

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In Roman Catholic tradition, an act of reparation is a prayer or devotion with the intent to expiate the "sins of others", e.g., for the repair of the sin of blasphemy, the sufferings of Jesus Christ, or as Acts of Reparation to the Virgin Mary.

And according to Barbara Kralis, "In the face of spreading agnosticism and relativism, the term 'reparation' is most unusual. Moreover, not only is the term unusual but also is its theology. We witness today the loss of the meaning of penance, prayer, fasting, confession, and reparation. The modernists call it to change when its real name is decay. In a culture where sin is no longer considered a sin, why should anyone make reparation? How many today remove the body of Christ from the Crucifix and look only at the empty cross? If we Christians have a Crucifix before us, instead of an empty cross, we cannot forget about sin and reparation. "Paccatum meum contra me est semper." in English means "my sin is always before me," from Psalm 50."

Now the Catechism of the Catholic Church defines reparation as the act of "making amends for a wrong done or for an offense, especially for sin, which is an offense against God." The penance that the priest gives in confession is an example of this sort of act. However, we are all called to make reparations for not just our own personal sins against God but for all the sins mankind has made against God.

Reparation is a way for us to make atonement for offenses against God. In this case, if someone won't seek repentance for their offenses, we have a duty to ask for God's mercy on behalf of the unrepentant. When the Blessed Mother appeared at Fatima, she requested we do acts of prayer and penance as reparation for blasphemies committed against her Son. When we recite the Act of Contrition, we detest our sins because they offend God.

My brothers and sisters, enclosed in this week's bulletin is an insert called "**IDEAS FOR ACTS OF REPARATION**" from the Minnesota Catholic Conference, to help with making reparation a part of our everyday lives.

Fr. Anthony Rapar

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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.***

PASTOR Fr. Anthony Rapozo

In Residence Fr. John Gabriel

DEACON Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

*FULL Parish Clergy & Staff Directory available
on our website.*

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM Mondays: Communion Service; Tuesday – Saturday: Mass

Sunday: 5PM (Saturday Vigil), 7AM, 9AM, 11AM & 6PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30PM

PARISH RECTORY HOURS

Monday 12:00PM – 4:00PM

Tuesday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:00PM

Saturday - Sunday Closed

Please call the office for all other inquiries:
Anointing, Baptisms, Blessings, Food Pantry,
Funeral, Homebound Communion &
Marriage.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE MAY 20/21

Sunday Collection	\$ 13,380.10
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,367.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 726.26
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$285.00
Stewardship	\$ 100.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 311.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 130.00
Candles	\$ 611.00
Outreach	\$ 5.00
Christmas	\$ 5.00
Easter	\$ 5.00
Father's Day	\$ 85.00
Catholic Communication Campaign	\$ 904.00
Diocesan Priest Retirement Fund	\$ 50.00
Seminarian Education Fund	\$ 30.00

WEEKEND TOTAL \$ 17,994.36



IDEAS FOR ACTS OF REPARATION

As a child of God, we each have an opportunity to help satisfy the justice of God by making reparation for our own sins and the sins of others.

1. Go to an abortion clinic and pray or set aside an hour today to pray for those who are struggling with a decision of life or death for their unborn child.
2. Make an act of faith, hope, or love. (www.bit.ly/9DaysFaithHopeLove)
3. Pray the Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
4. Spend an hour with the Blessed Sacrament in adoration.
5. Increase your knowledge about important life issues.
6. Pray the rosary, or even just a decade, today for someone who has hurt or disappointed you, and ask for the grace to forgive that person.
7. Smile. Ask God today for the grace to be extra joyful and to share your love for Christ with those who most need that encouragement today.
8. Use Facebook or another form of social media to post something that builds up the culture of life.
9. Take time to write a handwritten note to someone who is lonely or needing encouragement.
10. We can sometimes forget how blessed we are to have many of our daily comforts. Give up sleeping with your pillow tonight.
11. Today, ignore your sweet tooth. Make healthy eating choices.
12. Make a “quiet hour” today, turning off all electronic devices (cell phone, iPod, computer, television, radio, video game system) and retreat to your room. Spend some time in prayer or prayerful reading.
13. Read about a Church teaching you do not understand in the catechism.
14. Make an honest assessment of your “giving finances” — Are you giving too little? Make a resolution to give a set weekly or monthly donation to your parish or favorite local charity.
15. Say three Hail Mary’s for your parish priest. Without our priests, we could not have the Mass or the sacrament of reconciliation.
16. Pray for your deceased relatives and for those who have no one to pray for them.
17. Spend quality time with a family member or friend. Offer to help them with something with which they need assistance.

