



September 14, 1969, First Parish Mass • May 17, 1970 Ground-breaking • August 15, 1971, Dedication of the church

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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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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.*

Jesus: The example of Humility, Self-sacrifice and Love for others.

Today is Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. We remember the messianic entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. The story of Christ's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem has the people welcoming Jesus, into the city of Jerusalem. The kind of welcome or greeting ceremony they gave Jesus was a very loud and joyful one. The people shouted to the top of their voices: "Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." (Mtt. 21:9). They waved palm leaves and spread coats and other pieces of clothing upon the ground over which Jesus would walk. This was indeed a very special greeting for someone very special. This is the way people welcomed Jesus in their place, in their house, in their midst, in their hearts more than two thousand years ago.

If someone very special, say a grandfather whom you had not seen for a long time or a very dear friend of the family, came to visit you at home, what would you and your family do to welcome him? Maybe, you'd give him warm embraces, hugs and kisses. Maybe you might open the door wide, and hang a streamer saying, "welcome", and then you'd probably have a special meal. There are so many ways to welcome someone special. But what really matters is what's behind the welcome. The sentiments should be those of love and to say, "You belong."

This is how Jesus wants us to welcome him today, first, with love in our hearts, with love for God and for one another, not just with palm branches and songs and hurrahs. Second, to welcome Jesus is to fulfill God's will with humility. St. Paul, in our second reading, says that "Christ humbled himself... Because of this, God greatly exalted him." (Phil. 2:8-9) May we fulfill God's will then, as Jesus did, to be exalted someday. And third, to welcome Jesus is to have the sense of self-sacrifice. That is, ready to do everything for the glory of God and for our salvation. Like the story of the passion of the Lord in our gospel today, Jesus fulfills the Father's will and accepts the cross and crucifixion for our salvation. May we then follow Christ's example of love, humility and self-sacrifice, so that He may always welcome us every moment with his arms wide open to say we belong together in God's family.

Fr. Ronie Pillos

Parochial Vicar

Scripture for Next Sunday: April 20
Easter Sunday Year A

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

This passage is Peter's address to the household of Cornelius, the Roman centurion in Caesarea focuses on the central theme of Easter. It shows how the apostles fulfilled the command to preach the Gospel. Peter teaches on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, with the conclusion that salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Psalm 118 is a hymn of thanksgiving to God as Savior of his people, and it looks toward the enthronement of the Messiah as Lord forever. The response fits in with the joy of Easter: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Paul in this passage highlights the new life that is God's gift in the resurrection. Paul's words open to us another dimension of Easter. For Paul, Easter is not only a celebration of Jesus' resurrection, but also a celebration of our being raised with Christ to a new life. Consequently, we have to think of the things that are above.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Throughout his Gospel, John calls attention to growth in faith through a step by step encounter with Christ. In this account of the resurrection, Mary of Magdala plays an important role in reporting to Peter and the disciple Jesus loved that Jesus' body has been taken away. The two Apostles rush to investigate the mystery of the empty tomb. In seeing the circumstances, they begin to believe. It is important to note that all three are witnesses. We also note that the disciple Jesus loved is the first to penetrate the mystery of the empty tomb. "He saw and believed." He believed that the body of the Lord could not have been taken away. The appearances of the Risen Lord would therefore play a crucial role in deepening the faith of the Apostles. They in turn may give witness to Jesus from their own personal experience (cf. Lk 24:13-35, the Gospel for Easter Evening Mass on the Emmaus story).

*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, John "Mike" Culkin, Guillermo Uytingco, Anthony Scarpelli, Shirley Shimaoka, Pat Nazareth, BJ Sagocio, Marcie and Ron Thames, Salve Galman, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Millard Beck, Rhoda Sanders, Marie Paz Bartolome, Bernadette A. Uyeda, Victor Ventigan, Jr., Kenneth J. Ferreira, Rainfredo J. Llamido, Fr. Tim Ottman, Veneranda M. Mendoza, Severo F. Tania, Fr. Cletus Mooya, Roy Burns, Jr., Grace Santos, Lionel Ribellia, Celedonia Deveraturda, Douglas Kunukau, Fortunata Ringor, Edward Cabacungan, Visitacion Ramos, Guillermo Respicio, Bernardo Benigno, and Rowena Ahakuelo.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, April 14, 2014

