic Community ♦
Diocese of Honolulu
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MISSION STATEMENT
"Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we the family of St. Stephen Catholic Church nurture and sustain our faith through Love, Service and Unity."

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Monday~Friday: 9:00 AM to 12 Noon

PARISH ORGANZATIONS
♦ Social Fellowship
Sui Kozuma & Kitchen Crew

VISITATION OF THE SICK
Priest and Homebound Ministers are available to visit the infirm or hospitalized. Please contact the Church Office.
For sacramental emergency, call 595.3105 and press #2.

♦ ***BAPTISM***
Sacramental preparation is required. If you are expecting or have a child to be baptized, please call the Church Office for more information at 808.595.3105, Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM to 12 Noon.

♦ ***MARRIAGE***
The Diocese of Honolulu requires couples to marry in the Church and participate in the preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony. Couples should contact the office for Marriage Preparation at least six months before the wedding.

♦ ***FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS***
Kokua! Please contact your Church prior to making arrangements with a funeral home.

♦ ***PARISHIONERS***
When changing address/telephone, or moving out of the Parish, please notify the Church Office.

♦ ***NEW PARISHIONERS***
If you would like to become a parishioner of St. Stephen Catholic Church, please use the forms available at the entrance of the Church or contact the Church Office.

Announcements

Sunday, May 13, 2018
Fellowship By:
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Stephen The First Martyr
Knights of Columbus Council 16267
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Contact Worthy Grand Knight Randy Tom
eMailAddress: randy.tom0972@gmail.com
GENTLE REMINDER: Corporate Sunday, May 13.

COMING EVENTS

MAY 10, 2018 ~ *The Ascension Of The Lord*
MAY 13, 2018 ~ *MOTHERS DAY*
2nd Collection for Catholic Communications Campaign
MAY 19, 2018 ~ *Confirmation Rehearsal ~*
10:00 A.M. - 12 Noon
MAY 20, 2018 ~ *Confirmation at the 9:30 A.M. Mass*

OBON FUNDRAISER

Please review the list of donations and items ***(see Bulletin insert)*** we will need to prepare for the 2018 Obon Fundraiser. Thank you in advance for all your hard work and donations. Your love for God and our church shines bright on events as this.

If you missed our first Obon meeting, you an pick up a copy of the agenda and minutes or call the office and leave your email address and an email copy will be sent to you so you won't miss a beat. **We will need everyone's help** on this project! Next meeting is tentatively set for Tuesday, May 22 at 6:00 p.m. Thank you all!

THE EUCHARIST

The last sacrament of initiation is the Eucharist. As any life physical or spiritual needs to be nourished in order to grow and thrive, so God nourishes his Body on earth with the Body and Blood of Jesus himself.

Eucharist means "thanksgiving" and recalls the last supper during which Jesus gave thanks to the Father. In this liturgy the Christian community assembles to offer praise and worship to God the Father by offering back to him the greatest gift we possess, the Body and Blood of Jesus and in doing we offer ourselves as well.

The Church is called together in unity and worship, nourished and then sent out to bring the message of good news to family, friends and the world.

The signs and symbols used are quite ordinary, bread, wine, and the words of consecration.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, 5.6.2018
7:15 A.M. Mass:
Healing Prayers for Suzanne Lizama
Healing Prayers for Helen Luke
✝ *Lucy Chen*
✝ *Kenneth Asato*
9:30 A.M. Mass:
Clement Yee
Healing Prayers for Helen Luke
Healing Prayers for Steve Aki
✝ *Ron Kano*

MONDAY, 5.7.2018
8:00 A.M. Mass:
Healing Prayers for Helen Luke

TUESDAY, 5.8.2018 **NO** 8:00 A.M. Mass
8:00 A.M. Mass:
Communion Service Only

WEDNESDAY, 5.9.2018
8:00 A.M. Mass:
✝ *Kenneth Asato*
✝ *Jane Aki*

THURSDAY, 5.10.2018
8:00 A.M. Mass:
Healing Prayers for Helen Luke
Healing Prayers for Steve Aki
Healing Prayers for Audrey Curtis
Healing Prayers for Steve Ohelo

