



Sts. Peter and Paul Church

January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord

"We saw his star at its rising and
have come to do him homage."

MATTHEW 2:2



IMAGE: GUSTAVE DORE / DORE BIBLE ILLUSTRATIONS

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY

Monday – Friday
7:00 a.m. & noon

WEEKEND

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 6:00 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays after 7:00 a.m. mass until 11:45 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Fridays: 10:15—11:30 a.m.
Saturdays: 3:00—4:15 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

First Fridays (*until Lent*): 5:30—7:00 p.m.
First Saturdays (*until Lent*): 11:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

CONTACT

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SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Anointing of the Sick and Funerals: Please call parish office.

Infant Baptism: Parents are required to meet with Father before scheduling a baptism. Please call the office or send email to request a registration form. (For adults, call and leave a message for OCIA coordinator, 808-941-0675 ext. 25)

Marriage: The proper and required prep for Marriage is extensive. Please talk to a priest or deacon at least 6-months prior before setting a date.

Father Arnel Soriano, *Pastor Administrator* ♦ Father Khanh Hoang, *Part-Time Parochial Vicar*
Deacon Joel Narusawa

Good News!

January 4, 2026

The Epiphany of the Lord (A)

Isaiah 60:1-6 / Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Matthew 2:1-12

Following Jesus Without a Star to Guide Us

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA

“We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage” (Matthew 2:2) describes the spark that sent the Magi on their journey. Something unusual in the sky, interpreted as a sign of something wonderful— in response, they changed direction in their lives and devoted themselves to a completely different path. As wonderful as it might well be, a special star in the heavens is not the ordinary experience of how we learn to follow the Lord or discern his will. If only there could be a sign in God’s universe for each of us, beckoning us forward, clarifying what we need to do, setting down the path that needs to be followed. Perhaps life would be much simpler. Or perhaps not?

Would it truly be less complicated if everything were made clear and certain? Is the manifestation of God’s grace and blessings confined to the straight and narrow, or can we also experience God in the chaos—“in the weeds,” so to speak. Human experience seems to suggest that life is more “gray” than “black and white.” There is real grace in the journey, in making mistakes, even in choosing something that is incomplete. Thankfully, God’s grace does not need perfection to be powerful. We can know and follow God’s will for us in the ordinary moments of day-to-day living. We do not need the extraordinary or the dramatic. ●

-Reflect-

How can I resolve to look for God in the unplanned, the unexpected, the interruptions?

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MONDAY

January 5

St. John

Neumann, Bishop

1 Jn 3:22-4:6

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

TUESDAY

January 6

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:7-10

Mk 6:34-44

WEDNESDAY

January 7

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:11-18

Mk 6:45-52

THURSDAY

January 8

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:19-5:4

Lk 4:14-22a

FRIDAY

January 9

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:5-13

Lk 5:12-16

SATURDAY

January 10

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21

Jn 3:22-30

SUNDAY

January 11

*The Baptism
of the Lord*

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Mt 3:13-17

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LITURGY & PRAYER

Date		Intentions	Celebrant
Sat Jan 3	5:00 PM	Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul	Fr. Arnel
Sunday January 4	7:00 AM	+ Cirilia Mamuad + Lorenza & Alberto Calisteno + William & Mai Hieu Beavers	Fr. Khanh
	9:00 AM	+ Paul Yonamine + Archie Toledo + Jon Jacques + Tony & Terry Nuivo	Fr. Arnel
	11:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory + Robert & Jane Jacques + Dimicio & Maria Tacang	Fr. Arnel
	6:00 PM	Lealofitaute Josephine Mala (BD) + Maybelle C. Macdonald	Fr. Arnel
Monday January 5	7:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	+ Joseph Park	Fr. Khanh
Tuesday January 6	7:00 AM	+ Alfred Mendiola	Fr. Arnel
	12 NOON	+ Theresa Park	Fr. Arnel
Wednesday January 7	7:00 AM	+ Raimunda Palacios	Fr. Arnel
	12 NOON	+ Ramil & Rafael Tenchavez	Fr. Khanh
Thursday January 8	7:00 AM	Nicomedes Hidalgo & Family (SI)	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	Manlolo Family (SI)	Fr. Arnel
Friday January 9	7:00 AM	Esther Hildago (SI)	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	Jacinto Family (H)	Fr. Arnel
Sat Jan 10	5:00 PM	+ Ernest Syers + Matilda Correa Michelle Ferrer (BD)	Fr. Khanh
Sunday January 11	7:00 AM	Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul	Fr. Arnel
	9:00 AM	+ Alfredo Candelario + Jon Jacques + Robert & Jane Jacques	Fr. Arnel
	11:00 AM	Holy Souls in Purgatory + Dimicio & Marie Tacang + Constancio Mamuad	Fr. Khanh
	6:00 PM	+ Tim Cantley + Scott family Hun Family (SI)	Fr. Khanh

