



AUGUST 6 / 7, 2016
THE NINETEENTH 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: (Friday) 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM (During the Year of Mercy) • (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

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PARISH OFFICE

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Jolly Guerrero-Tano

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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

One Community Center: Moving Ahead

The Town Hall meeting on Saturday, July 29 was well attended with over 100 parishioners. There was an overwhelming support for the **"Option One"** concept design that was presented by RMA Architects.

Option One allows for a robust Parish Hall to satisfy most of the ministries' needs. The footprint of the new building will replace the existing one-story building, currently used for storage and the Preschool bathrooms, and take up some of the current Preschool playground space. The new building will not protrude into the parking lot and will leave most of the current courtyard with the statue of Mary intact.

The challenges in creating a safe, quiet, and dust free area for the Preschool during construction have concluded with the decision to permanently relocate the Preschool in time for the 2017-2018 school year. This decision will allow construction to begin and open the first floor of the existing Parish Hall for the ministries to use. The exact location and cost to relocate the Preschool have not been determined yet. However, the search for a new site with the assistance of the Diocesan Real Estate Office has begun and we have new leads. The new location should provide a facility that is appropriately configured for a preschool, more modern facilities, autonomy by the Preschool that would eliminate the need to rearrange spaces and at about the same utility costs.

On Monday, August 1, RMA was given notice to proceed and start the Schematic Design with 60 days to complete the design. On September 17th, RMA will present the design (*floor and site plans with side views*) and a revised cost estimate to our Parish and the Diocese. The plan is to start construction by *September 2017*, if we do not encounter any further delays. We appreciate those who have already expressed their confidence in the process and desire to see the *One Community Center* come to fruition, by making contributions to the Building Fund. After 25 years the new **"Parish Hall"** is becoming a **reality!**

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank all the parishioners who participated in the Town Hall, making it possible for a decision to be made. We are indebted to the *Leadership Advisory Council* for their valuable time and talent they gave, step by step, to realize such a coherent and professional presentation.

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"

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR C

The Second Reading describes faith as “the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen.” Though not attempting a precise technical or theological definition, the author paints an inspiring portrait of religious faith, drawing upon the people and events of the Old Testament, and gives what the New American Bible considers “the most extensive description of faith provided in the New Testament.”

Faith enables Abraham to leave his ancestral home and journey to a land he knows nothing of, pitch a tent in a foreign place, believe that in spite of their old age he and wife Sarah will have “descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore” (Heb 11:12), and then later offer their only son Isaac in sacrifice upon God’s instructions—all because Abraham trusts in God and steadfastly believes in God’s promise. Through faith God guarantees the blessings to be hoped for from him, providing evidence in the gift

of faith that what God promises will eventually come to pass.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples to seek security not in the realities of this world but in the treasures of God’s Kingdom. He exhorts them to be steadfast in their faith, staying ready and prepared even when the fulfillment of that faith is long in coming. Jesus then gives an illustration in servants who are entrusted with the management of the household. No one knows just when the master will return. A wise servant, therefore, will always be vigilant, since the master may return at any moment and expect to find everything in order.

The Gospel illustrates the importance of being ready and prepared for the many ways our God visits us in our lives. We are often beset with hardship, failure, pain, anguish, tragedy and disappointments; our dreams, hopes, and plans are frequently thwarted. How do we prepare for such unexpected circumstances? What are we to

do in dark moments when God seems to be far away, and we search for some evidence of God’s presence?

Abraham’s example tells us to continue hoping in God’s love even though we cannot feel it and to keep on waiting in patient trust. Life on earth is a journey in faith and a pilgrimage of hope. For this journey we are given enough light to take the next step. As John Henry Cardinal Newman prayed, “Lead, kindly Light . . . Lead thou me on! Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see the distant scene---one step is enough for me.”

Abraham believed because he “thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy” (Heb. 11:11). Because of God’s fidelity, we trust that the will of God will never lead us where the grace cannot keep us.

**A BLESSED SUNDAY TO ALL,
FR. RAMON J. FRANCISCO**

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2016



First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Jeremiah in this passage is prophesying during a time of political crisis when Zedekiah was the king of Judah. Jerusalem is under siege from the Babylonians and Jeremiah prophesies the destruction of the city and its people. When the Israelites lose the battle to the Babylonians, they blame Jeremiah because of his prophesies and the king’s men accuse Jeremiah of treason punishable by death. He is put in a cistern to die, but a servant of the king (*Melek*) saves him.

Responsorial Psalm: 40:2,3,4,18

Psalm 40 is a prayer of thanksgiving for past deliverance. The psalmist pleads for further help from God (v.18). The phrase to wait for The Lord is to stand patiently until God comes to one's help. The assistance of God is depicted as God reaching down into the pit to rescue the afflicted one. The pit or the swamp is a metaphor for death or anything that diminishes human life (suffering).

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

In this passage, the author uses the metaphor of a race. This is because sports were major events in the Greco-Roman world. The metaphor was therefore a powerful way of exhorting Christians to persevere in their life. Runners had to strip themselves of any obstacle that might encumber them and slow them down. This is true for Christians as well. "Running the race" therefore means living the Christian life. Success in any athletic event requires one to have a goal. For the Christian, Christ is our goal. We run to gain Christ and so the need to strive further and even be prepared to struggle in order to win as the author says in the end.

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

In this passage Jesus says that he came to cast fire on earth and to cause division in the very heart of human society. What this means is that Jesus was burning with zeal for the accomplishment of God's mission on earth, which is calling for radical change with all the painful consequences. The image of casting fire on earth denotes severe judgment. Some scholars also see this as the sending of the Holy Spirit. The image of division means that while Jesus was certainly a man of peace, the message he brought was a source of division. The animosity Jesus caused was also the source of his rejection by those in power. That would eventually lead to his death. Jeremiah in the first reading and Jesus in the gospel have a parallel teaching. Their teaching leads them to be condemned to death. The exception: Jesus dies and Jeremiah is rescued and escapes.

