



September 14, 1969, First Parish Mass • May 17, 1970 Ground-breaking • August 15, 1971, Dedication of the church

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Monday-Saturday: 8:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm

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

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

or by appointment

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Monday: 12:00pm-4:00pm

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Norms for Serving on Parish Finance Councils

Revised and Promulgated by

Most Reverend Clarence Silva, Bishop of Honolulu

On March 13, 2009, Most Reverend Clarence Silva, Bishop of Honolulu issued new norms to govern the parish finance councils, as required by canon 537 of the Code of Canon Law.

These norms need to be seen within a larger context of the entire parish, which in our case here at St. John Apostle and Evangelist we have four advisory councils. These councils work harmoniously in their advisory role to the pastor for the purpose of the growth of the whole parish community. Each council however plays a distinct role. In the bulletin you will find on the first two pages of the insert the responsibilities and relationships of each of the advisory councils.

The reason why there are norms governing finance councils is that they are the only councils required by church law. When the Bishop of a diocese issues norms for governing parishes, these norms have to be implemented. For some reason some of the norms of March 13, 2009 have not been implemented here at St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church. With the promulgation of the revised norms on May 30, 2013, I have decided to implement them.

What is the purpose of the parish finance council? Its purpose is “to advise and assist the pastor in the administration of the temporal goods of the parish.”

Along with this explanation, I have also decided to insert in this Sunday’s bulletin, three pages of the relevant section of the revised norms for your information.

In the five-page insert of the Norms, I draw your attention to Section IV of the Norms that deals with membership, number 32 that states as follows: “The members will serve a term of three years, renewable. Terms should be staggered so that about one third of the terms end each. The pastor may appoint some members to one or two year terms as needed to stagger terms.”

In view of these norms, I have decided to appoint two new members of the Finance Council who will start their ministry at the next meeting of the Finance Council. In accordance with the new norms, their names will be published in the next bulletin. 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: August 11

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Readings: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1,12,18-19,20-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48

First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

This passage is an interpretation of the deliverance of the chosen people at the time of slavery in Egypt. It recounts the events of the night of their Passover. The writer compares how God in his providence spares the Israelites while the Egyptians are smitten with afflictions. The Israelites put their trust in God so much that they took a risk to escape from the iron hand of the Pharaoh. The author moves beyond comparing the Egyptians and the Israelites and claims that God reversed the fates of the two people.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33:1, 12,18-19, 20-22

The responsorial psalm opens with a prayer of praise. Everything in the response speaks of covenant relationship with God. The psalm uses the idea of inheritance which normally refers to land from one generation to the next, but this is used as a metaphor to indicate that Israel belongs to God who loves Israel; God who gives Israel all they need and secures them. God is, therefore, their help and their shield.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

The first verse of this reading about the faith of Abraham is the best known in Scripture. The story of Abraham's faith begins with his call from God to leave his land and go to a land that God would show him, a land he would receive as one receives an inheritance. In brief, the story of Abraham and his sojourn out of faith for a promised inheritance is here used as a metaphor for our journey out of faith towards our promised land, the New Jerusalem.

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

The gospel passage can be divided into three parts: 1) teaching on possessions (vv. 32-34); 2) a story that shows the importance of watchfulness (vv.35-40); and 3) instruction about responsible leadership. On the first part, Jesus does not condemn material possessions as such, but only the amassing (hoarding) of such goods. In this context, Jesus tells his disciples not to have money bags for carrying their surplus. Jesus knows that trust in riches can be an obstacle to trusting in God. He then introduces his teaching on watchfulness with a twofold admonition. He tells his disciples to tuck their flowing robes under their belts as their calling demands strenuous activity. The next image Jesus uses is the metaphor of keeping your lamp lighted, suggesting that they will have to remain watchful and vigilant even in the night, as they wait the return of the householder, who is identified with the return of the Son of Man at a time the servants do not know.

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.*

Boohomily (audio): <http://audioboo.fm/jmbinda>

"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, Ellen Cleghorn, Carolyn Drapes, Patricia Perez, Jeremiah Bright, George Makio, Clara Cole, Sally Bordfeld, Leilani Mueller, Sherri Mauck, Hilda Gomez and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Eufasia P. Reyes, Chyrl H. Kadoyama, Marcin Bocobo, Eleanor Domingcil, James Broto Toledo, Gloria Spray, Aurelia Corpus, Arthur S. Dorado, Neil Punohu, Robert Gulliford, Mercedes B. Soliven, Ernest A. Leong III, Alejandrino Confessor Taliman, Sr. Natividad Ferraren, SPC, Arsenio Batang Siggayo, Rose S. Hamora, Harold Looney, Evelyn Toshiko Winninghoff, Darrell Sabihon, Indra Duarte Robinson and Wilfred Castro.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, August 5, 2013

