

FRANCIS COUNCIL NO. 573 YOUNG MEN'S INSTITUTE

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COUNCIL CHATTER

SEPTEMBER 2026

HURRICANE LALA

Francis Council extends its thoughts and prayers to all who were affected by the recent hurricane. We are not aware of any of our brothers being significantly affected by the storm. However, in the spirit of Fraternity, if any brother is in need of assistance, please feel free to contact any of the Council officers.

2026-2027 SOCIAL CALENDAR

The Social Committee has met and set forth the following schedule of social events for the following year:

Christmas Meeting/Social—Sunday, December 20, 2026, 11:30 a.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall. Further details in coming Chatters.

Chaplain's Night/YMI Day—Saturday, January 23, 2027. In conjunction with the Grand President's Visit. Further details in coming Chatters.

Grand President's Official Visit—Sunday, January 24, 2027, 11:30 a.m., Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall. **Please note that this meeting has been moved to the Fourth Sunday of January.**

(Additional events may be planned for the Grand President's Visit. Details in coming Chatters)

Communion Breakfast—Sunday, February 28, 2027. Preceded by Mass. Further details in coming Chatters.

Family Day Picnic—Saturday, May 22, 2027, University Heights Park. Further details in coming Chatters.

The Committee is also looking to schedule an Old Timers' Night. Further details will be in coming Chatters.

NOTE: Some events above may be subject to change.

BISHOP MICHAEL T.T. CASTORI, S.J. EAST HAWAII VICARIATE MASS

Our newly-installed Bishop of Honolulu, Bishop Michael T.T. Castori, S.J., will celebrate a mass for the East Hawaii Vicariate at 6:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church in Hilo on Thursday, September 24, 2026. Francis Council encourages all our brothers, who are able, to attend the mass and to wear their YMI polo shirts in order to foster a strong relationship between our new bishop and Francis Council, the Hawaii District, and the Young Men's Institute as a whole. Please note that a large attendance is expected at the mass and all are encouraged to arrive as early as possible.

SEMINARIAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION DONATION SOLICITATION

Due to the events surrounding Hurricane Lala, including the cancellation of our August meeting, the official tallying of our annual solicitation for the Seminarian Educational Foundation will be extended through September. At press time, total donations stand at \$725.00. All members are encouraged to contribute to our campaign. A return envelope was enclosed with an earlier Chatter. Please make your checks out to Francis Council and mail them to our address: P.O. Box 79, Papaikou, Hawaii 96781.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 20, 2026	Regular Monthly Meeting, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall, Papaikou, 11:30 a.m.
Thursday, September 24, 2026	Bishop Michael T.T. Castori, S.J. East Hawaii Vicariate Mass, St. Joseph Church, Hilo, 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 18, 2026	Regular Monthly Meeting, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall, Papaikou, 11:30 a.m.
Sunday, November 15, 2026	Regular Monthly Meeting, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Hall, Papaikou, 11:30 a.m.