



AUGUST 13 / 14, 2016
THE TWENTIETH 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)

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Deacon Wally Mitsui

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PARISH OFFICE

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Jolly Guerrero-Tano

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Grounds & Maintenance

Robert Garnsey

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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

Happy 45th Anniversary

What do you do when you celebrate your 45th Anniversary? You celebrate with your friends, family and neighbors, which is exactly what we, *St. John Apostle and Evangelist Church* in Mililani, did on Saturday, August 13. We opened our entire campus and invited our family members, friends, and community neighbors for a "One Community Celebration". The celebration took place from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. It was fun-filled with games for children, local business promotions, ono food from homegrown vendors, hula performance, musical entertainment and children's choir. According to one young adult the best part of the celebration was a cool Pokémon discovery.



We have been a member of the Mililani Ohana for the past 45 years and have been an integral part of the community in serving the elderly, feeding the homeless and visiting the poor. Recently we reached out and joined other Christians in providing food and school supplies to the children in the area at Kipapa Elementary School. I was deeply moved to see the joy in the hundreds of children and parents that we served. This is just a small example of our outreach to share God's mercy in our Mililani community.

Monday, August 15 is the exact day of our parish dedication back in 1971. **Bishop Larry Silva** will preside at a concelebrated, **Holy Mass at 7:00 pm**. All are welcome to celebrate with us.

All the festivities and celebrations are in thanksgiving for the 45 years we have lived in Mililani and blessings for our future. Our parish is growing and we need to think of the future.

We have embarked on a plan to build a *One Community Center* that will serve as a space to gather, equip and send parishioners out to make a difference in the community; to connect people's hearts and lives with the values of the Gospel. Soon we will announce the date for our capital campaign for the One Community Center. Stay tuned.

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"

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In the gospel, we heard about Jesus who was speaking of his own mission. Jesus said, *"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"* (Lk. 12:49). He also said, *"A father will be divided against his son and a son is against father, a mother against her daughter and a daughter against mother, a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and a daughter-in-law against mother-in-law"* (Lk. 12:53).

In this gospel, the mission of Jesus is described in terms of **fire**. The mission of Jesus is to tell the truth and bring all people to the truth of God and his kingdom. Jesus used the symbolism of fire in order to give meaning to his mission. The fire of love and the passion of proclaiming the good news were priorities of Jesus. This must also be the priority of those who wish to follow him. **Fire** is a symbol of *strength, courage* and *power*, it provokes warmth. This is the same thing in the proclamation of the gospel and the message of the Kingdom. The word of God must contaminate and provoke new life and changes in the believers. To cling oneself to the teachings of Jesus oftentimes

creates a division among members of a family, community and in the social strata. Yes, to follow Jesus and believe in his teachings radically would definitely result in division of those who refuse to believe in him and oppose his teachings. The passion and determination to quench a fire of love for God and humanity must definitely provoke personal decision and radical action of the disciples of Jesus.

On the other hand, peace, which is the result of good relationship, is often not experienced by those who refuse to accept the teachings of Jesus. However, those who follow Jesus and do the will of the Father would surely experience peace even in sufferings. Division is the consequence to those who oppose the will of the Father. Luke exhorted his community to remain enthusiastic in the proclamation of the kingdom even if it meant division among family members and rejection by those who refuse to believe in Jesus. To work for the kingdom and to radically follow Jesus needs a lot of inner conviction. This is what Jesus wanted us to know. We have to sacrifice our own interests and desires, our families and loved ones in order to follow

Jesus. Those who have decided to take up the mission of Jesus already have a fire of conviction to live and die for it.

To do our Christian mission does not necessarily mean affirmation and acceptance from other people but also an experience of contradiction. For example, a husband reprimands his wife who got involved in the activities of the church. Sometimes we often criticize those who like to pray. Those who wish to follow Christ in religious and priestly life often experienced contradiction from their own families and friends. Today, we are challenged to really do our mission in steadfast faith.

The gospel is about the call to stand for Christ's love and the values of the kingdom even if it results in division among family relations. We are the good stewards of the Gospel. Let us accept the challenges of our Christian life and resolve to be fully possessed by the word of God and by the Eucharist in order to remain loyal to our faith and love for God and for the kingdom.