FRIDAY, 5.11.2018
8:00 A.M. Mass:
✝ *Dr. Joseph Chang*

SATURDAY, 5.12.2018
8:00 A.M. Mass:
Healing Prayers for Helen Luke
4:00 P.M. Mass:
✝ *Tomiko Asato*
✝ *Betty & Albert Chong*
✝ *Doreen & Francis Chia*
Healing Prayers for Steve Aki

Prayer Requests

FOR THE SICK & THE HOMEBOUND

Margaret Robello, Carrie Talwar, Nancy Asato, Richard Wong, Benito Bautista, Ron Asato, Helen Luke

FOR THE DECEASED

Eileen Green, Don Yee, Ron Kano, Gladys Wong, Ken Asato, Tomiko Asato, Doreen & Francis Chia, Betty & Albert Chong, Dr. Joseph Chang

SAINTLY QUOTE

The life of a Christian is nothing but a perpetual struggle against self; there is no flowering of the soul to the beauty of its perfection except at the price of pain.

~ St. Padre Pio

PATRON SAINTS FOR MODERN CHALLENGES

(Continued from last week.)

OUR GOOD NEIGHBORS

Catholics are intensely attached to our saints. We regard these heavenly intercessors not only as sources of inspiration, but also as our "good neighbors," as the English mystic Julian of Norwich described them,

Saints are faithful and reliable friends who come to our help during times of trouble. Although times change, our need for the help of the saints remains constant. And so, in ever age, Catholics have assigned new areas of patronage to saints who have been longtime favorites.

HOLY QUOTES FROM CATHOLIC SAINTS

As Catholics, our temptation is to admire saints from such a distance that we forget they were still human beings who cooperated with God's grace as best they could each day. Our temptation is to admire bits and pieces of a saint's life but to affirm that, considered as a whole, this person's life is simply too extreme and God simply could not expect that much conversion and dedication from anyone. But God only asks that we do the best we can—in our own space, our own time, our own way.

"In His will is our peace," sing the saints in Dante's *Divine Comedy*. We cannot, however, truly be at peace unless we allow our conversion to God's ways to be open-ended.

—Pat McCloskey, OFM

Enjoy these quotes from some of our greatest saints.

- "Pray, hope, and don't worry."
- **Padre Pio**
- "The reason for our existence is to quench the thirst of Jesus. When he asked for water, the soldier gave him vinegar to drink—but his thirst was for love, for souls, for you and me."
- **Mother Teresa of Calcutta**
- "Jesus loves hidden souls. A hidden flower is the most fragrant. I must strive to make the interior of my soul a resting place for the Heart of Jesus."

  Maria Faustina Kowalska

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HOLY QUOTES FROM CATHOLIC SAINTS

(Continued from left column)

- "I pray God may preserve your health and life many years."
- **Junipero Serra**
- "This is a serious warning cry: Surrender without reservation to the Lord who has called us. This is required of us so that the face of the earth may be renewed."
- **Edith Stein**
- "Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."
- **Pope John Paul II**
- "I can have no other spouse, but Jesus Christ. I have considered myself content to live in poverty and misery for his love."
- **Kateri Tekakwitha**
- "The most deadly poison of our times is indifference. And this happens, although the praise of God should know no limits. Let us strive, therefore, to praise him to the greatest extent of our powers."
- **Maximilian Kolbe**

SAINT OF THE DAY

Saint Dominic Savio

Dominic Savio was born on April 2, 1842 in the village of Riva in northern Italy. His father was a blacksmith and his mother a seamstress. He had nine brothers and sisters. His family was poor but hardworking. They were devout and pious Catholics.

As a small child, Dominic loved the Lord and His Church. He was very devout in practicing his Catholic faith. For example, he said grace before every meal and refused to eat with those who did not. He was always quick to encourage others to pray.

On the Day he received his first communion, Dominic wrote four promises in a little book. Those promises were:
I will go to Confession often, and as frequently to Holy Communion as my confessor allows.
I wish to sanctify the Sundays and festivals in a special manner.
My friends shall be Jesus and Mary.
Death rather than sin.

