



JULY 9 / 10, 2016
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 (x 111)

Msgr. John Mbinda

Parochial Vicar (x 104)

Fr. Ramon Francisco

Deacon Wally Mitsui

(wmitsui@rcchawaii.org)

Deacon Modesto Cordero

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Deacon Romeo Ganibe

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PARISH OFFICE

Office Administrator (x 103)

Jolly Guerrero-Tano

Parish Secretary (x 100)

Lindsey Higa-Kohagura

Bookkeeper (x 101)

Stephanie Jamile

Director of Liturgy

Nicholas Calzada

(ncalzada@rcchawaii.org)

PARISH PROGRAMS

Outreach (x 203)

Pearl Bates

RCIA Coordinator

Dcn. Modesto Cordero

Religious Ed. Director (x 206)

Julie Quiroz-Zamora

Religious Ed. Secretary (x 204)

Dominique Kekiwi

Preschool Director (x 208)

Catherine Awong

PARISH MINISTRIES

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

45th Anniversary Celebration

Dear Parishioner,

On Monday, August 15 2016, *St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church* will celebrate its 45th Anniversary since its dedication in 1971. Bishop Larry Silva will celebrate the anniversary Holy Mass at 7:00 pm. Please mark your calendars.

The Saturday before, *August 13*, in preparation for this important event and in an attempt to practically reach out into our neighborhood, we will open our entire campus for a "One Community Celebration". We plan to invite the entire Mililani business, civil, and religious community to tell their story as well as get to know us. The event will start at 10:00 am and continue until 3:00 pm. Come and be part of this *One Community Celebration*. Our parish ministries will be given space (a table) to tell visitors and other parishioners about their ministry.

The One Community Celebration will be fun-filled with children's games, business promotions, institutional self-promotion, food and drinks, hula performances and musical entertainment. There will be guided tours into our Church and a video presentation featuring what we do best on our campus. In brief, we will open our campus for the entire Mililani community to exchange information and learn from each other. Bring your friends. All are welcome.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

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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"

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — YEAR C

The parable of the Good Samaritan is only found in Luke's Gospel. It is perhaps one of the best known stories that Jesus used and has over the centuries captured the imagination of many artists who have put the parable into drama, song, paintings and sculpture. The central message of the parable is found in what Jesus said before and after the story: "Do this and life is yours", and "Go and do the same". The lawyer was expecting a learned intellectual response from Jesus on "who is my neighbor?" Instead, Jesus told a surprising story of a foreigner becoming a hero, while Jewish

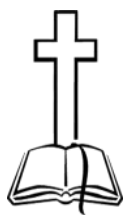
religious leaders are the bad guys!

The story of the Good Samaritan is told in the context of God's command for love of neighbor, which was a sacred responsibility (Leviticus 19:18). In telling this story, Jesus shows that true love of neighbor must be put into action. It is not a mere intellectual concept or feeling. Jesus cleverly dramatizes the story knowing his audience. The story is meant to get the lawyer to ask the real question, "how do I become neighbor to others?", rather than "who is my neighbor?" The point that Jesus makes is that we do not choose neighbors.

Rather, Christians respond to peoples' needs irrespective of their color, creed or origin, and by so doing they become neighbors to them. Nor can we rationalize a situation when someone is in need. Here is a concrete situation that may pose a dilemma. A beggar comes towards you, and asks for alms. You immediately smell his alcohol. What the law of love of neighbor requires in this case is that go ahead and give alms. Jesus would not judge such a person. Neither should we.

FR. JOHN S. MBINDA
PASTOR

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2016



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) *Paul's 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 suffering of Christ, but highlights the sufferings of the Church on earth encountered 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 male. No explanation about Martha's ownership of this home, but 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 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.

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, July 11, 2016 (8 am)

John Bates (Blessings)

Joshua Nakata (RIP)

Gilbert A. Padilla (RIP)

Tuesday, July 12, 2016 (8 am)

Emmanuel G. Dela Cruz

(Birthday Memorial)

Gilbert A. Padilla Family (Comfort)

Wednesday, July 13, 2016 (8 am)

Gilbert A. Padilla Family (Comfort)

Thursday, July 14, 2016 (8 am)

Dion K. Cortel (Birthday Blessings)

Henrick Valencia (Birthday Blessings)

Gilbert A. Padilla (RIP)

Friday, July 15, 2016 (8 am)

Fr. Boniface Waema

(Birthday Blessings)

Damien & Rita Galicinao

(49th Wedding Anniversary)

Amelia "Mely" Benitez (RIP)

Saturday, July 16, 2016

8AM: Thomas M. McNorton

(Birthday Memorial)

Richard Amaral (Birthday Blessing)

5PM: Richard Amaral (Birthday Bless)

Sunday, July 17, 2016

7AM: Hari Kaluna (RIP)

9AM: For the People

11AM: All Souls in Purgatory (RIP)

6PM: All Souls in Purgatory (RIP)

Seminarian Education Fund - Our parish will be taking up a Second Collection, after communion, next weekend, **July 16/17** for the Seminarian Education Fund. This permanent fund was created to ensure continual resources for the recruitment and training of college seminarians to serve as the future leadership of the Catholic Church. Envelopes are available at the back of the church or you may donate online by visiting our parish website, clicking "Online Giving". Please be generous.

