



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, 8am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday, 5pm

Sundays at 7am, 9am, 11am & 6pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

or by appointment

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:00pm

Saturday & Sunday – Closed

Msgr. John Mbinda, Pastor, Ext.105

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USCCB Support for Comprehensive Immigration Reform Part 2

Last Sunday several hundred parishioners expressed their faith in caring for Christ in the stranger, the undocumented immigrants by taking time to send electronic cards to their federal representatives. The letter of Bishop Larry Silva that was inserted in the parish bulletin gives you the reason why action for comprehensive immigration reform is needed. I take the opportunity to thank those who took action either at the lanai or at home. In particular I thank the AV volunteers and staff who were present before and after each Mass last weekend.

Some may be wondering why the Catholic Church cares so much about US immigration reform. The explanation lies in the Church's view of itself as a pilgrim people in a pilgrim Church. It sees the Holy Family — in their flight to Egypt — as the archetypal refugee family. Migrants evoke the Church's own history, including the biblical exodus and exile, the itinerant ministry of Jesus, and its 2,000-year missionary tradition. To welcome the stranger is a Gospel imperative.

In the document *Strangers No Longer*, the US bishops state that people have the right not to migrate; that is, they should be able to live freely in their countries of birth. However, when this is impossible, whether due to extreme poverty or persecution, the church says they have the right to migrate, and nations have the duty to receive them.

Two fundamental strands of the Church's mission — protecting the dignity of all and gathering into one God's scattered children — come together in its ministry to migrants and newcomers. In effect, the Church teaches that all people are "brothers and sisters" and that immigration status does not change this fact. Likewise, it offers its Catholic Charities programs, legal offices, community organizing grants, and refugee resettlement services to all vulnerable migrants and newcomers, regardless of their religious beliefs. Scripture teaches us how to treat the stranger in our midst. "You shall treat the alien who resides with you no different than the natives born among you; you shall love the alien as yourself; for you too were once aliens..." (Lv 19:33-34).

Finally, as we go forward, we need to pray for our lawmakers that God may guide them in their responsibility of making just laws that take into consideration the dignity of every human person, whether undocumented or documented.

May the joy of the risen Christ continue to inspire us all during this beautiful season of Easter. Amen.

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.*

Next Sunday Readings: April 28

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C

Readings: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9,10-11,12-13;
Rev 21:1-5; Jn 13:31-33,34-35

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

In this passage, Paul and Barnabas resume their missionary journey. From Derbe (v. 20) they revisit the churches on the way and reach Perga, then set sail for Antioch. In Derbe they had made many converts. As they visit these churches, the apostles establish a kind of administrative structure by appointing leaders. It is clear there was need for organization and leadership.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:8-9,10-11,12-13

Psalm 145 is a hymn in praise of the greatness of God. It begins by speaking about God, extolling divine mercy and compassion. The psalm then speaks directly to God, praying that all God's works will give thanks. Finally it proclaims the Lord's universal and everlasting reign.

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

The vision reported in this passage uses several images to describe forthcoming fulfillment. John first sees the vision and then hears the voice from the throne explaining what it means. The new heaven and new earth recall the prophecy of Isaiah 65:17 and 66:22 which promises a restored Israel after the Babylonian captivity. The newness implies renewal and transformation. New Jerusalem implies the new people of God - the redeemed. In the end, all things are made new.

Gospel Reading: John 13:31-33, 34-35

The passage in the beginning speaks of the departure of Judas. That sets in motion the arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus. While this may sound gloomy, the events of salvation are about to begin. The hour of Christ's glorification by the Father is already here. Then Jesus addresses the remaining 11 apostles with affection exhorting them to love one another just as he has loved them to the point of self-sacrifice. By this love all will know that they are his followers.

Msgr. John's Sunday homilies are available on the following updated links: Blog (text): <http://sundayhomily.com>

Podcast (audio): <http://streaminghomilies.podbean.com>

On iTunes, under Podcast search for: [streaming homilies](#), subscribe free to get the homilies weekly.

Audio 2: <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: Myrtle Reponte, Ellen Cleghorn, Arlene Estiamba, Mike Culkin, Connie Leonoras, Marcy Sagon, Luis Bongbonga, Anthony Scarpelli, Danny Uehara, Bobby Higa, Guillermo Uyttingco, Stephanie Campbell, Emily Ramiscal, Gavina Tamonte, Anunciacion Amod, Marsha Cha, Ben Regidor, Sharon Scott, Channing Fukuda, Jun Galinato, Sandy Padilla and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Felipa Battad, Chie Wilson, Valerie Bumanglag, Victoria Rausa, Avelina Miranda, Irene S. L. Yuen, Juan Pillos, Joaquin Cruz Ferjarang, Gary Pagampao, Danilo Lumantas, Audrey Chun Hoke, Mary Cagasan, Orlando Padilla, Dominic Oscar Corniel, Manuel Butoc, Cipriano A. P. Herrera, Sr., Marie Lourdes How Yew Kin, Juan "Johnny" Bolosan, Maryanne Craddock, Lucy Williams, Philip Nazareth, Jr., Jose Talon, Abraham Miram, and John Molina.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, April 22, 2013

8am Mass Mildred Furuta (RIP)
April Lorenzo (Birthday)

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

8am Mass Evavisto & Ignacia Racoma (RIP)
Francis Mayock (RIP)