— **Minnesota Catholic Conference**

HISTORY OF THE HOLY GHOST FEAST

A procession of adults and children dressed as saints, and others in traditional Azorean garb, marched to band tunes. The beloved Holy Ghost crown held high above all heads, and the red Holy Ghost flag flies freely. The celebration is “one of the major feasts of the Azorean people,” “It goes back centuries. It’s a real marker of identification for Azoreans everywhere.”

The crown carried so proudly at a Holy Ghost procession, and displayed at the feast, is a symbol of kindness to the poor and a miracle that took place in the 13th century. The story goes that St. Isabel, the daughter of a Spanish king and wife of King Diniz of Portugal, defied his orders not to associate with or feed the poor. With gifts of bread stashed in the folds of her dress, she was nearly discovered by the king when he followed her to town. “What do you have there?” the king asked. “Roses,” she replied, afraid to be found out. When he made her show him what she had, a miracle occurred. She opened the first fold of her dress and revealed beautiful roses.

Besides feeding the poor, Isabel also allowed peasants and children to wear her crown, making it an important symbol in today’s Holy Ghost feasts. “It’s the one day of the year when the whole world is upside down ... when the king does not wear the crown.” The idea was to make the poor royalty for a day where they could eat and dance, and escape from their daily lives. Holy Ghost feasts are traditionally held on Pentecost Sunday

<https://holyghostassociation.com/history-of-the-feast/>



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS to our 2023 Holy Ghost Feast Royal Court! Queen: Lauryn Grace Paloma; Ladies-in-Waiting: Olivia Barlaan, Bianca Borromeo, Calista Rose Guevarra and Christina Ramos.

There will be **COMMUNION SERVICE** on May 30th, June 1st & 2nd, in lieu of daily Mass.

CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, May 29th, in observance of Memorial Day.

STARTING SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd, CONFESSION will begin at 3:30pm.

DEBT REDUCTION SECOND COLLECTION: We will have a second collection, next weekend **June 3/4**, after communion for debt reduction. Your donation will help pay for the mortgage of the **One Community Center**. Envelopes are available at the back of the church or on our parish website, online giving. Your generosity is much appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will host a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 4th in the OCC from 8:00 AM until 12:30 Noon. The price is by donation, and the suggested donation is \$ 10.00. Please come and enjoy breakfast and support the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus. We hope to see you there!

FRIENDLY REMINDER! REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GRADES K TO 5. EDGE Grades 6 - 8 and Lifeteen Grades 9-12. Please visit our parish website for an online link. The **DEADLINE** to submit the completed application is **Thursday, June 1, 2023**.

FATHER'S DAY – JUNE 18: Honor your father, living or deceased, this **FATHER'S DAY**, by making a Mass offering. All the names will be published as an insert in the June 10/11 bulletin. **Please PRINT LEGIBLY.** Envelopes are available at the back of the church. The deadline to submit your father's name for publication is **Monday, June 5th**.

Come learn the peaceful, prayerful method of sidewalk advocacy from **SIDEWALK ADVOCATES FOR LIFE** and help women and men entering the abortion facility to choose life! We offer a peaceful, prayerful, law-abiding method that is very compassionate and woman – oriented and credited with saving thousands of lives of abortion facilities across the United States and beyond! **Our next training will be held on Saturday, June 17th from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at St John's, Mililani, in the One Community Center.** If you would like to learn this method and check out our program, please contact Program Leader, Patrick Guzman at (808) 351-6179 or pguzman_5k@yahoo.com. More information at sidewalkadvocates.org!

HOME MASS CELEBRATION: *"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."* Matthew 18:20

As we begin our Second year of the National Eucharistic Revival which focuses on the Parish, St John's would like to offer our parishioners the opportunity to celebrate the Holy Mass in your

home. This would be the perfect time to invite your family or friends and anyone else you would like to experience our beautiful and wonderful Mass. These Masses can only be celebrated on weekdays in the evenings. These home Masses will begin in June. If you would like to schedule a Mass at your home, please contact the parish office to schedule an appointment to go over the details.



EPIC MINISTRY- “Community Night” is on **Monday, May 29th, 7PM at EPIC Community House, Kaneohe.** Open to young adults ages 18-39.

KULIA I KA NU’U – YOUNG ADULT RETREAT, Friday, June 30th – Monday, July 3rd, registration is now OPEN! For more information: email: centraloahu@epicministry.net, text **EPICMINISTRY** to **8456** or call (808) 354-0971.

I THIRST HAWAII: Eucharistic Revival & Evangelization- Friday, July 14: St Elizabeth, Aiea - 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm. Saturday, July 15: St Ann, Kaneohe - 7:00 am – 3:00 pm. For more information and to register, please visit: jesusthirstsforamerica.com.

