



# St Roch Parish Bulletin

**DECEMBER 31—JANUARY 1, 2023 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

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**St. Roch Church**

56-350 Kamehameha Highway Kahuku, HI 96731

**Mass Schedule**

Sunday Mass 7:30am      Sunday Healing Mass 9:30am  
Daily Mass (Tues-Fri) and Communion Service (Mon) 9:00am



**St. Joachim Church**

53-543 Kamehameha Highway Punalu'u, HI 96762

**Mass Schedule**

Saturday Mass 5:00pm  
First Saturday: Charismatic & Healing Mass 4:15pm

## FATHER SEBASTIAN KUMAR SOOSAI

**This Week's Reading  
Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God**

First Reading (From the Old Testament)  
Numbers 6:22-27 (18ABC)

Second Reading (From the New Testament)  
Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel  
Luke 2:16-21

**Next Week's Reading  
The Epiphany of the Lord**

First Reading (From the Old Testament)  
Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC)

Second Reading (From the New Testament)  
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel  
Matthew 2:1-12

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Eternal Rest For:**  
Willer Domingo, Ofelioo Mayo  
and Paul Shinn

**Special Intentions For:**  
Melba Galace, Marella Galace,  
Earl Alameida Sr., Anna Kim  
and Ocean Sintos

**58th Anniversary Wishes To:**  
Jack and Barbara Dwyer

**Thanksgiving on her Birthday:**  
Kaylee Jade Manuel

Church Mission

Be the heart of Jesus for others.

Church Vision

To be joyful disciples equipped to witness Jesus by living and sharing our faith with all.



**Holy Mary Mother of God, Accompany and Intercede for Us This Year**

Today is a special day for all of us. So, happy New Year, and feast day of Mary, Mother of God. We give thanks to God for today’s celebrations, both of which are great sources of blessings. First, for the gift of a new year. Second, for the gift of a precious mother to accompany, comfort, and intercede for us throughout this year. The title “Mother of God” is from the Greek “Theotokos” (God-bearer). Through this celebration, the church reminds us of Mary’s special role in God’s plan. This solemnity can be traced back to the Council of Ephesus in 431. Officially, it was celebrated first in Portugal as Mary’s Divine Maternity. This was with the permission of Pope Benedict IV, in 1575.

In 1931, Pope Pius XI extended the feast to the entire church. Finally, in 1974, Pope Paul VI removed the feast of the Circumcision of Christ from the liturgical calendar on the first day of the year. He replaced it with the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.” About the important role of Mary in God’s plan and today’s solemnity, the Church teaches: “Mary, the all-holy and ever-virgin Mother of God, is the masterwork of the mission of the Son and the Spirit in the fullness of time. To her, let us ask the favor this year to be happy and joyful

As we entered New Year 2023, we are offered new opportunities, new ideas, and new resolutions. It is a sign of regeneration and a time of new hope. Each new year, we make new resolutions. Unfortunately, we hardly keep or fulfill them. Why? Possibly, because we are always in a hurry to make them, and consequently, do not consult God about such resolutions. So, one important thing we must do this year is to resolve to strengthen our relationship with God. Proverbs tells: “Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans (Pr 16, 3). Also, as the psalmist admonishes us: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him and He shall bring it to pass (Ps 37: 5). Therefore, this year we must develop the resilient spirit of Moses who insisted before God: “If you do not personally go with us, we shall not leave this place... (Ex 33, 15). Also, like Enoch let us walk with God (Gen 5, 27).

So, as we continue our walk with God this year, let us constantly ask for the intercession Mary, Mother of God: Oh, Holy Mother of God, despise not our prayers in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, Oh glorious and blessed Virgin.

Wish you Happy New Year 2023. May the Lord fill you and your family with prosperity of joy and happiness throughout this year.

