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DAILY MASS (Monday — Saturday): 8:00 a.m.

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

RECONCILIATION: (or by appointment)

Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 12:00pm-4:00pm

Tuesday-Friday: 8:30am-4:00pm

Saturday & Sunday – Closed

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Second Sunday in the Ordinary time

Samuel and the first two disciples (probably John and Andrew) of Jesus represent the human being in search for meaning. Young Samuel remains restless until he puts himself in a position to humbly listen to God who speaks. The search for meaning of the two disciples reaches its fulfillment in remaining with Jesus and in bringing others to Jesus. The message is clear: only in God can we find meaning and happiness in life.

In this search for meaning, it is the Lord who takes the initiative. In the case of Samuel, the Lord calls him and speaks to him. In the case of the two disciples, Jesus passes by them and then speaks to them. At first, the initiative of God is not recognized: Samuel is confused, and the two disciples of John fail to notice Jesus. Similarly, Jesus calls us, walks by us and talks to us, but often we fail to notice his presence amongst us.

Samuel was led to the Lord by Eli, and the two disciples were led to Jesus by their master, John the Baptist. In the same way, what is expected of a Christian is docility: docility to admit one's limitations; docility to be helped and guided; docility to listen; docility to obey. A timely counsel of a friend or of a guide can give us a better orientation for the future. On the contrary, often, what leads people to negativism with its tendencies to destroy self and others is pride.

Eli guided Samuel in his life; Andrew prompted Simon to follow Jesus. But in the salvation history, according to human evaluation, Samuel and Simon play a greater role. It is an indication that what is important is not human recognition and applause, but God's approval which comes from our faithfulness to the mission entrusted to us; what gives meaning is not the place or the office that we occupy, but the manner in which we occupy it and the execution of our responsibilities. Consequently, we cannot try to be Disciples of Christ unless we, too, hear God's call and respond by transforming our lives, evidenced in the simple willingness to be obedient to God's will and take up the saving mission of Christ.

Fr. Boniface M. Waema
Parochial Vicar

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, the 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, January 25, 2015

Readings: Jonah 3:1-5,10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10

The Book of Jonah is not a normal prophetic book giving prophesy in poetic form. Instead, it is a prose narrative about the prophet himself. The first part of the book (chapters 1 and 2) concerns the prophet's unsuccessful attempts to escape from the task given him by the Lord, namely to go and preach to the Ninevites. The passage we have this Sunday comes from the second part (chapters 3 and 4), where Jonah carries out his preaching of repentance to the Ninevites. In Luke 11:29-30, Jesus uses Jonah's ministry as a type of his own, but claims that with him something greater than Jonah was present, namely the kingdom.

Responsorial Psalm: 25:4-9

As a background to the use of Psalm 25 in this Sunday's readings, we need to keep in mind that both Jonah and Jesus figure as preachers of repentance. Repentance has to be followed by obedience to the will of God. In order to conform to God's will, we need to be taught and formed by God's word. In this psalm we pray, "Teach me your ways, O Lord."

Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:29-31

This passage is the conclusion of Paul's response to the Corinthians who had raised questions about sex and marriage. Paul advises living in a spirit of detachment from the world which is passing away. The reason for the advice: "the time is running out." This is simply another way of Paul's urgent appeal for repentance.

Gospel: Mk 1:14-20

In this Gospel passage, Mark cleverly places a summary of the focal point of Jesus' ministry right at the beginning of the first chapter. This serves as title to Mark's account of Jesus' ministry. Thus Jesus makes his proclamation of the kingdom with urgency for repentance. "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel." The call of the first disciples serves to illustrate what it means to repent and believe the gospel. It means being attached to the person of Jesus Christ as his follower; his disciple.

*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 & FRIENDS:

Healing/Blessings: Jane & Ray Beauchemin, Richard Butz, Ashley Nawahine, Kamakoa Almasin, Ellen Cleghorn, Helen Uychara, Linda Watson, Maya Higgins, BJ Sagocio, Teresita Milanio, Samuel Aguirre, Mike Culkin, Bryan & Alexandra Hollon Family, Gloria Aquino, Ramon Ramos, Jeff Grundon, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Consolacion Leonoras, Herschel Esperas, Bernard Fabrao, Marlene Izumigawa, Stanford W. Papas, Emilia S. Taclan, Santos "Sandy" Padilla, Lillian M. Ramos, Carmen B. Callejo, Ernesta L. Salvador, Carmen O. Austria, Ernesta L. Salvador, Christina Falke, and Oscar Cariasio.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, January 19, 2015

8am Mass Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)
Manuel Visaya (RIP)

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

8am Mass Anita Domanguera
(Birthday Memorial)
Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)

Wednesday, January 21, 2015

8am Mass Gregoria Taglinao (RIP)
Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)

