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DAILY MASS:

Monday-Saturday: 8:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 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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Marriage and Family Life

Catechesis 101 Part 2

At the end of last week's pastor's corner catechesis, the question of who needs marriage validation was raised. This week's catechesis focuses on that question. In more direct language, any couple whose marriage is not a sacramental marriage would need to have their marriage validated, that is, raising it to sacramental marriage. At times we use the language of blessing the marriage since it was only performed in a civil ceremony. Some tend to think that a civil ceremony is ok and mistakenly some couples after such ceremonies continue to receive the Eucharist. The teaching of the Church is that such couples are living in an irregular union and may only come forward with both arms crossed upon the chest to receive a blessing at this time of Holy Communion.

Couples who have married outside the Catholic Church (on the beach, in a hotel, on a boat cruise, in the park or in the military by a non-Catholic chaplain) or couples who have simply moved together to cohabit, all need first to talk to a priest or deacon for advise on best way to proceed. Those divorced and remarried, even if it is one of the partners who has been divorced, need to talk to a priest or deacon to be guided. Other couples who marry in a protestant church without permission from their bishop would also need validation. The validation ceremony which need not be within Mass comes at the end of preparation with a priest or deacon. In the course of such preparation, the question of annulment of a previous marriage may arise. A brief catechesis on this question will be given in the coming weeks.

How does one proceed in having marriage validation? Since every marriage situation is different, there is no one answer, but there are general guiding principles. This procedure will be the topic in the next pastor's corner catechesis. So stay tuned.

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's Scripture Readings: July 21
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**

Readings: Gen 18:1-10; Ps 15:2-3,3-4,5; Col 1:24-28;
Lk 10:38-42

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10

In the first reading, we hear that the Lord appeared to Abraham in the form of three heavenly beings disguised as strangers. They come to Abraham's humble home. Abraham offers them hospitality and in reward one of them announces that this time next year, Sarah his wife will have a son. The very fact that these three beings know what will transpire in a year's time, make us conclude that this is the Trinitarian God. The child to be born then is to be important in the history of Israel's salvation.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15:2-3,3-4,5

Psalm 15 addresses the question of the relation between doing justice and living in the presence of the Lord – being righteous. In these verses, the psalm refers to moral fitness. Those who are worthy to stand before the Lord are those who live virtuously with others. Such a life is described in terms of "walking" which is more a way of life rather than merely acting or doing. Doing justice is therefore a way of life that renders one to be in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

This reading contains two important themes: 1) the sufferings Paul endures; and 2) his ministry to the Gentiles. Paul teaches that he rejoices in his own sufferings because he believes that the Colossians will benefit from them. He then adds that in his flesh he "is filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the Church." Paul is not speaking of any deficiency in the sufferings of Christ, but he highlights the sufferings the Church encounters on earth during this period of waiting for the second coming. Paul's stewardship for the Colossian church is to bear some of the hardships as part of his proclamation of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42

The usual interpretation of this text in terms of Martha cooking and serving while Mary sits at the feet of Jesus leads to missing some important points. The first point is that of gender. It is Martha who welcomes Jesus in her home. In a patriarchal society we hardly hear the mention of any female. No explanation about Martha's ownership of this home is given, though, it was not impossible for a woman to own property. The second interesting point here is that Jesus is all alone with these two women who are not members of his family. This challenges the attitude of restrictive taboo. Another point is the depiction of Mary seated at the feet of Jesus, the customary place of a disciple. She is doing the work of a disciple - listening to his words and thus portrayed as a faithful disciple. Martha is not only overwhelmed with the household duties of a woman, she is also distracted from listening to the words of Jesus. However, her duty of hospitality is an important ministerial service (*diakonia*). It is discipleship in action. Both women are serving the Lord.

*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: Myrtle Reponte, Mike Culkin, Connie Leonoras, Luis Bongbonga, Anthony Scarpelli, Danny Uehara, Bobby Higa, Guillermo Uyttingco, Stephanie Campbell, Emily Ramiscal, Anunciacion Amod, Marsha Cha, Ben Regidor, Sharon Scott, Channing Fukuda, Sandy Padilla, Ellen Cleghorn, Carolyn Drapes, Pat Nazareth, Patricia Perez, Jeremiah Bright, George Makio, Clara Cole and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Manuel Butoc, Cipriano A.P. Herrera, Sr., Marie Lourdes How Yew Kin, Maryanne Craddock, Philip J. Nazareth, Jr., Jose Talon, Abraham Miram, Fernando P. Payomo, Deocenisa Baptista, Eufasia P. Reyes, Chyrl H. Kadoyama, Marcin Bocobo, Eleanor Domingcil, James Broto Toledo, Gloria Spray, Aurelia Corpus, Arthur S. Dorado, Juan Pillos, Neil Punohu, Robert Gulliford, Mercedes B. Soliven, Ernest Leong, Alejandrino Confessor Taliman, Sr. Natividad Ferraren, SPC, Arsenio Batang Siggayo, Rose Souza Hamora and Harold Looney.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, July 15, 2013

8am Mass Demi and Rita Galicinao
(45th Wedding Anniversary)
Anne Ganzon (Birthday Blessings)

Tuesday, July 16, 2013

8am Mass Lina Guanlao (RIP)
Emerson Conrad Masa (RIP)

