

Dear Padre,

I have a question about the prayer the priest says after the Our Father. Someone told me it's called an "embolism." Why don't we just end with "Amen" like when we say it at home?

You have correctly identified the "embolism" or "interpretation" that has been added to the Lord's Prayer during the sacred liturgy. It reads, "Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ." This addition, ancient in its use during the eucharistic liturgy, is a further explanation of the content and the intercessory nature of the prayer. It develops the last petition of the Lord's Prayer and asks for deliverance from the power of evil for the whole community of the faithful. It is an appropriate insertion, reflecting the purpose of the eucharistic gathering as spiritual but also as a celebration of the Lord's words and directions to us. In private prayer, the embolism would be out of place.

The sacred liturgy is filled with intercessory prayers, acclamations, and bits and pieces of ancient eucharistic prayers and blessings. Everything has been carefully chosen and placed within the celebration of the sacred liturgy to assist the faithful who gather to lift their minds and hearts to the Heavenly Father, through his Son Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 14	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18	July 19	July 20
St. Kateri	St. Bonaventure,	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Sixteenth Sunday
Tekakwitha,	Bishop and	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12	Ex 3:13-20	Ex 11:10-12:14	Ex 12:37-42	in Ordinary Time
Virgin	Doctor of the	Mt 11:25-27	Mt 11:28-30	Mt 12:1-8	Mt 12:14-21	Gn 18:1-10a
Ex 1:8-14, 22	Church					Col 1:24-28
Mt 10:34-11:1	Ex 2:1-15a					Lk 10:38-42
	Mt 11:20-24					



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

This is the prayer that I suggest to you today. "Lord, that I might see and have compassion just like you see me and have compassion on me"—that we might have compassion on those whom we encounter along the way, above all on those who suffer and are in need....

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 13, 2025
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Deuteronomy 30:10-14 / Colossians 1:15-20 / Luke 10:25-37



[Jesus said,] "Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

LUKE 10:36-37

The Passion of Compassion

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

We tend to hear the parable of the Good Samaritan and place ourselves in the role of the Samaritan, thereby expected to be compassionate, as was the Samaritan. Those who heard Jesus tell the parable, however, would never have identified with the Samaritan. To them, the Samaritans were religious heretics who worshipped not in Jerusalem but at their own temple. Thus, the people of Jesus' day would have seen themselves as the victim, the one on the side of the road. Who, then, would be the Samaritan, the surprising caregiver, the compassionate one? Because parables are about God and how God works, it would be God who is and has always been the one who heals and feeds and nurtures us back to life. The parable then surprises the hearer of Jesus' day—God as a compassionate Samaritan!

It is God's compassion that we bring to those seeking forgiveness as well as to those who, for whatever reason, have not yet reached the point of asking for forgiveness. It is God's compassion that we bring to the unborn, the immigrant, the homeless, the sick in need of healing, the jobless who have lost hope. It is God's compassion that a nation brings to anyone who has lost his or her way, as it has been noted that the greatness of a nation is in how that nation deals with and cares for the weakest among them. ●

Reflect

When have I needed a compassionate response?
When could I have been more compassionate?



*Sacred Hearts of Jesus &
Mary at Waimea*

St. Theresa Parish

Established January 21, 1941
P.O. Box 159, Kekaha, HI 96752



St. Theresa School at Kekaha



Vision / Mission Statement

*To make St. Theresa Parish
a dynamic Christian community
of worship & service*

*I will praise God's name in song
and glorify him with thanksgiving.*

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Summer hours M-Th, 8am-noon
HCH school articles

*15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 13, 2025*

**Jesus said to him, 'Go and
do likewise.'** *Luke 10:37*

This was Jesus' command
at the end of the Good
Samaritan story.
Did you know that the
Samaritans and Jews
despised each other?
The moral of the story is
to love our neighbor.
That means loving
someone you may not
know, or someone that
looks different than you,
or someone that has
different beliefs than you,
or someone that you
don't like.
All without expecting
anything in return.

~Archdiocese of St. Louis



St. Theresa Church – Kekaha

Sat 5pm Vigil Mass
Sun 7:45am Rosary, 8:30am Mass

Weekdays 6:30am Mon-Fri
(subject to change)

**Wed 6pm Rosary to Our Lady of
Fatima & Novena to OLPH**
First Friday Holy Hour 6-7pm
with Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament & Benediction
**Confessions 4:30pm Saturday (or
call the parish office for appt.)**



Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary Church – Waimea

Sun 7am Mass

**First Saturday Devotion to the
BVM 8-9am**

*View the bulletin online:
kekahacatholic.com*

** Call the office to receive
weekly bulletins via email.*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

✠ *Mahalo for being as generous as
your means allow. God bless you!* ✠

Sunday Offerings

Kekaha \$ 1,771
Waimea 1,173

Other Donations

All Souls	\$ 5
Candles	40
Cross We Share	575
Maintenance Fund	33
Mass Intentions	60
Peter's Pence	1,261
Seminarian Education Fund	50



COMING SOON!

St. Theresa Parish Portuguese Sausage Fundraiser

**Ticket sales after weekend
Masses from Jul 19 – Aug 3.**

**Pick up Sat, Aug 9
from 9am to 11am
at St. Theresa Church
(Waimea side of Parish Hall)**

BUY TICKETS ~ SELL TICKETS

**If you think you are too small to
make a difference, try sleeping with
a mosquito.**

Holy Cross Church Yard Sale

**Sat, Jul 19 from 7am to 2pm
(KALAHEO)**

**The traveling Jubilee
Cross, commissioned by
Bishop Larry, is coming to
our parish July 14-20.**



**Adoration sign-up sheets
are in each church - don't
miss this opportunity to
participate in the Jubilee.**

Jubilee Year Night of Worship - music and
inspirational talk by Fr. EJ at Immaculate Conception
Church on July 18 at 6pm. FREE family event.

Jubilee Year Day of Study at St. Catherine – a special
opportunity to reflect, learn, and grow alongside
others seeking deeper understanding and renewed
hope. July 19 from 9am to 3pm. \$20 to register.

Learn more about both events:

<https://kekahacatholic.com/about-us/latest-news/>

BIBLE STUDY Mondays 6 to 7:30pm

Led by Deacon Ron. All are welcome! 4526B Alae Rd, Kekaha.

MINISTRY NEWS

K-12 Religious Education classes and **Youth Ministry** for
grades 6-12
will resume in the fall.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Contact Deacon
Ron at 907-978-4018 to learn more.

Choir practice Thursdays at 4:30pm at STC. All are welcome.

ST. THERESA SCHOOL NEWS

School office will be closed July 14 – 18.

REGISTRATION CONTINUES

**STS teaches learners from preK through 8th grade. To
register for the upcoming school year, call the office or
find forms and information on the school's website.**