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

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



Masses For The Week

Monday, August 8, 2016 (8 am)

Carlos Tamonte (Memorial Anniv.)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Modesta Yadao (Blessing)

Tuesday, August 9, 2016 (8 am)

Richard P Tesoro (Memorial Anniv.)

Samuel Aguirre (Birthday Blessing)

Clyde R. M. Sauget (Birthday Blessing)

Wed., August 10, 2016 (8 am)

Devin Shockley (Birthday Blessing)

Rosalinda Cayetano (RIP)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Thurs., August 11, 2016 (8 am)

Catherine DeJesus (Birthday Blessing)

Cezar L. Vitug (RIP)

Michelle (Mopas) Kawauchi (RIP)

Friday, August 12, 2016 (8 am)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Faye Gibson (RIP)

Nancy Ohashi (Spiritual Blessing)

Madeline Pascua (RIP)

Saturday, August 13, 2016

8AM: Magdalena Chavez (RIP)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Faye Gibson (RIP)

5PM: Arden Lee & Sherry H. White (RIP)

Sunday, August 14, 2016

7AM: Lawrence Perry (Memorial Anniv.)

9AM: For the People

11AM: Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

6PM: Bonnie Delos Santos

(Birthday Blessing)



HEALING/BLESSINGS: Ben &

Helen Guerrero, Mina DeJesus,

Bob & Mel Knott, Tom Harris,

Darryln 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 & Ron Thames, Steve

Aquino, Milton Sagon, Fely Sagon,

Sandra Woodard, Kelli Buenconsejo,

Catherine Garnsey, Fritz Campbell,

Elaine Snowden, Julie Smith, Kim

Noveloso, Modesta Yadao and all

names in the Prayer Intentions Book.

Cub Scouts, Pack 144, is having a Registration



Night on Mon., Aug. 8, 6 PM in room 6

for boys, grades K-5. Join in the fun!

Interested in becoming an EMHC?

There is a need for additional ministers at the 11am & 6pm Masses. For more, email Nick Calzada at ncalzada@rcchawaii.org.



2016-2017 Religious Education Open Enrollment

For more information, contact the

RE Office at 623-3332, x204.



Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a part of the Catholic Faith? Let us help you with your journey in receiving the *Sacraments of Initiation*. Contact Dcn. Modesto at 585-3342, mcordero@rcchawaii.org for more.



Christmas in the Summer! St. John's Social Ministry is seeking *Angel Volunteers* to help with this year's Angel Tree Network. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Deb Zedalis at 348-2973 or dzedalis@hawaii.rr.com.

In preparation of the "One Community Celebration", the Planning Committee is seeking helpers to distribute posters to the community, monetary donations for volunteers' lunch, and prize giveaways. If you are able to assist, please stop by their table on the lanai after Mass. Please drop off prize donations to the celebration table after all Masses this weekend.



Celebration!
A Place to Gather, Grow and Reach Out

Saturday, August 13, 2016

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

45th Anniversary Holy Mass

Monday, August 15, 2016 ~ 7:00 PM

Bishop Larry Silva will preside.

The next 24-hr Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament will be held on Fri., Sept. 2,

immediately after the 8 am Mass, ending

at 7:30 am on Sat., Sept. 3.



Job Opening!

Choir Director/Piano Accompanist

Seeking a competent *Choir Director/Singer/Piano Accompanist* who can collaboratively work with all choirs and liturgical ministries during Mass. This **Part-Time** position holds an average of 10 hrs/week. [Additional hours during solemnities, special feast days, including rehearsals/prep-time].

To apply and more information, visit

www.catholichawaii.org/about-us/careers

Marriage Validation Information Night -



Join us on Fri., Sept. 2, 7-8 pm in rooms 4 & 5, to find out how to obtain the Church's blessing of a non-Catholic marriage. Interested in validating your marriage in the Catholic Church? Our clergy will be present to assist you. For info, contact our Parish Office: 623-3332 x100, sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org.

The next Catholic Book Club meeting will be held on Thurs., Sept. 25, 7-9 pm in room 6. The title of the discussion book is *Come be my light: The Private Writings of the Saint of Calcutta* by Mother Teresa. Open to everyone, bring a snack to share! Contact Linda 277-1307 or Melissa alohamc@yahoo.com for more.

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 30 / 31

Sunday Collection

- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$2,333.25
- 7:00 AM	\$2,726.00
- 9:00 AM	\$3,230.40
- 11:00 AM	\$2,909.08
- 6:00 PM	\$1,704.00
- Front Office	\$5,403.20
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$1,586.50

Candle Sales \$489.75

Offerings - Funerals \$200.00

Mass Intentions \$185.00

Donation - YYA \$30.00

Preschool \$10.00

Building Fund (non-assessed) \$5,228.25

Social Ministry \$98.50

Stewardship Development \$14.25

Building, Equip., & Maint. \$1,059.00

Operation Rice Bowl \$122.28

Seminarian Education Fund \$72.50

Weekend Total: \$27,401.96

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

DECEASED: Robbie Garliyo, Daniel E. Hunkele, Antone Gabriel, Gilbert A. Padilla, Ellen A. Inciong, Raymond E. Nawrocki, Raynaldo Pasion, Gloria Bernal, Frank J. Tadda, Jr., Rudolfo "Rudy" Nacapoy, Madeline Pascua, Helen B. Prestosa, Arden Lee & Sherry H. White, Martin Moreno, Betty & Charles Deinhardt, Warren Yamamoto, Faye Gibson, and Ray Swider.