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

8am Mass Emerson Conrad Masa (RIP)
Norma Espiritu (RIP)

Thursday, July 18, 2013

8am Mass Eliseo J. Dungca (RIP)
Emerson Conrad Masa (RIP)

Friday, July 19, 2013

8am Mass Emerson Conrad Masa (RIP)
Norma Espiritu (RIP)
Juanito Rivera (RIP)

Saturday, July 20, 2013

8am Mass Emerson Conrad Masa (RIP)
Norma Espiritu (RIP)
5pm Mass Caleb Burnett (Birthday Blessings)

Sunday, July 21, 2013

7am Mass John Scott (RIP)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Emerson Conrad Masa (RIP)
6pm Mass Esuebio Navalta (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

Our New Parish Website is Updated and Online at www.stjohnmililani.org.

The Exodus Games committees are very grateful to you, generous parishioners of SJA&E. The donations you gave amounted to \$1,480.00, more than enough for the expenses incurred. Any extra money will be given to the Diocesan Vocations Office.

Registrations for the 2013-2014 Religious Education Program are now being accepted. Parents should register their children as soon as possible as classes are limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Classes begin in September with parent orientation in August. Please call the Religious Education Office at 623-3332 ext. 204 for details.

COMMUNITY NIGHTS: High School and College Students, would you like to join a fun, charismatic and enthusiastic group of young people interested in meeting you and sharing their faith? If you like sports, music, movies, socials and food, come and check out Community Nights for the summer. Join us on Monday, July 15 at 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm in rooms 4 & 5 at the parish center. Contact Deacon Wally and Gwen Mitsui at 623-6982 for more information.

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND on JULY 20/21 – Seminarians need your help, as we need more priests. We are blessed with ten seminarians and more to follow their ranks. The annual budget per seminarian is \$45,000.00. Many young men have answered this call. You can answer it as well, through your prayers and generous support of them as they continue to discern and follow God's will in their lives. Please give generously in our special collection for seminarians next weekend. Mahalo!

The FilAm Catholic Group quarterly meeting is being held on Friday, July 19th at 7pm in room 6. Please contact Beth Simon at 623-1815 for additional information.

The Catholic Book Club will continue their discussion of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska's book: *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska - Divine Mercy in My Soul* (Notebooks #2 and #3) on Thursday, July 18th, from 7-9pm in room 6. The group will meet again on Thursday, August 15th to continue the discussion of Notebooks #4, #5 and #6. Borrow or buy the book, read it and plan to join the group. Call Melissa Crisostomo at 626-2469 or email her at alohamc@yahoo.com for more information.

Spiritual Adoptions Month 3: "I am quite active. Even though my mother cannot feel me yet, I can kick and flip around in my safe little world. I am now three inches long and can hear outside noises. I can close my fingers around an object and I can squint, frown and smile. I am beginning to react to my environment and can already feel sensations like pain. I hope to keep warm and safe in the quiet of my mother's womb... please pray for me." *"His mother Mary...was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit... [the angel said] 'what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.'"* (Matthew 1:18-20)

St. John's Preschool is currently accepting applications for the 2013-2014 School Year. Please contact the Pre-School Office at 623-3332 ext. 200 for more information.

THE OUTREACH OFFICE IS HAVING A SCHOOL-SUPPLIES DRIVE FROM JUNE 1ST THROUGH JULY 31ST. Donations of backpacks, binders, folders, composition books, pencils, rulers, scissors and other school supplies are greatly appreciated. Supplies will be distributed to students in need from our parish community and Mililani area. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this drive. Donations may be dropped off at the Outreach Office. Please call Pearl at 623-3332 ext. 203 for more information.

2013 Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program: The Hawaii Foodbank will be distributing a limited number of Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program voucher booklets worth \$50.00 at partner locations around the island. The goal is to provide fresh and locally-grown fruits and vegetables for our seniors. Vouchers are redeemable with certified vendors at various farmers' markets from June through October 13, 2013. Please call the Outreach Office for additional information and forms at 623-3332 ext. 203.

Health Notes from St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii:

Nutrition Myth: Low-fat foods are better for you.

Fact: The term 'low fat' is synonymous with 'loaded with salt and cheap carbohydrates.' A study found that over a 2 year period, people on low-carb diets lost 62% more body weight than those trying to cut fat.

Eat This, Not That!

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Arsenio Batang Siggayo (RIP)

Friday, July 26, 2013 – Mililani Memorial Prk. - Mauka Chapel

9:00am – Visitation; 10:30am Funeral Service

2:00pm – Burial at Schofield Barracks Post Cemetery

Rose Souza Hamora (RIP)

Friday, July 26, 2013 – St. John Apostle and Evangelist

10:30am - Public Viewing; 12:00pm - Mass

1:30pm – Burial at Mililani Memorial Park Cemetery

Harold Looney (RIP)

Tuesday, July 30, 2013 – St. John Apostle & Evangelist

2:30-3:30pm – Prayer Service

Sunday Collection Report

	Actual Amount	Weekly Goal
Sunday Offering July 7, 2013	\$13,854.46	\$12,647.00
Building, Equipment Maintenance and Outreach July 7, 2013	\$1,968.00	\$1,470.00

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