

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!****SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION**

By: Fr. Boniface Sakala

We begin advent season this Sunday. Advent as we know is a four-week period in which we prepare for Christmas or time we prepare for Jesus to be reborn in our lives. It is also a time for purifying our hearts by repentance and renewing our lives. This entails that, Advent Season is primarily penitential in spirit and a time of conversion, time of genuine reformation. Since Advent is the time of preparation, therefore it becomes a time of desire, longing and expectancy.

In today's Gospel of Luke, Jesus prophesies the signs and portents that will accompany his Second Coming and encourages us to be expectant, optimistic, vigilant, and well-prepared: "When these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand" (Luke 21:28). Jesus wants us to face the future with confidence in God's providence.

We need to prepare ourselves for Christ's second coming by allowing Jesus to be reborn daily in our lives. Advent gives us time to make this preparation, that is repenting and confessing our sins, renewing our lives through prayer and penance, and sharing our blessings with others. In Advent, we also need to check for what needs to be put right in our lives, to see how we have failed, and to assess the ways in which we can do better.

Finally, today's readings invite us to assess our lives every day during this Advent season and to make the necessary alterations in the light of the approaching Christmas celebration. Amid the tragedies that sometimes occur in our daily lives and the setbacks in spiritual life, we must raise our heads in hope and anticipation, knowing that the Lord is coming again. Thus, we are called to be vigilant in our lives.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday (Mon - Sat): 8 AM
 Sunday (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM, 7 AM,
 9 AM, 11 AM & 6 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
 Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 PM
 (and by appointment)

Mass will be live streamed on
 Sunday 11 am.

Please go to the parish website:
www.stjohnmililani.org and click
 on the Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcuDlu1K18PRr1J41UEGsUw>

**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.*

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We look forward to connecting with you!



Parish Rectory Hours

Mon. 12 pm—4 pm
Tues.- Fri. 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

FOOD PANTRY (623-3332)

Tues.- Fri. 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

**PARISH CLERGY
& STAFF**

Pastor

Fr. Anthony Rapozo
arapozo@rcchawaii.org

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Fr. Boniface Sakala
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Angeline Thomas

(744-9538)

To request a Mass Intention,
please email the parish office at
sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org or
call (808) 623-3332 x100.

FATHER ANTHONY'S STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Aloha! As part of our annual stewardship education process, I am publishing a series of stewardship bulletin articles that explore some of the key concepts of Christian Stewardship. The bulletin articles are short but the subject matter is important. If you have questions or if you want additional information, please feel free to contact me.

NUMBER 9: SACRIFICIAL GIVING

The term that is used in the Catholic Church that describes the process that leads to giving an acceptable sacrifice. To God, in our participation in the Eucharist is "sacrificial giving." "Sacrificial giving" is how a mature discipline puts god first.

When we practice sacrificial giving, we give the first fruits of his gifts back to him. In order to do this, the Christian Steward plans his offering. After reflection and prayer he decides well in advance.

We commit in advance our offerings of, our time in prayer, our service to God and our money. The use of on-line giving also encourages sacrificial giving.

Please contact the parish office to set up an appointment & coordination for the following:

Anointing of the Sick

Baptism Preparation Classes: Dec 19,
Jan 23, Feb 20 & Mar 20

Baptisms: Nov 28, Dec 12 & 16, Jan 16 &
Jan 30.

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

Blessings (home, auto, religious items,
etc..)

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before
wedding date)

