

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This weekend, kicks-off Catholic Schools Week Jan 28 – Feb 3, 2024. Catholic schools have an irreplaceable role in the Church's evangelizing mission. Building on the central goal of Catholic schools to form saints, Catholic schools teach and embrace the whole person, body, mind, and spirit. The fact that all members of a Catholic school community share the Christian vision of faith that Christ is the foundation of Catholic education is what unites the school as a faith-filled community.

The purpose of St. John's Catholic Preschool is to provide quality education focused on the whole child. It is accomplished by accepting children as they are, helping them to envision where they can be, promoting a caring, supportive environment and providing the tools and opportunities to develop the capabilities, interests, and character necessary to reach their full potential. Staff, parents, parishioners, and members of the community are invited and empowered to actively participate in educating our youth.

While faith is the binding element in Catholic schools, the Church reiterates that parents are the first teachers of their children. Holding this tenet, Catholic school communities like St. John's Catholic Preschool expands beyond the walls of our school building to envelop the family as an integral part of the school community. Together teachers, administrators, staff, students, and parents fuel the light of faith by integrating culture with faith and faith with living.

As a community, Catholic schools are nourished and stimulated by the centrality of the word of Christ expressed through knowledge, service, scripture, and sacramental tradition. Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community is a theme on which to build a spirit of the gospel to benefit the human family. Please check out our St. John Catholic Preschool's website at <https://www.stjohnmililani.org/preschool>.

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

DEACONS Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

Dcn. Mike Browning

FULL Parish Clergy & Staff Directory available on our website.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 8AM Monday – Saturday

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30PM

PARISH RECTORY HOURS

Monday Closed

Tuesday - Friday 8:30AM – 12PM,
1PM - 4PM
Closed 12PM – 1PM
for lunch

Closed Saturday, Sunday, Holidays

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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE JAN 20/21

Sunday Collection	\$ 10,600.33
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,013.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,485.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 365.00
Funeral	\$ 300.00
Blessings	\$ 50.00
Knights of Columbus Breakfast (1/14/24)	\$ 752.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 816.00
Social Ministry	\$ 5.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 210.00
Stewardship	\$ 100.00
Candles	\$ 292.00
Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$ 50.00
Church in Latin America	\$ 5.00
Black & Indian Mission	\$ 5.00
WEEKEND TOTAL	\$ 18,048.33



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA AND BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION: This weekend (1/27 – 1/28), our parish will be participating in two special collections; Church in Latin America and the Black and Indian Missions. Your gift will go to help fund programs such as evangelization and catechesis for the missions. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. You may drop your donation during offertory or make a donation online by visiting our parish website, clicking “Online Giving.” Please be generous.

Fr. Anthony will be on vacation from Monday, January 29 - Wednesday, January 31, there will be **COMMUNION SERVICE** in lieu of daily Mass.

CANDLEMAS, also known as the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus Christ, will be celebrated at the 8am Mass on Friday, February 2nd. It is a Christian Holy Day commemorating the presentation of Jesus at the Temple. If you wish to have your candles blessed, please bring it with you to Mass.

THE FEAST OF ST BLAISE will be celebrated at the 8am Mass on Saturday, February 3rd. There will be blessing of the throats after the homily.

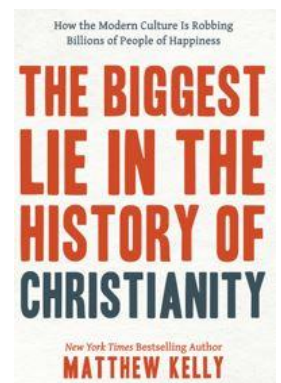
DEBT REDUCTION SECOND COLLECTION: We will have a second collection, next weekend **February 3/4**, after communion for debt reduction. Your donation will help pay for the mortgage of the **One Community Center**. Envelopes are available at the back of the church, you may donate on our parish website,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

Next weekend, **Feb 3/4, The PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY** is sponsoring Free Blood Pressure screenings after all Sunday Morning Masses on the OCC lanai.

BIBLE STUDY: Catholic Women who wish to grow and persevere in their spiritual life and increase their knowledge of the Catholic faith are invited to join the **Miles Christi Catholic Women’s Bible Study** group meets on Saturdays, 10 am to 12:00 pm. We will not meet on Saturday, February 3rd. We will resume on February 10, 2024. If you are interested, contact Barbara Ursal: bursal@twc.com or (808) 671 4750.

Old Blessed Palms NEEDED for Ash Wednesday! Please drop off your old palms through Sunday, February 4th in the box provided at the entrance of the church. Mahalo!

SJAE LIBRARY: If you want to check out the resources Msgr. John mentioned in his Apologetics class, many are available in your SJAE Lending Library. We have the books he recommended by Dr. Scott Hahn (Rome, Sweet Home, and The Lamb’s Supper) and Matthew Kelly (Rediscover Catholicism, The Biggest Lie in History, and The 4 Signs of a Dynamic Catholic). We also have books by some of his recommended authors: Allen Hunt, Jeff Cavins, and Fr. Donald Calloway as well as other books on Catholicism or Apologetics. **The SJAE library table will be on the lanai after all Masses on February 10/11** (or you may get a key to the library in Room #1 from the church office and self-check out books at any time). Happy Reading!



