

Dear Padre,

Who wrote the Lord's Prayer? I know the Lord's Prayer comes from Scripture, but who composed it as we say it today?

When the disciples asked the Lord to teach them to pray, he taught them the prayer we know as the Our Father. Two versions of that prayer appear in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. The version used in the Church's liturgies is derived from Matthew 6:9–13. In fact, citing St. Thomas Aquinas' *Summa Theologiae*, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* calls the Lord's Prayer the "most perfect of prayers" (2774), teaching us not only what things to pray for in our prayer but also in what order, or priority, we should desire them. It is at the heart of every individual and communal prayer.

We pray the Our Father, bearing in mind and heart the intimate relationship we have with our God as sons and daughters by adoption through our baptism. The specific wording of our prayers is a work in progress. What we think of as the final wording is that which the Church has approved and makes the most sense for prayer as a community. What is most important is that the substance of the prayer reflects the same matter the Lord used in the prayer. ●



Fr. Scott Katzenberger, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Herein lies the novelty of Christian prayer! It is a dialogue between people who love each other, a dialogue based on trust, sustained by listening and open to a commitment to solidarity. It is the dialogue of a Son with his Father, a dialogue between children and their Father. This is Christian prayer.

ANGELUS, ROME,
JULY 28, 2019



Monday July 28 Weekday Ex 32:15–24, 30–34 Mt 13:31–35	Friday August 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Lv 23:1, 4–11, 15–16, 27, 34b–37 Mt 13:54–58
Tuesday July 29 Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus Ex 33:7–11; 34:5b–9, 28 Jn 11:19–27 or Lk 10:38–42	Saturday August 2 Weekday Lv 25:1, 8–17 Mt 14:1–12
Wednesday July 30 Weekday Ex 34:29–35 Mt 13:44–46	Sunday August 3 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Eccl 1:2; 2:21–23 Col 3:1–5, 9–11 Lk 12:13–21
Thursday July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest Ex 40:16–21, 34–38 Mt 13:47–53	

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

July 27, 2025
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Genesis 18:20–32 / Colossians 2:12–14 / Luke 11:1–13



The Ways of Praying

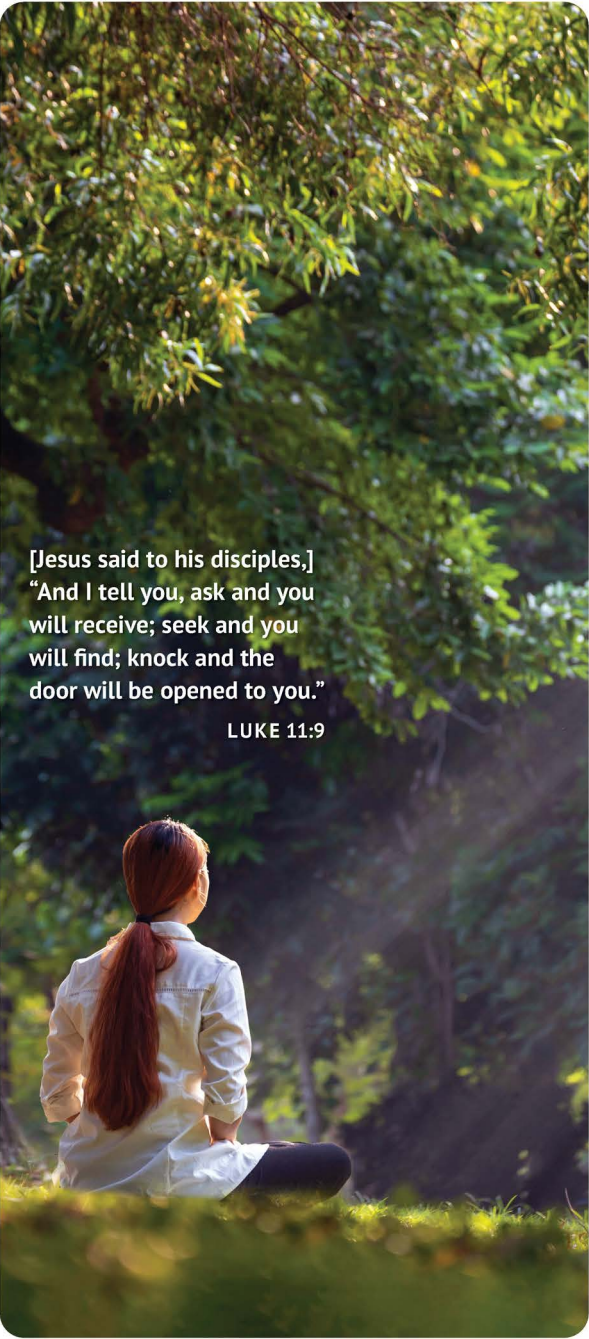
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Consider how there are five levels of communication, each level taking us deeper into a relationship and what it means to be human. *One*, the greetings we offer as we pass: Good morning! How's it going? *Two*, a sharing of activities: what we did, what someone said. *Three*, an expression of ideas, as in what we think about raising children or our political opinions or why we believe there may be conflicts in the world. *Four*, revealing our feelings both positive and negative: feelings of love or gratitude or contentment as well as of being hurt or rejected or disappointed. *Five*, a sense of intense closeness and *being with*, perhaps even without speaking or using any words. Each level, then, takes us deeper into a shared relationship.

