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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

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In the Gospel reading, Jesus confronts us with the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector. The parable is like a mirror that enables us to see clearly who we are as disciples. The central message of the parable is that God listens and favors those who humble themselves, and rejects the hypocrites; those who refuse to face the truth about their need for God’s mercy. In the parable, Jesus urges us to imitate the attitude of the tax collector, who is humble enough to accept his sinfulness, and asks for God’s forgiveness. The tax collector is repentant. That’s why he was at the back of the temple. He had made the big step to enter the temple door. He didn’t feel that it was right for him to come any closer because of his unworthiness. The tax collector and God had things to work out. He needed God’s mercy; God’s forgiveness. For that reason, he is favored by God and leaves more justified; more transformed than the Pharisee.



So what message do we take home this Sunday? 1) The readings draw our attention to the need for humility. 2) Jesus, in the parable, invites us to open our hearts in all humility and dispose our hearts to share God’s gifts of *time, talent and treasure* for God’s work. 3) Only in humility will God’s mercy transform us like the tax collector who goes home in communion with God.

MISSION / VISION 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.***

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE***Stewardship is a Way of Life***

St. John Apostle & Evangelist started stewardship as a way of life in 2014. As we prepare for our third commitment renewal this November, I would like to offer some reflections on certain key aspects of stewardship in snap shots to inspire excitement and enthusiasm on this way of living our faith.

Stewardship is a way of life that deepens our relationship with God in his Son Jesus Christ, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. It is living the life of God with each other and with God. A genuine relationship with God is a realization that God is the giver of everything we have and all we are. It is a realization that we are the receiver. Therefore everything that we are and all we have is given to me by God and is intended to lead me to the extraordinary mission that God has given us, namely heaven. St. Augustine once said, "*Our hearts are restless until they rest in you, O Lord.*" Stewardship, like our Catholic way of living, is not a program. It is a spiritual journey of faith towards our destiny – God. It is a Catholic response to God's many gifts and the desire to express our gratitude to God.

Thank for embracing this way of life by allowing God to guide you as you give back to Him the gifts He has given you: the gifts of ***time, talent and treasure.***


Parish Office Hours

Monday: 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM - Tues. - Fri.: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM
Saturday/Sunday: Closed

Mass Schedule

Weekday (Monday - Saturday): 8:00 AM
Sunday: (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM, (Sun.) 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, 6 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Fridays: 6:00-6:30 pm (For the Year of Mercy)
Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM (or by appointment)

Outreach Office & Food Pantry Hours

Monday-Wednesday: 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Thursday - Friday: 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM
Saturday/Sunday: Closed



***Upcoming Baptism Ceremony Dates** (*Infants to Age 6*): Nov. 13, Nov. 20, Dec. 11 & Dec. 18.

***Baptism Preparation Classes:** November 6 & December 4

**** Please contact the Parish Office to make all arrangements in advance. ****

Marriages are scheduled by meeting with a clergy, at least 6 months, prior to wedding date.

Blessings (*home, auto, religious items, etc.*), **Anointing of the Sick, Homebound Communion,**

Funeral Services/Notices: Please call the parish office for further coordination.

All Souls Day

All Souls Day Masses, commemorating all those who have gone before us, will be on **November 2**, at **8:00 am & 7:00 pm**. All Souls Offering envelopes are available at the main entrance of the church.

We hope to see you there as we gather in prayer for our Brothers and Sisters in Christ.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 24, 2016 (8 am)

Margarita Galicinao (Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Maria Tran Thi Xuong (RIP)

Marian Tran Thi Vinh (RIP)

Tuesday, October 25, 2016 (8 am)

Margarita Galicinao (Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Maria Tran Thi Xuong (RIP)

Marian Tran Thi Vinh (RIP)

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 (8 am)

Everisto Racoma (Birthday Memorial)

Margarita Galicinao (Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Xuong & Vinh Families (Special Intentions)

Thursday, October 27, 2016 (8 am)

Alfred Cayetano, Jr. (Memorial Anniversary)

Barayuga Family (Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Teresa Eder (RIP)

Friday, October 28, 2016 (8 am)

Dennis Murphy (RIP)

Bernard Luna (Memorial Anniversary)

Teresa Eder (RIP)

Saturday, October 29, 2016

8:00 AM: Suzanna Foster (Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Constantino Bunghanoy (RIP)

Maria Bunghanoy (Healing)

5:00 PM: William Brilhante (Healing)

Sunday, October 30, 2016

7:00 AM: Leonora B. Barayuga (Memorial Anniversary)

9:00 AM: *For the People*

11:00 AM: Barayuga Family (Thanksgiving/Blessing)

6:00 PM: All Souls in Purgatory (RIP)



24-hr Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

will be held on **Friday, November 4**, immediately after the 8:00 am Mass, ending at 7:30 am on **Saturday, November 5**.

† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daria B. Barayuga (RIP)

Tuesday, October 25, 2016 – Mass: 10:30 am (SJAE)

Burial: 1:00 pm ~ Valley of the Temples (Kaneohe)

Ilariya Debebar (RIP)

Wednesday, October 26, 2016 – Mass: 11:00 am (SJAE)

Burial: 1:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Geraldine A. Pasco (RIP)

Thursday, October 27, 2016 – Mass: 11:00 am (SJAE)

Burial: 1:00 pm ~ HI State Veteran's Cemetery (Kaneohe)

Romulo "Rome" Esmeralda (RIP)

Thursday, October 27 ~ MMP (Mauka)

Visitation: 5:30 pm ~ Prayer Service: 6:45 pm

Victor A. Paruginog (RIP)

Friday, October 28 ~ MMP (Makai)

Prayer Service: 10:30 am ~ Burial: 11:00 am

Jacob I. Estoesta (RIP)

Friday, November 4 ~ MMP (Makai)

Prayer Service: 10:00 am ~ Burial: 11:00 am



Prayer Requests

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Tony Gabriel, Debi Tulang DeSilva, 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, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Mina DeJesus, Chelsea Anne Ramiro, Mel Knott, Darryln & Ron Bunda, Matt Farris, Mona DeCosta, John Bates, James Kahala, and all names in the Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Benedicto Gorospe, Federico P. Olivas, John "Mike" Culkin, Christopherson Cortes, Romulo G. Esmeralda, Daria B. Barayuga, Ilariya Debebar, Geraldine A. Pasco, Victor A. Paruginog, Jacob I. Estoesta, Roberto "Bob" Knott, and Agnes "Grace" Mutiso.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2016

First Reading — Wisdom 11:22-12:1

God's inclusive mercy and goodness in Christ runs through the readings of this Sunday. The first reading from the *Book of Wisdom* is like a poetic hymn in praise of the all powerful, yet merciful God. Here God is presented as the Creator of all things which in themselves are very small; like a grain of dust. Yet God loves all that exists and is merciful to all including our enemies.

Responsorial Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14

Psalm 145 praises God for His works of both creation and salvation of His people. Here again we meet our God who is "gracious and merciful, slow to anger and great in kindness."

Second Reading — 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

In the second reading, some members of the Christian community at Thessalonica were expecting the second coming of Christ at any time, and used that as an excuse to drop out of normal life. Paul therefore teaches that we do not know the time of the Lord's return. The only possible attitude is one of continuing our normal life — but in a spirit of watchfulness and prayer.

Gospel — Luke 19:1-10

The Gospel provides a concrete example of how repentance is worked out in reality. Jesus himself transforms the heart of Zacchaeus by simple, total, and unconditional acceptance of the sinner. "Hurry down, I mean to stay at your home today." Then, in his act of welcome, Zacchaeus is transformed by Jesus' love. He recognizes his sinfulness and is also willing to empty himself of his material possessions. Therefore God's mercy and salvation come to his house. Can you recall a moment when you deeply experienced God's loving mercy and forgiveness?



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

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

Stewardship of Treasure - Oct. 15 / 16

Sunday Collection	\$14,349.02
- Online Donation (WeShare)	\$3,339.25
Candle Sales	\$488.00
Offering - Baptism	\$50.00
Mass Intentions	\$50.00
Donation - YYA	\$30.00
Donation - Charity	\$41.25
Donation - Social Ministry	165.00
Building Fund (non-assessed)	\$256.50
Stewardship Development	&19.00
B.E.M.	\$1,082.00
All Souls Day	\$20.00
Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$7.50
Weekend Total:	\$19,912.52

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

Stewardship Renewal Begins Today!

This week, we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal. Soon you will receive a package of beautiful materials in the mail. They explain what stewardship means at *St. John Apostle and Evangelist*. Over the next few weeks, please pray about your role in our parish. Two Sundays from now, each parish family is asked to make commitments of **time**, **talent** and **treasure**.



Environment Ministry Leader - We are looking for someone with an artistic eye to simply decorate our sacred space for the different liturgical seasons. With a prayerful composure, you will lead others in fresh floral arrangements and appropriate decor for Mass. If you are interested, please see *Nick Calzada*.



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 hours/week. [Additional hours during solemnities, special feast days, including rehearsals/prep-time]. For more information and how to apply for this position, visit www.catholicahawaii.org/about-us/careers



Planned Giving - Have circumstances changed since you last updated your estate plan? Does your current estate planning documents carry out your commitment to the Church? Please remember *St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church* in planning your will.



PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR



The Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign continues to *November 6*. You are invited to participate in prayer & fasting. A group from our parish will participate in a *Prayerful Vigil* at the *Planned Parenthood Facility* in Honolulu on Mondays. They will leave the church parking lot at 9:00 am & return at approximately 11:30 am. The sign-up sheet will be at the back of the church.

"Moved by Mercy" Poster Contest - Respect Life Ministry is *LOOKING* for youthful talent! This poster contest is open to parishioners, grades K-12. Prizes will be rewarded! To register, contact *Melissa Crisostomo* at alohamc@yahoo.com.

Health and Wellness Fair will be held on **Saturday, October 29**, from **9:00 am - 1:00 pm** on the lanai. This free community event will feature Health & Education Resources, Flu Shots, Vision Exams, Food demos, Ask a Professional/Specialist Booth, and more! Sign-up for your flu shot on the lanai after Mass.

Faithful Citizenship - The Hawaii Family Forum & Hawaii Family advocates will provide a training, at the *Health & Wellness Fair* (Oct. 29) from *9:30 am to 11:00 am*, regarding the Conference of Catholic Bishops' manual: *Faithful Citizenship*. This training is essential to all parishioners of Voting Age. Catholics have a responsibility to Vote according to a well-formed conscience, we must follow Catholic principles when casting our ballots.

The next Catholic Book Club meeting will be held on **Thurs., November 17**, 7:00-9:00 pm in classroom 6. The title of the discussion book is ***The Truth of Catholicism: Ten Controversies Explored*** by **George Weigel**. Open to everyone! Contact *Linda Ward* (277-1307) for more.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage - Pope Francis invites all Catholics to go to the diocese designated *Holy Doors* for the *Year of Mercy*. Our parish will be hosting a pilgrimage to the *Basilica of Our Lady of Peace* in *Honolulu*. Come for confession, prayer, a tour of the Basilica, and Mass as you receive the indulgences graced to us in this *Holy Year of Mercy*. Sign-up at the entrance of the church & mark your calendar for **Saturday, November 19**. Please provide \$5 donation for collection given to the Basilica. There will be a bus leaving St. Johns at **9:00 AM** and will return at **2:00 PM**. Don't miss out! The last day to sign up is November 1st.

World Mission Sunday: "Mercy Changes the World" is celebrated this weekend. Pope Francis invites the entire church to support young mission dioceses where priests, religious, and lay leaders serve some of the poorest of the poor. Please keep these *Missions* in your prayers and be generous in your donation during offertory. Additional envelopes are available at the back of the church or you may also give online through our parish website, click "Online Giving".

In the Footsteps of Sts. John & Paul! Journey on a **12-day Pilgrimage** to **Greece & Turkey** with *Msgr. John Mbinda*, Spiritual Advisor, & *Dr. Timothy Mullner*, Pilgrimage Host, from **October 5-16, 2017**. For more information, contact Jolly at 623-3332, ext. 103 or jollygt@rcchawaii.org.

THIS WEEK: October 24-30

Monday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary PG (CH)
9:00 am - Respect Life: 40-Days for Life Campaign (PPH - Honolulu)
4:00 pm - Girl Scouts (Rm 6)
6:30 pm - Boy Scouts (Rm 5)
7:00 pm - Charismatic PG (CH)

Tuesday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary PG (Rectory)
9:00 am - Bible Study (Rm 6)
6:00 pm - Children's Choir Pract. (CH)
6:45 pm - Combined Choir Pract. (CH)
7:00 pm - Finance Council Mtg. (Rectory)
7:30 pm - AA Mtg. (Rm 6)

Wednesday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary PG (Rectory Lanai)
6:00 pm - OLPH PG (CH)
7:00 pm - RCIA (Rm 4/5)
7:30 pm - NA Mtg. (Rm 6)

Thursday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary PG (Rectory)
7:00 pm - 11 AM Choir Practice (CH)
7:00 pm - Stewardship Council Mtg. (Rectory)

Friday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:45 am - Rosary PG (CH)
9:00 am - WG Lei Making Demo (Lanai)
4:00 pm - 2-Hearts/OLF PG (CH)
6:00 pm - Confession (CH)

Saturday - Daily Mass (8 AM)

8:00 am - Rosary PG (Church)
9:00 am - Health & Wellness Fair
9:15 am - Liturgical Movement Ministry Practice (Rm 5)
3:30 pm - Confession
5:00 pm - Mass (Saturday Vigil)
6:30 pm - LifeTeen & EDGE: All Saints Feast Event (Rm 4/5)

Sunday - Religious Ed: "B" Schedule

7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am,
& 6:00 pm - Mass
9:00 am - KC Corporate Communion
1:00 pm - KC Luncheon (Rm 4/5)
*No Lifeteen Nite