



SPIRIT-LED NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

Aloha my Brothers and Sisters,

Four weeks ago, our parish held its annual Stewardship Commitment Sunday, and I would like to take this opportunity to present you our parish participation was in this year's commitment process.

As of this Friday November 8, 2024, our parish mailed commitment cards to 1,300 registered parishioners. Of these parishioners, a total of 215 commitment cards were returned. 54 were submitted digitally, 72 were submitted via mail, and 89 were submitted in person during our Masses on Commitment Sunday.

During the next couple of weeks our parish ministry leaders will be contacting those who signed up to join one of our parish's various ministries and let you know when the next training session or ministry event will take place. This will be done so you can get more acquainted with the ministry and help you discern if God is calling you to that ministry.

Thank you for sharing your talents with Saint John Apostle & Evangelist Catholic Church. You have recognized that the Lord has blessed you with talents and abilities which can be fruitful for Him and His work among us in fulfilling the mission of the Church. We are very encouraged by the number of parishioners who have completed a Stewardship Commitment Card and answered the call with an interest to serve more ministries than ever before. We are grateful to all our parishioners who serve in our ministries.

Gratefully yours in the heart of Jesus Christ,

Fr. Anthony Rapozo

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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
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 NOV 2/3

Sunday Collection	\$ 11,224.32
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 1,970.00
Building, Equipment & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 858.70
OCC Capital Campaign (Non-Assessed)	\$ 60.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 5,997.85
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00
Candles	\$ 838.00
All Soul’s Day	\$ 961.00
Social Ministry	\$ 25.00
Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$ 14.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 30.00
WEEKEND TOTAL	\$ 21, 998.87

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

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

BY CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP CONSULTANTS

Today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings, as well as the Gospel passage from Mark, both center on the actions of two seemingly poor and helpless widows who show themselves to be faith-filled and generous stewards.



In the eyes of the world, particularly in biblical times when there was no life insurance or Social Security, these widows were weak and dependent on others to take care of them. They each found themselves in desperate situations — one in the midst of famine with a child for which to care, and the other clearly impoverished. Yet, each demonstrated strength and generosity that distinguished them from those around them. From where did this strength come?

It came from knowing who they are, and Whose they are. These women must have known their security would not come from a good life insurance policy or connections to someone with a hidden storehouse of flour.

No, their security came from knowing they were daughters of the Most High God and from putting their faith in Him. They had no need to panic in the midst of natural disaster or cling desperately to their menial resources. Their faith in God set them free to trust Him when all seemed hopeless. Their faith kept them detached from material possessions. Their faith allowed them to be brave and generous, to think of others despite their own trials.

These women saw themselves as stewards, not owners, of the resources God gave them, regardless of how much or how little they had. And acting as stewards made them gracious, generous and mighty indeed.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