St. John Rosary Making Ministry - the next gathering will be on Wed., July 20 at 10 am on the Church Lanai. Everyone is welcome! For more, email Ellen Dona, donaf001@hawaii.rr.com.

The next Catholic Book Club meeting will be held on Thurs., July 21, 7-9 pm in classroom 6. The discussion book will be *Marriage: The Mystery of Faithful Love* by Dietrich Von Hildebrand. Open to everyone, bring a snack to share! For more, email Melissa Crisostomo at alohamc@yahoo.com.

2016 Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) - Hawaii Foodbank  will be distributing SFMNP voucher booklets worth \$50 at partner locations around the island. The goal is to provide fresh, locally-grown fruits & vegetables to our senior citizens. Vouchers are redeemable with certified vendors at various farmer's markets through Sept. 25th. For more info on how to apply, contact our Outreach Office at 623-3332, ext. 203.

Through the Year of Mercy, Friday confession time will be from 6:00 - 6:30 pm.

2016-2017 RE Open Registration

Stop by their table after all morning Masses on Sunday.

Turn in completed registration forms to the

Religious Ed Office (please call first).

For more information, contact the

RE Office at 623-3332, x204.



Never Confirmed in the Catholic Church?

Do you want to be baptized?

Are you or do you know someone who is interested in becoming a part of the Catholic Faith?

Let us help you with your journey in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.

Candidates will explore the elements of the Catholic faith in weekly meetings with Catechists in preparation to receive all the **Sacraments of Initiation**.

2016-2017 RCIA classes begin this August.

For more info, contact Dcn. Modesto Cordero at 585-3342 or mcordero@rcchawaii.org.

SAVE THE DATE!!

ONE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

Saturday, August 13, 2016

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM (Church Grounds)

Stay tuned for more information!

The next 24-hr Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, August 5, immediately after the 8 am Mass, ending at 7:30 am on Saturday, August 6.

"To converse with you, O King if glory, no third person is needed, you are always ready in the Sacrament of the Altar to give audience to all. All who desire you always find you there and converse with you face to face."

~ St. Teresa of Avila

Sign up for Adoration using 3 easy options!

1.) **Phone** - (808) 623-3332 ext. 204

2.) **Email** - SJAEADORATION@gmail.com

3.) **Sign-up Form**- Located at the back of the church.

† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ellen A. Inciong (RIP)

Monday, June 11, 2016 ~ St. John A&E

Visitation: 10:00 pm ~ Mass: 11:00 am

Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Planned Giving

Proper estate planning can reduce administrative time, expense and inconvenience. Careful estate planning can also be one of the best gifts you give your family. Please remember **St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church** in your will.

Stewardship of Treasure - July 2 / 3

Sunday Collection

- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$2,172.65
- 7:00 AM	\$3,081.63
- 9:00 AM	\$3,166.00
- 11:00 AM	\$2,372.83
- 6:00 PM	\$2,354.32
- Front Office	\$1,508.00
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$3,025.75

Candle Sales \$503.00

Offerings - Funerals \$100.00

Mass Intentions \$120.00

Social Ministry \$432.25

Donation - YYA \$30.00

Building, Equip., & Maint. \$1,162.65

Building Fund (non-assessed) \$148.25

Preschool \$133.00

Peter's Pence Collection \$135.00

Seminarian Education Fund \$255.00

Weekend Total: \$20,759.58

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



HEALING / BLESSINGS: Ben & Helen Guerrero, Mina DeJesus, Bob & Mel Knott, Judy Amasol, Betty Deinhardt, Tom Harris, John F. Gora, Darryn Bunda, Ellen Cleghorn, Hilaria Santos, Fr. Edward Turner, Maureen Hart, Diane Kotch, Mona DeCosta, Josephine Ponce, Aiden Phillips & Family, Tony Gabriel, Debi Tulang DeSilva, Mike Culkin, Marcy Sagon, Paul and Ron Thames, Steve Aquino, Milton Sagon, Fely Sagon, Sandra Woodard, Kelli Buenconsejo, Catherine Garnsey & the names written in the Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Herbert Vallejos, Lillian Vallejos, Amelia Benitez, Alicia Llacuna, Robbie Garliyo, Daniel E. Hunkele, Antone Gabriel, Keith K. Nakayama, Gilbert A. Padilla, Ellen A. Inciong, Raymond E. Nawrocki, and Raynaldo Pasion.