

Dear Padre,

Should the pope get involved in American politics?

No, the pope should not get involved in the politics of any country. However, politics often intersects with religious concerns and particularly gospel values. When this occurs, the Holy Father has a responsibility to preach the gospel and defend the values the gospel teaches, even when it might sound political. He pronounces and teaches the values of the gospel, regardless of what nation or politician might feel confronted or challenged by what he teaches.

What often happens is, when politicians find themselves in conflict with the gospel values the pope is teaching, they choose to say, “The pope has no business in our politics,” instead of listening. Completely understandable, at least from one perspective, but probably also disingenuous from another perspective. Politicians are fully aware of what is being proclaimed and why it is being proclaimed but choose not to listen. That, too, is completely understandable, if regrettable. One has to think only of the scribes and the Pharisees, and more particularly the high priest, who said, “Consider that it is better for you that one man should die instead of the people, so that the whole nation may not perish” (John 11:50). ●

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

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
November 10	November 11	November 12	November 13	November 14	November 15	November 16
St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church	St. Martin of Tours, Bishop	St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin	Weekday	Weekday	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 1:1-7	Wis 2:23-3:9	Wis 6:1-11	Wis 7:22b-8:1	Wis 13:1-9	Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9	Mal 3:19-20a
Lk 17:1-6	Lk 17:7-10	Lk 17:11-19	Lk 17:20-25	Lk 17:26-37	Lk 18:1-8	2 Thes 3:7-12
						Lk 21:5-19



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV
Because of the Jewish roots of Christianity, all Christians have a special relationship with Judaism.... The theological dialogue between Christians and Jews remains ever important and close to my heart. Even in these difficult times, marked by conflicts and misunderstandings, it is necessary to continue the momentum of this precious dialogue of ours.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 19, 2025

Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 9, 2025
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 / 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 / John 2:13-22



The Body of Christ on Parade

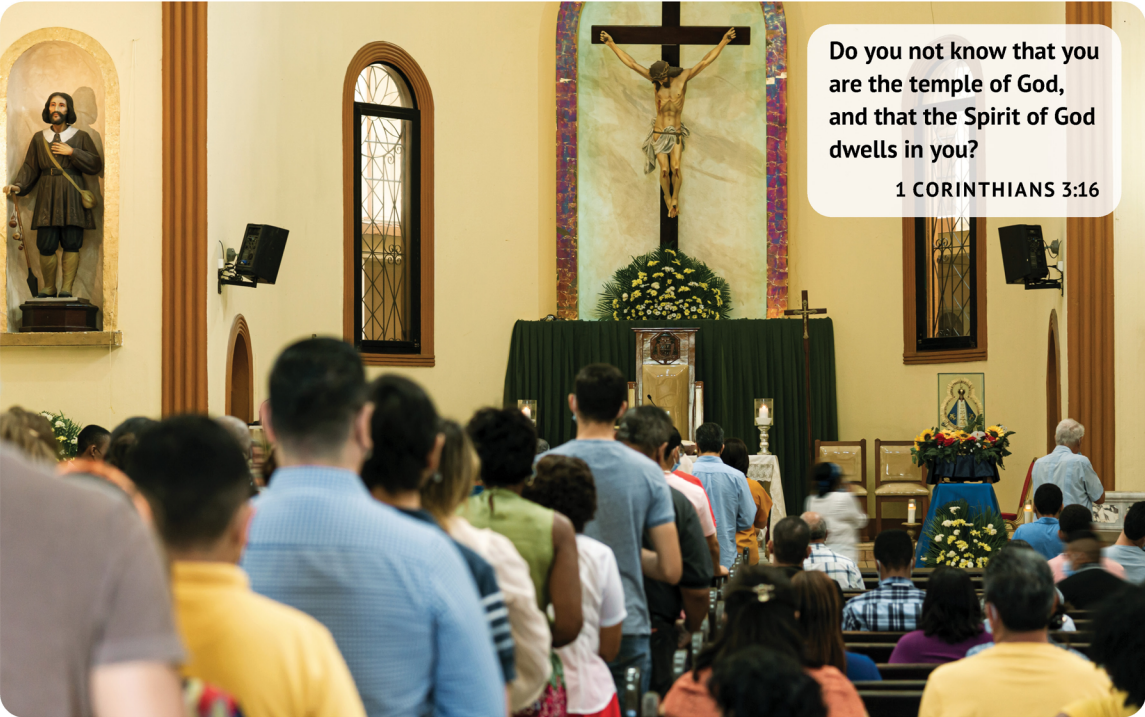
FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Singing together during the distribution of holy Communion is one way of expressing the reality that we are one in the Eucharist, the Body of Christ. I once was taught to pray quietly during this time. If I'm honest, however, what I find myself doing after I return to my pew is watching others process past as they return from receiving Communion. They are a parade of holiness on the way. They are the longtime parishioners who have been making their way back to their pews in this way for decades—some now using walkers or canes, others with a bit of a slow hobble. There are teenagers, too. Some, from the expressions on their faces, look like their parents made them come, while others look

