

SPIRIT-LED NEWS



PASTOR'S CORNER

Aloha my Brothers and Sisters,

This week I want to explore the Rosary. The word Rosary means "Crown of Roses". Our Lady has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose and that each complete Rosary makes her a crown of roses. The rose is the queen of flowers, and so the Rosary is the rose of all devotions, and it is therefore the most important one.

The Holy Rosary is considered a perfect prayer because within it lies the awesome story of our salvation. With the Rosary, in fact, we meditate on the mysteries of joy, of sorrow, of the glory of Jesus and Mary, and the Luminous manifestation of Christ's public life. It's a simple prayer, humble so much like Mary. It's a prayer we can all say together with Her, the Mother of God. With the Hail Mary we invite Her to pray for us. Our Lady always grants our request. She joins Her prayer to ours. Therefore, it becomes ever more useful, because what Mary asks, she always receives. Jesus can never say no to whatever His Mother asks for.

In every apparition, our heavenly Mother has invited us to say the Rosary as a powerful weapon against evil, to bring us to true peace. With our prayer made together with our heavenly Mother, we can obtain the great gift of bringing about a change of hearts and conversion. Each day, through prayer we can drive away from ourselves and from our homeland many dangers and many evils.

Archbishop Fulton Sheen once said, "The rosary is the book of the blind, where souls see and there enact the greatest drama of love the world has ever known; it is the book of the simple, which initiates them into mysteries and knowledge more satisfying than the education of other men; it is the book of the aged, whose eyes close upon the shadow of this world, and open on the substance of the next. The power of the rosary is beyond description."

Fr. Anthony Pope



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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

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE JULY 20/21

Sunday Collection	\$ 10,447.05
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,211.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 619.55
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 315.00
Marriage	\$ 500.00
Funeral	\$ 600.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 411.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 50.00
Candles	\$ 382.00
Stewardship	\$ 100.00
Outreach Mission	\$ 130.00
Social Ministry	\$ 5.00
Archdiocese of Military Services	\$ 5.00
WEEKEND TOTAL	\$ 16,775.60

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

SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS



The servant and the little boy in our readings today are excellent examples for us as Christian stewards. The servant gave the very best of what he had, and the boy gave all that he had, then God did the rest.

A key component of living as a good steward is constantly evaluating our lives, particularly our relationship with God to ensure we are not just scraping by but rather giving God our entire lives.

We should ask ourselves — ‘how am I giving God my time, using my talents, and sharing my treasures?’

We are called to give God adequate time each day. If we don’t plan for this time, likely, He won’t get any. We need to find what works best for us so that God can become a more significant part of our daily lives. We are also called to put our gifts and talents to good use too. The servant and the boy teach us that it is not up to us to decide how our gifts will affect others. God will do that. All we need to do is to give it well.

Lastly, the servant reminds us that we are called to give the first fruits of our treasures. It is easy to give something; it is difficult to give the finest gift. Giving our best requires us to reevaluate our priorities in life.

When we strive to live out our call as Christian stewards by entrusting all that we have been given to the One who graciously gave us these gifts, we will be blessed beyond measure. As we begin a new week, let us spend some time evaluating our relationship with God by asking, ‘what is my very best, and am I giving it to God?’

“The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs.”



Making the Most of Moments

Accompaniment and Evangelization through Moments of Return

Presenters:

Paul & Sarah Jarzembowski

Paul is the author of two best-selling books on moments of return, *Hope from the Ashes* (2022) and *Hope for the Holidays* (2023). He has also served on staff coordinating national efforts around laity, youth, and young adults for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) since 2013.

Sarah is a facilitator, trainer, mentor, pastoral minister, and co-host of the *Catholic Leadership Network* podcast. She is also the Director of Marriage and Family Life at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Crofton, Maryland, in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, where she has served since 2016.

MAUI Aug 10	 St. Anthony of Padua Church 1627 Mill Street, Wailuku, Maui  9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
KAUA'I Aug 14	 Immaculate Conception Church 4453 Kapaia Road, Lihue, Kaua'i  6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
KONA Aug 16	 St. Michael the Archangel Church 75-5769 Ali'i Drive, Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i Island  10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
O'AHU Aug 17	 St. Stephen Diocesan Center 6301 Pali Highway, Kāne'ohe, O'ahu  9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Learn more and RSVP here:




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SENIOR FRAUD is on the rise, so please join us for an essential SENIOR FRAUD AWARENESS PRESENTATION designed to educate and empower older adults against the growing threat of senior fraud.

Guest Presenter: Brian Ishikawa – SVP and Director of Bank of Hawaii Corporate Security

Date: Saturday, August 10, 2024

Time: 10:00 am – 11:00 am

Place: SJAE One Community Center

In this session you will:

- ◆ Learn about senior financial abuse
- ◆ Identify different types of scams
- ◆ Understand how to protect yourself from fraud
- ◆ Know what to do if you become a victim of fraud

If you wish to attend, please RSVP by text message to Elaine Gibson at (808) 779-2600.

