

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

BY: DEACON ROMEO GANIBE

Our gospel reading this Sunday, presents to us the boat where the disciples were being battered by the waves, and amidst the disturbance came. Jesus silently walks on the violent waters to assure them that in their fearful and unstable present environment, He is there to calm them and to assure them that everything would be all right for He is there to save them all.

What happens to Peter in today's Gospel, happens to all of us at one time or another: We panic. We don't trust ourselves to know what the right thing is or our ability to do it. But, somehow, God reaches out and catches us — if we're willing to put aside our fears and try to do as Jesus would do, trusting in God's grace to realize the good.

We are oftentimes being tossed upside down by our worries and problems that generate fear and disturbance in our hearts. We are being disturbed by fear of sickness, losing our job, getting old and there are countless more fears that may come our way.

But in the middle of all these fears and disturbances in our lives, Jesus silently comes into our hearts. To assure and calm us that everything will be alright, to say to us that we need not fear, and to remain strong in our faith. Jesus promises that in every storm that batters us, his hand is extended to us in the hand of those we love and trust, and he calls us to be the hand that would reach out to others.

Where do you see yourself in the boat? Are you huddled in the bottom? Clinging to the rail? A Spectator? Or one who is reaching out to others, to those who are drowning in poverty, to those experiencing marriage and family relationship issues, to someone who lost a love one or a friend, and praying for healing for the sick.

We can all walk on water if we have an unsinkable faith and trust in the Lord.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday (Mon - Sat): 8:00 AM

Sunday: (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM,
(Sun) 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, 6 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
(or by appointment)

MISSION / VISION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic Christian Community, called to develop a deeper relationship with Christ. Such a relationship is fostered through active participation in: *Word, Sacrament, Renewal Programs, Ministry/Service,* and other ***Spirit-led*** activities. We dedicate our time, talent and treasure to install, in our parish community, the basic building blocks of Christian living, ***to preach the Good News of Jesus Christ to all through our words, deeds, and lives.***

Parish Rectory Hours

Monday: 12:00 PM to 4:30 PM
Tues. - Fri.: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
Saturday/Sunday: Closed

Outreach Office Hours

Mon. - Wed.: 9 AM to 2 PM
Thurs. - Friday: 9 AM to 11 AM
Saturday/Sunday: Closed

FOOD PANTRY Hours

Mon. - Wed.: 9 AM to 12 PM
Thurs. - Friday: 9 AM to 11 AM
Saturday/Sunday: Closed

Religious Ed Office Hours

Tues. - Thurs.: 12 pm - 8:30 pm
Fri.: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sun: 7:00 am - 3:30pm
Saturday & Monday: Closed

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Journey through the Sacraments

Part 1: Introduction

During this Ordinary Time of the Liturgical Year, we will take a "journey through the sacraments" in this space. We will journey through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation), then the Sacraments of Healing (Reconciliation, Anointing) and finally the Sacraments of Vocation (Marriage and Holy Orders).

We begin this journey with the most basic question: what is a sacrament? The word "sacrament" originally comes from the Greek word "*mysterion*", which literally means mystery, secret, hidden. St. Augustine in the fifth century defined a sacrament as "an outward and visible sign of an inward and invisible grace."

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "The **sacraments** are efficacious signs of grace, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church, by which divine life is dispensed to us." (#1131) This is a complex definition, so let's break it down.

- The word **efficacious** means 'effective.' This means that sacraments do what they say they do. We believe that because of God's power, sacraments simply work. Thus, when I go to confession, I have no doubt that my sins are forgiven through the words of Absolution by the priest.
- A **sign** is an object, word, or gesture that points to something beyond itself. According to Catholic teaching, sacraments use all kinds of human objects, words, and gestures, but all of these point beyond themselves to something greater, to God and His grace.
- **Grace** is defined as God's free gift of His presence, His help, and His salvation.

The Catholic Church therefore teaches that sacraments point to and are channels of God's grace. They work as an effective means of communication between God and His people. In the next bulletin, we will journey through the three Sacraments of Initiation. Stay tuned!

