



APRIL 9 / 10, 2016

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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)

Julie Quiroz-Zamora

Religious Ed. Secretary (x 204)

Dominique Kekiwi

Preschool Director (x 208)

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Youth & Young Adult Coordinators

Gwen & Dcn. Wally Mitsui

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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

Corporal Works of Mercy

In a previous bulletin we have seen that corporal works of mercy are practical acts by which we help our neighbors with their everyday material and physical needs. Jesus' definition of our "neighbor" is not just the people we know and want to help, but anyone who needs help, as in the parable of the Good Samaritan. Over the next weeks we will outline briefly the various corporal works of mercy taking one each week, in order to internalize their meaning gradually. This week we focus on the first one:

Feed the Hungry

The following would be some of the practical ways of feeding the hungry:

- ❖ If someone is hungry for food, give them what you can. If someone is hungry for attention, or for your time, give them some of yours.
- ❖ Take time to reflect on all the food we do have, and say a prayer of thanks that we have food to eat.
- ❖ If you go to a restaurant and you see a homeless person near, stop and invite the homeless person to dine with you.
- ❖ Share a meal and some conversation with someone who might otherwise be alone today, or who might otherwise not eat today.
- ❖ Eat a little less whenever possible, and give the savings to hungry person on the street or buy food and drink for the person.
- ❖ Consciously avoid wasting food as much as possible. Whatever money is saved by not wasting can be collected and used to help someone in need of food.
- ❖ Make a few sandwiches to hand out as you walk through areas where you might encounter people in need.
- ❖ Volunteer to go to the IHS or join "Meals on Wheels" that brings meals to the homebound.
- ❖ Donate food to the parish food pantry and volunteer to pack food to the hungry.

Next week we will consider *Sheltering the Homeless*. So stay tuned.

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Pastor

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 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR C

Today's gospel details the transformation made possible by the risen Christ. Through his guidance, the apostles net a great number of fish after a catch-less night. They needed a spiritual nutrition of encounter and belief for them to declare their love for Christ and follow him with fidelity. After this incidence, Christ invites the apostles to share in his ongoing ministry and, at the same time, he asks Peter for his complete conversion, a radical change. He demands from him an unconditional capacity to love, a greater capacity than anybody else. This is the meaning of "*look after my sheep*". Peter, who is fortified not only by the gift of breakfast, but even more so by gift of encounter with the risen Christ, declares his total love for him, replacing his triple denial.

The experience of resurrected Christ transforms the way we are, enabling us to obey his ongoing invitation, "Follow me". We are strengthened by Jesus' risen Presence, by his invitation to follow him;

by his own love for us that transforms our love into faithfulness and fruitfulness. Risen Life is a gift that is given to us by Christ, but we must also seek and grasp it. This faith in Christ has always suffered opposition. The apostles suffered similar opposition and persecution from the Jewish religious leaders. They were perceived as trouble-makers in the community. Should we wonder if even today Christians are considered so? In the past Christians gave trouble to anybody defending situations of injustice incompatible with the Gospel. True Christians have always resisted and will keep on resisting anybody wanting to perpetuate unbearable traditions offending the human dignity. They will never leave in peace those who make laws that trample on genuine rights of the person. Today, as Christians do we obey God or people?

We must open ourselves to be fortified by all the gifts given to us so that our follow-response is energetic, sustained, and

fruitful. Sometimes we experience what the seven apostles experienced: they fished for the whole night and caught nothing! Why? For the very same reason that we also fail so often: they were not guided by the word of the risen Lord. Jesus gives us all the nourishment we need in order to meet the demands of daily discipleship. Accepting the nourishment that Jesus offers means that; by following him we ourselves become his risen Presence, those who lead others to him. Every day we must take care that our actions announce Jesus' gift of nourishment, and at the same time that they speak of his goodness and care. Leading others to Jesus doesn't mean doing big things; it means doing the little things well and so reflect the risen Life dwelling within us. No matter what our act of love is, it always means saying yes to Jesus and his risen Life.