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week with St. John's Catholic Preschool - January 28 – February 3, 2024. Visit <https://www.ncea.org/csw> for more information.

This weekend (1/27- 1/28), Ms. Angie will be on the church lanai after all Masses. Please stop by and say Hello!



ST JOHN PRESCHOOL – OPEN ENROLLMENT SY 2024 for ages 2.8 years - 6 years old. For more information, call (808) 744-9538 or stohns_preschool@rcchawaii.org.

Job Opening:

Preschool Teacher (Full-Time) Description: Provides instructional programming including lesson implementation, classroom preparation, clerical help and supervision of students and must maintain an environment of safety and security. For more information, contact the preschool office at (808) 744-3538. Please consider joining our Preschool staff as part of your support encourage those you know to support our preschool and our church – we need your help! to our parish. To apply:

<https://www.hrsymphony.com/hrs/route/position/8041/M8SA#>

This week on FORMED:

A Bible Study on the Joyful Mysteries: The Presentation

What is the importance of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple? Join Dr. James Prothro and Dr. Ben Akers as they unpack this great mystery and how it can apply to your spiritual life.

Exorcisms: What Catholics Need to Know | Chris Stefanick Show

Scripture says, “Be sober and alert. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, solid in your faith.” In other words, the Christian life involves spiritual combat. But a lot of Catholics aren’t really familiar with this idea. So, to start unpacking it, we’re talking to Fr. Chad Ripperger, an exorcist priest.

Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.

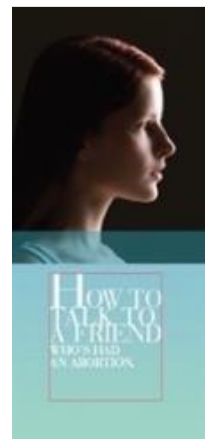
Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

Respect Life: Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing?

Learn how in *“How to Talk to a Friend Who’s Had an Abortion:”*

<http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities.



SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION (MARK 1:21 - 28) BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS



Our readings today remind us of God's authority.

As we reflect on our Gospel, we recognize that God possesses all authority and that we want to give Him all authority. Jesus was teaching in the synagogue on the Sabbath. All were fixed on His words and astonished at what He had to say. Suddenly everyone's attention shifted to a man with an unclean spirit who began to question Jesus and His authority. Jesus responded, "Quiet, come out of him!" and removed the evil spirit from the man. All were amazed at the healing of this man.

Life can sometimes look like the synagogue in Capernaum. We are living as disciples of Christ when we suddenly recognize evil around us — through events in our lives, temptations we are enduring, or by falling into sin. It can distract us, consume our attention, or even cause us to despair. In these moments of trial, we must remember the Healer in our Gospel today. Recall His words, "Quiet, come out of Him!" Jesus has the power and authority over evil, for He has conquered sin and death. He also has the power and authority over us. And when we invite Him to have that authority, He will heal us and help us persevere.

Today, we are reminded that God is in control and that we want Him to be in control. He is the loving Healer Who will work miracles in our lives if we give Him the authority to do so.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Responsorial Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39



"I know who you are – The Holy One of God!"

-MARK 1:24

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday January 29, 2024

8AM Communion Service

Tuesday January 30, 2024

8AM Communion Service

Wednesday January 31, 2024

8AM Communion Service

Thursday February 1, 2024

8AM John & Frances Clarke (RIP)

Friday February 2, 2024

Guerrero Family
(Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Feliciano Dona (RIP)

Saturday February 3, 2024

8AM

Christy Esposito (RIP)

5PM

Than Lam (RIP)

Sunday February 4, 2024

7AM

German A. & Claudia C. Vergara
(RIP)

9 AM

For the People

11 AM

Dominador Rulloda (Healing)

6 PM

Pablo M. Benítez (RIP)

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, John Bates, Cindy Abernathy, Richard Guillory, Marisol Aguirre, Lana Daszek, Vanessah Liu, Michael Donlin, Patrice Wilson, Gene Lumantas, Clarita Martinez, Julian Rillamas Jr., Jim Walsh, Lita Guerrero, Florida Badua, Allene Ishikawa, Dominador Rulloda, Sam Rombaoa, Cherissalyn and Tuputasi Gaopoa.

DECEASED

Michelle Aubuchon, Monica Pangelinan, Jonathan Somaoang, Gavina Tamonte, Gloria U. Munson, Aida Govico, Catalina Sagocio, Margaret Nakamura, Wendell Perry, Gary Garcia, Daniel Ariola, Maxima Looney, Suzanna Foster, Ruth Hartzel, Angela Topinio & Diane Kotch.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

DIANE KOTCH (RIP)- Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2024,
St John, Mililani; Visitation: 10:00 am,
Mass: 11:30 am. Burial: 1:30 pm ~ Mililani
Memorial Park.

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