

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



PASTOR'S CORNER

Aloha! My Brothers and Sisters,

Over the next four weeks, I am publishing a series of bulletin articles that explore some of the Sacred Catholic Traditions that are still valid for Catholics to practice. So, you might be asking yourselves: What are some of the practices of being Catholic?

As a Catholic, we are required to live a Christian life, pray daily, participate in the sacraments, obey the moral law, and accept the teachings of Christ and his Church.

The following are the minimum requirements for Catholics: Attend Mass every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation.

As Catholic's, we also have devotions and other traditional practices that can help us to become a little holier every day and bring us closer to God. One such practice is called Indulgences. Indulgences are, in the words of Saint John Paul II, *"the expression of the Church's full confidence of being heard by the Father when in view of Christ's merits and, by his gift, those of Our Lady and the saints she asks him to mitigate or cancel the painful aspect of punishment by fostering its medicinal aspect through other channels of grace."* (Pope John Paul II, General Audience, September 29, 1999)

An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment for sins, whose guilt is forgiven, which is properly disposed member of the Christian faithful obtains under certain and clearly defined conditions through the intervention of the Church, which, as the minister of Redemption, dispenses and applies authoritatively the treasury of the expiatory works of Christ and the saints.

An indulgence is partial or plenary according to whether it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin. The faithful can obtain partial or plenary indulgence for themselves, or they can apply them to the dead by way of suffrage.

To learn more about indulgences I recommend reading the book: Manual of Indulgences, it can be found on Amazon.

Fr. Anthony Rapier

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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
PAROCHIAL VICAR Fr. Cipriano “Jojo” Alnas
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	JUNE 29/30
Sunday Collection	\$ 10,699.38
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 5,648.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 315.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 10,305.00
Blessings	\$ 30.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 1,017.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 80.00
Candles	\$ 567.00
Stewardship	\$ 20.00
Social Ministry	\$ 5.00
Retirement Fund Religious	\$ 25.00
WEEKEND TOTAL	\$ 28,711.38

For the month of June 2024,
 We collected 102.18% (\$907,310 YTD) of
 our budget \$ 887,930.

SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS

Our readings today remind us that, even in our weakest and toughest moments, God has a plan.

In our Second Reading, St Paul describes a “thorn” that had been given to him. He believed this thorn to be the thing that kept him grounded as he said, “to beat me, to keep me from being too elated.”

At first, he asked the Lord to remove this cross, but the Lord replied, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” Through this explanation, St Paul resolved to believe, “I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions and constraints, for the sake of Christ, for when I am weak, then I am strong.”



We all bear crosses in this life, whether they seem to be little thorns or sharp daggers. The easiest thing to do, as St Paul did, is to pray for the cross to be taken. It would be great if all of our struggles just magically faded away! But listen to the Lord’s words, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.”

Stop and reflect on your cross. Instead of wishing it to go away, look at it as an opportunity to grow and to allow God to work in your life. God permitted this cross in your life for a reason. Do not let the opportunity for Christ to work your heart pass you by.

Today, recall that God loves us more than we could imagine. There is not a moment that goes by that He does not have us in mind. He has a specific plan for our lives. Therefore, may we encounter life’s challenges with confidence in Christ.

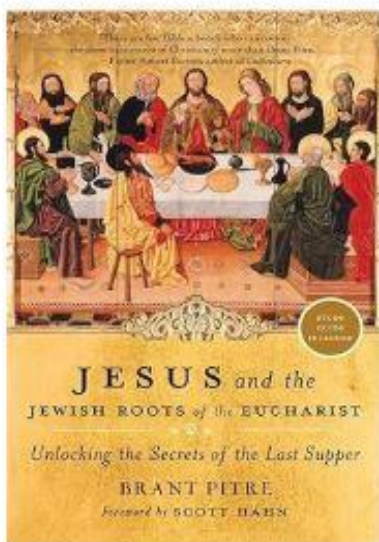
Respect Life: “O God our Creator... through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.”

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
“Prayer for Religious Liberty”

“My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.”

~ 2 CORINTHIANS 12:8-9

The following events have been postponed until further notice. We apologize for the inconvenience and will let you know as soon as they are rescheduled. Please stay tuned.