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016



First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

The first reading depicts a gathering of people from every nation on earth. They gather as witnesses of the glory they have seen since some will be sent out to distant lands such as those listed there. This prophetic vision is surprising for Israel was not concerned with any form of outreach to other nations. The point of the vision is that foreigners are joined to Israel at the holy mountain - Jerusalem where they both offer sacrifices. It is amazing that the Lord will call forth priests and Levites from these foreigners which would be a break from tradition.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117:1-2

The entire psalm consists of two verses. It's a hymn with a universal theme of all the nations, which links with the first reading. All people are called to give praise and glory to the God of Israel for all his wonderful deeds. The main point is that Israel would be God's instrument of universal blessings to the nations.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The background to the reading is that the community to whom the letter is written has undergone some misfortune. The writer speaks of misfortune as a form of discipline that makes one strong. The author also says that suffering is not a consequence of sinful ways, but an act of virtue, and thus will earn a reward for the one who suffers.

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

The gospel reading develops in several scenes: there is a question raised on salvation; an illustrative allegory; a judgment scene; and a concluding saying. There seems to have been a debate among the Jewish Scripture scholars on the number of those to be saved but Jesus does not give the answer to that exact question. Rather Jesus speaks on what one needs to do to be saved. He simply introduces his teaching with the exhortation: "strive" a word used to describe the energy put in during an athletic competition. In other words, Jesus urges us to struggle in order to win the prize; to commit ourselves wholeheartedly. Jesus then tells a story to show how difficult it will be for some to be saved. He sums up his teaching with some surprising reversals. Those who now find themselves outside when the door is closed presumed that belonging to pious associations or pious devotions was enough. Those who thought themselves to be insiders are now outside.

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

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



MASSES For The Week

Monday, August 15, 2016 (8 am)

Ponciano Tranilla (RIP)

Jorge F. Fernandez (Birthday Memorial)

Abraham Miram (RIP)

Tuesday, August 16, 2016 (8 am)

Damien Cortel (Birthday Blessing)

Muriel Ramos (Memorial Anniv.)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Wed., August 17, 2016 (8 am)

Fatima Locke (Birthday Blessing)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Faye Gibson (RIP)

Thurs., August 18, 2016 (8 am)

Mr. & Mrs. Charley Jones (RIP)

Catherine Awong (Birthday Blessing)

Andrea Perlas (Birthday Blessing)

Friday, August 19, 2016 (8 am)

Andrew Perlas (Birthday Blessing)

Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Faye Gibson (RIP)

Martin Moreno (RIP)

Saturday, August 20, 2016

8AM: Abad Tolentino (Birthday Blessing)

Noah Evile (Birthday Blessing)

Pacita Mauleon (RIP)

5PM: Warren Yamamoto (RIP)

Sunday, August 21, 2016

7AM: Sherwin Aquino (Birthday Blessing)

9AM: For the People

11AM: James & Mildred Mizoguchi (RIP)

6PM: Margarita Rivera

(Memorial Anniversary)

45th Anniversary Holy Mass - Join us for a *Concelebrated Mass* on **Monday, August 15th** at 7:00 *pm* in celebration of our Parish's Anniversary. Bishop Larry Silva is the presider.

Our Parish Office will be closed on *Friday, August 19th* in observance of Admission Day.

Interested in becoming an

EMHC? There is a need for additional ministers for the 11 *am* & 6 *pm* Masses.

For more information, email Nick Calzada at ncalzada@rcchawaii.org.



2016-2017 Religious Education Open Enrollment

For more information, contact the
RE Office at 623-3332, x204.

Religious Education Volunteer Catechist



- RE is looking for a volunteer catechist to teach Grade 1. If you are interested in teaching Grade 1 students with an adult aide and registering to become a Certified Catechist (classes are once a month for 6 months), please contact the RE Director, 808-623-3332, x206



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.



Marriage Validation Information Night -



Join us on Friday, September 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 information, please 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.

The Women's Guild sends a grateful MAHALO to all our fellow parishioners for your wonderful response to our Bake Sale. To those who baked, to those who donated their time and energy, and to those who purchased, thank you and God bless you.

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

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*.



† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Raymond J. Swider (RIP)

Tuesday, August 16 ~ St. John A&E

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

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

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 - August 6 / 7

Sunday Collection	
- 5:00 PM (Saturday Vigil)	\$2,682.26
- 7:00 AM	\$2,555.11
- 9:00 AM	\$2,966.25
- 11:00 AM	\$2,825.75
- 6:00 PM	\$2,055.75
- Front Office	\$1,595.00
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$2,337.00
Candle Sales	\$548.00
Mass Intentions	\$230.00
Donation - YYA	\$30.00
Preschool	\$35.00
Building Fund (non-assessed)	\$278.25
Social Ministry	\$469.18
Social Ministry/Global Outreach (Dio. of Ikot Ekpene)	\$2,000.00
Stewardship Development	\$4.75
Building, Equip., & Maint.	\$1,493.50
Seminarian Education Fund	\$52.50

Weekend Total: \$22,158.30

"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, Tom Harris, Darrlyn 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.

DECEASED: 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 Raymond J. Swider.