



JUNE 6 / 7, 2015
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

ST. JOHN APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Daily Mass (M-SAT): 8:00 AM • **Sunday Masses:** (Saturday Vigil) 5:00 PM, (Sunday) 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM

Reconciliation: (Saturday) 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM (or by appointment)

Parish Office Hours: Monday 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM • Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

PARISH CLERGY

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Office Administrator (x 103)

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PARISH PROGRAMS

Outreach (x 203)

Pearl Bates

RCIA Coordinator

Deacon Modesto Cordero

Religious Ed. Director (x 205)

Julie Quiroz-Zamora

Religious Ed. Assistant (x 204)

Terry Silva

Preschool Director (x 208)

Catherine Awong

Youth & Young Adult Coordinators

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PARISH MINISTRIES

*We welcome you to visit our
parish website at*

*www.stjohnmililani.org for a
listing and more information on
all our ministries.*

NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Is Christ Really Present?

On the evening of the last day of his October 1995 visit to the United States, Pope John Paul II was scheduled to greet the seminarians at Saint Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland. It had been a very full day that would end with a quick stop at the Seminary. The schedule was tight. The plan was simply to greet the seminarians while they stood outside on the steps, but the Pope decided to first make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament. When his wishes were made known, the security flew into action. They swept the building paying close attention to the chapel where the Pope would be praying. For this purpose, highly trained dogs were used to detect any person who might be present. The dogs were trained to locate survivors in buildings that collapsed after earthquakes and other disasters. These highly intelligent and eager dogs quickly went through the halls, offices and classrooms and were then sent to the chapel. They went up and down the aisle, past the pews and finally into the side chapel where the Blessed Sacrament was reserved. Upon reaching the tabernacle, the dogs sniffed, whined, and refused to leave, their attention focused on the tabernacle, until called by their handlers. They were convinced that they discovered someone there.

I tell this true story because some Catholics doubt, while those dogs sensed a real, living Person in the tabernacle! The central message of Corpus Christi – the Body of Christ may be summed up in four points. 1) In the celebration of Eucharist, Christ reminds us of his enduring real presence in our midst, nourishing and strengthening us in our stewardship and witness to Him. 2) The Eucharist is a great sign of unity with Christ and with one another especially the less fortunate. Therefore we cannot receive the Eucharist and remain indifferent towards the poor; those without food and those without drink; those without shelter. 3) In the Eucharist we become one with Christ, sharing in his life, his vision, mission and purpose. 4) The bottom line is that the celebration of the Eucharist and Eucharistic adoration are transformative. We become what we eat and what we adore! "The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread" (I Cor 10:16-17, New American Standard Version).

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VISION / MISSION 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.*

THIS IS MY BODY AND BLOOD GIVEN FOR YOU

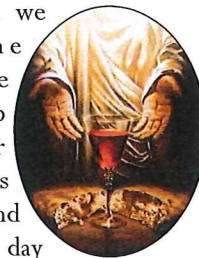
Today we celebrate the fact that Jesus has made himself - body, blood, soul and divinity - available to us in the form of bread and wine. He gives himself - his very Body and Blood - to us as our heavenly food. This is the mystery we celebrate on Holy Thursday and this Sunday. In the Eucharist, Jesus is always present to us. He comes to transform us just as the Host is transformed, not an outward appearance but in our inner lives. During the Eucharist we stay as God's guests. Then we move on from one place to another, from one person to another, to witness God's mighty deeds of salvation. From the time of the Last Supper until today, Jesus "disdains" no dwelling, but consents to come like a guest to any heart disposed to receive him. No one can call him on the phone, but you can visit him in person. Just to sit in Jesus' presence with a quieted heart can do wonders.

During the last supper Jesus instituted the Eucharist. The words of institution are the most important he ever spoke to his disciples. This was the last time that he would have an opportunity to speak to

them, so he summed up all his teaching, and indeed the very meaning of his life among them, as "Body-broken-for-them" and "Blood-poured-out for-them." He wanted to impress on them that human success and happiness would come only to those who join him in "breaking" their bodies and "pouring out" their blood for others. There can never be a better Prayer than to respond to this love of God, expressed in the self-giving of Jesus. We can never be grateful enough for what he has done for us. We commit ourselves to the full extent of our ability, to love and serve the needs of others, in the sure knowledge that we too will thereby share in his resurrection glory. God's gifts to us are not so we can settle in, stay put, become passive. God's gifts always impel us to move on, to spread the Good News, to "pass over" into someone new.

