

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!****STEWARDSHIP BULLETIN REFLECTION****By: Fr. Boniface Sakala**

We are celebrating the feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on the last Sunday of the calendar year. The Holy Family Sunday reminds us to assess the quality of our family life. Further, it's an opportunity to examine the quality of our parish life, St. John Apostle & Evangelist. We can also reflect on the gifts and talents God has given us and how we are using them in contributing towards stewardship of our parish community.

In the Gospel, Luke concludes his detailed story of Christ's infancy, with the events of Jesus' visit to the Temple in Jerusalem at the age of twelve to become "a son of the Law" and to take up the obligations of the Law. Jesus lingered behind in the Temple, attending the Sanhedrin classes on religious and theological questions as an eager student of Mosaic Law. Then, when Mary and Joseph had found him in the Temple after three days of anxious search, Mary questioned Jesus, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety". Jesus reminded them that He "had to be" in his Father's House. Then Jesus grew up at Nazareth like any other young man, obeying his parents, faithfully discharging all his duties to God, to his parents, and to the community, "advancing in wisdom and age and favor before God and with people."

This Gospel story encourages us to look to the family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph for inspiration, example and encouragement. They were a model family in which both parents worked hard, helped each other, understood and accepted each other, and took good care of their Child so that He would grow up not only in human knowledge but also as a Child of God. With this in mind, we can say that the Holy family of Nazareth inspire all parents to examine themselves and to see how well they are fulfilling their duties and responsibility which God has placed on them.

The second reading reminds us that, as children of God the Father, we are members of God's own family, and as such we are expected to obey the greatest commandment of God: "Love one another," so that we may remain united to God in the Holy Spirit. Thus, our love should be manifested in our families by taking care of each other. The family is supposed to be a place of strength, support and affirmation. Finally, the parish as a family should be defined less by its organizational chart of decision-making and more by the network of relationships with LOVE that enables all members to grow in faith with "Aloha Spirit". May the Lord God bless all families in our parish.

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**

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FR. ANTHONY'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

My brothers and sisters, over the past 21 months our world has been dealing with a global pandemic, which at times may have made us feel hopeless, scared, and even lonely while we endure this unexpected event. We might even have caught ourselves wondering where is God, why does God allows this to happen, and lastly, when is God going to end it?

Yet we must remember that God will never leave us! God made this very promise to Jacob "I am with you and will protect you wherever you go, and bring you back to this land. I will never leave you until I have done what I promised you." Genesis 28:15 And again in the Book of Jeremiah God promised Jeremiah: "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you—oracle of the LORD—plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope." And this hope God speaks of is Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, whose birth we celebrate this Christmas Day! He is the Light that comes into our world that is brighter than any darkness and any pandemic. Jesus is the eternal Light of Life for us all.

I, therefore, would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas. During this season, we will be celebrating Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy; I pray that all four of these would fill your life in every way this Christmas and beyond. I am grateful to God. This Christmas, as in all previous years, we celebrate "Emmanuel" (God with us). Without Christ's presence among us, we would be lost. Through God's presence working within us, we are being healed, transformed, reconciled, and made whole. I pray you have a fantastic Christmas.

Some folks miss the point of Christmas. Decorations are displayed. Parties are attended. Gifts are bought and exchanged, but somehow it never dawns on them that it is someone's birthday and that someone is Jesus Christ. Matthew 1:21 says, "She shall bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins." Have you missed Christmas because you've missed Jesus Christ? He is God's gift to you. Jesus Christ the Savior came to forgive us and cleanse us of all our sins.

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Willie & Bernard Rash, Florida Badua, Sharon Scott, Ron & Patricia Li, Laura Ann Peeters, Barbara Ursal, 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, James Kahala & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Mario Pichon, Ben Guerrero, Kristen "Kiddy" DeCoster, Mildred Loggins, 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, Francis Balmores, Andres Remigio, Francisco Leonores, Michael Murphy, Jane Alukonis & Sandy Jones.

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

Respect Life:

"Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, 'in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat' (PC 3). His 'yes' to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us."