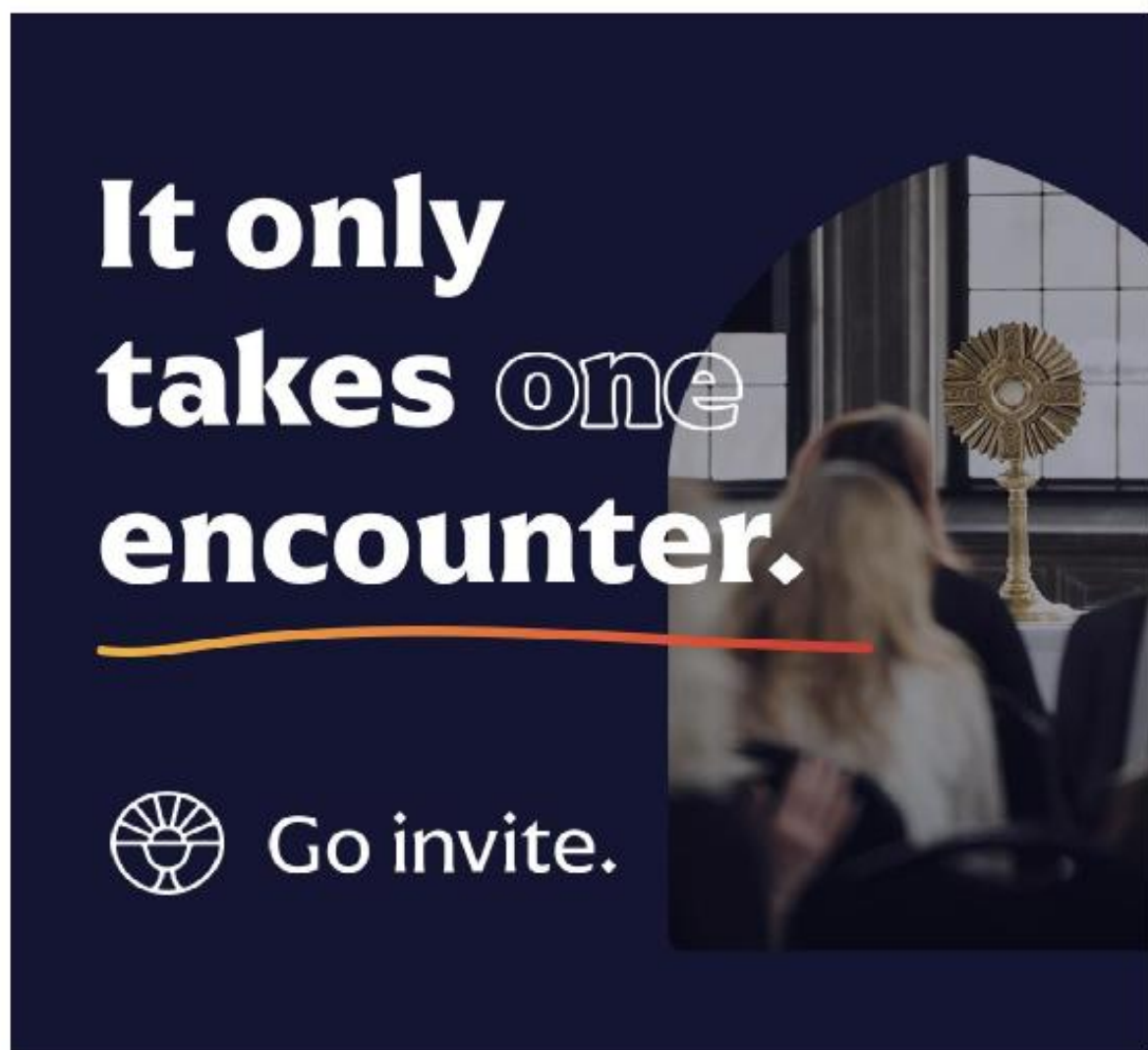
First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Responsorial Psalm: 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

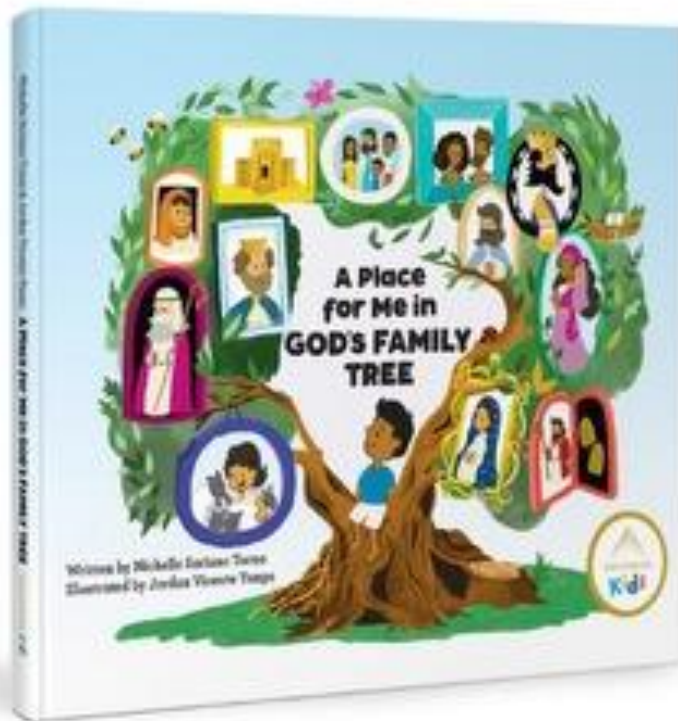


Someone in your life is waiting for a moment that will change everything, and God is ready to deliver. He desires to bring them into a life-changing encounter with his love, pouring abundant grace into their life and giving them the joy and hope they long for. You can help make that moment happen!

Ask God whom he wants you to invite to Sunday Mass, to adoration, or to a prayer event. Your willingness to accompany them may be the spark that leads them back to the sacraments and rekindles their relationship with Christ and his Church.

It only takes one personal encounter with Jesus to change their life forever.





A Place for Me in God's Family Tree ***Parish Book Tour***

St. John's Mililani – November 24, 2024

Written and illustrated by cousins Nichelle Soriano Torno and Jordan Vicente Yango, *A Place for Me in God's Family Tree* shows little Catholics how they fit into the story of salvation today.

With gorgeous, colorful illustrations that correspond with The Bible Timeline™ Learning System, this charming storybook engages children as they learn the history of salvation and how they fit into that story today through characters from each biblical time period.

Meet local Oahu author, Nichelle Torno, who will be signing book copies available to purchase after Sunday masses.