† Funeral**Announcements †**

**Normalita "Molly" B. Gamboa
(RIP)**

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

Mililani Memorial- Mauka Chapel

Family: 9:00 am

Visitation: 10:00 am

Prayer Service: 11:00 am

Mililani Memorial Park

Burial: 12:30 pm

Monday, December 6, 2021

Visitation: 9:00 am

Memorial Mass: 10:00 am

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Willie & Bernard Rash, Florida Badua, Sharon Scott, Ron & Patricia Li, Laura Ann Peeters, Barbara Ursal, Elaine Utu, Art Apilado, Zosima Pacleb, Monique Carlmark, Luke Alaipalelei, Sayo DeBoyce, Jimmy Austin, Elaine Marterella, Thi Choi Nguyen, Christy Esposito, Kevin Gagan, Paulina Sarandi, Eduardo Islao, Joyce B. Bean, Teresa Montoya & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Mario Pichon, Ben Guerrero, Tutu Jean McGarry, Channing Fukuda, Kristen "Kiddy" DeCoster, Mildred Loggins, Caleb Romero, Gary Nakata, Valentina Asuncion, Maggie Bae, Catherine Gibbs, Thi Ly Nguyen, Thanh Tan Nguyen, Thanh Xuan Nguyen, Jean Tanoue, Adoracion Funtanilla, Estella Rodriguez, Molly Gamboa, Randy Gasmen, Crispina S. Gorospe, Joseph Durocher, George Kupihea, Prima Romualdo-Hill & Keola Souza.

"Be generous and you will be prosperous; help others and you will be helped." (Good News Translation) - Prov 11:25

Be a Better Steward of St. John Apostle

Stewardship is made easier than ever with our new online giving system, **WeShare**.

Make your one-time or recurring donation using donation using your debit card, credit card, checking or savings account.

Sign up today by visiting
www.stjohnmililani.org

Stewardship of Treasure NOV 20/21

Sunday Collection	\$ 10,267.05
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 5,592.00
Marriage	\$ 500.00
Funerals	\$ 400.00
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 465.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 1,780.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 285.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 50.00
Candles	\$ 347.00
Flowers	\$ 30.00
Stewardship	\$ 125.00
'Ohana in Christ	\$ 175.00
Catholic Camp. for Human Dev.	\$ 548.00
Catholic Charities HI	\$ 10.00
World Mission	\$ 10.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 100.00
All Souls'	\$ 20.00
Angel Tree	\$ 100.00
Archdiocese of Military Services	\$45.00

Weekend Total: \$ 20,849.05

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce." Proverbs 3:9



'Ohana in Christ: The Annual Appeal for Catholic Church in Hawaii - Please support your Parish and our many Catholic

ministries by contributing to the 2021-2022 Appeal. **Your gift will especially help: Parish Priests & Deacons** recruitment, assignment, professional development, health & wellness needs. **Youth & Young Ministry** developing faith formation groups, programs, events, and support Catholic schools. **Those most in need** resourcing for parish food and shelter programs, and for Catholic social ministry agencies serving our kupuna, keiki, & migrant communities. Give online at: <https://www.catholicohawaii.org/ohana-in-christ/> or you may donate through our parish website: stjohnmililani.org. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Mahalo for your generous support all Gifts are important and appreciated!

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:15 **Offer Your Time and Talent for Others:** Over the next several weeks we will re-introduce our ministries and services here at St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church.

Contact: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org

Respect Life: "Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"
respectlife.org/gospel-of-life-summary

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 29, 2021

(8 am) †Juliana B. Valion
Victoria Page (Healing)
Deyton Shockley
(Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday, November 30, 2021

(8 am) †Pedro Taglinao
†Francis J. Durocher
Victoria Page (Healing)

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

(8 am) †Leonora Cabbab
†Frank Tadda
(Birthday Memorial)
Victoria Page (Healing)

Thursday, December 2, 2021

(8 am) †Gregoria Fernandez
Victoria Page (Healing)
Adrienne Gregory
(Blessings/ Thanksgiving)

Friday, December 3, 2021

(8 am) †Feliciano Dona
†Estella Rodriguez

Guerrero Family (Thanksgiving)

Saturday, December 4, 2021

(8 am) †All Souls in Purgatory
†Estella Rodriguez
Samuel S. Aguirre (Blessing)
†Veila Pryce

Sunday, December 5, 2021

†Estella Rodriguez

For the People

Amy Fujimoto (Birthday Blessing)
Victoria Page (Healing)

† RIP †

CALLS, TEXTS & EMAILS SCAMS!

There has been a scam affecting many parishioners. Please never respond to such email messages or texts from clergy and staff of St. John's. For more information, see the link below. [Scam Call](#)

Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe For a New Culture of Life

Throughout this Novena, we ask the intercession of
Mary, the Merciful Mother of Jesus, for a New Culture
of Life and the conversion of the Americas.