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Stewardship of Treasure
DEC 18/19

Sunday Collection	\$ 9,612.57
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 1,510.00
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 428.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 305.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 2,600.00
Misa de Gallo: 12/18/21	\$ 318.00
12/19/21	\$ 575.00
12/20/21	\$ 645.25

Weekend Total: \$ 19,133.82

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

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: Dec 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 †**

Francis Balmores (RIP)

Monday, January 3, 2022

Mililani Memorial Park- Mauka Chapel

Family Visitation: 9:00 am

Prayer Service: 10:30 am

Friday, January 7, 2022

Mililani Memorial Cemetery-

Burial: 10:00 am

Andres Phillip Remigio (RIP)

Friday, January 7, 2022

St. John A& E, Mililani

Visitation : 10:00 am

Memorial Mass: 11:30 am

Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery -

Punchbowl

Burial: 3:00 pm

Michael Joseph Murphy (RIP)

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

St. John A&E, Mililani

Family Visitation: 9:30 am

Funeral Mass: 10:00 am

Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery

Burial: 1:00 pm



Monday, December 27, 2021

(8 am) †Harold Wong Sr.

Victoria Page (Healing)

Primo & Joey Pablo

(Wedding Anniversary)

(6 pm) St John A&E Feast Day

Tuesday, December 28, 2021

(8 am) †Isabel Cox

†Ismael Smith

Victoria Page (Healing)

Wednesday, December 29, 2021

(8 am) †Frederico Badua

†Alex & Molly Vizol

Victoria Page (Healing)

Thursday, December 30, 2021

**(8 am) †Alberto dela Cruz &
family**

Victoria Page (Healing)

Milagros Uytingco

(Birthday Blessing)

Fr. Anthony Rapozo

(10 yr. Ordination Anniversary)

Friday, December 31, 2021

(8 am) †Christina Falke

Lancen Crisostomo

(Birthday Blessing)

Saturday, January 1, 2021

†All Souls in Purgatory

Guerrero Family (Blessings)

Samuel S. Aguirre (Blessing)

Lea Crisostomo

(Birthday Blessing)

Sunday, January 2, 2021

†Patricio & Gliceria Barayuga

For the People

†James & Mildred Mizoguchi

†Eric Umetsu

†Ambrosio Galzote

† RIP †

Christmas Spiritual Bouquet

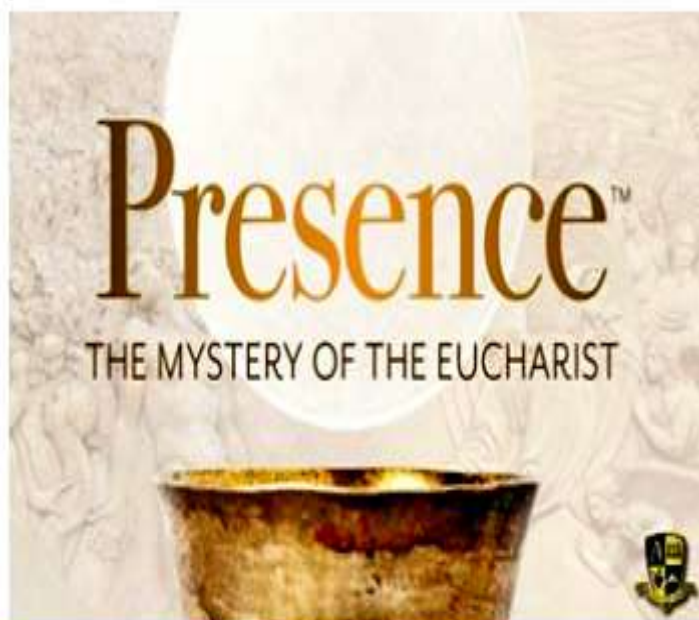
The following will be remembered in ALL THE MASSES offered at St. John in observance of Christmas:



