



APRIL 16 / 17, 2016
THE FOURTH 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

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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

Shelter the Homeless

"I was.... naked and you clothed me." (Mt. 25:36) Last week, we reflected on practical ways of *Feeding the Hungry*, the first corporal work of mercy. This week, we focus on the *second* work of mercy, *Shelter the Homeless*. This will challenge us to open our eyes to the misery of those who, for varied reasons, have no place they can call home. We do not allow dogs or cats to stray on our streets, but we become numb to the fate of our own brothers and sisters.

The following would be some practical ways of responding to homelessness as a parish community, a family, and individuals. In the *Letter to the Hebrews*, the writer urges us, "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares." (Heb 13:2)

- ❖ Be grateful to God for the home you live in, for having a roof over your head and a bed to sleep in.
- ❖ Open your eyes to the situation of homelessness in your neighborhood.
- ❖ Offer a temporary roof for the homeless even for one night.
- ❖ Help the homeless find employment for those still able to do so.
- ❖ Do not pass judgement on a homeless person, but respond with compassion and understanding.
- ❖ Sheltering the homeless requires discernment and the stewardship of our money.
- ❖ Reflect on whether you make your home a place where guests feel welcome.
- ❖ Practice one of the Rules of St. Benedict: "Let all guests be received like Christ."

Next week we will consider *Clothing the Naked*. 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"

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Evangelization, the fourth sign of a dynamic Catholic is the overarching theme of this Sunday's readings. Listening and following the Risen Lord are the key words that capture the central message. The readings first remind us that the risen Christ, the Lamb slain for our sins is our Shepherd who gives us eternal life. That is the fulfillment of the vision in the *Book of Revelations* that speaks about those who are finally rewarded with new life, where they will never hunger nor be thirsty again.

The first reading from the *Acts of the Apostles* is about the evangelizing efforts of the early Church. It draws our attention to the difficulties that beset the Church in its witness. Paul and Barnabas follow the voice of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the message of the Shepherd to the Jews. The rejection of the Good News by the Jews in Antioch becomes a blessing in

disguise, because Paul and Barnabas turn to the *Gentiles* who warmly welcome the Good News. The comforting message is clear. Countless difficulties, opposition, deceit and persecution have never succeeded in blocking the evangelizing mission of the Church.

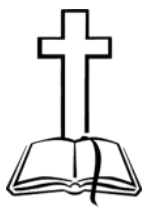
The Gospel of this Sunday proclaims good news of comfort for millions of people in the world today. It also offers us a great challenge. The comforting message is that the sheep listens to the shepherd's voice and that no one can snatch the sheep out of the Father's hands. The challenge for both the pastors and lay faithful alike is how to recognize the voice of the shepherd in the midst of opposition, countless voices of other churches, the TV channels, the Internet, Facebook, Tweets. We face these challenges by remaining close to the other sheep and our spiritual family. The challenge is

caring for one another by being what Pope Francis has called custodians of one another to discern the voice of the Shepherd, the Risen Lord.

The message we take home this Sunday is threefold. 1) We are challenged to listen and follow the Risen Lord who shepherds us through the Church. 2) Just as the risen Lord is the lamb who dies for us and suffers with us, you and I are challenged to reach out with compassion to those who suffer. 3) As an Easter people touched by the risen Lord, we are challenged to purposely reach out to those who are weak in their faith; those tested by the many conflicting voices in the world; those led away from the flock, away from the Shepherd and bring them back home to the fold.

MSGR. JOHN S. MBINDA
PASTOR

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016



First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 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. 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.

Mass for the Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 18, 2016 (8 am)

Felicitas & Alfredo Coridal (RIP)

Honorato Galila, Sr. (RIP)

Jolly Guerrero-Tano

(Thanksgiving/Blessings/Peace)

Tuesday, April 19, 2016 (8 am)

Asuncion Cortel (Special Intentions)

Dan Sordillia (RIP)

Wed., April 20, 2016 (8 am)

Angelina Orallo (RIP)

Pacita Mauleon (RIP)

Thursday, April 21, 2016 (8 am)

Mildred Furuta (RIP)

Wellie Yadao (RIP)

Friday, April 22, 2016 (8 am)

Wellie Yadao (RIP)

Regina Gasmen (Birthday Blessing)

Saturday, April 23, 2016

8AM: Wellie Yadao (RIP)

Honorato Galila, Sr. (RIP)

5 PM: Joseph B. MacDonald, Jr. (RIP)

Sunday, April 24, 2016

7AM: Stephanie Jamile (Blessings)

9AM: For the People

11AM: Stephanie Jamile

(Special Intentions)

6PM: Wellie Yadao (RIP)



HEALING/BLESSINGS:

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

DECEASED: Ignacia V. Benitez, 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, Darlene Catekista, Bienvenido M. Eligio, Sr., and Andreietta Cabanting.