8am Mass Peter Kao (Death Anniversary)
Mariano Mendoza, Sr. (RIP)
Alejandrino Confessor-Taliman (RIP)

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

8am Mass Fred and Regina Rupp (RIP)
Sandy Padilla (Healing/Thanksgiving)
Mercedes B. Soliven (RIP)

Wednesday, August 7, 2013

8am Mass Michael Morano (RIP)
Ernest A. Leong III (RIP)
James B. Toledo (RIP)

Thursday, August 8, 2013

8am Mass Dominic Oscar Corniel (RIP)
Joy Lauriano (RIP)
Carlos Pesante-Bonafe (RIP)

Friday, August 9, 2013

8am Mass Ernest A. Leong III (RIP)
Russ E. Miller (Health and Graces)

Saturday, August 10, 2013

8am Mass Devin Shockley (Birthday Blessings)
Richard P. Tesoro (RIP)

5pm Mass Larry Van, Sr. (RIP)

Sunday, August 11, 2013

7am Mass Catherine Guerrero De Jesus
(Birthday Blessings)

9am Mass For the People

11am Mass Carmelita Pettit (Birthday Blessings)

6pm Mass Cezar L. Vitug (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

Registrations for the 2013-2014 Religious Education Program are now being accepted after Sunday morning Masses or Tuesday through Friday at the Religious Education Office. Please call 623-3332 ext. 204 or 205 for further information. All students should be registered **PRIOR TO THE ORIENTATION MEETING DATES.**

FRE Parent Orientation (First Reconciliation & Eucharist)	Sunday, August 4 th 12:30 pm in the Church	For PARENTS with children registered in First Eucharist classes
General Parent Orientation	Sunday, August 11 th 12:30 pm in the Church	For PARENTS with children registered in Grades Pre-K – 8 (NOT in FRE classes)
Conf-1 Parent & Student Orientation 7:00 – 8:30 pm Rooms 4 & 5	Thursday, Aug. 15 OR Thursday, Aug. 22	Confirmation Year-1 STUDENTS must attend with at least one PARENT

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO... Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact Deacon Modesto Cordero at 585-3342 or mcordero@rcchawaii.org.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS: Join us for “Community Nights” (Mondays from 6:30-8:30pm in rooms 4 & 5) and for summer day events of fun, fellowship, faith sharing, community building, praise and worship and delicious refreshments. **Upcoming Events:** (Monday, August 5th No event scheduled due to Summer Faith Formation/guest speaker); **Monday, August 10th:** Sports Day at Kipapa Park: Basketball & Volleyball from 10am-3pm. **Monday, August 12th:** Scripture Sharing on Closest & Farthest Moments from Jesus; **Monday, August 19th:** Topic: Live, Laugh & Love. Contact Auntie Gwen and Den. Wally Mitsui at 623-6982 or Email: gmitsui@gmail.com and wmitsui@rcchawaii.org for more information. Please pickup a flyer at the back of the church for a complete list of summer events.

The Women’s Guild will have their Bake Sale on Sunday, August 11th at all morning masses. Please support this worthwhile event located at the Breezeway across from the lanai. A variety of BAKED GOODS, ORCHIDS, FRUITS, VEGETABLES, PLANTS and POSTERS will be on sale.

Please join us for our parish **SUMMER FAITH FORMATION** program on **Monday, August 5th through Wednesday, August 7th at 7pm** in the church, with renowned guest speaker, Fr. Frank Desiano, CSP, who will speak on: “Reactivating Our Catholic Faith.” All are welcome!

Healing Mass with Anointing is scheduled for Monday, August 12th. Praise and Worship begins at 7:30pm followed by Mass. All are welcome!

The Mission Cooperative Office in the Diocese of Honolulu has assigned Rev. Joel Reyes, a priest representing the Archdiocese of Tuguegarao in the Philippines, to visit our parish for Mission Appeal next weekend, August 10-11. Fr. Joel will preach at all the Masses. There will be a second collection after communion in support of Fr. Joel’s mission appeal. Please make checks payable to St. John. A parish check for the total amount collected will be sent to the Diocesan Business Office. The Business Office will then send the funds to the Archdiocese of Tuguegarao. Please be generous. Mahalo for your support!

Religious Emblem Facilitator Training: Catholic adults interested in becoming a Religious Emblem Facilitator for Scouting programs may attend training on Saturday, 8/10/13, 9:00-3:00, SJA Rooms 4&5. Please contact Mike or Marie Akana at 455-5415.