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

8am Mass Stephanie Jamile (Birthday)
Michel Eagles (Birthday Blessing)

Thursday, April 25, 2013

8am Mass George Rossi (Birthday Blessing)
James & Myrtle Reponte (Healing)

Friday, April 26, 2013

8am Mass Evie Sales (Birthday Blessings)
Victorio Ignacio/Domingo Rubio (RIP)

Saturday, April 27, 2013

8am Mass Geronimo & Debbie Borgonia
(Blessings and Thanksgiving)
Two Hearts Prayer Group
(Blessings and Thanksgiving)

5pm Mass Felipa "Faye" Battad (RIP)

Sunday, April 28, 2013

7am Mass Jayten Rivera (Birthday Blessing)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Mary Cagasan (RIP)
6pm Mass Richard & Maria Amaral
(Blessings and Thanksgiving)

Parish News & Announcements

Effective Monday, April 29, 2013, the Parish Office will be closed on Mondays from 8am-12:00pm for administrative purposes. This schedule will continue every Monday thereafter.

The Parish "Picture Directory" Committee Needs Volunteer Help! Volunteer forms are available at the Church entrance. Please return completed forms to the Parish Office. This is in preparation for the picture directory which we'll be working on with LifeTouch in April, May, and June. For more information, please contact Ann Swider at 626-9561. Mahalo for your kokua!

The Sacrament of Confirmation for our Teen Confirmands will be celebrated on April 28, 2013 at the 6:00 P.M. Mass. There are 38 teen confirmands who went through the two-year Confirmation Program of our parish. As a parish community we support the young confirmands as they begin full membership in our parish. Let us include them in our prayers. Since there is typically a large turnout for this Mass, please be aware that parking and seating will be limited.

St. John's Catholic Preschool is currently accepting applications for summer school and the next school year. Please call the preschool office at extension 200 for more information. They are also still selling McFun Raiser booklets. Please come by their office to take part in this worthwhile fundraiser. Your \$5 purchase not only buys a booklet, it benefits both the Ronald McDonald House Charities and your preschool. A big mahalo to all who have already purchased a booklet.

The Women's Guild welcomes all parishioners to the May Crowning, Rosary and International Potluck on Saturday, May 4th after the 5 pm Mass. At 6 pm, there will be a Rosary followed by the May Crowning ceremony of the Blessed Mother statue. All are invited to attend the International Potluck immediately after the May Crowning. Please bring your favorite potluck dish to share with others.

The Pilgrimage to the Two Hearts Prayer Group will be sponsoring a fundraiser to benefit St. John's Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Please stop by their table after Mass and show your support.

An ACTS Missions Weekend Retreat is being sponsored by the Prince of Peace Catholic Community at Hickam this coming May. The deadline to register is April 22nd. Forms with more details are available at the front entrance of the church.

The Next Catholic Book Club Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 16th from 7-9pm in the Parish Center classroom #6. The next book to be discussed is Our Lady of Kibeho: Mary Speaks to the World from the Heart of Africa by Immaculée Ilibagiza. Borrow or buy the book, read it and join us for our book discussion. Contact Melissa Crisostomo at 626-2469 or alohamc@yahoo.com for more

Job Opening at St John Apostle and Evangelist Parish **Position: Youth & Young Adult Ministry Coordinator**

Position Description: The coordinator of youth & young adult ministry (CY&YAM) is directly accountable to the pastor for accomplishing the duties specified in the job description (available on request for applicants only). The coordinator provides vision and coordination for the parish's efforts in ministry to young people from 6th through 12th grades. This includes high school and middle school sessions (weekly or bi-weekly gatherings), monthly activities, catechesis and sacramental preparation (confirmation) in coordination with the Religious Education Department. This ministry also cares for young adults during and after the confirmation process by helping them to integrate their faith in their lives, leading them to participate in the life of the parish through ministries of their choice. This position is on a part-time basis of 15 hours per week. Please send resume to St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church, 95-370 Kuahelani Ave., Mililani, HI 96789; Attn: Msgr. John S. Mbinda (Pastor) by Friday, April 26, 2013.

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"Catholic teaching affirms that all persons, even those on the margins of society have basic human rights: the right to life and to those things that are necessary to the proper development of life including faith and family, work and education, housing and healthcare... Our Church commitment to find a place at the table for all God's children is expressed in every part of our country and in the poorest places on earth." (*A Place at the Table: A Pastoral Reflection of the U.S. Catholic Bishops*, 2002).

### **FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### ***Philip Josef Nazareth, Jr.(RIP)***

Tuesday, May 7, 2013 - Mililani Memorial Park

Makai Chapel: 5:30-9:00pm - Visitation

7:00pm - Wake Service

Wednesday, May 8, 2013 - St. John Apostle & Evangelist

10:00am -10:45am - Public Viewing

10:45am - Final Private Viewing

11:00am - Funeral Mass presided by Fr. Ronie Pillos

12:30pm - Burial at Mililani Memorial Park

### **Sunday Collection Report**

|                                                                                | <b>Actual Amount</b> | <b>Weekly Goal</b> |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Sunday Offering<br/>April 14, 2013</b>                                      | <b>13,302.89</b>     | <b>12,647.00</b>   |
| <b>Building, Equipment<br/>Maintenance and<br/>Outreach<br/>April 14, 2013</b> | <b>1,036.00</b>      | <b>1,470.00</b>    |

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