FR. BONIFACE WAEMA

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2016



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:14,43-52

This passage comes immediately after the healing of the cripple that led to the arrest of Peter and John by the religious leaders. Since the religious leaders wanted to know by what authority the Apostles had performed the miracle, Peter responds that the healing of this man is proof that Jesus is risen from the dead, and that he is the source of salvation for all.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 100:1-2,3,5

Psalm 118 refers to the Israelite nation, oppressed by other nations and yet favored by God. Early Christians, as in the first reading, saw these words as typifying the Jewish reaction to Jesus as the fulfillment of God's saving work. Response: "The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone."

Second Reading: Revelation: 7:9,14-17

These verses intend to make a link with the first reading. The world (human society) "did not know him" (God). Therefore, the unbelieving world rejected and crucified God's revelation in Christ. We have accepted that revelation, and so, through our baptism, we are children of God. We are called to recognize the full dignity of what we are now, and live accordingly, for that is the seed of what we will become.

Gospel: John 10:27-30

In this Gospel, Jesus follows a long Hebrew Scripture tradition that frequently depicted God as a shepherd, beginning with Gn 49:24. Psalm 23 is the most familiar. The great king David had been a shepherd, and is referred to as shepherd of the people in Ps 78:70-72. Later leaders were often corrupt and called unfaithful shepherds by the prophets who gave voice to God's promise that he would shepherd his people. Jesus is therefore the fulfillment of that promise when he tells the parable of the good shepherd. He intends to show that, different from other shepherds, he is the good shepherd who literally lays down his life for the sheep. This image has two applications. The first application connects laying down one's life with the defense of the sheep against "wolves", a traditional image of false teachers. The second application speaks first of the inner life of the Church (the shepherd knows the sheep by name) and then of the Church's missionary outreach: the other sheep who are not yet members of this fold: the Gentiles. The mission of the Church is both to defend the sheep from wrong ideas about salvation which comes through Christ alone; the second aspect of the Church's mission is the unity of the Church, so that there will be one flock and one shepherd.

Follow Msgr. John's homilies! Blog (text): <http://www.sundayhomily.com>

Podcast (audio): <http://streaminghomilies.podbean.com> iTunes (audio): [Streaming Homilies](http://streaminghomilies.com)

Mass for the Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 11, 2016 (8 am)

Jarrett B. Bolosan (RIP)

Rosenda Barayuga (RIP)

Felisa Que (RIP)

Tuesday, April 12, 2016 (8 am)

Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Shockley (RIP)

Carmen Burnett (RIP)

Sauget Family (Thanksgiving/Blessing)

Wed., April 13, 2016 (8 am)

Kelly E. Higa Nishimura

(Birthday Blessing)

Santiago B. Millan (RIP)

Paula Davide (Birthday Blessing)

Thursday, April 14, 2016 (8 am)

Jarrett B. Bolosan (RIP)

Debi Tulang-DeSilva (Healing)

Friday, April 15, 2016 (8 am)

Mason Grace (Birthday Blessing)

Rene Catalan (RIP)

Dorothy B. Miller (RIP)

Saturday, April 16, 2016

8AM: Rita Galicinao

(Thanksgiving/Blessing/Good Health)

5 PM: George W. Balbaugh, Jr. (RIP)

Sunday, April 17, 2016

7AM: Conrad Recibe (Birthday Memorial)

9AM: For the People

11AM: Carmen Burnett (RIP)

6PM: All Souls in Purgatory (RIP)

Please pray for our Members & Friends

HEALING / BLESSINGS:



Sue Mamiya, Sammie Chang, Annie Chang, Chang Family, Mike Culkin, Joyce Agsalda, BJ Sagocio, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Mina DeJesus, Bob & Mel Knott, Baby Lily, Judy Amasol, Betty Deinhardt, Tom Harris, John F. Gora, Darrylyn Bunda, Ellen Cleghorn, Hilaria Santos, Fr. Edward Turner, Maureen Hart, Monica Pangelinan, Diane Kotch, Mona DeCosta, Josephine Ponce, Aiden Phillips & Family, Tony Gabriel, Debbie Tulang DeSilva, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Mother's Day Mass of Remembrance -



Honor your mother, living or deceased, this Mother's Day, May 8th, by making a Mass of Remembrance offering. All the names will be published as an insert in the *April 30/ May 1* weekly bulletin. Please **PRINT LEGIBLY**. Envelopes are at the back of the church. The deadline to submit your mother's name for publication is by **Sunday, April 24th**.