The Hui O Laulima Ministry is collecting gently-used semi-formal and formal prom/party dresses for the high school students on Molokai. Donations may be dropped off at the Breezeway on the following collection dates: Sunday, August 11 after all morning Masses; Saturday, August 17 and 24 after the 5pm Mass; Sunday, August 18 and 25 after all morning Masses. For more information please contact Cora: 621-9528 or Teri: 295-4926. Mahalo for your support!

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Evelyn Toshiko Winninghoff (RIP)

Saturday, August 24, 2013

Mililani Memorial Park - Makai Chapel

5:30pm – Visitation; 6:30pm - Prayer Service

Sunday Collection Report

	Actual Amount	Weekly Goal
Sunday Offering July 28, 2013	\$11,974.52	\$12,647.00
Building, Equipment Maintenance and Outreach July 28, 2013	\$1,427.00	\$1,470.00

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

IV. Responsibilities and Relationships

- ✦ **There are many leadership roles within the parish.**
- ✦ **Each leader has a distinct role and responsibility.**
- ✦ **Each leadership group maintains a respectful and collaborative relationship with every other leadership group.**

A. The Pastor

The pastor is central to the sacramental life and overall well-being of the parish. Although he is encouraged and expected to collaborate with parishioners, he is, ultimately, responsible for the pastoral and finance councils, hiring staff, and approving heads of ministries. He empowers the council members to take on the role of leadership to enhance his own role as foremost leader of the parish. He consults with lay leaders in discerning direction for the parish.

In those parishes with a parochial vicar and deacon(s), the pastor should discern with them what will be their relationship with the pastoral council – whether or not they will meet with the council as ex-officio members.

B. The Pastoral Council

The primary responsibility of the Pastoral council is pastoral planning. The members prayerfully investigate and ponder issues of concern to the whole community and make recommendations to the pastor for goals and actions. Areas of concern include matters pertaining to the life of the whole parish: Leadership, Faith Formation, Worship, Social Ministry, Youth and Young Adults, Evangelization, Stewardship, and Community. The council is consultative and advisory to the pastor. Together they assess the work of the parish ministries in response to the pastoral plan, help the ministries address obstacles to implementation, and evaluate the work on the goals to determine if outcomes have been met.

C. The Finance Council

The Finance Council assists the pastor with the management of parish funds. Using the Parish Pastoral Plan as a guide, they do long-range financial planning to help insure that funds needed to achieve the goals are available. They work with parish ministry leaders to help them create budgets that reflect the goals for their particular ministries. If funds need to be raised, they oversee any development efforts in the parish. They monitor the spending of the funds and provide the Pastoral council with information needed for their assessment and evaluation responsibilities. They are a resource to the pastor.

D. The Parish Planning and Building Committee for Repair, Maintenance and New Construction

The Parish Planning and Building Committee is responsible for the maintenance of the facilities to provide a safe, clean, comfortable, and inviting environment. In their work of listening and recommending, the pastoral council may identify areas of concern regarding the facilities, but those concerns are to be referred to this committee for response. Similarly, the finance council will be responsible to assist this committee with establishing a realistic budget needed for repair or new building. Pastoral and finance councils are kept informed about needed repairs and maintenance but are not responsible for the actual work involved.

E. The School Board

In parishes with a school, the school board assists the pastor and principal in the important ministry of Catholic education. They do so by assisting in developing and maintaining a smooth-running school that is accountable in its mission, providing for representation and input from appropriate groups within the school community and the parish. The Pastoral council members are collaborators with the pastor and school board in developing and enhancing the partnership between the parish and the school and in modeling and representing the faith community that surrounds and permeates the school.

This partnership can aid in the growth and development of the school and help affirm its distinctively Catholic Christian character.