To book Oahu author, Nichelle for local book or speaking events visit:

www.nichellesoriantorno.com/contact





ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
WITNESS TO JESUS

November 1, 2024

"Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever. (Dan 12:3)

First Reading, Sunday, November 17, 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you!

Sunday November 17 is the **World Day of the Poor**, whose theme this year is *"The prayer of the poor rises up to God (cf. Sirach 21:5)"*. On that date our diocese will participate in the U.S. Bishops' annual national collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development-CCHD**. Through this second collection, support for CCHD enables the active participation of those experiencing poverty to address this complex challenge and build a just society with their neighbors.

Please remember that 25% of the CCHD collection in our diocese stays in Hawaii to respond to challenges of poverty in communities here. CCHD funds donated from our parishes have contributed to a variety of effective community efforts, including helping houseless survivors of natural disasters rebuild their lives; assisting formerly incarcerated or homeless women with transitional housing and job training; and supporting non-profit organizations helping low-income families build and own affordable housing.

I strongly encourage all to give generously to the CCHD collection as a way of giving witness to Jesus, responding to the prayer of the poor by building a world with justice for all.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

The Catholic Church teaches the fundamental importance of paying workers a living wage that allows them to meet their basic needs. Cooperative businesses are co-owned by the employees, which gives workers greater say in how the business is run, including the wages and salaries that workers earn. Those principles animate the work of the organizations creating opportunities and fighting poverty with support from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD).

Seed Commons is a New York City-based national network of community loan funds that make cooperative businesses easier to start and less expensive than obtaining bank loans. Based on a “nonextractive” model, Seed Commons does not require borrowers to make payments on interest or principal until they can cover operating expenses, including market-rate salaries. With support from CCHD, Seed Commons helps workers become

cooperative owners who earn living wages at companies like a Chicago-based window manufacturer, which pays \$2/hour more than it did before it became a cooperative. The employee-owners now earn not only higher wages but profit-sharing checks as well.

Your support of CCHD helps workers become worker-owners who earn living wages and establish economic roots in communities that badly need greater employment and earning opportunities. When you give to the CCHD collection, you help not only national networks like Seed Commons but also organizations working to end poverty within your diocese, where 25% of your contribution stays to create opportunities in your own neighborhood.

To learn more about the collection for the CCHD and the way CCHD upholds the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church, visit www.usccb.org/cchd.

2022-2023 GRANTS



2022 EXPENSES



*Internal grants include a distribution from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection for CCHD operations expenses and for USCCB Justice, Peace and Human Development's Education and Outreach program that includes engaging Catholics in our faith-filled call to address the root causes of poverty.

LEARN about those living in poverty who are working to improve their communities. • **ACT** and spread the word about poverty by sharing this flier. • **CONNECT** with the work of CCHD by supporting the collection. • **PRAY** for those who benefit from this collection.



Office of National Collections

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Anchored in Mission

An engaging presentation for young adults and ministry leaders

Date/Time:
November 21, 2024
7:00 PM

Location:
Our Lady of Sorrows Church
1403-A California Ave, Wahiawa, HI, 96786

With Speaker:
Rick Popp

Rick Popp serves as a missionary with ACTS XXIX, a Catholic organization dedicated to empowering church leaders and communities for transformative mission work. A husband and father, Rick is a recognized authority in leadership with over 30 years experience as a consultant and HR executive. Rick equips bishops, pastors, leaders, and their teams for Mission. Rick is a graduate of Northern Michigan University.

 **Reserve your spot!**
<https://anchoredinmission.eventbrite.com>

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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For questions about your gift
please call the Gifts Office at (808) 372-3472
or email hccf-admin@rcchawaii.org

Please support your Parish and our many Catholic ministries by contributing to the 2024-2025 Appeal.

Your gift will especially help:

Parish Priests & Deacons recruitment, assignment, professional development, health & wellness needs.

Youth & Young Ministry developing faith formation groups, programs, events, and support Catholic schools.

Those most in need resourcing for parish food and shelter programs, and for Catholic social ministry agencies serving our kupuna, keiki, & migrant communities.

This weekend, **Nov 9/10**, we will be handing out the 'Ohana in Christ envelopes. See an Usher after Mass. Please take one as you leave the church.

Next weekend, **Nov 16/17**, we will be having a **SECOND COLLECTION**. Bring your 'Ohana in Christ envelope back with you when you come to Mass.

Give online at:

<https://www.catholichawaii.org/ohana-in-christ/> or you may donate through our parish website: online giving.

Mahalo for your generous support!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

“Do not fear: go, do as you have said.” Let the reassuring words of Christ lead you. If you are being called to be a priest or religious brother or sister, courageously say “Yes! Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office: Fr. Joseph Diaz (Director of Vocations) at (808) 585.3355 or via email: jodiaz@rcchawaii.org.

