



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

95-370 Kuahelani Ave. Mililani, Hawaii 96789

Office: (808) 623-3332 • Fax: (808) 623-3286

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/john.apostle.718>

Follow us on Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/JohnAECChurch>

Website: www.stjohnmililani.org • Email: info@stjohnmililani.org

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

Msgr. John Mbinda, Pastor, Ext.111

Fr. Victor Lanuevo, In Residence

Dcn. Modesto Cordero: RCIA Coordinator

(mcordero@rcchawaii.org)

Dcn. Wally Mitsui (wmitsui@rcchawaii.org) and

Gwen Mitsui (gmitsui@gmail.com), Youth and

Young Adult Coordinators

Jolly Guerrero-Tano, Parish Ofc. Admin, Ext. 113

Lindsey Higa-Kohagura, Parish Secretary,

Ext. 100

Stephanie Jamile, Bookkeeper, Ext. 101

Julie Quiroz-Zamora, Religious Ed. Director,

Ext. 205

Terry Silva, Rel. Ed. Asst., Ext. 204

Catherine Awong, Preschool Director, Ext. 200

Pearl Bates, Outreach, Ext. 203

Fraternal Correction is a difficult Responsibility

Fraternal correction and painful responsibility are the key words that help to focus on the message of this Sunday. There is a story told about a man who went into a restaurant and the waitress placed him at a table next to three girls. They were talking loud and swearing in the worst words. It sometimes seems like women's equality means imitating the worst in men. The man wanted to say something, but he held his tongue. When his breakfast arrived, he bowed his head and made the sign of the cross. The swearing stopped. I tell this story because the readings this Sunday focus on the painful responsibility of fraternal correction. We have many family situations that challenge us to assume this painful responsibility, but we lack the courage or are afraid it may backfire since we ourselves are not living the best version of ourselves. In the first reading, the Lord sends his messenger as “watchman for the house of Israel” as a spokesperson of the Lord, to warn God’s people. The messenger of the Lord is sent to persuade the wicked from wrongdoing. If not, the Lord will hold the messenger responsible. You and I are responsible for one another in helping each other to remain faithful to the Lord. Calling others to account when they do wrong or persist in wrongdoing is not easy.

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.*

In the Gospel of this Sunday, Jesus challenges us to point out the faults of others privately first, but publicly if necessary. If as stewards of Jesus Christ we are sincere in our relationship with Christ, the zeal to invite others to such a relationship will drive us to speak up before others, inviting them to God’s mercy and forgiveness. In the words of St. Paul, true Christian love enables us to help each other become the best version of ourselves without an attitude of superiority. So what message do we take home this Sunday? 1) As disciples and stewards, you and I have the painful responsibility of fraternal correction which entails, “speaking the truth in love” (Ephesians 4:15). 2) This responsibility also involves our own personal conversion to Christ and a deeper relationship with God. 3) The response of St. Francis regarding fraternal correct is our best way of action - living in such a way that our life rebukes the sinner. In other words, being the best version of ourselves will invite others to change and become the best version of themselves.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

Pastor

Scripture Text for Next Sunday: September 14

Readings: Numbers 21:4b-9; Psalms 78;

Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

First Reading: Numbers 21:4b-9

The scene in this reading is the desert. The people walking in the desert from Egypt are exhausted, and instead of being grateful they complain against God and Moses. The Lord moves the people to repentance by punishing them so that they could rise above simple materialistic concerns of food and drink. Therefore, it is clear that faith and repentance on the part of the people is the central point in this story. The bronze serpent is portrayed as a sign of God's salvation (life).

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 78:1b-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38

Psalm 78 recalls the history of God's saving works in order to recognize the same works happening now. As God was merciful to his people then, God will be merciful to the people today. Response: "Do not forget the works of the Lord!"

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

This text is an ancient hymn in praise of the death and glorification of Jesus. It probably dates from before anything that Paul himself wrote, and was very likely a part of an early Eucharistic liturgy in some areas. The humility of God the Son and the glorification of the Son of Man are inseparable and balanced elements in the meaning of Jesus. This song contemplates this mystery of suffering, death, and resurrection.

Gospel: John 3:13-17

These concluding verses from Jesus' conversation with Nicodemus look backward to the incident recounted in the first reading, and forward to the crucifixion and triumph through the Cross. Jesus wants Nicodemus to understand that just as life came to those in the wilderness who looked upon the bronze serpent Moses raised up before them (cf. Numbers 21:8-9), so shall eternal life come to those who believe in the "Son of Man" who was raised up just like the effigy of the serpent by Moses. In the crucifixion, the Son of Man is "lifted up" to be recognized as the suffering servant (see Is 52:13-53:12), and this must be the basis of our faith and salvation in Jesus Christ. It is in the crucifixion that we discover the extent of God's love for humanity. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life (Jn 3:16).