impressively prayerful. Young parents, too, caring for a new baby in their arms, and another couple holding a two-year-old's hand as he tugs to escape and be free. And middle-aged single people, now halfway through this life's journey. Young couples, as well, those just married or engaged and so obviously in love, but also widows and widowers longing for the love they once knew. All of these are the body of Christ, the very temple of God built upon the foundation that is Christ Jesus, as Paul notes so well. This is why I watch them processing back to their pews. This, too, is prayer. ●

Reflect

How do I pray after I've received holy Communion?





Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary at Waimea



LATERAN BASILICA

St. Theresa Parish

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



1940 / 1978



1946 / 1993

St. Theresa School at Kekaha



MERCY IS HIS WAY OF CLEANSING

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

Parish Directory

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HCH school articles

*The Dedication of
the Lateran Basilica
November 9, 2025*

***Do you not know that you
are the temple of God, and
that the Spirit of God dwells
within you? 1 Corinthians 3:16***

Simply remembering that
we are “temples of the
Holy Spirit” should make
our daily decision making
relatively easy.

If we truly want to imitate
Jesus, then our words and
actions should reflect the
love, mercy, and
forgiveness that flow
from His Sacred Heart.

Try it for one week.

Try to remember that we are
temples of the Holy Spirit
and see how it affects the
way that you live.

~Archdiocese of St. Louis



St. Theresa Church – Kekaha

Sat 5pm Vigil Mass
Sun 7:45am Rosary,
8:30am Mass
Mon-Thu 6:30am Mass,
Fri 8:10am School Mass
Weekday Masses 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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

Sunday Offerings

Kekaha \$ 2,129
Waimea 1,261

Other Donations

All Souls Day \$ 2,920
Candles 40
Cross We Share 425
Flowers 88
Maintenance Fund 25
Mass Intentions 85
World Mission Sunday 25



	Jul	Aug	Sep	Fiscal YTD
Sunday Offerings	\$ 11,564	\$11,188	\$15,007	\$ 37,759
Budgeted Need	15,600	15,600	15,600	46,800
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (4,036)	\$ (4,412)	\$ (593)	\$ (9,041)

Patriotic Rosary

Join us at 6pm on Tuesday, Nov 11
at St. Theresa Church
and pray for the
consecration of our nation.

ST. THERESA SCHOOL NEWS

Nov 11 No School - Veterans Day

Nov 22 Kekaha Home Sweet Home
Festival - Check out sttheresakauai.com
to sign up for our 1K or 5K fun run!

THIS WEEK'S Second Collection



ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE
MILITARY SERVICES, USA

Mahalo for your generosity!

**NEXT WEEK ... Special Collection to
support the Catholic Campaign for Human
Development.**

Nearly 38 million people in the U.S. live in poverty.
This collection supports programs that empower
people to identify & address the obstacles they face
in bringing permanent & positive change to their
communities.

Learn more about CCHD at uscgb.org/cchd.

ETERNAL REST: The Art of Dying Well - Session 2
Nov 10th from 6-7:30pm at STC

All are welcome! Contact Betsy 907.347.6618

Rome is home to four major basilicas. The first three
are Saint Peter's Basilica in Vatican City,
the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, and
the Basilica of Saint Mary Major.

The fourth is the Archbasilica Cathedral of the Most
Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the
Evangelist in the Lateran, also called Saint John
Lateran, or the **Lateran Basilica** for short.

Of the four major basilicas, Saint John Lateran is the
oldest and most important. Though the pope lives next
to Saint Peter's Basilica, Saint John Lateran is the
official cathedral of Rome. Saint John Lateran is the
mother church of the Archdiocese of Rome and the
mother church of the entire world.

~mycatholic.life/saints

MINISTRY NEWS

Religious Education classes are held every Thursday at 6:30pm at St. Theresa School.
Youth Ministry for grades 6-12 meets every 1st & 3rd Sunday after the 8:30am Mass at the Parish Hall.
Choir practice Thursdays at 4:30pm at STC. Musicians and vocalists are welcome.

**PARISH
OFFICE**

CLOSED
NOV 11

VETERANS DAY

**“The sacred
Scriptures
grow with
the one who
reads
them”**

Pope Gregory I