The Eucharistic bread is not medicine that heals the sick miraculously. It requires faith, which is the acceptance of what the rite signifies. Our interior transformation does not depend on the number of times we receive the Holy Communion, but on

the faith with in which we receive it. The effectiveness of the Eucharist is bound up with the firmness of our decision to let ourselves be molded by Christ and identify ourselves every day more with him in this sacrament. Without such faith, without our interior acceptance, even the blood of the new Covenant won't produce the required fruit.



It is always appropriate to spend some devotional time before the Blessed Sacrament. Our time of adoration and thanksgiving, however, must always flow from the action of the Eucharist itself and lead us to witness more clearly in our lives the self-giving of Jesus. Every act of self-giving for the good of others is also preparation for celebrating Eucharist. Dressing in something other than every day or work clothes is another way we prepare ourselves and also witness to others the importance of Eucharist in our lives.

FR. BONIFACE WAEMA
PAROCHIAL VICAR

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2015

First Reading: Ez 17:22-24

The Prophet Ezekiel in this passage uses the image (allegory) of the cedar tree to prophesy that the kingdom after the return from exile will be more than just restoration the situation before the exile. It will be a realization of the messianic kingdom. This prophecy finds its fulfillment in the kingdom proclaimed by Christ, and of which the Church on earth is a foretaste.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 92:1-2, 12-15

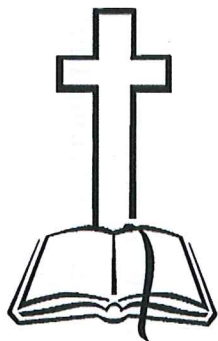
This psalm of thanksgiving originally used at the morning sacrifice focuses on the theme of moral retribution. The Lord is praised for his mighty deeds, especially in rewarding the righteous with prosperity, so that they become like fruitful trees. However, this theology needs to be balanced with that of other books of Scripture in Psalm 73 as well as the Book of Job that show that the righteous do not always prosper.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

In this passage, Paul is still in his defense of his work as an apostle against false apostle. He speaks of his confident hope of the resurrection, and so he can now face the dissolution of the body with confidence, because God will replace it with the resurrected body. That is why he argues that in the present physical body we are absent from the Lord. Yes, we are certainly in Christ as members of his body, are not yet with Christ as the false apostle taught. In this argument, Paul underlines his teaching of "not yet" as against the false teachers who claimed that we are already with Christ.

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

This Gospel passage consists of two short parables: 1) the seed growing secretly; and 2) the mustard seed. Each parable contains only one main point, which is the basic message. The parable of the seed growing secretly seeks to show the contrast between the insignificant beginnings of Jesus' ministry and the final manifestation of the kingdom already present secretly in his ministry. The same interpretation may be given to the second parable of the mustard seed. The only difference between the two parables is the first emphasizes that the farmer can do nothing to produce or to hasten the end process, whereas the second emphasizes exclusively the contrast between the small beginnings and the final consummation.



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Mass for the Intentions for the Week

Monday, June 8, 2015 (8 am)

Prima Aquino (RIP)

Trudy Holder (Blessings)

Tuesday, June 9, 2015 (8 am)

Anne Swider (Birthday Blessings)

Melvin Yadao (Birthday Blessings)

Wed., June 10, 2015 (8 am)

Pastora F. Dona (Birthday Blessings)

Antonio Gerardo (RIP)

Thursday, June 11, 2015 (8 am)

Abraham & Eleanor Miram

(Wedding Anniversary)

Winifred Young (RIP)

Friday, June 12, 2015 (8 am)

Hilarion C. Savet (Birthday Memorial)

Beatrice Rego (Birthday Blessings)

Saturday, June 13, 2015

8AM: *Hiram Romero*

(Birthday Blessing)

Mona Caldera (RIP)

5PM: *Dennis G. Nakamura (RIP)*

Sunday, June 14, 2015

7AM: *Lois Bates (Birthday Blessings)*

9AM: *For the People*

11AM: *Myrtle D. Reponte (RIP)*

6PM: *Felicitas P. Cordial (RIP)*

Please pray for our Members & Friends

HEALING/BLESSINGS: Ellen Cleghorn, Helen Uyehara, Linda Watson, Maya Higgins, BJ Sagocio, Teresita Milanio, Samuel Aguirre, Mike Culkin, Maydell Britt-Mason, Bryan & Alexandria Hollon Family, Ramon Ramos, Jeff Grundon, Mamerto Perez, Alicia Newson, Lance Yoshimura, Marcy Sagon, Gregory Castillo, Ramon Aguirre, Christina Gomez, Francis Calabrese, Berlina Mindoro, Fr. Edward Turner, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, June 11, in observance of the King Kamehameha Day State Holiday. The office will reopen on Friday, June 12, at 8:30 am.