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January *For prayer with the Word of God*

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

We join together to pray for our brothers and sisters

Rob Aguilar
Lucrecia L. Ancheta
James Brauer
Charles Brauer
P. Estella
Mark Felipe
Rosario Garuida

Virginia Ishida
Victoria Jacinto
Jack Jucewicz
Christoph Jucewicz
Alison Kunishige
Anne Noto



*In Loving
Memory*

We pray for the repose of the soul of...

+ Matilda C. Correa
(funeral Thursday, January 8, 9am)
+ Rosita Cabagbag
+ Robert Konig



Congratulations to the newly baptized

Please pray for Laison, who was baptized last weekend.
Pray for his family to grow in the likeness of the Holy Family.

Prayer List for the Sick

We will be updating our prayer list for the sick. Please fill out the information below and turn it in to the office by January 25th. You may request for yourself or someone who is a close relative. Please ask the person if they wish to be on the list. Mahalo.

NAME(S): _____

Person requesting: _____ Phone: _____

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (January 5—11, 2026)

Monday: 6:30 pm—Charismatic Prayer Group—resumes Jan 19
Tuesday: 6:30 pm—Young Adult Bible Study/Faith Sharing—Amana Bldg 3rd Flr
Wednesday: 1:00 pm—Legion of Mary—Amana Bldg 3rd Flr
3:30 pm—Centering Prayer—
6:00 pm—Parish Scripture—Amana Bldg 3rd flr
Thursday: 9:00 am—Funeral—Church
Friday: 7:30 am–11:50 am—Eucharistic Adoration—Church
10:15–11:30 am—Confession—Church
Saturday: 3:00–4:00 pm—Confession—Church
Sunday: 9:00–10:30 am—Adult Scripture Study—Upper Rm
10:15–11:45 am—Faith Formation—Amana Bldg 3rd Flr
12:15 pm—OCIA—Reception Rm
12:30 pm—Youth Ministry & High School Catechism—Amana Bldg 3rd Flr
5:00 pm—OCIA—Reception Rm

**Blessed
Epiphany!**



As we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany, we are reminded that Jesus' light shines for everyone. His humble kingship calls us to live with love and service. Let us follow the example of the Magi, seeking Jesus and sharing His light with the world.

† † †

Lord Jesus, light of the world, guide us to You. Help us to see Your light in our lives. May we follow Your example of humility and love. Teach us to share Your light with others, showing them the way to Your truth and grace. Amen.

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"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."

—MATTHEW 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share *all* our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.



Little Bethlehem Carvers

January 10—11, 2026

Bethlehem Carvers will be bringing a collection of hand-carved olive wood religious items from the Holy Land, available for purchase after all masses next weekend. The profit goes to support Christian families that work as woodcarvers in Bethlehem. Please help to support them as the war continues and has made life difficult in their homeland.



Our next **Olakino Food Distribution** is

Saturday, January 17, 2026

Distribution time is at 10:00—11:00 am

(or until produce runs out)

Everyone is welcome to receive fresh produce.

Volunteers are also needed to help at our next distribution. This is a great opportunity to serve as an individual, as a family, and with your friends. If you would like to volunteer, please contact our parish office or visit the parish website.