II. Specific Duties of the Parish Finance Council

12. **Annual parish budget:** The parish finance council plays an advisory and analytical role in the preparation of the annual balanced parish budget (canon 1284, §3). Under the authority of the pastor, the process should involve consultation with the parish pastoral council, staff, ministries, and associations.
13. **School finances, budget and subsidy:** If the parish has a school, its school board is to have its own school finance committee to prepare its annual budget and to review its income, expenditures, assets and liabilities. The pastor must receive regular financial reports from the school, and he, along with the principal, must approve the annual budget. The pastor is to present regular financial reports and proposed budgets of the school to the parish finance council, so that they can more effectively advise him in his responsibility of financial oversight of the school. At least annually, prior to the approval of the following year's budget, the principal and chair of the school finance committee shall meet with the parish finance council to review the financial situation and outlook of the school. The pastor is to consult the parish finance council in regard to any subsidy to the school from the general parish fund.
14. **Quarterly reviews:** The parish finance council should review the parish financial records and evaluate the financial status of the parish at least quarterly. This should include a review of the balance sheet and statement of revenues and expenditures. This review should compare budget to actual income and expenses. The purpose of this quarterly review is to keep the members of the council informed and also to give them an opportunity to advise the pastor regarding contingencies.
15. **Annual financial report to the bishop:** The members of the parish finance council are to review and sign the annual financial report submitted to the Diocesan Finance Office in accordance with the forms issued by that office (canons 1284, §2, 8°, 1287).
16. **Annual report to the parishioners:** The members of the parish finance council are to review the annual financial report presented to the parishioners (canon 1287, §2). Their names are to be included on the annual report. With permission or at the direction of the pastor, the parish finance council members may provide education to parishioners about the finances of the parish and about the relationship between the parish pastoral plan and the parish finances.
17. **Safety inspection:** The council is to review the safety inspection report submitted to the diocese.
18. **Inventory and stable patrimony:** Each year the council is to review the parish inventory of immovable property, objects of precious, artistic, cultural, or historic value, and other goods valued at \$1,000 or more, along with their description and appraisal (canon 1283, 2-3°). Proposals by the pastor for changes in what is designated as stable patrimony (e.g., church, rectory, restricted funds) are also to be reviewed by the council prior to submission to the bishop.
19. **Long-term planning:** The parish finance council is to help the pastor establish a three to five year financial plan for funding operational and capital needs. This plan includes:
 - Maintenance, repairs and renovations
 - Outreach to the poor, support of missions

- Purchase of equipment
- Systematic payment of any parish debt
- A reserve fund in the annual budget to cover these expenses
- The administration of surplus funds

20. **Stewardship and development:** The parish finance council is to advise the pastor in regard to stewardship and development.

- With regard to stewardship, the pastor may call upon the council to assist with the education of parishioners about the principles of stewardship as set forth by the U.S. Bishops in their document *A Disciples Response: A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship*, 10th anniversary edition, October 2007 (www.usccbpublishing.org).
- With regard to development, the pastor may call upon the council to assist in developing sufficient fundraising activities in accord with national and diocesan norms on fundraising.

If the pastor decides to establish a stewardship and development committee to fulfill these tasks, the parish finance council is to continue to be informed and be given opportunities to advise the pastor on their activities and progress.

IV. Membership of the Parish Finance Council

25. **Leadership:** The pastor is the president of the parish finance council. If votes are taken, the pastor does not vote.
26. The pastor is to appoint a chairperson from among the members who coordinates and prepares for the meetings of the council. The chairperson should be chosen on the basis of his or her ability to facilitate a meeting, knowledge of diocesan norms, and leadership qualities.
27. The pastor is to appoint one of the members to serve as a recorder who keeps the minutes of the meetings and files the minutes in the parish archives.
28. **Membership:** The members of the parish finance council are to be appointed by the pastor.
29. At the discretion of the pastor, the council is to include between three and seven members (not including the pastor).
30. When the pastor appoints new members to the council, he is to list the names of all members of the council in the parish bulletin. The names of the council members are also to be included on the annual financial report delivered to the parishioners.
31. The members are to be:
 - Adults members of the Christian faithful, the majority of whom must be members of the parish
 - Members who are committed to the pastoral mission of the parish
 - Preferably those with knowledge in business administration, accounting, or civil law
 - Reflective of the membership of the parish
 - Individuals with no family relationship to the pastor, to other parish or school employees, or to other finance council members up to first cousins by blood or marriage
 - Individuals with no conflict of interest with the functions of the council (e.g., someone who transacts business with the parish or who would derive personal benefit from recommendations made by the council)
32. The members will serve for a term of three years, renewable. Terms should be staggered so that about one-third of the terms end each year. The pastor may appoint some members to one or two year terms as needed to stagger terms.
33. The members may freely resign from membership on the council at any time by informing the pastor.
34. The pastor may remove a member before the end of his or her term for a serious cause.
35. In the event that a pastor is transferred or a vacancy in office occurs, the members of the parish finance council continue in their terms of office. However, a new pastor may freely reconstitute the entire council if he wishes during his first year in office.
36. **Bookkeeper/business manager:** The parish bookkeeper/business manager is to attend meetings of the council to serve as a resource. However, he or she cannot be a member of the council and cannot vote.
37. **Guests:** Other parish staff members, parishioners, or consultants may attend meetings of the council at the invitation or consent of the pastor but cannot vote.