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church

December 3 -12, 2021

Novena (Rosary) follow by the celebration of Mass



DEC	Rosary	Mass
FRI 3	5 PM	6PM
SAT 4	4PM	5PM
SUN 5	5PM	6PM
MON 6	5PM	6PM
TUE 7	5PM	6PM
WED 8	5PM	6PM
THUR 9	5PM	6PM
FRI 10	5PM	6PM
SAT 11	4PM	5PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021 (FEAST DAY)

MANANITAS AT 6:00 AM

MASS AT 7:00 PM

For more information contact:

Patricia: (808) 256-0830

Zoila: (808) 799-7856 or zoilahorta@gmail.com

Misa de Gallo

December 16-24 (5:00 am)

Dec. 16- Fr. Anthony Rapozo

Dec. 17- Alfred Guerrero

Dec. 18- Fr. EJ Resinto

Dec. 19- Fr. Boniface Sakala

Dec. 20- Fr. Edmund Barut

Dec. 21 - Fr. Bruce Roby

Dec. 22 - Bishop Larry

Dec 23- Fr. Norlito Concepcion



Central Vicariate Penance Services 2021

Thursday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 PM - St. Michael, Waialua

Tuesday Dec. 14 at 7:00 PM - St. John A&E, Mililani

Wednesday, Dec. 15 at 7:00 PM - Resurrection of the Lord, Waipio

Thursday, Dec. 16 at 7:00 PM - Our Lady of Sorrows, Wahiawa

Friday, Dec. 17 at 7:00 PM - Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pearl City

Advent & Christmas Calendar Events

December 3-11: Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

December 7: Vigil Mass for The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (**Holy Day of Obligation**) 6PM

December 8: Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (**Holy Day of Obligation**) 8 AM & 6PM

December 13: Parish Advent Retreat, 7 PM

December 14: Parish Advent Penance Service, 7 PM

December 16-24: Misa de Gallo, 5 AM

Christmas is a Holy Day of Obligation

December 24: Christmas Eve Masses: 6 PM, Midnight Mass

December 25: Christmas Day Masses: 7AM, 9 AM, 11 AM (**No Evening Mass**)

December 26: Feast of the Holy Family (Regular Sunday Mass Schedule)

December 27: St. John Apostle & Evangelist Feast Day Masses: 8 AM and 6 PM

(Bishop Larry will preside at the 6 PM Mass)

December 30: 8 AM Mass of Thanksgiving

Fr. Anthony Rapozo's 10th Ordination Anniversary
January 1: The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, 8 AM

January 2: Epiphany of the Lord
(Regular Sunday Mass Schedule)

January 9: Baptism of the Lord
(Regular Sunday Mass Schedule)

FORMED[®]**PICK OF THE WEEK****November 28, 2021****THE STORY OF THE NATIVITY:
THE TRUTH OF CHRISTMAS**

Enjoy this fast-paced, thought-provoking look at the true story of the Nativity as we enter into the joyful season of Advent.