Dominic Savio was declared venerable in 1933 by Pope Pius XI, beatified in 1950, then canonized in 1954 by Pope Pius XII.

Saint Dominic is the patron saint of choirboys, the falsely accused, and juvenile delinquents. His feast day is May 6, moved from March 9. Many schools and institutions dedicated to boys are dedicated to him.

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Daily Readings

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Monday, May 7
Acts 16:11-15
St. Rose Venerini

♦ ♦ ♦

Tuesday, May 8
Acts 16:22-34
St. Peter of Tarantaise

♦ ♦ ♦

Wednesday, May 9
Acts 17:15, 22—18:1
St. Pachomius

♦ ♦ ♦

Thursday, May 10
Acts 1:1-11
St. Damien of Molokai

♦ ♦ ♦

Friday, May 11
Acts 18:9-18
St. Ignatius of Laconi

♦ ♦ ♦

Saturday, May 12
Acts 18:23-28
St. Nereus & Achilleus

♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

Sunday, May 13
7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading
Acts of the Apostles
1:15-17, 20a, 20C-26 (60B)
[Page 164, Breaking Bread]

Responsorial Psalm
The Lord has set His throne in Heaven.
[Page 164, Breaking Bread]

Second Reading
1 John 4:11-16
[Page 165, Breaking Bread]

Gospel
John 17:11b-19
[Page 166, Breaking Bread]

Saint of the Day
St. John the Silent

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

(April 28 & 29, 2018)

Ordinary Income Expenses

Income	
CCD Fund	$200.00
Building Fund	$430.00
Elevator Fund	$1,825.00
Hall Use Donation	$1,150.00
Mass Intentions	$155.00
Special Services Income	$1,500.00
Sr. Marykutty Fund	$75.00
Sunday Offerings	$2,279.00
Tai Chi Fund	$10.00
Votive Candles Fund	$20.00
Total:	**$7,644.00**
Last Week:	**$2,196.50**

MAHALO

We are grateful to all who generously contribute their time, talent and treasure to our Parish Community.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE
(C.C.D.)
ST. STEPHEN FIRST MARTYR
CATHOLIC CHURCH

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Camryn Alomar
Kaiwi Batton
Kalia Batton
Noah Dodge
Claire Marvin
Reyca Ann Marie Ocampo
Jaizlyn Saribay
Jazen Saribay
Ethan Suzuki
Zachary Tamayo

Thank you to Julie Abcede, Tim Abcede, and Joel Tamayo for preparing our Communicants for this special day.

PARISH SCRIPTURE GROUP

The ***9:30 A.M. Wednesday*** Parish Scripture Group continues to meet in the SPAM Conference Room.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Council meets on the ***third Thursday of the month,*** at 6:00 P.M. in the SPAM Conference Room.

LIVING CATHOLIC IN THE 808

Baptism, Confirmation and THEN First Communion

Reflections Prior to #Big Pentecost
Diocese of Honolulu
Questions: kdeneve@rcchawaii.org

This Pentecost, half our parishes will enact the Original Order. 900+ children will receive their final two sacraments of initiation in the "original" order and another 2700+ will be confirmed. Here's a bit more about why:

The sacraments that initiate us into the Christian life are Baptism and Confirmation. Baptism and Confirmation go hand in hand, like a certificate given its official seal. In Baptism, Christians share in the death and resurrection of Jesus. In Confirmation, the Holy Spirit comes down upon us as it did on the Apostles on the day of Pentecost. Baptism and Confirmation are as inseparable as Easter and Pentecost Sundays, the first and last days of the Easter season.

Jesus himself was baptized and then confirmed by his Father with the gift of the Spirit: "After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and, behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased'" (Matthew 3:16-17).

In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, used with unbaptized aged 7+, the sacraments are received in the proper theological order, usually at the Easter vigil — Baptism, Confirmation, and then first Holy Communion. This Pentecost, May 20, in parishes all across our state, children baptized as infants will now too be confirmed prior to receiving their First Communion. #BigPentecost

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