Msgr. John S. Mbinda



Be Inspired and transformed! The largest Catholic Convention on our islands is coming October 20—22 at the Hawaii Convention Center. This conference will feature local, national, and International speakers including Cardinal Mafi and Sr. Helen Prejean. You can also expect uplifting musical performances by Paul, Kim, Jackie, Angel, and a medley of local Catholic music ministries! There will be Mass, Confessions, Adoration, and even a Chapel and Arts Display room! You can register for the conference, find a full listing of speakers and the conference schedule at our website dmcchawaii.org.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2017

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The reading opens with a double imperative: observe justice and do righteousness, a phrase that sums up Israel's ethical obligation accompanied by a divine promise (Covenant) of salvation. This ethical responsibility is both towards those within the Jewish community as well as those outside who have joined themselves to the Covenant by becoming proselytes and remaining faithful. Because of their fidelity, God invites them to the liturgical life of the community. The temple therefore is a place of worship for all people.

Responsorial Psalm 67:2-3,5,6,8

Since the verbs in this psalm are in the past tense, it is classified as a psalm of praise and thanksgiving for blessings already received as expressed in the response: "Lord let all the nations praise you."

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

The second reading is rather complex. The point Paul is making is that the Jewish community have a privileged position in God's plan of salvation. He is proud to be an apostle to the Gentiles. Paul argues that his ministry will hopefully make the Jewish people become jealous of the way the Gentiles converts have accepted the gospel because their acceptance might lead some Jewish people to conversion.

Gospel: Mathew 15:21-28

The story of the Canaanite woman addresses a number of interrelated issues. They include the question of crossing territorial and cultural boundaries and that relation between men and women in public. To these issues is added the question of faith and mission to the Gentiles. Regarding boundary crossing, it is Jesus who crosses over to Gentile territory: Tyre and Sidon. Then the Canaanite woman crosses cultural boundaries by speaking to a strange man speaking about the healing of her daughter. Jesus first bring up the issue of ethnic purity and the fact that his ministry is not to the Gentiles but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Though Jesus seems to belittle the woman, she shows remarkable faith and Jesus gives her request.

Follow Msgr. John's Homilies! Blog

(text): www.sundayhomily.com

Podcast (audio): <https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

iTunes (audio): [Streaming Homilies](#)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 14, (8 am)

†Lawrence Pat. Perry
(Memorial Anniversary)

†Manny DeCosta
†Ethel Awa

Tuesday, August 15, 2017 (8 am)

†Ponce Tranilla
Amadeo & Stephanie Verzon (Healing)

†Muriel Ramos
†Jorge Fernandez
(Birthday Memorial)

Wednesday, August 16, 2017 (8 am)

Damien Cortel (Birthday Blessing)
†Rita Rull

†Lorenzo Rull, Sr.
(Birthday Memorial)

Thursday, August 17, 2017 (8 am)

†Ted Candia
(1st yr. Death Anniversary)

†Manny DeCosta
Marietta Kaeo (Healing/Blessing)

Friday, August 18, 2017 (8 am)

Catherine Awong (Birthday Blessing)
†Mr. & Mrs. Charley Jones

†Manny DeCosta

Saturday, August 19, 2017

8 am † Santiago Aquino
Andrea Perlas (Birthday/Thanksgiving)
Boyet Corpuz & Che Cruzado (Healing)

5 pm †Manny DeCosta

Sunday, August 20, 2017

7am Noah Evile (Birthday Blessing)
9am For the People

11 am † Carmen Nye
(Memorial Anniversary)

6 pm † Manny DeCosta

† Rest in Peace

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Darrlyn & Ron Bunda, Matt Faris, Ramona DeCosta, John Bates, James & Elaine Kahala, Ellen Cleghorn, baby Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Ron Thames, Elaine Utu, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Mina DeJesus, John Basug, Santiago Tumpap, Bella Rillamas, Norma & Ethan Belamide, Jane Alukonis, Rosalie Tadda, Rowena, Eric, & Ryan Asuncion, Warren Chalmers, Carrie Becky, Marietta Kaeo, Deacon Modesto Cordero and all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Robert Hunter, Greg Castillo, Dana Lee Oandasan, Mary Umoren, Richard Charlie Dela Cruz, Gerry Ichiyama, Charles Remington, Bobby Ascuncion, Elizabeth Cawley, Manuel DeCosta Jr., Gloria Olegario, Conklin Kaapana, Demenciano Macaibay, Julian Rilveria, Fermina Tumbagon, Marie Chan Hin & Maria Crisostomo.

† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS †

Nora Dichoso Domingo (RIP)

Wednesday, August 23, 2017 ~ SJAE

Visitation: 10 am

Mass: 11 am

Burial: 12:30pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Julian Rilveria (RIP)

Saturday, August 19, 2017 ~ Mililani Memorial Park (Makai)

Visitation: 8:00 am

Funeral Service: 10:15 am

Burial: 11:00 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park

POPE FRANCIS INVITES ALL YOUNG ADULTS FROM YEARS 19-29 TO RESPOND TO AN ONLINE QUESTIONNAIRE REGARDING THE NEXT SYNOD OF BISHOPS ON "YOUTH, FAITH, AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT," IN OCTOBER 2018.

THE SURVEY WILL CLOSE ON AUGUST 21ST.

THE ONLINE LINK IS YOUTH.SYNOD2018.VA

The next 24-hr Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on *Fri., September 1*, immediately after the 8 am Mass, ending at 7:30 am on *Sat., September 2*.



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE AUG 5/6

Sunday Collection	\$ 15,741.48
Children's Collection	\$ 13.00
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 2,840.50
Building, Equipment, and Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,118.75
One Community Center	
Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 5,296.88
Candle Sales	\$ 417.00
Donation - Social Ministry	\$ 178.00
Donation - Charity	\$ 49.05
Donation - Youth & Young Adults	\$ 30.00
Donation - Funeral	\$ 600.00
Donation - Seminarian Education	\$ 67.50
Mass Intentions	\$ 170.00
Weekend Total:	\$26,522.16

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce." - Proverbs

Don't fall into fall! Play it safe and come to a free workshop, "Making Life Safer Around the Home: Fall Prevention and Physical Therapy," on **Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. in the church.** Mary Lau-Miki, Director of Mililani Physical Therapy, will provide useful tips on making our homes safe.



After the presentation, Parish Health Ministry, in coordination with Long's Drugs, will be providing free flu shots from **10:30 until 12 noon**. Come on out – take some time to think about safety, enjoy door prizes and snacks, and get your free flu shot all in one Saturday morning!

(Presentation sponsored by St. John's Disability Team, Senior Team, & Parish Health Ministry.)

****Upcoming Baptism Ceremony Dates** (Infants to Age 6):

August 27, September 10 & 24, October 8 & 22...

***Baptism Preparation Classes:** September 3, October 1....

****Please contact the Parish Office to make all arrangements in advance for more information...**

Marriages are scheduled by meeting with a clergy, at least 6 months prior to wedding date. **Blessings** (*home, auto, religious items, etc.*),

Anointing of the Sick, Homebound Communion, Funeral Services/ Notices.

Please call the parish office for further coordination.

Message from the

Religious Education Office

OPEN Registration for RE Year 2017-2018

Visit the RE Office to register your children in **grades Pre-K to 12**. We are preparing for an increase in enrollment as all baptized candidates, in **grades 2-12**, will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of the RE year. We encourage EARLY registration!

Become a Confirmation Sponsor for a Student!

The RE Department is seeking approximately 50-60 Sponsors to walk beside our Youth as they make their Sacramental Journey of Confirmation. If you have the desire and time to be a responsible role model of faith, please stop by the RE Office for more info and sign up! **For more, please contact the RE Office: 623-3332, ext. 204/206 or sjaeRE@rcchawaii.org**

Upcoming Meetings:

Sponsor Information: August 13th. Rms 4 & 5 12:30– 2pm.



PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

The Parish Office will be closed on *Friday, August 18th* in observance of Admission Day.

One Community Center Capital Campaign: Completed Capital Campaign pledge card may be placed in the drop box at the back of the church. You may also drop them at the parish front office or into our locked mail box. If you have any questions please call the parish office.