Thursday, January 22, 2015

8am Mass William & Helen Heagney (RIP)
Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)

Friday, January 23, 2015

8am Mass Sy Siong (RIP)
Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)
Ernesta L. Salvador (RIP)

Saturday, January 24, 2015

8am Mass David & Pauline Acob & Family
(Thanksgiving/Blessing)
Alex & Hambelyn Ansagay &
Family (Thanksgiving/Blessing)
5pm Mass Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)

Sunday, January 25, 2015

7am Mass Paulina B. Amis (RIP)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Santos "Sandy" Padilla (RIP)
6pm Mass Narcisco Apostol (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

Fundraiser for the Homeless - Please join Roxanne Gonzales, a high school student and a member of the St. John Youth & Young Adult Ministry, in her fundraiser for the homeless this weekend, January 17/18, after all Masses. She will sell her artwork (paintings & novelty boxes). Let us help her reach our goal of at least \$500 to be donated to the Institute of Human Services (IHS), a non-profit organization that works to prevent and end homelessness in Hawaii. Flyers will be distributed for further information.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 19, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Old blessed palms are needed for Ash Wednesday. Please drop them in the box provided near the church entrance. Mahalo.

A Music Ministry Workshop will be held on Sunday, Jan. 25th, from 2:00 - 4:00 pm in the church, presented by *Dr. Timothy Mullner*. All Music Ministry Leaders are required to attend. Other choir members are encouraged to attend.

Church in Latin America and Black & Indian Mission Collections - Next weekend, January 24/25, we will take up two separate collections for the Church in Latin America and the Black and Indian Missions. Your generosity is invaluable to the future of the faith in this regions. Your donation for the Church in Latin America will fund catechesis, marriage & family life programs, and seminarian formation. Your donation for the Black and Indian Missions will help build churches, support parishes, religious education programs, and diocesan ministries in the African American, Native American, and Alaskan Native communities from coast to coast. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. You may drop your donation during offertory or you may also make a donation online by visiting our parish website at www.stjohnmililani.org, and click on the "Online Giving" icon. Please be generous.

Please join us in the Ordination to Permanent Diaconate of ROMEO GANIBE. This special event will take place on Friday, January 30th, 7:00 pm at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral. Bus transportation is available for a cost of \$4 per person. The bus will leave St. John at 5:00 pm and will depart from the Co-Cathedral at 9:45 pm to return to St. John. For more information, call 623-3332, ext. 100 or email info@stjohnmililani.org.

New altar server training — Saturday, February 7, 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the church. *Minimum requirements:* 7 years old, had received first communion, can serve 1 - 2 masses per month at the 5 pm, 7 am, 9 am or 11 am Mass and are able to focus & participate during Mass. Email Margaret Higa to sign-up for the training at sjaserver@hawaii.rr.com.

Save the Date!

Stewardship Formation

Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Speaker: Deacon Don McArdle

Deacon, St. Mary on the Hill in Augusta, GA

CEO, Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Everyone is invited to attend.

When all the hustle-bustle of the holidays is over - Don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful romantic weekend away together? If you agree then you'll want to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Sign up soon so you can renew your love for one another. For more info, visit the WWME website at www.hawaiiwwme.org or contact Jose and Mary Elizabeth Alvior at 808-391-2045 or email them at jluvsme@gmail.com.

There will be a Prayer Vigil & Luminary Display commemorating the tragic legalization of abortion in our nation on Thurs., Jan. 22, 2015, 5:30 pm at the State Capitol. Sponsor a luminary to honor someone you may know or unknown to you for a donation of \$5. The donation will help support this event and pro-life efforts in our diocese. On Sat., Jan. 24, come and march in the 42nd Annual Rally for Life also to be held at the State Capitol. Free bus transportation will be provided for both events. Sign-up at the entrance to the church. For more information, please contact Melissa Crisostomo alohamc@yahoo.com or Mary Smart at mghsmart@yahoo.com.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Ernesta L. Salvador (RIP)

Friday, January 23, 2015 ~ St. John A & E

Viewing: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 11:00 am

Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Collection for January 10/11, 2015	
Sunday Collection	
- 5:00 PM	\$2,265.00
- 7:00 AM	\$3,453.35
- 9:00 AM	\$2,768.50
- 11:00 AM	\$2,133.83
- 6:00 PM	\$1,871.40
- Front Office	\$1,102.00
- Online Donation	\$1,220.75
Candle Sales	\$596.25
Mass Intentions	\$470.00
Christmas Fund	\$10.00
Donation - Outreach	80.00
Stewardship Development	\$80.00
BEMO	\$1,045.00
Hui O Laulima	\$51.00
Holy Thursday - Op. Rice Bowl	\$7.50
Retirement for the Religious	\$200.00
Weekend Total:	\$17,601.58
<i>"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce." Proverbs 3:9</i>	