



HOLY FAMILY

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SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST 2025



Nativity, by Federico Barocci, c. 1597, tempera on canvas, Museo del Prado, [Public Domain]

The Christmas Proclamation

*When ages beyond number had run their course from the creation of the world, when God in the beginning created heaven and earth, and formed man in his own likeness; when century upon century had passed since the Almighty set his bow in the clouds after the Great Flood, as a sign of covenant and peace; in the twenty-first century since Abraham, our father in faith, came out of Ur of the Chaldees; in the thirteenth century since the People of Israel were led by Moses in the Exodus from Egypt; around the thousandth year since David was anointed King; in the sixty-fifth week of the prophecy of Daniel, in the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad; in the year seven hundred and fifty-two since the foundation of the City of Rome; in the forty-second year of the reign of Caesar Octavian Augustus, the whole world being at peace, **JESUS CHRIST**, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to consecrate the world by his most loving presence, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and when nine months had passed since his conception, was born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judah, and was made man, **the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.***

Merry Christmas!

TUESDAY CATECHESIS NO SESSION ON DECEMBER 30

This Tuesday, we will focus on the topic of sacrifice and offering, and how priest and people participate in the offering up of the Mass.

Bring your Bible and come ready to grow in faith!

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY Hospitality & Potluck Sign-Up

We joyfully invite all parishioners to celebrate the **Feast of the Holy Family** with us the weekend of **December 27 & 28!** Join us for fellowship and hospitality after each Mass as we honor our parish's patronal feast and give thanks for the gift of family.

- **Saturday, December 27 – After 5:00 p.m. Mass**
Take-home bento will be provided.
- **Sunday, December 28 – After 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses**
We will host a **parish potluck!**
To help us plan well — especially for **main dishes** — please sign up at the back of the church after Mass.
- **Sunday, December 28 – After 7:00 p.m. Mass**
Take-home bento will also be available.

Mahalo for your generosity and for helping us strengthen our parish 'ohana through joyful fellowship. We look forward to celebrating this special feast day together!

JANUARY 1 – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

We will celebrate one Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God on Thursday, January 1, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. Please join us as we begin the new year in prayer and thanksgiving.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 24, 2025 – JANUARY 2, 2026

Please note that the **parish office** will be **CLOSED** for the Christmas and New Year holidays, from **December 24, 2025, through January 2, 2026**. We will reopen on Monday, January 5, 2026.

PASTOR'S CORNER

My Dear Family,

Merry Christmas,

Today we celebrate the day the world changed forever. The God of creation, having kept His distance from the world since the beginning of time, came into the world and became a part of it. This monumental event shook the world, ending the era "Before Christ," and beginning the new era of "Anno Domini," or, "Year of the Lord. From that day, the world has never been the same, only better.

The same can be said about us. At some point, Christ came into our lives personally, and it changed us forever. At some point, even if we don't remember exactly when, Christ made himself known to us. For each of us, we had a time, "before Christ," and now we are in the time, "of Christ." And we have never been the same. Since the day Christ came to us, it has been so much better.

CHRISTMAS SOUP SOCIAL AFTER THE MIDNIGHT MASS

Please join us for warm soup and fellowship following the Christmas Midnight Mass on **Wednesday, December 24**. All are warmly welcome!

ANNUAL RED MASS

Please join the Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu, as principal celebrant for the Annual Red Mass on **Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.** at the Co-Cathedral of Saint Theresa. All are invited to attend.

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