Job Opening:

Maintenance & Groundskeeper (Part-Time) Description: Responsible for the maintenance, cleanliness, and repair of parish facilities. Performs a variety of facility and equipment maintenance and preventative maintenance duties. Oversees any maintenance activities provided by contractors as assigned by the Pastor. To apply:

<https://www.hrsymphony.com/hrs/route/position/5971/G5QE>

Respect Life: “The Lord says to us, ‘Do not fear; I am with you’ (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Be Not Afraid” NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.

This week on FORMED:

God's Love Poured Out | Episode 1

During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.

The Journey: Trinity, Faith & the God Who Is Love

The Bible reveals the mystery of who God is: God is love. God created us out of love, died for us out of love, and invites us on a journey of faith in which we live in his love. In this study, we'll look at the God who is Love and how that love shows itself in the Trinity and the Faith.

Joyful Mysteries

As we celebrate the Visitation this week, we invite you to pray the Joyful Mysteries alongside this spoken Rosary set to music. Enter into some of the most joy-filled moments of Our Lord Jesus Christ's life, alongside the Blessed Virgin, through this devotional prayer and accompanying Scripture passages.

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SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION (MATTHEW 28: 16 - 20) BY STEWARDSHIP CATHOLIC CONSULTANTS

Throughout our readings today, we see the amazing truth that the Holy Spirit gives us gifts and guidance in a very personal way. We are meant to use these gifts to build up the Body of Christ in a way that is unique to each one of us.

Our first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, recalls the dramatic moment when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the apostles. “Suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.”



Notice how personal and individual is this outpouring of the Spirit. This personalized way of “gifting” the apostles allowed them each to reach different people, sharing with them the “mighty acts of God.” Embracing the stewardship way of life means that we allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the best use of the unique gifts He has given to each of us, to accomplish the particular mission entrusted to us.

Jesus gives us this mission in our Gospel passage from John. “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” But we must not let this responsibility overwhelm us. Jesus Himself, tells us so — “Peace be with you.”

As this Easter season comes to a close, let us be at peace. And let us resolve to lean on the Holy Spirit more and more as our guide through the stewardship way of life.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

The Most Holy Trinity, Year A

First Reading: Exodus: 34:4b-6,8-9

Responsorial Psalm: Daniel 3:52,53,54,55

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel: John 3:16-18



- “And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” – MATTHEW 28:20

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday May 29, 2023**

8AM Rafael Mauleon (RIP)
 Elsie Takara
 Anthony Scarpelli (RIP)

Tuesday May 30, 2023

8AM Communion Service

Wednesday May 31, 2023

8AM Norma Gamulo
 (Birthday Blessing)
 Rodolfo Taglinao
 (Death Anniversary)
 Thanks be to God for blessing
 us!

Thursday June 1, 2023

8AM Communion Service

Friday June 2, 2023

8AM Communion Service

Saturday June 3, 2023

8AM Jorge Factor Fernandez
 (Death Anniversary)
 Carlos Melegrito (RIP)
 All Souls in Purgatory (RIP)
 Luther G. Fernandez (RIP)

Sunday June 4, 2023

7AM John Schaefer (RIP)

9 AM For the People

11 AM Paulina Wong (RIP)

6 PM Marisol M. Madla (RIP)

[FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CHARLES KAUI III (RIP) – Friday, June 2, 2023, Mililani Memorial Park ~ Makai Chapel: Visitation: 8:00 am; Prayer Service: 10:00 am; Burial: 11:00 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park.

MAILE G. JUDD (RIP) – Thursday, June 8, 2023, Mililani Memorial Park ~ Mauka Chapel: Visitation: 5:00 pm; Wake Service: 6:30 pm. Friday, June 9, 2023, Mililani Memorial Park ~ Mauka Chapel: Visitation: 9:30 am; Prayer Service: 11:00 am; Burial: 12:30 pm – Mililani Memorial Park.

RICHARD AMARAL (RIP) – Thursday, June 8, 2023, St John, Mililani: Visitation: 9:30 am; Eulogy: 10:00 am; Funeral Mass: 11:00 am; Burial: 2:00 pm – Mililani Memorial Park.

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, Christy Esposito, John Bates, Nathan & Diane Kotch, Edward Naong, Teresa Montoya, Letty Baguion, Winnie Lee, Cheryl Solomon-Hume, Mario Visaya, Carmelo Pacpaco, Lita Guerrero, Genelyn Daszek, Lulu T. Jennings, Solomon Siangco, Blanca D Licon & Ruthie Esdicul.

DECEASED

James E. Smith, Shauna Awong, Buena A. Harding, Grace Trent, Maria G. Mercado, Rand T. Ushijima, Charles Kauai, Gino Daguio, Mark Burnett, Patrick Mayock, Carmelo Pacpaco, Art Apilado, Kaede R. Montalban, Richard Amaral, Glenda Buis & Maria T. Tumpap.

