



Reverend Bruce DeGooyer greets parishioners and visitors at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday. People from all over the world find their way to worship at this Church.

A Capital Campaign Preserving Lahaina's Holy Innocents Episcopal Church

The story of Holy Innocents begins as a story of the Hawaiian monarchy and the blossoming of Christianity in Maui.

King Kamehameha IV (1834-1863) and Queen Emma (1836-1885), with the help of England's Queen Victoria, invited in, and established the Church in Lahaina in 1862 giving it their support.

Today the Church and campus need repairs that will cost significantly more than the weekly offerings can provide. As a donor, you can help to protect Lahaina's rich heritage by giving your time and your treasure to preserve Holy Innocents. Please take a few minutes to learn more about us and the details of our Capital Campaign goal to raise \$350,000.



Holy Innocents' first Church building constructed in 1872 across from today's Church.

Serving Generously For 160 Years

An historic treasure, older than Pioneer Inn and established just 39 years after the Baldwin Home, Holy Innocents has consistently and continuously sustained the beauty and open heart of Hawai'i in its presence and generosity to the Lahaina community.

At the Church, Hawaiians worshiped alongside sugar barons and civic leaders. Many of the town's early settlers are buried in Holy Innocents' Hale Aloha Cemetery on Wainee St. Many of today's citizens received their first experience with education in the fully accredited Holy Innocents Preschool, which opened in 1974.

The Church today opens its doors to everyone in the community and visitors from all over the world. It is a place where people of many different faiths honor the passing of their loved ones, where community members and visitors gather to worship every Sunday. People from many different faiths flock to Easter Services, Christmas vigils or to celebrate their dream Hawaiian wedding.

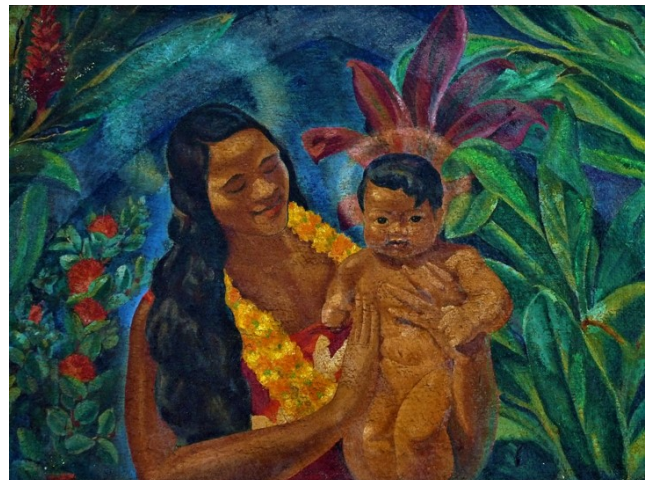
The story of "Holy I", as it is fondly known, is also a story of many gifts. The town's citizens and others have shared their treasure over the years to purchase or donate priceless artifacts and maintain a Lahaina legacy.

Our Hawaiian Heritage

The Anglican Church in Hawai'i was formally established on Nov. 30 1862 in Honolulu. Less than a month later, on December 14, 1862, Lahaina's first Anglican services were conducted at Hale Aloha by the Rt. Rev. Thomas Nettleship Staley, the first Bishop of Honolulu, using King Kamehameha IV's Hawaiian language translation of the Book of Common Prayer.

The new mission first leased premises for its Church in 1862 on the site where King Kamehameha III Elementary School now stands on Front Street. The original Church was built in 1872 across the street at the corner of what now is Front and Prison Streets. Today's rectory and church sites acquired in 1908, are rich in Hawaiian significance. Queen Liliuokalani, and her foster sister, Bernice Pauahi Bishop, summered there as children in a large grass house. The sacred Island of Moku'ula is nearby.

The present Church, a parish hall and a vicarage were built in 1927. The Church was enlarged in 1959 – the side walls pushed out and large windows added resulting in our present open-air Church. A new vicarage was built in 1966 and a new parish hall was built in 1973 and in 1974 and Holy Innocents Preschool was begun. A rectory and administration/ library were completed in 1980. In 1990, the sacristy was rebuilt.



New York artist DeLos Blackmar painted many pieces that adorn the Church.

Many Treasures Inside and Out

Holy Innocents is known for its unique altar and pulpit paintings. They were created in 1940 by New York artist, DeLos Blackmar, in gratitude for the Church's hospitality and call to our attention some key elements of Hawaiian Life.

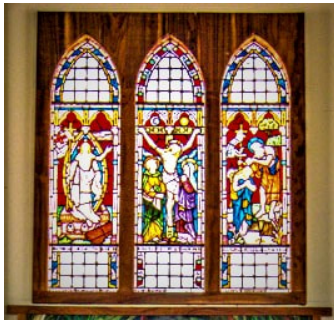
The stained glass windows over the altar date from the 1800s and were moved from the old Church across the street. They are a memorial to early parishioner Henry Dickenson Sr., a Church and community leader.

The Hawaiian Madonna and Child above the altar was posed by a Lahaina mother and infant. The red ginger signifies royalty.

The panels on the altar portray the Hawaiian staffs of life -- breadfruit, fish and taro, and stand for the body and blood of Christ.

The feathered Kahili standards at each side of the altar represent the sanctity and mana of God and were crafted by Kahele Mahoe whose family has worshipped at Holy Innocents for seven generations.