*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.*

"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: Shirley Shimaoka, Pat Nazareth, BJ Sagocio, Marcie and Ron Thames, Salve Galman, Sandy Padilla, Eileen Hayase, Mike Culkin, Linda Tom, Frank Tadda, Tom Nestor, Karla Richardson, Andrew D. Rossi, Jane Beauchemin, Richard Butz, Ashley Nawahine Kamakoa Almasin, Anthony Scarpelli, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Donald Cook, Joan Flaharty, Myrtle Reponte, Feliciano Dona, William D. Heagney, Rodolfo Taglinao, Guillermo Uytingco, Beatrice Costa, Geraldine R. Fraga, Louise Marie Teixeira Arellano, Darrell Teano, Joseph Terry, Jr., Ann Gandauli, Milagros Bergantinos, Severino A. Valencia, and Gail M. Furtado.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, September 8, 2014

8am Mass Nick Tatistcheff (Birthday)
Guillermo Uytingco (RIP)

Tuesday, September 9, 2014

8am Mass Guillermo Uytingco (RIP)
Jessie & Monica Pangelinan (Anniv.)

Wednesday, September 10, 2014

8am Mass Leonard Garcia (RIP)
Guillermo Uytingco (RIP)

Thursday, September 11, 2014

8am Mass Eugene Konyha (RIP)
Bennie Sue Ezekiel (RIP)

Friday, September 12, 2014

8am Mass Jordan Tano (Birthday)
Guillermo Uytingco (RIP)
Milagros Bergantinos (RIP)

Saturday, September 13, 2014

8am Mass Joseph & Beatrice Costa (RIP)
William & Elizabeth Castro (RIP)
5pm Mass Mary Cooper (RIP)

Sunday, September 14, 2014

7am Mass Myrna & Rene deVega (Blessings)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Avery Nakagawa (Birthday)
6pm Mass Guillermo Uytingco (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

A Healing Mass with Anointing will be held on Monday, September 8th. Praise and worship begins at 7:30 pm, followed by Mass.

Opening Year Mass for all Confirmation Year 1 and Year 2 students and parents will be held on Thursday, September 11, 6:30 – 8:30 pm. All students must attend with at least one parent; family and friends are also invited to attend. Please call the RE Office at 623-3332, ext. 204 or 205 for more information.

Religious Education Reminder – Classes for Schedule “A” and Confirmation Yr-2 will begin on Sunday, September 7. Schedule “B” and Confirmation Yr-1 will begin on Sunday, September 14. Please call the RE Office at 808-623-3332, ext. 205 or 204 for more information.

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. *More than 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese.* This week is the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. Donation envelopes are located in the back of the church or you could visit our parish website and donate online. Please be generous.

Fil-Am Catholic Club Fundraiser – The last days to pick up Fil-Am fundraiser food items is on Saturday, September 13, and Saturday, September 20, from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm in the breezeway. For more information or inquiries, contact Richard at 256-3008.

All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance – Join us on Saturday, November 1, 5:00 p.m. for a special candlelight service in memory of all departed loved ones. The Bereavement Ministry Team will be distributing luminary bags at all Masses next weekend, *Sept. 13/14*. Personalize and decorate this luminary in memory of your loved one and bring it with you on Nov. 1. A battery-operated tea light will be placed in your bag before Mass begins. Each family will have an opportunity to participate during the Offertory by bringing their decorated luminary in a procession to the altar. A slideshow displaying photos of all departed loved ones will be shown *before* the Mass. If a photo was submitted last year, it is not necessary to resubmit another one; however, if you haven’t submitted a photo and would like to, please submit your photo before *October 6*. Include the name of the deceased and

a name of a contact person with a phone number. Place your photo in the Photo Box in the church office. A donation of \$1 is requested for each luminary to offset the cost of materials. For more information, contact Trudy 721-7858 or Marietta 623-9164.

The Catholic Charities Hawaii special collection will be held next weekend, September 13 & 14. Your participation will help us fulfill the mission to serve our most vulnerable brothers and sisters. Donation envelopes are located in the back of the church. Please drop your donation during Offertory next weekend. You may also make a donation through the parish website by clicking “Online Giving”. Please be generous.

Save the Date!

St. John Stewardship Formation

“Connect. Grow. Serve.

Stewardship – A Way of Life.”

Presenter: Rev. Timothy O’Connor

Wednesday, September 24, 2014 ~ 7:00 P.M.

Session 1: Open to all Parishioners

Thursday, September 25, 2014 ~ 7:00 P.M.

Session 2: For Parish and Ministry Leaders, Advisory Councils, and Staff

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Abraham Lumoya (RIP)

Friday, September 12, 2014 ~ Honolulu Church of Light
(3075 Kalihi Street)

Public Viewing: 5:30 pm ~ Funeral Service: 6:30 pm

Collection for August 30/31, 2014

Sunday Collection	\$13,124.33
Candle Sales	\$478.00
Offerings:	
- Baptism	\$30.00
- Funerals	\$400.00
Mass Intentions	\$80.00
Donation – Outreach	\$54.00
BEMO	\$1,115.95
Hui O Laulima	\$85.00
Catholic University of America	\$145.00

“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce.” PROVERBS 3:9