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ST. JOHN
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DAILY MASS: Monday-Saturday: 8:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7am, 9am, 11am & 6pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

or by appointment

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 12:00pm-4:00pm

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Saturday & Sunday – Closed

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Giving Generously and Proportionately Part 2

In last Sunday catechesis, we outlined four aspects of good stewardship. This catechesis outlines a few more aspects of stewardship that help deepen our understanding on the implications of stewardship as a way of life.

Transformative: Stewardship is transformative. It is life-changing. Once we embrace the stewardship message it changes the way we look at every decision we make. Stewardship becomes a total way of life.

A Love Response: Once we allow God to truly take up residence in our hearts we become so overwhelmed by His abundant love for us that we just naturally feel the need to join our lives with Him and dedicate our time, talent and treasure to carrying out God's work here on earth. Our generosity comes from within and not from any external pressure or reward.

Proportionate Giving: Stewardship calls us to realize that each of us is called to give as God has given to us. We no longer base our giving on what others are giving. We no longer excuse ourselves from giving because we do not see others giving. Rather we give in proportion to all that God has given to us.

Spending Time with God: Stewardship involves spending time with God. Recognizing that every day is a gift from God, we strive to spend some of each day with God, through prayer, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, scripture reading, quiet meditation and other spiritual activities. In addition we give time to God through our engagement in various ministries.

Sharing Talent: Stewardship involves sharing talents. Recognizing that God has given each individual unique skills and talents so that together we can do the work of Our Lord, we strive to share our own talents and to encourage and welcome others to also use their talents to carry out the mission and ministry of the Church.

Giving Treasure: Stewardship involves giving treasure. Giving time and talent does not excuse us from giving treasure. We know that throughout the Gospels, Jesus challenged us to give as it has been given to us. Recognizing the tremendous financial blessings that abound in our country, we strive to give at least 10% of our resources back to God, to support the building up of God's kingdom. Although this level of giving may not be immediately possible, we are aware of what percentage we are giving back and regularly strive to increase the amount, taking small incremental steps toward giving a full tithe.

Trust in God: Stewardship is trusting God. We believe that our generous God will always provide for us. None of us will ever have all that we want, but we will always have all that we need. Part 3 in this series will continue offering further qualities of giving generously and proportionately. So stay tuned.

VISION STATEMENT

*We are called to **develop a deeper relationship with Christ.** Such a relationship is fostered through active participation in: the Sacraments, the Word, Renewal programs, ministry/service, fellowship and other **Spirit-led** activities. We will dedicate our time, talent and treasure to install in our Parish community these basic building blocks of Christian living, to live out the Lord's commands and to preach the Good News to all through our words, deeds and lives.*

Msgr. John S. Mbinda
Pastor

Next Sunday Readings: February 2 The Presentation of the Lord Year A

First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

This passage describes a messenger of God. The very name “Malachi” in Hebrew *mal’āki* means “my messenger.” The messenger’s function is to foretell the future coming of the Lord, the present day of the Lord and the idea of judgment. Though the passage states that the Lord of hosts is coming, it actually focuses on the messenger who will precede the Lord to prepare the way for God to come to His people.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24:7,8,9,10

Psalm 24 is a processional song of honor to the God of Israel who is praised as the Lord of hosts and king of glory, strong in mighty in battle. There is a liturgical dimension to the response we use at Holy Mass.

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18

In this passage, the writer invites us to focus on the humility of Jesus. Jesus becomes fully human in order to conquer death by subjecting himself to it. In overcoming death, Jesus has neutralized the power of the Devil. Finally the writer turns to Jesus as high priest. Since He fully entered into human experience (except sin), Jesus was tested like every human being and thus able to sympathize with human weakness. As victim on the cross Jesus offers himself for the salvation of all. As high priest, He offers the sacrifice of expiation for the sins of all.

Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

The account of the presentation of Jesus in the Temple is a celebration of piety: the piety of Mary and Joseph, of Simeon and of Anna. This ritual points to the fact that Jesus is raised in a religiously devout family. Five times Luke says that the parents of Jesus conformed to the ritual prescriptions of the Law. Here they comply with the religious requirements of purification and a second ritual for the redemption of the first male child. The first ritual purification sprung from the belief that the life-power within blood was sacred and belonged to God. Because of the mysterious power of the nature of its power, all objects and people coming into contact with human blood had to be ritually purified. Thus birth and death too were surrounded by ritual purification. The second ritual was a kind of buying back from God every first-born male child.

Msgr. John's Sunday homilies are available on the following updated links: Blog (text): <http://www.sundayhomily.com>

Podcast (audio): <http://streaminghomilies.podbean.com>

On iTunes, under Podcast search for: streaming homilies, subscribe free to get the homilies weekly.