Social Ministry - Do you like to shop and work with the elderly? Volunteers are **NEEDED** to assist our senior community with their shopping needs. If you are able to volunteer and help, please contact Connie Murphy, Senior Adult Ministry, at 625-7773 or connie96789@msn.com

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.

NEW!! St. John Rosary Making Ministry - Interested in learning how to make rosaries using beads? The *Rosary Making Ministry* meets to make rosaries & enjoy fellowship. All materials are provided for **FREE**. The first session is this *Wed, April 20* at 10 am on the church lanai. All are welcome to join! Sign up with Ellen Dona, 625-0248 donaf001@hawaii.rr.com.

The next 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.

Mother's Day Mass Remembrance - Honor your mother, living or deceased, this *Mother's Day*, May 8th, by making a Mass 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 *Sunday, April 24th*.

Confirmation Mass will be held on *Sunday, April 24* at 6 pm, Very Reverend Gary Secor will preside. Typically, there is a large turnout for this Mass, please understand that parking and seating will be limited. **Confirmation Mass Rehearsal** will be on *Sat., April 23* from 9:00-11:30 am in the church for Conf. Yr.2 Students and Sponsors.

Upcoming Religious Education Dates:

April 20 & May 4, 6:30 - 8:30 pm (Church)

First Eucharist Rehearsal

(FRE 2-3 A & B, FRE 4-11B Students, & Parents)

May 7, 5:00 pm

First Eucharist Mass



Are you longing for more? Who isn't looking for something more? Do you want to experience your faith - and live your life - more deeply? Then don't miss the **REBOOT LIVE!** event on *Wednesday, June 29*, 7:00-9:00 pm at Resurrection of the Lord Parish in Waipio. Don't wait! Tickets are selling fast! Contact our **Parish Office**, 623-3332, x100, to purchase your tickets!

NEW! Choir Practice Time Change -

The *Children's Choir* will be practicing from 6:00 - 6:45 pm on *Tuesdays*. The 5pm, 7am, and 9am Choirs will jointly practice on *Tuesdays* from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in the Church.

Usher Training for *new and current* members will be held on Wednesday, April 27 from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Church. Contact Nick Calzada ncalzada@rcchawaii.org for more info.

Altar Server Training for *new and current* members will be held on Sunday, May 1 from 12:30-1:30 pm in the Church. Contact Margaret Higa sjaserwer@hawaii.rr.com for more info.

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

Charles W. Deinhardt (RIP)

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

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

Burial: 2:00 pm ~ HI State Veteran's Cemetery

Andreietta Cabanting (RIP)

Wed., April 27 ~ Mililani Mem. Park (Mauka)

Visitation: 9:00 am ~ Program: 11:00 am

Prayer service: 11:45 am ~ Burial: 12:30 pm

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 & Evangelist Church** in your will.

Stewardship of Treasure - April 9 / 10

Sunday Collection	
- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$3,043.00
- 7:00 AM	\$3,201.00
- 9:00 AM	\$3,371.84
- 11:00 AM	\$2,688.38
- 6:00 PM	\$2,015.68
- Front Office	\$256.00
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$2,166.00
Candle Sales	\$702.00
Offerings - Baptisms	\$100.00
Mass Intentions	\$200.00
Easter Offering	\$409.00
Donation - Outreach	\$231.50
Youth Donations	\$10.00
Mother's Day Offering	\$65.00
Stewardship Development	\$4.75
BEMO	\$1,200.75
Hui O Laulima	\$78.82
Building Fund (non-assessed)	\$158.25
Preschool	\$77.50
Holy Thursday (Rice Bowl)	\$35.00
Weekend Total:	\$20,014.47
"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce." Proverbs 3:9	