Richard Agbanlog	Martha Castillo	Victor Peroff
Wayne Agsalda	The Crisostomo Family	Elena Rivas
Eddie Ahkuoi	Lulu & Danny Clark	William & Arlene Rodenhurst
† Jane Alukonis	Elvie & Virgil	† Estela Rodriguez
Maria Amaral	† Kiddy DeCoster	Patricia Rodriguez
Mrs. Anna V. Arzaga & Family	M / M Henry DeCosta & Family	Margie & Jonathan Romasanta
Joanne Asuncion	Catherine & Alex DeJesus	Abraham Romero
Pearl Bates	Aggie Ferreira	Hiram Romero
Angie Benitez & Family	Beth Fukuda	Isabel Romero
Augustus V. Benitez	† John Kekapu & † Mary Kuulei, † Marian	Isis Romero
M / M Casimiro Benitez & Family	Lurline Gora	Alexis & Wallace Salvador
M / M Manuel Rey Benitez & Family	Adrienne Gregory`	Uncle Mar & Auntie Rita Sango
Mr. Pablito Benitez & Family	Helen & Shirley & † Ben Guerrero	Suzen Sieben
† Pablo, † Ignacia, † Milagros, † Virgilio,	Kelly & Elle Higa	Margaret K. Stafford
† Joshua & † Mely Benitez	Rhys Higa	Dhel Taglinao
Barbara Browning & 'Ohana	M / M Les Hunkele & Family	Taglinao Family
Mike & Aggie Browning	Domi Kekiwi & Family	Francis Taglinao
† Harold Sr., Jr., & † Isabelle Browning	Lindsey, Grant, Emma, Mary & Kolten	Eleanor Tamura
Paul A. Bryante	Kohagura	Jolly Guerrero- Tano
Sunny & Alexander, Anson, Eli Cabello	Ib & Joan Madsen	Tano Family
Dalila Castillo	Elizabeth K. Muller	McGarry- Gallogly- Barbour- Tatistcheff
† Julian Castillo	Clorinda Nakashima	Family
Maria de Jesus Castillo	Belinda Nakata & Family	Hyun Underwood
	Kim Noveloso & Family	Manang Modesta Yadao
	The Orara Family	Deb & Ron Zedalis
	Genie Pacheco	Kim Zettle & Family

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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What is so special about the Eucharist?

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life

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Encounter Jesus in the Sacrament like never before.

Tuesdays

January 18 to February 8, 2022

6:30 P.M. - One Community Center

Led by Fr. Anthony Rapozo

Registration on the parish website begins January 3, 2022.

Class is limited to 30 participants.

Masks must be worn at all times.

Cost: \$10 for the Study Guide

Contact: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org, 808.623-3332 ext. 100

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, December 30 in observance of New Year's Eve and Friday, December 31 in observance of New Year's Day.

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Feast Day will be celebrated on Monday December 27 with the celebration of Mass at 6 pm (Livestream). Bishop Larry will be presiding at the 6 pm Mass. Please join us!

Food Pantry— If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on **Tuesday, December 28 from 10 am - 12 noon** in front of the One Community Center.

Fr. Anthony Rapozo's 10th Ordination Anniversary on Thursday, December 30, 8 AM Mass of Thanksgiving.

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God at 8 am on Saturday, January 1.

SJAE Library: "Need Advent materials for you or your children? Check out books/DVD at our church office!"

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

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, contact: Angela-altarssjae@gmail.com.

'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. Give online at: <https://www.catholichawaii.org/ohana-in-christ/> or you may donate through our parish website: stjohnmili-lani.org. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Mahalo for your generous support all Gifts are important and appreciated!

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As we make resolutions for 2021, don't forget about your spiritual well-being! Through our Forgiven series, you can help guide friends and family to new spiritual beginnings!



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This past week, we celebrated the life of St. Stephen, heroic leader of the early Church. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the first Christian martyr.

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MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: LOVE UNVEILED BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

The feast of the Holy Family reminds us to help our own families grow in holiness. With this in mind, join Scott Hahn as he shares his advice on how to bring sanctity into the home.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY DR. SCOTT HAHN



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