**Weekly Treasures from December 19—25**

Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Offertory	\$1892.00
Christmas Offering	\$2178.00
Online: Nativity of the Lord (evening 12/24)	\$200.00
Online: Nativity of the Lord (12/25)	\$100.00
Mass Intentions	\$130.00
Online: Blessed Grotto Prayer Devotion	\$25.50
Candles	\$63.00
Christmas Flowers	\$25.00
Simbang Gabi	\$1990.00
Ohana in Christ	\$30.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>6633.50</b>

**Simbang Gabi Grand Total \$8936.00**  
As of 12/23/22

**Church Cleaners Schedule**

- January 7, 2023  
Efren & Marife Ilaban,  
Aida Menesis  
(No flowers needed)
- January 14  
Lavern Rivas & Barbara Hookano
- January 21  
Norma Garo & Noralyn Estrellon
- January 28  
Jesus and Jennifer Ancheta

**Parish Office hours:**  
**8:00am—12:00noon**  
**Monday—Friday**

**Father Sebastian visits the sick every Wednesday and is available for home visits, blessings and prayers. Please call the Parish Office at 293-5026 for information and making appointments for Anointing of the Sick, Baptisms, Funeral, Weddings and Reconciliations.**

**Parish Calendar**

Saturday, December 31	Mass at St Joachim	5:00pm
Sunday, January 1	Rosary	6:30am
	Mass	7:30am
	Healing Mass	9:30am
Monday, January 2	Communion Service	9:00am
Tuesday, January 3	Daily Mass	9:00am
Wednesday, January 4	Daily Mass	9:00am
Thursday, January 5	Daily Mass	9:00am
Friday, January 6	Daily Mass	9:00am
	Chaplet of Divine Mercy	9:30am
	Adoration	7:00pm
Saturday, January 7	Charismatic	4:15pm
	Mass at St Joachim	5:00pm
	Healing Mass	6:00pm
Sunday, January 8 Epiphany of the Lord	Rosary	6:30am
	Mass at St Roch	7:30am
	Healing Mass	9:30am

**Faith Formation**

Rosary is offered daily 45 minutes prior to the 7:30am Mass on Sundays and 30 minutes prior to the 9:00am daily Mass.

Divine Mercy offered after 9:00am daily Mass on Friday. Adoration is celebrated at 7:00pm on first month Friday..

Healing is offered every first Saturday at 4:15pm and third Sunday after 9:30am Mass.

**Next Charismatic Healing Mass will be January 7**

**Online Parish Offertory Available**

**Please consider going online to do your offertory donations. Our official link is secure and confidential.**

**The direct link to donate is:**

<https://www.osvhub.com/strochkahuku/funds>

**Parish Directory**

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 .....Cristeta Recta, Grace Vendiola  
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**ST. ROCH  
 ST. JOACHIM**



**PRAY  
 FOR US!**



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**Teaching Masses During Sunday Mass (January 8—February 19, 2023)**

All parishes are asked to do “Teaching Masses” for the next seven weeks. The topic Eucharistic Revival will assure a greater appreciation of Christ’s gift of himself to us in the Eucharist, a deeper understanding of his Real Presence, and a more robust celebration of the Eucharist that will attract others to “taste and see the goodness of the Lord.” As part of his homily, Father Sebastian will be concentrating on one aspect of the Eucharist at each Mass for the next seven weeks. Here is the weekly schedule:

January 7-8 (Epiphany of the Lord) General reflection on the Mass as a living encounter with Jesus,

January 14 –15 (Second Sunday of Ordinary Time) Reflection on the Introduction of the Mass

January 21-22 (Third Sunday of Ordinary Time) Reflection on the Liturgy of the Word