Boohomily (audio): <http://audioboo.fm/jmbinda>

“If our prayer is resolutely united with that of Jesus, in trust and boldness as children, we obtain all that we ask in his name, even more than any particular thing: the Holy Spirit himself, who contains all gifts.”(CCC 2742)

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Healing/Blessings: Sally Bordfeld, Leilani Mueller, Hilda Gomez, Charmaine Molina, Melody Ramos, Ken Enomoto, Cely Deveraturda, John “Mike” Culkin, Guillermo Uyttingco, Anthony Scarpelli, Shirley Shimaoka, Pearl Bates, Pat Nazareth, BJ Sagocio, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Moses Dela Cruz, Delores Mertl, Hugo Gebauer, Justina Esperanza Antonio, Josephine Vincent, Helen Ughoc, Fujiko Kosierowski, Albert Sieben, Jr., Gladys Naone, Millard Beck, Rhoda Sanders, Marie Paz Bartolome, Bernadette A. Uyeda, Victor Ventigan, Jr., Kenneth J. Ferreira, Rainfredo J. Llamido, Fr. Tim Ottman and Fr. Cletus Mooya.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, January 27, 2014

8am Mass Marcelina Sapida (RIP)
 Tadashi Furuta (Birthday Memorial)

Tuesday, January 28, 2014

8am Mass Sonny and Tessie Aquino
 (Anniversary)
 Bernadette A. Uyeda (RIP)

Wednesday, January 29, 2014

8am Mass Rodolfo and Regina Gasmen and
 Family (Blessings/Thanksgiving)
 Ellie Freitas (RIP)

Thursday, January 30, 2014

8am Mass Tina Aguinaldo (Birthday)
 John Paas (RIP)

Friday, January 31, 2014

8am Mass Terry Couch (RIP)
 Rodney Gasmen (Birthday)

Saturday, February 1, 2014

8am Mass Ignacia Racoma (Birthday Memorial)
 Lourdes Ternio (RIP)
5pm Mass Mable Peterson (RIP)

Sunday, February 2, 2014

7am Mass Silvestre Andres (RIP)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Kenji Nakagawa (RIP)
6pm Mass Victor Rivera (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

Rest in Peace Fr. Cletus Mooya

The death of our beloved Fr. Cletus Mooya has been a great loss for all of us who knew him and were touched by his loving acts of kindness. In his memory, we want to send a monetary gift that will be wired directly to his family in Zambia to help with their funeral expenses. If you would like to contribute to this cause, please drop your donation in the basket provided on the fellowship lanai after Mass. A parishioner is there to assist you. Please know that cash in any amount will be greatly appreciated. Make your check payable to St. John A & E and write in the memo: For the family of Fr. Cletus. On behalf of the family, we thank you in advance for your thoughtful and kind voluntary donation.

Sign-up for bus transportation to the Vigil Service and Funeral Mass will take place after all Masses today on the lanai. Cost is \$4.00 per person.

Vigil Service: Tuesday, January 28, at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral. Bus will leave St. John at 5pm. Bus will leave St. Theresa Co-Cathedral at 8:15pm to return to St. John.

Funeral Mass: Wednesday, January 29, at St. Jude, Kapolei. Bus will leave St. John at 8:30am. Bus will leave St. Jude at 2pm to return to St. John.

The Hui O Laulima Food Trolley will be out next weekend. Please kokua.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS WEEKEND: The Collection for the Church in Latin America will fund catechesis, youth ministry programs, and seminarian education. The support you give today will fund formation programs and provide opportunities for years to come. The Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help diocesan communities to build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please drop your donation in the collection basket during offertory.

The next Catholic Book Club meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb. 20, 7 pm – 9 pm in the Parish Center classroom #6. The next book that we will discuss is **An Introduction to the Devout Life** by St. Francis de Sales. Borrow or buy the book, read it and join us for our book discussion. Contact Melissa Crisostomo 626-2469 or alohamc@yahoo.com for more information.

Marriage Recognition Event:

The Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) and the Parish Pastoral Council team plan to recognize those parishioners wed 50 years or more in 2014 on World Marriage Day, February 8th and 9th. Special recognition will be given to those celebrating their 1st or 50th anniversary and those preparing for convalidation in 2014. There are forms at the church entrance for you to complete. We are hoping you will join in this year's event.

The Fil-Am Catholic Club is sponsoring a Novena to the Santo Nino on Saturday, February 1st, from 4-4:30pm in the church. There will be a potluck after the 5pm Mass on the lanai. All are welcome. Please bring a dish to share.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kenneth J. Ferreira (RIP)

Monday, January 27, 2014 ~ Mililani Mortuary Mauka
5:30pm ~ Family and Public Viewing;
6:30pm ~ Prayer Service
Tuesday, January 28, 2014
10am ~ Burial at Mililani Memorial Park

Fr. Cletus Mooya (RIP)

Tuesday, January 28, 2014 ~ St. Theresa Co-Cathedral
6:00pm ~ Visitation and Viewing
7:00pm ~ Vigil Service
Wednesday, January 29, 2014 ~ St. Jude, Kapolei
9:30am ~ Visitation and Viewing
11:00am ~ Funeral Mass (No Burial Service)

Rainfredo J. Llamido (RIP)

Monday, February 3, 2014 – Mililani Mortuary Mauka
6:30pm ~ Wake Service
Tuesday, February 4, 2014
St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church
9:15am ~ Family Viewing; 9:30am ~ Public Viewing;
10:30am ~ Final Viewing (Family); 10:45am ~ Funeral Mass; 12:30pm ~ Burial at Mililani Memorial Park

Sunday Collection January 18/19 2014		
	Weekly Goal	Actual Amount
Sunday Offering Building, Equip., Maintenance, and Outreach	\$12,647.00	\$12,058.52
	\$1,470.00	\$1,179.00
<i>“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce.” PROVERBS 3:9</i>		