SAVE THE DATE!! Bishop Larry Silva will be presiding at the 5pm Mass with a Marriage Convalidation Ceremony on *Saturday, August 19th*.

CYM Life Teen: On *Saturday, August 19*, the Central Oahu Vicariate is holding a Youth Day! The youth ministry programs of all six parishes in Central Oahu will join together at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Pearl City for a day of faith & fellowship. The event is \$10 and includes a t-shirt, bus transportation from SJAE, and meals/snacks. Contact the RE office.

Catholic Charities Hawaii (CCH): Our parish will be participating in a special collection next weekend, *August 26/27*, for CCH. Your participation will help fulfill the mission to serve the most vulnerable brothers & sisters. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please drop your donation during offertory or you may also donate online through our parish "*Online Giving*". Please be generous.

Rosary Making Ministry: The next gathering in on *August 30th at 10 am* on the Church Lanai. Everyone is welcome.

Spice up your marriage with Faith, Fellowship and Fun as this exciting enrichment series "**Six Dates for Catholic Couples**" is coming to SJAE! *Save the dates: September 8, 15, 22, 29, October 13, 20 from 6:30pm – 8:30pm.* Contact Duane & Wanya Ogata at 625-8863 for more info.

The next Catholic Book Club: meeting will be on *Thursday, September 21, 7-9 pm* in classroom 6. The title of the discussion book is "*Life of Christ*" by Bishop Fulton Sheen. Bring a snack to share. For more information, contact Melissa Crisostomo: (808) 626-2469 or alohamc@gmail.com.

St. John's is participating in *Give Aloha, Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program*. From September 1-30, customers are invited to make donations of up to \$249 (per person) at checkout. Donations are accepted at any Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farms checkout. Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match a portion of each donation. Individuals must use their own Maika'i number to make a donation. Donations made without a Maika'i number will not be matched. **How to Donate:** At checkout, present your Maika'i card (or provide your number) and inform the cashier that you would like to make a donation to **St. John Apostle & Evangelist Outreach**. If you do not have a Maika'i card/number, you may request to establish one. Your donation will be added to your grocery purchase total. You may donate up to \$249 per organization; any portion exceeding \$249 will not be matched. The amount you donate and the name of our organization will appear on your receipt. Any donation must be payable to Foodland or Sack N Save.

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Outreach, code number 77455

Planting Seeds for the Future: How long has it been since you updated your will? Does it still express your wishes? Does it leave a gift to your church to carry on its ministry after your death?

Please remember *St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church* in planning your will.



THIS WEEK: August 14-August 20

Monday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
4 pm - Girl Scouts (Rm 6)
6:30 pm - Boy Scouts (Rm 5)
6:30 pm - Marriage & Family Life (Rm 6)
7 pm - Charismatic PG (CH)
7 pm - Family Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
7:30 pm - Family Rosary - Fellowship (RM4)

Tuesday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am - Women's Bible Study (Rm 6)
3 pm - Cenacle Prayer Group (CH)
4:30 pm - Children's Choir Practice (CCH)
7 pm - Combined Choir Practice (CH)
7:30 pm - AA Meeting (Rm 6)

Wednesday - Daily Mass (8AM)

8:45 am - Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
6 pm - OLPH Prayer Group (CH)
7 pm - NA Meeting (Rm 6)

Thursday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am - Church Cleaning - Group 3 (CH)
7 pm - Convalidation Rehearsal (CH)

Friday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

Admission's Day - Parish Office Closed
8:30 am - Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
5 pm - 2 Hearts (CH)

Saturday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am - Liturgical Movements Ministry (Rm 4)
3:30 pm - Confession
5 pm - Mass (Saturday Vigil) with Marriage Convalidation Ceremony
Presider: *Bishop Larry Silva*

Sunday - Masses

7 am, 9 am, 11 am, & 6 pm
4 pm - 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)

FOR YOUR SECURITY PLEASE...
PARK SMART!

Take ALL your belongings with you.



... AND SECURE YOUR VEHICLE!
Car thieves love to window