Olakino Distribution is sponsored by Hawaii Food Bank together with our Parish Social Mission, and usually occurs every 3rd Saturday of the month.

TREASURE

Mahalo for your generous donations and faithful Stewardship contributions.

DECEMBER 24—25, 2025

Christmas total: \$18,225.44

DECEMBER 27—28, 2025

WEEKLY OFFERING	\$9,131.84
STEWARDSHIP (online)	\$530.00
HOLY DAYS	\$20.00
DONATION	\$300.00
CANDLES	\$1,046.81

Operating income subtotal: \$11,028.65

Custodial & Restricted Collections

Sunday and online giving

BUILDING FUND	\$3,137.00
MASS INTENTIONS	\$230.00
CATHOLIC CARE	\$20.00
OLAKINO	\$310.00
OUTREACH	\$20.00
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	\$40.00
RESTRICTED (LINENS)	\$830.00
RESTRICTED-FAITH FORMATION	\$2,620.00
RESTRICTED-PROCESSIONAL CANDLE	\$100.00
FIRST OFFERING	\$32.00
RETIRED RELIGIOUS FUND	\$1.00
JOSEPH DUTTON	\$10.00
MILITARY ARCHDIOCESE	\$10.00
OHANA IN CHRIST	\$200.00
SHAPING THE FUTURE PHASE 2	\$100.00
MISA DE GALLO	\$558.60

Custodial & Restricted subtotal: \$8,218.60

TOTAL COLLECTION: \$37,472.69

Mahalo nui loa



May the love of Christ surround you and your family throughout the coming year, bringing joy and harmony into your home.

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR
2026**

Around the Diocese

UPCOMING...

ANNUAL RED MASS

Wednesday, January 14, 2026
at 9:00 AM
Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
A tradition invoking the Holy Spirit's guidance upon government officials, civic leaders, legal professionals, and all those who serve the common good in Hawai'i. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Larry Silva; keynote speaker will be Connie Mitchell, executive director of IHS.

SAINT MARIANNE COPE FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Friday, January 23, 2026
at 6:00 PM
Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa

MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY

January 23, 2026
at State Capitol

St. Marianne Cope Pray for us!



Celebrate our beloved saint's feast day and birthday!

Friday, January 23, 2026
7 p.m. Mass
Celebrant: Bishop Larry Silva
Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
712 N. School St., Honolulu
(Attendees will receive a special gift and delicious treats.)

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January 20 - March 10, 2026

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SUNDAY KIDZ

Epiphany of the Lord

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I recently lost my husband of sixty years. I prayed for him through his four-year illness. Since he has died, I cannot pray. Any advice for me?

My heartfelt condolences on your profound loss. When someone we love dies, a part of us dies too. Sometimes, the trauma is so severe that it can even affect our relationship with God.

Psychiatrist Elisabeth Kübler-Ross identified five stages of grief. In the denial stage, some people can't accept the reality of the death. It becomes too much to handle. In the anger stage, some may question their belief in God—especially if their prayer requests (such as, "Please God, if you heal my loved one, I will...") weren't successful in the bargaining stage. People in the depression stage feel overwhelmed by the reality of the loss and may not always feel like connecting with others—even with God in prayer. However, in the acceptance stage, emotions stabilize, and a person comes to terms with their new reality. Nothing makes up for the absence of a loved one, but people manage to cope and live on.

It's because you loved so deeply that the loss feels so deep. God accepts you completely; God understands how you feel. He wants you to be at peace and live life fully. Our compassionate God yearns to help console you and offer assistance in your healing process until you can embrace him again in prayer. •

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Let us resolve to bring [God's] love everywhere, never forgetting that each of our sisters and brothers is a dwelling place of God and that his presence is manifested above all in the little ones, in the poor and the suffering, who ask us to be thoughtful and compassionate Christians.

REGINA CAELI, ROME, MAY 25, 2025



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Epiphany, Mt 2:1-12

Three wise men were searching for Jesus. They traveled from very far away to meet him. They followed a star and finally found him in Bethlehem. They adored him and gave him special gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. **What gift would you like to give to Jesus this year?**