NEW! St. John Children's Choir - Children



in grades 2 - 8 are welcome to join and share their gift of music. For more information & registration, please call Julie Quiroz-Zamora at 623-3332, ext. 205. Registration forms will be available in the Rectory during normal business hours. We are seeking donations of portable musical instruments (i.e. violins, ukuleles, cellos, flutes, etc.).

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

The Knights of Columbus Election Night for the upcoming Fraternal Year will be held on Tues., June 9, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. All members of Council 14663 are requested to attend to have a voice in what the council will be doing in the next Fraternal Year.

St. John Women's Guild Membership Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 11, at 10:00 a.m. in the church. All ladies of the parish with an interest in the Guild are invited to attend. For more information on the Women's Guild, contact Erlinda Nishimura at 286-1071.



2015-2016 Religious Education Registration

Classes will begin on **August 2**.

To pick up/turn in a registration form, the **Religious Education Office** will be open on:

Tuesday/Wednesday - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Thursday/Friday - 11:00 am to 7:00 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

The Parish Rectory will be open, *during business hours*, to collect completed registration forms.

Parent Orientation will be on:

Sun, July 19 - 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm (in Church)

Sat, July 25 - 9:00 am - 11:00 am (Rooms 4 & 5)

For more information, call the RE office at 623-3332, ext. 204/ 205. God Bless us all!



2015-2016 Registration will begin in *June*, classes will begin in *August*. For more information, contact Dcn. Modesto Cordero at 585-3342 or email: mcordero@rcchawaii.org.

The Episcopal Visitation with Most Reverend Larry Silva will be held on Saturday, June 20th in the church. The town hall meeting open to all parishioners, will be from 10:30am - 11:30am. The Youth & Young Adult (YYA) town hall meeting will be from 1:30-2:30 pm. Bishop Larry will be preaching at all of the Sunday Masses that weekend.

The 51st International Eucharistic Congress - A "Jubilee Year of Mercy" Pilgrimage to the Philippines with Most Reverend Larry Silva, Fr. Manny Hewe, and Msgr. John Mbinda from *January 22 - February 2, 2016*, designed especially for the Diocese of Honolulu. Space is limited! For more information, please contact Jolly Guerrero-Tano at 623-3332, ext. 103 or info@stjohnmililani.org.

The next 24 hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, July 3, immediately after the 8:00 am Mass and ending at 7:30 am on Saturday, July 4.

† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jose D. Manandic (RIP)

Monday, June 8 ~ St. John A&E

Visitation: 10:00 am ~ Mass: 11:00 am

Burial: 1:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Diana J. Jorgensen (RIP)

Friday, June 26 ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Visitation: 9:30am ~ Prayer Service: 11:00am