St. John Women's Guild Membership



Meeting will be held on *Wednesday, April 13* at 10:00 am in the church. All ladies of the parish with interest in the Guild are invited to attend. For more information and registration, contact Erlinda Nishimura at 286-1071.

NEW!! St. John Rosary Making Ministry -

Would you be interested in learning how to make rosaries using beads? The Rosary Making Ministry meets to make rosaries & enjoy fellowship with one another. Training & all materials are provided for **FREE**. The first session will be held on **Wednesday, April 20** at 10 am on the Church Lanai. All are welcome to join! To sign up, call Ellen Dona, 625-0248 donaf001@hawaii.rr.com.

Catholic Book Club meeting will be held on *April 21*, 7:00-9:00 pm in classroom 6. The discussion book will be *Lord, Have Mercy: The Healing Power of Confession* by Scott Hahn. Open to everyone, bring a snack to share! For more info, email Melissa Crisostomo, alohamc@yahoo.com.

Reboot LIVE! A life-changing event for parishes & families with Internationally Acclaimed Speaker and Author **Christ Stefanick**; *Wednesday, June 29*, 7:00- 9:00 pm at *Resurrection of the Lord Parish* in Waipio. Tickets are on sale now, \$19. For more info visit www.reallifecatholic.com/REBOOT or call 808-203-6763. *Live the life you were made for!*

Upcoming Religious Education Dates:

April 17, 10:30 am - 2:00 pm Confirmation Yr. 2 Class & Retreat (Last Class)
April 20, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Church) First Eucharist Rehearsal (FRE 2-3 A & B, FRE 4-11B Students, & Parents)
April 23, 9:00 - 11:30 am Confirmation Mass Rehearsal (Yr. 2 Students, Sponsors & Parents)
April 24, 6:00 pm Confirmation Mass
May 7, 5:00 pm First Eucharist Mass

Additional Time for Confession. For the duration of the *Year of Mercy*, there will be additional confession time on **Fridays** from **5:30 pm to 6:30 pm**. Saturday confession time will remain the same, from 3:30-4:30 pm.

The next 24-hr Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on *Friday, May 6*, immediately after the 8:00 am Mass and ending at 7:30 am on *Saturday, May 7*.



† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wellie V. Yadao (RIP)

Thursday, April 14 ~ St. John A & E

Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 10:30 am

Burial: 2:00 pm ~ Valley of the Temples Memorial Park (Kaneohe)

Charles W. Deinhardt (RIP)

Fri., April 22 ~ Mililani Memorial Park (Makai)

Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Prayer Service: 10:30 am

Burial: 2:00 pm ~ Hawaii State Veteran's Cemetery (Kaneohe)

Planned Giving

Your gifts to your church are a testimony to your faith and the confidence you have in your church.

Both lifetime gifts and testamentary (those that are given through your will) express your feelings in a meaningful way. Please remember **St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church** in your will.

Stewardship of Treasure - April 2 / 3

Sunday Collection

- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$3,240.60
- 7:00 AM	\$3,007.70
- 9:00 AM	\$3,847.00
- 11:00 AM	\$2,890.14
- 6:00 PM	\$1,979.15
- Front Office	\$1,064.00
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$2,099.50

Candle Sales \$639.10

Offerings - Funerals \$100.00

Mass Intentions \$70.00

Easter Offering \$160.00

Donation - Outreach \$142.00

Youth Donations \$55.00

Stewardship Development \$33.25

BEMO \$2,030.25

Hui O Laulima \$159.25

Building Fund (non-assessed) \$292.00

Preschool \$68.00

Augustine Education Fund \$7.50

Catholic Relief Services \$20.00

Seminarian Education Fund \$200.00

Holy Land / Good Friday \$420.00

Holy Thursday (Rice Bowl) \$909.98

Weekend Total: \$23,434.42

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

DECEASED: Ignacia V. Benitez, Jaime Maldonado, Sr., Thomas E. Silva, Sr., Mary G. Cordero, Jarrett B. Bolosan, Walter S. Rabacal, John Gibson, Catherine Phillips, David Twelker, Mr. & Mrs. Hilburn T. Miller, Robert Atiburico, Greg Cain, Stanley T. Patinio, Isidro J. Loquere, Charles W. Deinhardt, Joe Ormasa, Wellie V. Yadao, and Darlene Catekista.