**Jesus and the Jewish Roots
of the Eucharist
Group Study
(condensed version)**



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

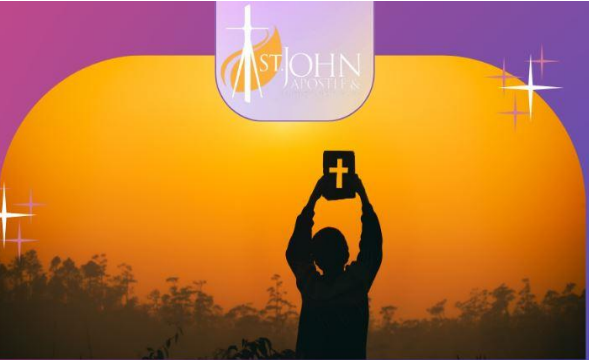
THIS WEEKEND, July 6/7, we will take up the **PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please drop your donation during offertory or you may also donate online through our parish website and click on "Online Giving." Please be generous.



ST JOHN'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP is sponsoring a Healing Mass on Monday, July 8th. Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 pm, followed by Mass celebrant by Fr. Anthony. For information, contact Victoria Achaval (808) 623-8860 or Stephen/Helen Uyehara (808) 623-7423.



THIS IS THE FINAL WEEKEND TO SUPPORT ST JOHN'S SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE. Ensure Hawaii's youth have the necessary tools to be successful in the classroom despite their family's financial challenges by providing them with the educational supplies they need to learn: Backpacks, Ball point pens (black or blue), Composition books (wide ruled), Crayons (24 count), Dry erase markers, Erasers, Folder papers (150 pk), Glue (4 fl. oz.), Glue sticks, Hand sanitizers (pocket size), Highlighters, Markers (washable, colored, broad line), Pencils (colored, 12 count), Pencils (No. 2), Permanent markers (black), Portfolios (2 pockets). **Please drop off your donation in the collection box provided at the main entrance to the church or in the parish office during office hours. Mahalo for your support and God Bless You!!**



**YOUTH MINISTRY
INFO NIGHT**

**Wednesday
07-10-24
6:00pm to 7:30pm**

St. John
Apostle & Evangelist
Catholic Church

- Get to know the new CYM: Chayne Garma
- Overview of Ministry Events
- Light refreshments to be served



**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

INFORMATION NIGHT
is on Wednesday, July 24 at
6:30 pm in the OCC.

Come meet Ms. Kelly Higa,
RE Director.

Come learn about the Sophia
Institute curriculum "Spirit and
Truth" used by our RE program.

GO MAKE DISCIPLES AND SHARE THE GOSPEL! Support St. John's outreach and evangelization efforts by making a donation towards feeding the hungry and spreading the Good News! Envelopes are available at the back of the church, or you may donate on the parish website online giving. Mahalo for your generosity.

VOLUNTEER TO SERVE A MEAL AT INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN SERVICES (IHS): St. John has been approved to serve dinner at IHS Men's Shelter, 350 Sumner St. in Honolulu every 3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30-7pm. A maximum of 5 people is allowed to serve in the kitchen. Parking is available. If your ministry or group would like to serve, please contact the parish office to sign up.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

- ❖ Never Confirmed in the Catholic Church?
- ❖ Do you want to be baptized?
- ❖ Are you or do you know someone who is interested in becoming a part of the Catholic Faith?
- ❖ Let us help you with your journey in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.
- ❖ Candidates will explore the elements of the Catholic faith in weekly meetings with Catechists in preparation to receive all the Sacraments of Initiation. For more information, contact Deacon Romeo Ganibe at rganibe@rcchawaii.org.



JOHN PRESCHOOL – OPEN ENROLLMENT SY 2024-2025 for ages 2.8 years - 6 years old. For more information, call (808) 744-9538 or stohns_preschool@rcchawaii.org.