The first Sunday of Advent is 1 December. Check out the Advent and Christmas resources at the Library Tables after all Masses **THIS** weekend!



ST JOHN’S CHRISTMAS WISH tags will be available after all Masses (11/9 – 11/10). Gifts can be returned wrapped on **Nov. 23 & 24 and Nov 30 & Dec 1**. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the office.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Monday, November 11th, in observance of Veterans Day.

ST JOHN’S CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP is sponsoring a Healing Mass on Monday, November 11. 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.



Join us on Movie Night, Friday, November 15th, for the showing of Cabrini at 6:30pm in the One Community Center. All are welcome.

Friendly reminder, Altar Server training is on Saturday, November 16 at 9:30 in the church.

NEXT WEEKEND (11/16-17), our collection will support the **CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT** “Working on the Margins.” **Please respond to Pope Francis’ call for the World Day of the Poor, whose theme this year is “The prayer of the poor rises up to God (cf. Sirach 21:5) the weekend of November 17.** Please remember that 25% of the CCHD collection in our diocese stays in Hawaii. CCHD funds donated from our parishes contribute to a variety of effective community efforts including helping houseless survivors of natural disasters rebuild their lives, assisting formerly incarcerated or homeless women with transitional housing and job training, and supporting non-profit organizations helping low-income families build and own affordable housing. Envelopes are available at the back of the church, or you may donate through our parish website online giving. Please prayerfully consider Bishop Larry Silva’s call to give generously to the CCHD collection as a way of witnessing to Jesus. MAHALO!

Respect Life: “In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual conversion of our own hearts, so that we can recognize in every person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own.”

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities “Living Radical Solidarity”



ST JOHN PRESCHOOL – OPEN ENROLLMENT SY 2024-2025

for ages 2.8 years - 6 years old.

Year-round Montessori based teaching.

For more information, call (808) 744-9538 or

stohns_preschool@rcchawaii.org.

Y.A.B.S: YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY in Room 4

On Tuesdays 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM ---- Let's discover our faith and grow friendships. This is an amazing opportunity to deepen our love for Jesus in this modern age. Join us this month in the program Freedom To Love by Christopher West. Any Questions? Feel free to email: sjaeyoungadult@rcchawaii.org.

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.

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.



ENCOUNTER NIGHTS

Eucharistic Exposition & Benediction

Wednesdays | 7:00 PM

Rediscover the sense of adoration in silence.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday **November 11, 2024**
8 AM *Juliana Valion (Death Anniversary)*
Charles & Chieko Beesen (RIP)
Dominador Rulloda (RIP)
Robert Mandap (Blessings)

Tuesday **November 12, 2024**
8 AM *James & Mildred Mizoguchi (RIP)*
Roda Gervacio (Birthday Blessings)
Margaret K. Stafford (RIP)

Wednesday **November 13, 2024**
8 AM *Pagador & Gibson Family (Thanksgiving/Blessings)*
Maria Ponce (RIP)
Margaret K. Stafford (RIP)

Thursday **November 14, 2024**
8 AM *Felicitas & Alfredo Cordial Sr. & Jr. (RIP)*
Pat Merideth (RIP)
Eduardo Islao (RIP)

Friday **November 15, 2024**
8 AM *Visitacion Corpuz (RIP)*
Vicente Soriano (Death Anniversary)
Eduardo Islao (RIP)

Saturday **November 16, 2024**
8 AM *Salvacion Agsalda (RIP)*
Jim & Tahlia Pankau (Emotional Healing)

5 PM *Julius Soria (Death Anniversary & Birthday Memorial)*

Sunday **November 17, 2024**
7 AM *Jonathan Somaoang (RIP)*
(1 yr. Death Anniversary)

9 AM *For the People*

11 AM *Suzanna Foster (RIP)*
6 AM *Gaopoa Family (Blessing/Thanksgiving)*

HEALING / BLESSINGS

Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Stephanie Rapozo, Thomas Ramos, John Bates, Cindy Abernathy, Dr. Luis Raguton, Manny Rodil, Aida Antalan, Barbara Ursal, Hildegard Borowitz, John Basug, Claire Pilar, Roland Crisostomo, Addie Pablo, Margie Romasanta, Clarita Martinez, Jim Guzior, Freddy Willems, Florence Willems, Ross Licare, Butch Corpuz, Noemi Angeles, & Julius Magio.

DECEASED

Robert Ane, Gene Lumantas, Ray Beauchemin, Dominador Rulloda, Dan & Clemente Flojo, Alejandro Rodriguez, Richard Cross, Marcela S. Escamilla, Eduardo E. Islao, Helen Mendez, Hermina Dosztal, Dale Cox Jr., Virginie Amo, Natividad Jaramillo & Mercedes Raneses .