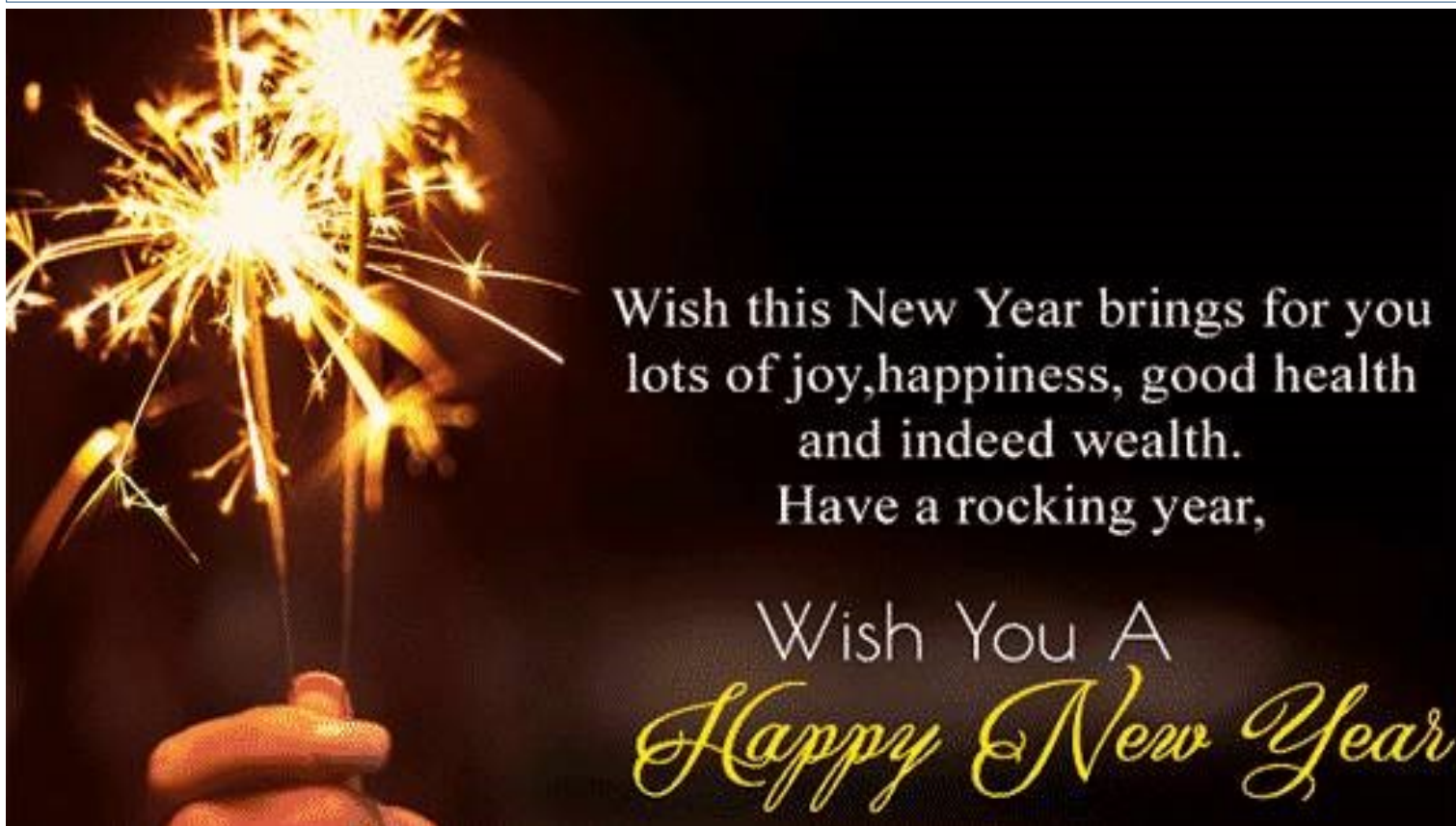
January 28-28 (Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time) Reflection on the Liturgy of the Eucharist, Part A

February 4-5 (Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time) Reflection on the Liturgy of the Eucharist, Part B

February 11-12 (Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time) Reflection on Concluding Rites

February 18-19 (Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time) General Review of preceding weeks

We are prepared to provide and distribute handouts to reinforce the catechesis each week.



Wish this New Year brings for you  
lots of joy, happiness, good health  
and indeed wealth.  
Have a rocking year,

Wish You A  
*Happy New Year*

**Ohana in Christ Update**

If you haven’t returned your envelope for the annual appeal Ohana in Christ, please send them in. Each parish has a goal to meet and your contribution is much needed for us to reach our goal. This second collection will supplement our contribution to help us reach our goal. Please be generous.

**Yoga Classes are  
Back!**

Katy Shaw will be offering free Yoga Classes each Monday at 5:00pm in the Parish Hall.