WATCH**LEARN****ADVENT**

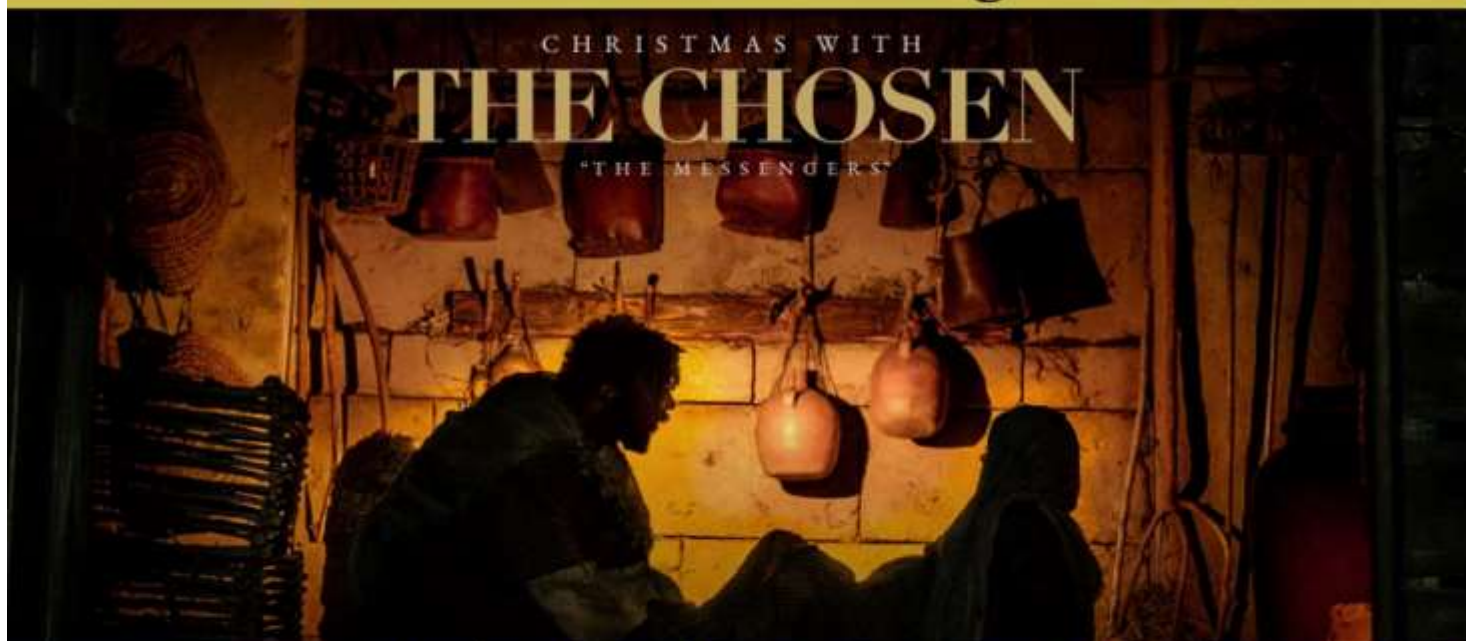
This Advent prepare your heart through this exploration of the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus Christ.

**PREPARE THE WAY OF THE KING
BY DR. SCOTT HAHN**

Your Advent journey will take on new meaning with Dr. Scott Hahn's illuminating presentation on the greatest gift ever given to mankind—Jesus Christ.

LISTEN

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.
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St. John is Hosting**Saturday, December 11, 2021 @ 7:00 PM****Place: One Community Center (OCC)****Tickets are available thru our Parish Website**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food Pantry— If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on **Tuesday, November 30 from 10 am - 12 noon** in front of the One Community Center.

Fr. Anthony & Fr. Boniface will be away on Convocation the week of November 29 to December 3. There will be Communion Services from Monday, November 29 to Friday, December 3.

Benediction & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on **Friday, December 3**, immediately after the 8 am Communion Service to 9:30 AM.

DEBT REDUCTION SECOND COLLECTION: We will have a second collection next weekend after communion, **December 4/5** for debt reduction. Your donation will help pay for the mortgage of the **One Community Center**. Envelopes will be available at the back of the church or you may donate through our parish website online giving. Your generosity is much appreciated.

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church Angel Network: **Please return your gifts wrapped before Mass on December 4 -5 or 11-12. *Thank you for being an Angel by providing a Christmas gift to a deserving child, family, senior and Seminarian.* If you have any questions, call the rectory (808) 623-3332.**

Remember a loved one by making a flower offering this Christmas. Envelopes are available in the back of the church, or you may also make a donation online by visiting our parish website, clicking on "Online Giving."



Catholic Campaign for Human Development– CCHD Collection: Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised **\$ 598.00** to support those on the margins who are living in poverty in the United States or you may also donate online through our parish website and click "Online Giving."

Confessions are held every Saturday from 4:00—4:30 pm and by appointment.

If you are able to help sanitize after Mass, please meet in front of the Chapel after Mass. **Mahalo!**

Altar Servers: Please consider sharing your time and talent: we are looking for altar servers for the following Mass times: **Saturday - 5 pm & Sunday - 11 am and 6 pm** During Advent and Christmas Season, if you are an altar server alumni and want to serve, you are welcome. If you are interested, please email: Angela - altarssjae@gmail.com.

Don't know what to give a loved one this Christmas?

How about the Spiritual Gift of a Mass!

As a Spiritual Gift, a loved one will be remembered in ALL THE MASSES offered at St. John in observance of Christmas.

Christmas Mass Offering Set: \$20

Each Set Includes: 4x6 Christmas Card, a matching envelope, and offering envelope

Please contact the parish office to purchase a Mass offering set.



PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: Have circumstances changed since you last updated your estate plan?

Do your current estate planning documents carry out your commitments to your church?

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