The panels on the pulpit depict rare and extinct native birds -- 'apapane, 'ou'ou, 'i'iwi, mamu and 'oo. They represent God's word winging forth from the Christian pulpit.



Windows above the altar date from the 1800s and the first Church building.



Harvesting breadfruit, fish and taro symbolize the bread of life of communion.

The painting framing the Church entrance features a hala tree and ti plants, both useful and sacred to Hawaiians. Arching over them is a Hawaiian Rainbow symbolizing God's blessings.

The choir pews and kneelers are of native kamani wood, the pulpit and altar rail are of the rare koa wood.

Kahi Maluhia Columbarium was built in 1991 in Lahaina's nearby Hale Aloha Cemetery and both are administered by Holy Innocents.

Our most famous treasure is the Holy Innocents Preschool, a subsidiary corporation of Holy Innocents. The school, accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, can brag that well over 1,000 youngsters, many of them now thriving adults, have received their first taste of education at this school.



How We Serve

Holy Innocents always opens its heart, its modest pocketbook, and its doors to the community.

At each Sunday's service, Holy Innocents not only accepts offerings for the upkeep of the Church but also separately for the support of the community. It's called our HIPPO collection (Holy Innocents People to People Outreach) and through it we've provided funds for our neighbors at the Salvation Army; we've given rent support to those who are referred to us for help; we adopted a single-parent family of 3 children for Christmas providing presents and delivering a full dinner for the holiday; and we've collected all kinds of supplies including diapers and even dog food for people in the community.

The Free Church of Tonga gathers every Sunday at Holy Innocents. These members are considered our second congregation.

AA and NA meet weekly at the Church.

People of all faiths are invited to renew their wedding vows and many bring their pets to be blessed in October for the Feast of St. Francis.

Our paper-bag Christmas provides a special occasion for young and old to participate in a fun reenactment of the Nativity along with a concert of Christmas carols from our preschoolers.

And more

Though sidelined during COVID, Holy Innocents has participated in the Episcopal Ministry of a Cup of Cold Water. Started in 2013 by all of the Episcopal Churches in Maui, this ministry's van goes out weekly to the homeless distributing food, hygiene items, towels, blankets, t-shirts, shorts --- filling all kinds of requests. Holy I's George Brown often drives the van, helping the homeless each weekend across Maui.



Naomi Matsumoto from Lahaina is pictured here in screen shot from the new mini-movie.

Mini-Movie Debuts On Donor Link

Be among the first to view a new mini-movie capturing the Hawaiian soul of Holy Innocents. Parishioner Elizabeth P. Hazur developed the story and conceived, produced and directed the film with cinematographer and co-director Cody Roberts, Cody Roberts Visual Arts Productions, and music by Makana. Enjoy!



This QR code will take you to the Holy Innocents Capital Campaign site where you can view the mini-movie and make a donation. Also, you can find the code as well as a link to the campaign site and movie on the Holy Innocents website, holylimai.org.

Holy Innocents Capital Campaign Committee

Thank you to those who have planned and are working to make this campaign a success.

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Here's What Your Gift Can Do

A monetary gift to Holy Innocents or a gift of in-kind services provides an unusual opportunity to do good for the Church and the community.

Your Opportunities To Do Good

Provide a new roof for the Church – During COVID when services were suspended part of the roof of the Church collapsed. Though quickly patched, when it rains water has started to drip into the sanctuary. The Church building needs a new roof. \$70,000

Spruce-up with new paint – Interior and exterior of the Church building need a new coat of paint. \$20,000

Refinish woods – The pews and other precious woods are worn and can be repaired. \$20,000

Restore windows – A signature architectural feature of the Church building added in 1959, wooden framed sliding windows bring the Maui breezes into every service. \$10,000

Repave driveway and parking lot – This will help preschoolers and parishioners alike. \$90,000

Repair critical sewage line – Sewer lines under the driveway and parking lot need to be replaced as the current cast iron lines are more than 40 years old. When the driveway is replaced, it will

give a unique opportunity to fully replace these lines with ABS. \$25,000

Rebuild the bathroom – Parishioners and preschoolers need an updated bathroom. \$9,000

Refurbish preschool and parish hall – One of Lahaina's oldest preschools needs funds for major repairs.

- Kitchen remodel - \$30,000
- New windows - \$30,000
- New doors - \$11,000
- Improved lighting - \$1,800

Revitalize seaside landscape – Holy Innocents' campus sits on one of the most stunning views in West Maui. The landscape needs revitalizing and climate change issues addressed.

- Landscaping and grounds repair - \$21,500
- Professional tree trimming - \$5,500

Renovate the small office and library – This area gets hard use as Church, AA and NA business is carried on there.

- Carpet - \$2,000
- Windows - \$8,000
- Air Conditioner - \$1,200
- Bathroom - \$1,300
- IT - \$1,200
- Deck repair - \$2,200

Security – Cameras and signage need an update. \$3,200

The Difference You Can Make

There are many ways to join with us.

First, please pray for us.

Consider a monetary donation earmarked for the Holy Innocents Capital Campaign to preserve the Church and its mission.

You can make a direct donation using the QR code or at www.holyimaui.org

You can come for a tour of the Church and to see the areas needing the most attention.

You can make a designated gift in your name or the name of another.

However you decide to help, we appreciate you taking the time to get to know us better.

