



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

NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

PARISH CLERGY

Pastor

Msgr. John Mbinda (x 111)

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Office Administrator (x 103)

Jolly Guerrero-Tano

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PARISH PROGRAMS

Outreach (x 203)

Pearl Bates

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Dcn. Modesto Cordero

Religious Ed. Director (x 206)

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Catherine Awong

Youth & Young Adult Coordinators

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PARISH MINISTRIES

We welcome you to visit our parish website for a listing and more information on all our ministries.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Why Focus on Mercy?

In the opening sentence of the official proclamation of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, *The Face of Mercy*, Pope Francis says that "Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's Mercy." The history of salvation in the Old Testament contains many example of how God deals with the chosen people mercifully time and time again. The psalms, in a particular way, portray a beautiful face of God's mercy: "He forgives all your iniquity, he heals all your diseases, he redeems your life from the pit, he crowns you with steadfast love and mercy." (Psalm 103:3-4). Psalm 146:7-9 is even more explicit: "He executes justice for the oppressed; he gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind...he upholds the widow and the orphan."

This face of the Father's Mercy is fulfilled in Jesus. Many parables in the teaching of Jesus focus on God's mercy and compassion, for example the Prodigal Son. The Sermon on the Plain in Luke is one place where one finds many images of mercy. The Beatitudes: "Blessed are the merciful" (Mt 5:7) is another example. In summing up the Sermon, Jesus says: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." (Lk 6:36) Pope Francis reminds us that "the Church is commissioned to announce the mercy of God," which is absolutely essential for the credibility of her message. The task of the Church is to bring "consolation to the poor... liberty to those bound by new forms of slavery in our modern society." (#16 *The Face of Mercy*)

In brief, God is mercy itself. Jesus is the face of God's mercy. God's action of mercy is clearly present in the history of the salvation in the way He deals with the chosen people. His Covenant is one of love and mercy continuously. This covenant is fulfilled in Jesus Christ, the face of the Father's Mercy. The Church is commissioned to be the face of the Father's mercy in the world. These initial thoughts of Pope Francis outline the reason why we focus on mercy. So stay tuned.

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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.**



Jubilee Year of Mercy: December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016
"Merciful like the Father"

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Crowds gathered in the synagogue to listen to Jesus speak. The people were amazed at his words, yet after hearing his message, drove Jesus out of town. After 2000 years, we gather in this church to hear Jesus speak through the Gospel readings.

Do we allow his message to transform our lives or do we fill with fury and drive Him out?

God has known and loved us even before birth. Every person at St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church has been given God's graces that we must share with the whole community. Honor God by making

the most of the skills/talents He has given to you. Use your gifts to worship Him and to inspire change in the world. All of us have a place here at St. John's to improve our faith community. God does not choose the qualified, but qualifies the chosen.

All of us have been charged as "*prophets to the nations*." Together, we must proclaim the good news. Invite and challenge each other to deepen our prayer life. Evangelize your neighbors by sharing the *Truth*. Listen and be transformed: Have *FAITH* without waiver, *HOPE* for holiness, and *LOVE* unceasingly so that we may

journey towards the fullness that is Christ.

Bishop Larry Silva's Diocesan Coat of Arms is inscribed "*Witness to Jesus*," a reminder of two things: Our desire to see/hear Jesus with all of our senses and to allow others to witness Jesus through our words, actions and joy!



BLESSINGS TO ALL!
DEACON ROMEO GANIBE

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2016



First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

The passage from Isaiah is an account of a vision he had during a liturgical celebration in the temple. The vision explains the origins of his call by the Lord to be his prophet. The account consists of three movements or parts: the vision itself in which Isaiah sees the Lord; the purification of his unworthiness; and the Lord's call and Isaiah's offer to be sent. Do you sometimes feel like Isaiah: unworthy to do God's work?

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8

The responsorial psalm is an individual prayer of thanksgiving. It is addressed directly to God, and begins with sentiments of thanksgiving. The prayer includes the motive for thanksgiving: "when I called, you answered me; you build up strength within me." Thus the person suggests that he had previously been in trouble.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

This passage contains one of the most ancient creedal statements. The authority of the gospel Paul preaches is clear from the language he uses. All three synoptic gospel writers base their central teaching on this passage which is the heart of Paul's catechesis: Christ died; he was buried; he was raised; he appeared. The first two components (death and burial) are facts that can be verified historically. The second two (resurrection and appearances) while they too occur in history are statements of faith and the very heart of the whole gospel.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Jesus is standing by the Lake of Genezaret. He gets into one of the boats belonging to Simon Peter and begins to teach the people from there. After Jesus teaches the crowds, he asks Simon to put out his net into the deep for a catch of fish. It was natural for Simon, an experienced fisherman, to react to Jesus saying that they had worked all night and caught nothing, but at his command, he would do that. Having done that, Simon and his companions, James and John the sons of Zebedee, are astonished because of the large catch of fish. Simon's reaction is one of fear and unworthiness before Jesus. Jesus then calls Simon and his companions and said with words of comfort: "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." In this miracle is the message that a turning point in their lives has arrived; that from their ordinary way of life now they are to follow him. Does God surprise you too by calling you from your ordinary way of life to serve?