Consider, then, how ever-deepening prayer may follow that same pattern. *One*, memorized or rote prayer. *Two*, telling God what is on our mind, even though it is a one-sided conversation. *Three*, commonly called "meditation" but, more simply, thinking about God and life and our faith response, as in the musing that may follow spiritual reading. *Four*, often referred to as "praying our feelings," such as reflecting on our human emotions and what they might say about us, our faith, and how the journey of our faith life is unfolding. *Five*, a sense of simply *being with* God, even without words, and simply resting in that holy presence. Each level of prayer, then, leads us ever more into a shared relationship with our God. ●

Reflect

How do I pray? Should I ask for the grace to grow in my prayer life?

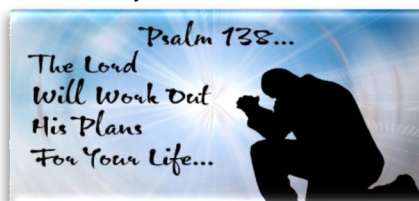


[Jesus said to his disciples,]
"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."

LUKE 11:9



Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary at Waimea



St. Theresa Parish

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



Vision / Mission Statement
To make St. Theresa Parish
a dynamic Christian community
of worship & service



St. Theresa School at Kekaha



1st day Aug 6, noon dismissal

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

Sunday Offerings

Kekaha \$ 1,642
Waimea 1,425

Other Donations

Candles \$ 35
Catholic Charities HI 100
Cross We Share 260
Mass Intentions 20
Miscellaneous 62



2nd collection next weekend to support
~ Catholic Charities Hawaii ~

“From providing a hand up and assistance to our homeless neighbors,
to offering counseling and mental health services to those struggling,
to delivering support and advocacy to families and seniors,
our work is rooted in the power of love.
We believe that every person deserves to be seen, heard, and valued,
and we’re committed to showing them that they are loved.”



St. Theresa’s Youth Ministry resumes on
September 7th after the 8:30am Mass
at the Parish Hall.

All students in grades 6 through 12 are
encouraged to be a part of the Youth Ministry.
Monthly meetups are every 1st & 3rd Sunday
after the 8:30am Mass at the Parish Hall.

Come and enjoy all the activities that are
planned for the new school year!

For more information, contact Blu or Rena Ulanday,
Youth Ministry Coordinators, at 808.635.2701.

Parish Directory

Clergy



Reverend Edwin D. Conselva, MS,
Pastor 808-337-1784
Deacon Ron Jones 907-978-4018
Deacon Jim Bostick, retired 808-337-1124

Parish Office

Mass Intentions / Hospital or Homebound
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Convalidations / Baptisms / Funerals
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M-F, 8am-noon sttheresac@yahoo.com
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Director of Religious Education
Sr. Gloria Camitan, O.P. 808-337-1548

OCIA Deacon Ron Jones 907-978-4018

Youth Coordinators
Blu & Rena Ulanday 808-635-2701

Social Services Commission

Respect Life call parish office 808-337-1548
Agency on Elderly Affairs 808-241-4470

St. Theresa School

808-337-1351 sttheresakauai.com

Summer hours M-Th, 8am-noon

HCH school articles

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 27, 2025

**Ask and you will receive;
seek and you will find;
knock and the door will
be opened to you. Luke 11:9**

Jesus assures us that if we
ask, God will take care of
what we need. The problem
is that our culture often
confuses what we really
need with what we simply
want. The truth is that many
of us need very little.
However, we usually want so
much more!

Stewardship is simply being
grateful for all that we are
and all that we have been
given and generously sharing
our God-given gifts
with others.

Gratitude and generosity are
gifts that open doors to new
relationships with others
and with God.

~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.



~ Aug 1 First Friday ~
~ Aug 2 First Saturday ~

Kukui Sausage Fundraiser for St. Theresa Parish

\$13 / pound “original” flavor only

BUY TICKETS ~ SELL TICKETS

Tickets are available after
weekend Masses thru Aug 3,
and in the parish office during
office hours.

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



Altar Server ministry training
will be scheduled soon.
Contact Deacon Ron
if you are interested.
907.978.4018

MINISTRY NEWS

Youth Ministry for grades 6-12 resumes Sep 7 after the 8:30am Mass at the Parish Hall.
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.

BIBLE STUDY

Mondays 6 to 7:30pm
Led by Deacon Ron. All are welcome!
4526B Alae Rd, Kekaha

ST. THERESA SCHOOL NEWS

Jul 29 - Aug 1 Teacher & Staff Meetings
Aug 4 - 6 Meet the Teacher Conferences