This is being presented by Bank of Hawaii in partnership with SJAE Parish Health Ministry.

COUPLES WHO **PRAY** TOGETHER, **STAY TOGETHER**

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Help your love blossom and mature to strengthen your commitment!

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-Karen and Dave

A new experience
unlocking the power of the sacrament of marriage. Realize God's call to a relationship of unity and holiness & create a lasting personal prayer for your relationship!

PRE-REGISTRATION NECESSARY \$50 per couple

DATE: Aug 31st, 2024 **TIME:** 9 AM – 5 PM

WHERE: 511 Main Street @ The Holy Family Ohana Center

CONTACT: Dave & Sue Shanahan

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worldwide
**marriage
encounter**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEBT REDUCTION SECOND COLLECTION: We will have a second collection, next weekend **August 3/4**, 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 you may donate on our parish website, online giving. Your generosity is much appreciated.



MAHALO to all who donated school supplies for Kipapa Elementary School and Helping Hands Hawaii Ready to Learn Program! We are grateful for our parish community of selfless and caring people. Thank you for continuing to support our keiki by providing the tools they need to succeed in the classroom! God Bless You!

Join us for Family Movie Night on Friday, August 2nd at 6:30pm in the One Community Center featuring the movie, *"Unsung Hero."* Based on a remarkable true story, a mom's faith stands against all odds and inspires her husband and children to hold on to theirs. All are welcome!

The Search is an innovative video series that tackles the key questions of every human heart. In seven beautifully filmed episodes, Chris Stefanick and experts from multiple fields of science, medicine, psychology, art, and religion examine our place in the larger story of existence. **A Small Group Study will be held on Tuesday Nights: August 6, 20, 27, September 3, 10, 17, and 24 at 6:30 PM in the One Community Center. All are invited. Come and be filled.**

Convalidation Information Day with St. John's clergy will be held on Saturday, August 24th, 9am-12noon in the One Community Center. The Lord has richly blessed our Church with the gift of His many graces, made available to us in the sacraments. For couples who have been married outside the Church, there could be no better way to strengthen your faith life and marriage than by entering the Marriage Convalidation program and preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage! We encourage all parishioners interested in this wonderful opportunity to contact Dcn. Mike Browning at mbrowning@rcchawaii.org, 808.623.3332.

GO MAKE DISCIPLES AND SHARE THE GOSPEL! In this National Eucharistic Revival Year of Mission, we are asked to recommit from our Eucharistic heart to go out as missionaries of God's love. Support St. John's outreach efforts to serve the needy and spread the Good News! Mission envelopes are available at the back of the church or you may donate on the parish website online giving. Mahalo for your support!

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.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 4, 2024

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Exodus: 16:2-4, 12-15

Responsorial Psalm: 78: 3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Gospel: John 6:24-35

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.



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stohns_preschool@rcchawaii.org.

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Respect Life: “Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation.... We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions.” Read more at www.respectlife.org/end-of-life-considerations.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing”

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	July 29, 2024	Saturday	August 3, 2024
8 AM	Ignacia V. Benitez (Birthday Memorial) James Varde (Birthday Memorial)	8 AM	Sean McKinney Teofilo Malicay (Death Anniversary)
Tuesday	July 30, 2024	5 PM	Visitacion Corpuz (Death Anniversary)
8 AM	Carol Baron (Birthday Memorial) Juan Achaval Jr. (Birthday Memorial)		
Wednesday	July 31, 2024	Sunday	August 4, 2024
8 AM	Thomas Ramos (Birthday Blessings) Klaus Happersberger (RIP)	7 AM	Jonathan Somaoang (RIP)
Thursday	August 1, 2024	9 AM	For the People
8 AM	Marietta & Peter Kaeo (RIP) Susie R. Soon Lapid (Death Anniversary)		
Friday	August 2, 2024	11 AM	Suzanna Foster (RIP)
8 AM	Guerrero Family (Blessings/Thanksgiving) Feliciano Dona (RIP)	6 PM	Virgilio V. Benitez (Birthday Memorial)

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

RAY BEAUCHEMIN (RIP)- Thursday, August 1, 2024 – Mililani Memorial Makai Chapel; Visitation: 5:30 pm, Prayer Service: 6:30 pm. **Friday, August 2, 2024**, St John, Mililani; Visitation: 10:00 am, Eulogy: 10:35 am, Mass: 11:00 am; Burial: 1:00 pm ~ Hawaii State Veteran's Cemetery, Kaneohe.

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, John Bates, Cindy Abernathy, Florida Badua, Allene Ishikawa, 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 & Margie Romasanta.

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.