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

Cremation Niches

**SECURE YOUR FAMILY'S FUTURE
AND SUPPORT YOUR PARISH
BY PRE-PLANNING TODAY**

Duane Pavao *Director of Cemeteries*
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HAWAII
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES




DUANE PAVAO from **HAWAII CATHOLIC CEMETERIES** will be here, THIS weekend on July 6/7, after all Masses in the OCC to give a brief presentation of our Columbaria (niche) project on where we are and will take initial sales from those who are ready. For more information, please contact Duane (808) 783-6778.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY JULY 14, 2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15

Responsorial Psalm: 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL

Akamai Owls Newsletter

July 2024

Welcome Back!



Aloha!

We hope you are all having a wonderful summer, and we are so excited in welcoming you back to the beginning of another new school year 2024-2025. All of us here at SJCP are looking forward to a fun-filled year of learning with the children!

An addition to our teaching team, we would like to welcome Ms. Krystle Cortez as our Head Teacher. As a bonus to our SJCP community, Ms. Krystle's educational certification also includes infants/toddlers. We are blessed to have her join our "Akamai Owls!"

Our learning focus this month will also include activities highlighted in the Summer 2024 Olympics in Paris. The children will be introduced to the many gross motor skills needed for sports and how to develop sportsmanship. We thank you all for entrusting your children to us!

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 8-10: Phase-in Days
(school ends at 2:30pm)

July 11: SY 2024-2025
Resumes

LOOKING AHEAD

August 15: Mass of the
Holy Spirit (No School)

August 16: Admissions Day
Holiday
(No School)

BIRTHDAY SALUTATIONS

July 3 Rain



"Imagination does not become great until human beings, given the courage and the strength, use it to create." -Maria Montessori

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Mahalo for your continued support of St. John's Catholic Preschool

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	July 8, 2024	Saturday	July 13, 2024
8 AM	David Santiago (Healing) Francisco P. Corpuz (RIP)	8 AM	Francisco P. Corpuz (RIP)
Tuesday	July 9, 2024	5 PM	George Szczepkowski (Birthday Memorial)
8 AM	James & Mildred Mizoguchi (RIP) Nida Pantaleon (RIP) Wanda Sonognini (Healing)		
Wednesday	July 10, 2024	Sunday	July 14, 2024
8 AM	Suzanna Foster (RIP) Nida Pantaleon (RIP)	7 AM	Raymond Aruda Jr. (RIP)
Thursday	July 11, 2024	9 AM	For the People
8 AM	John Bates (Birthday Blessing) Nida Pantaleon (RIP)		
Friday	July 12, 2024	11 AM	Suzanna Foster (RIP)
8 AM	Robert Ane (RIP) David Joseph Santiago (RIP)	6 PM	Xavier P. Belleza (Happy Baptism Day Blessings)

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

ESTRELLA AGGABAO DUMLAO (RIP)- Wednesday, July 10, 2024, St John, Mililani;
Visitation: 10:00 am, Eulogy: 10:35 am, Mass: 11:00 am.

SAMUEL PASCUAL ROMBAOA (RIP) – Tuesday, July 16, 2024. St John, Mililani; Visitation:
10:00 am, Mass: 10:30 am, Burial: 1:30 pm - Mililani Memorial Park

GENE LUMANTAS (RIP) – Saturday, July 20, 2024, St Anthony Church, Kalihi; Visitation:
10:00 am, Mass: 10:30 am, Burial: 2:00 pm – Hawaiian Memorial Park, Kaneohe.

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, John Bates, Cindy Abernathy, Lita Guerrero, Florida Badua, Allene Ishikawa, Dominador Rulloda, Cherissalyn & Tuputasi Gaopoa, Nicole Guerrero, Lourdes Amasol, Dr. Luis Raguton, Manny Rodil, Aida Antalan, Barbara Ursal, Hildegard Borowitz, Virginia Amo, John Basug, Claire Pilar, Roland Crisostomo & Addie Pablo.

DECEASED

Daniel Ariola, Maxima Looney, Suzanna Foster, Ruth Hartzel, Angela Topinio, Diane Kotch, Florence P. Albano, Julian Rillamas Jr., Vivencia Mamaril, Salvador Ganzon Jr & Sr, Philip Chircop Sr., George Szczepkowski, Robert Ane, Sam Rombaoa, Albino Macedo, Gene Lumantas & Ray Beauchemin.