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon., February 1, 2016 (8 am)

Social Ministry (Support / Blessings)

Harry Eng (RIP)

David Smock (RIP)

Tues., February 2, 2016 (8 am)

Anna Davide (Birthday Blessings)

Margie & Jonathan Romasanta

(Blessings / Thanksgiving)

Evaristo & Ignacia Racoma (RIP)

Wed., February 3, 2016 (8 am)

Ignacia Valdez Benitez (RIP)

Cathy & Alex DeJesus

(Healing / Thanksgiving)

Al Paleski (RIP)

Thurs. February 4, 2016 (8 am)

Shirley Guerrero

(Blessings / Thanksgiving)

Mina DeJesus (Healing / Thanksgiving)

Romeo Alonzo (RIP)

Friday, February 5, 2016 (8 am)

Feliciano Dona (RIP)

Ben & Helen Guerrero

(Healing / Blessings)

Sam Gray (RIP)

Saturday, February 6, 2016

8AM: Cindy Abernathy

(Birthday Blessing)

Jarrett B. Boloson (RIP)

5 PM: Patrick W. Blair (RIP)

Sunday, February 7, 2016

7AM: Carol Ann Ramelb (Blessings)

9AM: For the People

11AM: Fred K. Kaahaaina

(Memorial Anniversary)

6 PM: Brad Swanson (RIP)

Please pray for our Members & Friends

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Elaine

Rillamas, Ramona DeCosta,

Marsha Cha, Sue Mamiya,

Sammie Chang, Annie

Chang, Chang Family, Mike Culkin,

Joyce Agsalda, Darlene Catekista, BJ

Sagocio, Ben & Helen Guerrero,

Mina DeJesus, Bob Knott, Baby

Lily, Judy Amasol, Betty & Charles

Deinhardt, Tom Harris, John F.

Gora, Darrylyn Bunda, Ellen

Cleghorn, Hilaria Santos, Fr.

Edward Turner, and everyone

mentioned in our Prayer Intentions

Book.

DECEASED: Antonio Amasol, Berlina Mindoro, Vicente T. Reyes, Marshall Sunajo, Rebekah Gomes, Selbistre "Stan" Narito, Cheryl Calvin, Ignacia V. Benitez, Jaime Maldonado, Sr., Thomas E. Silva, Sr., Mary G. Cordero, and Jarrett B. Bolosan.



The Hui O Lailima Trolley will be out next weekend. Please kokua.



Old Blessed Palms needed for Ash Wednesday. Please drop off your old palms by *February 7* in the box provided near the church entrance. Mahalo.

Thank you for your donation toward the Black & Indian Mission and Church in Latin America Collections. Your generous donation will enable people to come to know Jesus Christ in the African American, Native American, Alaskan Native, & Latin American communities. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support.



The Knights of Columbus, Council 14336, will be holding an information and membership drive this weekend after all Masses. Stop by their table and learn about their family activities, charitable works in the parish and community, as well as AAA-rated member benefits like life insurance, annuities, disability income, long-term care, and mutual fund investment opportunities. With over 15,000 councils and 2 million members worldwide, the man who stands with us never stands alone.

SANTO NIÑO Novena - Come and join the Fil-Am Catholic Group as they pray a novena to the Holy Infant of Prague continues through *Saturday, February 6* here at the SJAE Parish. Please see the bulletin board for specific dates and location.



Scout Sunday is next *Sunday, February 7th.*



Scouters are encouraged to attend the 9:00 am Mass in *UNIFORM*. All interested boys ages 6-10 (Cub Scouts) and 11-17 years old (Boy Scouts) are welcome to sign up after the Mass. Pack 144 is also seeking adult volunteers. For more information, please email Myrna Daguio at mdaguio1@hawaii.rr.com.

Augustine Educational Foundation (AEF)



will have its annual Second Collection next weekend, *February 6/7*. We kindly ask that you show support in this drive to make Catholic Education more affordable for families in Hawaii. We need your help! Envelopes are available at the back of the church. You may drop your donation during offertory, or donate online by visiting their website: www.augustinefoundation.org. Thank you for your continued support in making a difference.

Additional Time for Confession - During this Lenten season, there will be additional time for Confession before and during the Stations of the Cross. Each Friday, there will be a priest in the Confessional Room from 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm and during the Stations of the Cross for your convenience.



The next 24-Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on *Fri., February 5*, immediately after the 8:00 am Mass and ending at 7:30 am on *Sat., February 6*.



Mutual Loving: A Valentine's Day Special



Retreat for couples in 1-5 years of Marriage on *February 13* from 9am - 4pm with pupus, music, and dancing from 4-5 pm at the St. Anthony Retreat Center. To register, contact the St. Anthony Retreat Center at 845-4353, sarc3351@gmail.com.

Island Leadership Retreat 2016: Mercy like



the Father. A single day retreat, held at the *Mystical Rose Oratory* (Waialae) on *March 12*, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. If you are a high school or RCIA catechist, a youth/young adult ministry member (18-39 yrs old), a marriage or baptismal prep teacher, or if you interact with youth and/or young adults through your ministry, this is for you! For more info, visit www.oahu-ilr2016.eventbrite.com.

Planned Giving

Preparing an estate plan is good Christian stewardship - saying thanks to God, expressing your love for family, and showing charity towards others. Please remember **St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church** in your will.

Stewardship of Treasure - January 23 / 24

Sunday Collection	
- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$2,685.00
- 7:00 AM	\$3,617.32
- 9:00 AM	\$2,945.76
- 11:00 AM	\$2,120.25
- 6:00 PM	\$2,807.80
- Front Office	\$120.00
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$1,577.00
Candle Sales	\$548.00
Mass Intentions	\$160.00
Donation - Young Adults	\$130.00
Donation - Outreach	\$104.00
Stewardship Development	\$33.25
BEMO	\$1,732.25
Hui O Lailima	\$11.00
Parish Hall Building Fund (non-assessed)	\$268.25
Black & Indian Mission	\$520.00
Church in Latin America	\$1,117.00
Weekend Total:	\$20,496.88

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