Collection for May 30 / 31, 2015

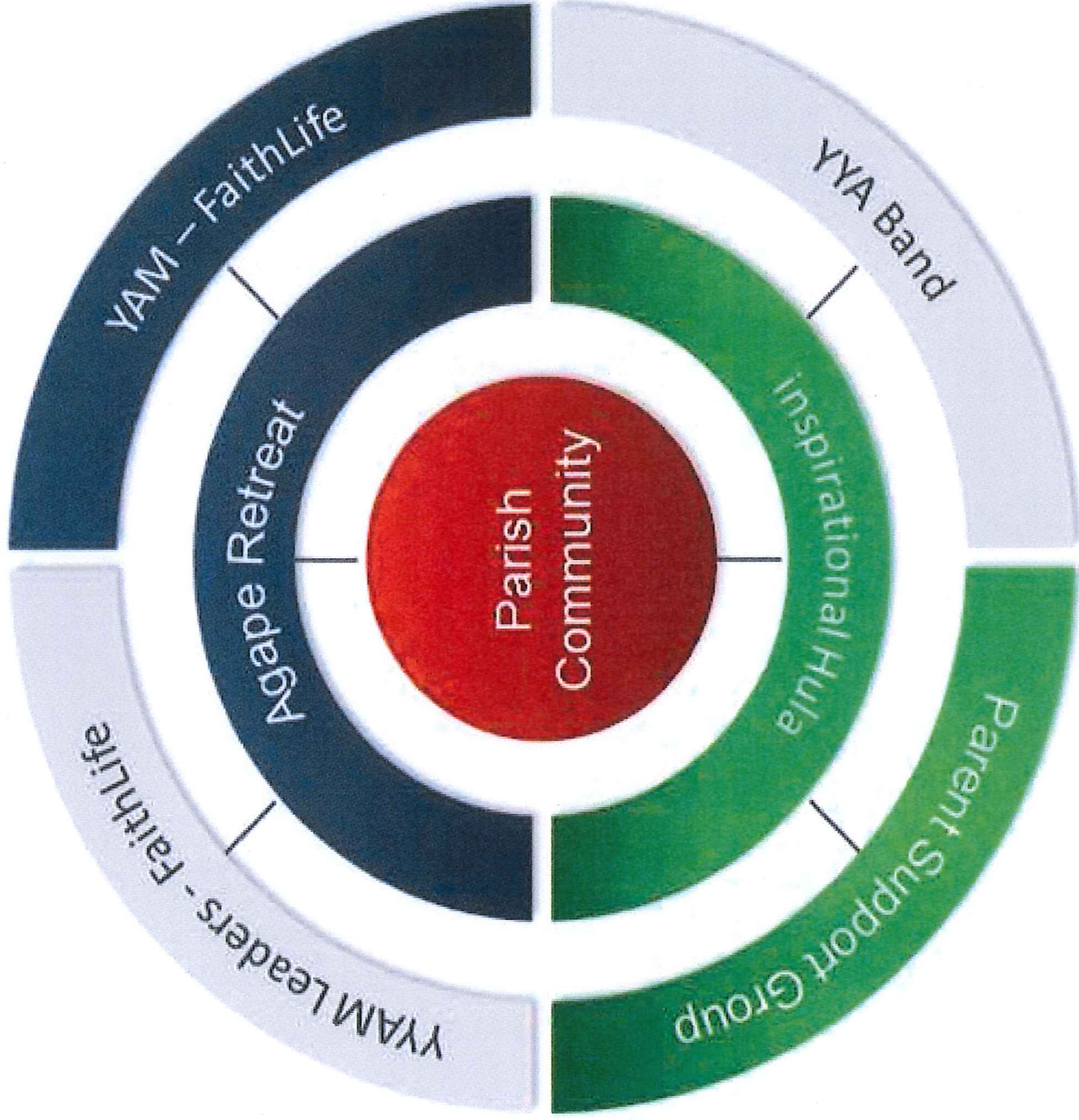
Sunday Collection	
- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$2,335.39
- 7:00 AM	\$2,358.30
- 9:00 AM	\$2,952.50
- 11:00 AM	\$2,317.84
- 6:00 PM	\$2,072.50
- Front Office	\$1,355.00
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$1,473.45
Candle Sales	\$463.00
Offerings - Baptisms	\$100.00
Mass Intentions	\$80.00
Preschool	\$20.00
Immaculate Conception	\$7.50
Donation - Outreach	\$74.00
Stewardship Development	\$58.50
BEMO	\$1,789.50
Hui O Laulima	\$35.00
Catholic Comm. Campaign	\$20.00
Holy Thursday (O. R. B.)	\$6.66

Weekend Total: \$17,522.14

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

DECEASED: Joy Ann K. Baker, Rogelio Ordinario, Lolita Camlin, Bernadette Yockman, Fidel Reyes, Natividad S. Dorado, Nydia F. Pagan, Dennis G. Nakamura, Regino P. Pacificador, and Maria Abreu, Diana Jorgensen, and Dolores Martin.

Youth & Young Adult Commission



Youth & Young Adult (YYA) Commission

Chairs: Allen Orense and Roxanne Gonzalez

Goal Statement: To welcome, recognize, and retain the youth & young adults of our St. John Apostle and Evangelist community and to foster the personal & spiritual growth of each young person in our YYA Ministry.

Objective #1: By December 31, 2016, the parish will have a YYA Ministry in place that will foster an increase of participation in YYA activities and will offer personal and spiritual growth for each young person.

The *YYA Commission* consists of the following 6 teams:

Agape Retreat

Inspirational Hula

YYA Ministry Leaders F.A.I.T.H.L.I.F.E. (Ages 15-38)

Young Adult (YM) F.A.I.T.H.L.I.F.E. (Ages 18-38)

YYA Band

Parent Support Group

Implementation timeline for the new model is July 1, 2015

Each team will meet monthly or bi-monthly.

The team leaders will meet quarterly with the commission chair to share information on their on-going team activities and future plans.

Updated: May 22, 2015

