



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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He Ascended into Heaven

This Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord into heaven. In the Creed we confess our faith in Christ who "ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father". But what exactly do we mean by saying that he ascended into heaven? We mean that the Risen Lord is not only totally alive, but also that the Father has placed Christ at His right hand, an expression that signifies the Father glorifying Christ and making him the Lord of all creation. As we hear in today's Gospel, to him "is given all power in heaven and on earth" (Mt. 28.18). Paul in the Second reading underlines the mystery of Christ being glorified. He says, God "put all things beneath his feet, and gave him as head over all things to the Church which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way".

The Ascension needs to be seen as part of the Paschal Mystery of Christ: the suffering and death; the resurrection; ascension; and the sending of the Spirit. If the resurrection points to the crucified Jesus risen and alive, the Ascension points to the Risen Lord who now enters into the fullness of Father's glory sharing equally the glory of the Father.

The take away message on this Sunday is threefold: 1) The Ascension is about Jesus the risen Lord being present to us in a new way. This presence permeates and saturates the entire cosmos. For St. Paul the ascension has a cosmic dimension, namely the overthrow of all demonic powers by Christ, who "has put all things under his feet". 2) The Ascension invites us to reflect on that mystery in terms of Christ's physical presence that comes to an end, yet that event ushers in a new and enduring presence in the Church through the Holy Spirit, who accompanies us in our stewardship of proclaiming the Good News. 3) The Ascension is a sure pointer to our final destiny, for "where He the Head has gone, there we the Body hope to follow."

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

Pastor

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.*

Scripture for Next Sunday: June 8

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor. 12:3b-7,12-13;
John 20:19-23

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

In this passage, Luke describes the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the gathered disciples on the day of Pentecost, fifty days after the Passover. The Holy Spirit is the source of their mission of witness to the resurrection and lordship of Jesus, which characterizes the entire life of the Church. The graphic and symbolic details of the event underline the power of the Spirit compelling the disciples to go forth and preach the Good News to all people. The event also symbolizes the universal effect of their mission.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

These verses in Psalm 104 praise God for his eternal deeds, and thus foreshadow the new creation in the Spirit. Response: "Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Paul in this passage uses the analogy of the body to remind us that the Spirit gives a diversity of gifts to members of the Church. This diversity of gifts is a great source of joy and growth for the Christian community. Unfortunately that diversity may also lead to view others' gifts with suspicion and as a threat to our own, rather than a gift to be welcomed.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

In this Gospel, John describes an appearance account of the risen Lord. The event occurs on the evening of the day of the resurrection even though the doors are closed. Jesus offers the disciples a greeting of peace (Shalom) then shows them the wounds on his hands to assure them of his identity. He then bestows the Holy Spirit upon them and entrusts on them the power of binding and loosing. The passage shows that the Holy Spirit is the fulfillment of the presence of the Risen Lord in his followers. The Spirit will continue Jesus' mission of reconciliation. The central message of that mission is not just preaching, but living out what one preaches in a spirit of forgiveness and reconciliation.

*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, Sandy Padilla, Eileen Hayase, Vicente Guerrero, Catherine Guerrero-De Jesus, Frank Tadda, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: 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, Rowena Ahakuelo, Enrique Canas, Luz Abanes, Donald Cook, Joan Flaharty, Myrtle Reponte, and Feliciano Dona.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, June 2, 2014

8am Mass Marcie Thames (Birthday)
Cyril and Molly Pereira (RIP)

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

8am Mass Luther G. Fernandez (RIP)
Feliciano Dona (RIP)

Wednesday, June 4, 2014

8am Mass Hilda Javinar (Birthday Blessings)
Frances Amado (Good Health)

Thursday, June 5, 2014

8am Mass James and Mildred Mizoguchi (RIP)
Michael Morano (RIP)
Bernardo P. Benigno (RIP)

Friday, June 6, 2014

8am Mass Linda Tanaka Fishel (Healing)
Mari Page (RIP)

Saturday, June 7, 2014

8am Mass Pedro F. Corpuz (RIP)
June Gonsalves (Anniversary)

5pm Mass Gilbert Lunasco (RIP)

Sunday, June 8, 2014

7am Mass Victoria Castilla (Healing)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Prima Aquino (RIP)
6pm Mass Feliciano Dona (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

The Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC), May 31/June 1: This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese and support local needs, so please be generous. CCC equips us to share our experience of faith, worship, and witness with the world. Special collection envelopes are available at the back of the church. You may drop off your offering in the collection basket or in the parish office during office hours. Mahalo.

24 Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, June 6th immediately after the 8 A.M. Mass and ending at 7:30 A.M. on Saturday, June 7th. This beautiful devotion allows us to spend time in quiet adoration of our Lord, and to feel the infinite love present in His heart. Jesus waits for us in the Blessed Sacrament. Come and adore Our Risen Lord!

A Healing Mass with anointing will be held on Monday, June 9th. Praise and worship begins at 7:30pm followed by Mass.

Registrations for the 2014-2015 Religious Education Program are now being accepted. Parents should register their children as soon as possible as class sizes are limited. Registration forms are available online at our website www.stjohnmililani.org or you can register in person after Sunday morning Masses. Please call Terry Silva at 623-3332 ext. 204 for further information.

BSA Ad Altari Dei (AAD) Program: Active Catholic Boy Scouts who will complete Grade 6 in SY13-14 may earn the AAD Catholic Religious Emblem. Ms. Erin Gallogly will conduct an AAD Program from June 2014 – January 2015. Please contact her at 808-478-6071. The first meeting is June 1, 2014.

The next Catholic Book Club meeting will be held on Thursday, June 19th, 7pm – 9pm, Parish Center Classroom 6. The net book that we will discuss is **Our Lady of Fatima** by William Thomas Walsh. Borrow or buy the book, read it and join us for our book discussion. Contact Melissa Crisostomo 626-2469 or alohamc@yahoo.com for more information.

FaithLife continues throughout the summer. All High School grades 9-12 and college age students are invited to join us on Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the parish center in rooms 4 & 5. The FaithLife Youth & Young Adult Ministry will sponsor a Summer Overnight Lock In on June 20th - 21st at the Parish Center. We invite all interested high school and college age young people to join us for this event titled “Journey with Jesus.” Forms and description of event can be obtained at FaithLife Night OR on the Religious Education Registration table on the fellowship lanai. Please join us and meet valuable friends waiting to welcome and journey with you to Jesus.

Outreach School Supply Drive: The Outreach Office is holding its annual School Supply Drive from June 1 through August 15, 2014. Donations of backpacks, binders (1-1/2” & 2”), rulers, pencils (#2 and colored), composition books (wide and college ruled), scissors, and other school supplies are greatly appreciated. Thank you for supporting these much needed supplies which will be distributed to families in need from our parish and the Mililani area. Donations may be dropped off at the Outreach Office. Please call Pearl at 623-3332 ext. 203 for additional information.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Feliciano Dona (RIP)

Thursday, June 5, 2014 ~ Mililani Mortuary,
Mauka Chapel, 5:00pm ~ Viewing
6:30pm Prayer Service

Friday, June 6, 2014 ~ St. John A&E Church
10:00am ~ Viewing; 11:00 am ~ Funeral Mass
2:00pm ~ Burial at Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery

Sunday Collection May 24/25, 2014		
	Weekly Goal	Actual Amount
Sunday Offering	\$12,647.00	\$11,241.36
Building, Equipment, Maintenance, and Outreach	\$1,470.00	\$885.75
<i>“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce.” PROVERBS 3:9</i>		