8am Mass John Sablan Sauget
(Blessings and Thanksgiving)
Celedonia Deveraturda (RIP)

Tuesday, April 15, 2014

8am Mass Rene Catalan (RIP)
Celedonia Deveraturda (RIP)

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

8am Mass Asuncion Cortel (Special Intention)
Brett Galman (Birthday Blessings)

Thursday, April 17, 2014

Holy Thursday (No Daily 8am Mass)

Friday, April 18, 2014

Good Friday (No Daily 8am Mass)

Saturday, April 19, 2014

Easter Vigil (No Daily 8am Mass)

Sunday, April 20, 2014

Easter Sunday

Parish News & Announcements

Holy Triduum, April 17-19

No Daily 8 AM Mass, Thursday-Saturday, April 17-19
No 3:30 PM Confession on Saturday, April 19

Holy Thursday, April 17

Mass of the Lord's Supper ~ 7:00 PM

Good Friday, April 18

Stations of the Cross ~ 3:00 PM
Passion of the Lord ~ 3:30 PM

Holy Saturday, April 19

Easter Vigil ~ 7:00 PM

Easter Sunday, April 20

Masses at 7 AM, 9 AM, and 11 AM
No 6:00 PM Mass

CRS Rice Bowl Reflection: Assisting our Neighbors

25 percent of contributions to CRS Rice Bowl remain in our diocese, helping to support local poverty and hunger alleviation programs. This week, we pray for people in our own community who struggle with poverty and hunger. 75 percent of your gift supports CRS' programs around the world. Some examples include: 1) agriculture projects help farmers improve harvests, 2) water and sanitation projects bring clean water to communities, 3) microfinance projects support small businesses, 4) mother and child health projects offer health and nutrition services, 5) education projects provide resources and training. Give to your Rice Bowl to support programs that help the poor in our own community, as well as in communities around the world. ***Rice Bowls may be dropped off in the box provided near the main entrance to the church. The collection on Holy Thursday will go to CRS Operation Rice Bowl.***

The Good Friday Pontifical Collection: Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land. ***The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be generous.***

Church offices will be closed on: Friday, April 18th (Good Friday) and Monday, April 21st (Easter Monday).

Easter Flower Offering Envelopes are available near the church entrance.

Planned Giving: Your gifts to your church are a testimony to your faith and the confidence you have in your church. Both lifetime gifts and testamentary (those that are given through your will) express your feelings in a meaningful way. ***Please remember your church in your will.***

Give an Elderly Person a Helping Hand. Embrace an elder in need. Catholic Charities Hawai'i is looking for volunteers who enjoy working with the elderly. Two or three hours once a week or every other week is all it takes to make a real difference in a senior's life. The needs vary with each situation. Volunteers are generally asked to provide regular friendly visits, companionship, running errands, accompaniment to doctor's appointments, shopping, reading and helping to fill out paperwork for those with low vision. Catholic Charities Hawai'i has about 20 seniors on our waiting list looking for a friendly visitor/companion or volunteer driver. We will assign you to an individual that best matches your interests and availability and are located in your neighborhood. Many of our seniors on the waiting list are in the Central Oahu vicariate. Please call 808-527-4850 if you are interested in giving of your time and talent for the benefit of our seniors.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Bernardo P. Benigno (RIP)

Wednesday, May 14, 2014 ~ Mililani Mortuary
Mauka Chapel, 6:30pm~Prayer Service
Thursday, May 15, 2014~St. John A&E Church
9am~Family and Public Viewing
9:30am~ Funeral Mass
11am~ Burial at Mililani Memorial Park

Sunday Collection April 5/6, 2014		
	Weekly Goal	Actual Amount
Sunday Offering	\$12,647.00	\$14,197.09
Building, Equip., Maintenance, and Outreach	\$1,470.00	\$1,476.50
<i>"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce." PROVERBS 3:9</i>		