

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: Deacon Romeo Ganibe

Five weeks and nearly seventy verses later we've come to the end of our journey through the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. Jesus has been doing a lot of talking --- saying a lot of things that are really tough to understand, difficult to wrap our minds around with. 'I am the bread of life' and 'unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood you will not have life in you'.

"These sayings are hard; who can accept them?"

In today's gospel, we are invited to once again examine our commitment to being a follower of Jesus. We're asked to take a long hard look as to whether or not we are really '*buying whatever it is that Jesus is selling*'. And this "re-commitment" is not something we only need to do rarely. Rather, it's something we must engage in over and over and over again. We just saw an example of that in our First Reading in which Joshua, after leading the Israelites across the Jordan and into the Promised Land, wants to make sure their hearts and minds --- their very selves --- are still committed to the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. It had been a really long and difficult journey. Joshua wanted to make sure that the people he helped lead hadn't given up on their God.

What about us, have we given up ?

That's a tough question, but one whose answer makes all the difference in the world. Is it too hard to forgive the unforgivable? Is it too hard to give a lot when we have a little? Is it too hard to reconcile with those who have wronged us? Is it too hard to turn the other cheek, love our enemies, lay down our lives for others?

May we have the faith and courage and wisdom to not only echo what Joshua said long ago --- "*As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord*" --- **but mean it too.**

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday (Mon - Sat): 8:00 AM

Sunday: (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM,
(Sun) 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, 6 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
(or by appointment)

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.***

Parish Rectory Hours**Monday:** 12:00 PM-4:30 PM**Tues. - Fri.:** 9:00 AM-4:30 PM**Saturday/Sunday:** Closed**Outreach Office Hours****Tuesday:** 9 AM to 12 PM**Friday:** 9 AM to 11 AM**FOOD PANTRY Hours****Tues.—Fri.:** 9 AM to 11 AM**Religious Ed Office Hours****Monday:** Closed**Tues.—Fri.:** 12 pm - 6:30 pm**Saturday:** Closed**Sun:** 7:00 am - 1:00pm**PARISH CLERGY &
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PASTOR'S CORNER

Pope Francis' Document *Evangelii Gaudium*:

What You Need To Know Part 2

4) What leads a pope to write an apostolic exhortation?

Frequently, apostolic exhortations are written after a meeting of the Synod of Bishops. The Synod of Bishops is a group of bishops that gathers selected bishops from across the world to discuss a particular subject. At the synod, the bishops write a document making recommendations for the pope. It is then given to him for his reflection, and he may then write an apostolic exhortation based on the bishops' recommendations. Exhortations that come about in this way are called "post-synodal" apostolic exhortations because they are written *after* ("post-") a meeting of the synod. There does not *have* to be such an exhortation. Sometimes the bishops hold a meeting of the synod of bishops, but no apostolic exhortation is released. Also, not all apostolic exhortations are written after a synod, though. Sometimes the pope may decide to write one on his own, without a synod being held on the subject. This was the case with John Paul II's *Redemptoris Custos* (*Custodian of the Redeemer*).

5) Why did Pope Francis write *Evangelii Gaudium* (*The Joy of the Gospel*)?

It was written in response to the Synod of Bishops, which took place in October, 2012. It was devoted to the subject of new evangelization, so that is the subject of *Evangelii Gaudium*. This synod took place before Pope Francis was elected in March 2013. It sometimes happens that a synod is held and the pope who presided over it leaves office before the exhortation is released. His successor may then choose to go forward with the project.

Pope Francis's decision in this case is similar to his decision to release the encyclical *Lumen Fidei*, which was primarily drafted by Pope Benedict, but resigned before its publication. Pope Francis did not add very much to what Pope Benedict had written. *Evangelii Gaudium*, by contrast, is much more a "Francis document." It regularly emphasizes the distinctive thought and themes of the new pope.



Be generous and you will be prosperous; help others and you will be helped. (Good News Translation) - Prov 11:25

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time****First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8**

This first reading, Moses presents the statutes and decrees of the Lord in a positive way. He teaches the people that by observing the law of the Lord, they will live and occupy the land the Lord is giving them. He also warns the people that they must not add nor subtract from God's law and teaching. God's law basically consists of three parts: doctrinal teaching, moral teaching and prayer.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 13:2-3,3-4,4-5

Psalm 15 was one to the pilgrim songs sung as the pilgrims entered Jerusalem joyfully for worship. Thus they sung "The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord." To express their faithfulness.

Second Reading: James 1:117-18,21-22, 27

For the next five weeks, the second reading will be from the Letter of James. The passage of this Sunday begins by speaking about good gifts from above. It continues to highlight accepting the word of God planted in our hearts. Therefore, we need to be doers of the word not just hearers.

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,21-23

In the Gospel passage, Jesus takes issue with the legalism and hypocrisy of the Scribes and Pharisees. Instead of focusing on the essentials, they focus on the details of the law. When asked by the Scribes and Pharisee why He and his disciples did not observe the law of washing their hands before eating, Jesus contradicts their notion that external rituals such as washing hands and abstaining from certain foods have anything to help change the human heart for better. On the contrary, inner moral pollution comes from within the human heart. Deuteronomy helps us capture this truth when it says "the human heart is devious from youth" (Deut 6:5).

Thank you for your generous support of the Seminarian Education Fund. Your contribution of \$7,788.52 will help provide continual resources for the recruitment & training of college seminarians.

Follow Msgr. John's Homilies! Blog(text): www.sundayhomily.com**Podcast (audio):**<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>*Mass Intentions for the Week***Monday, August 27, 2018****(8 am) †Valentina Banis**

†Christina Villanueva

†Agreda, Ciriaco, Pedro

& Ross Pedro Acebo

Tuesday, August 28, 2018**(8 am) †Violet G. Porras**

†Mariano Mendoza, Sr.

†Agreda, Ciriaco, Pedro

& Ross Pedro Acebo

Wednesday, August 29, 2018**(8 am) †Rodolfo Taglinao**

†George E. Sullivan

†Agreda, Ciriaco, Pedro

& Ross Pedro Acebo

Thursday, August 30, 2018**(8 am) †Harold Jones, Sr. & Jr.**

†Jeremiah Aquino

†Agreda, Ciriaco, Pedro

& Ross Pedro Acebo

Friday, August 31, 2018**(8 am) †Raymundo Abad Agpalza**

†Rodolfo Villanueva Agpalza

†Agreda, Ciriaco, Pedro

& Ross Pedro Acebo

Saturday, September 1, 2018**(8 am) †Thelma Villareal Dangao**

†Rosemarie Henninger

†Jeremiah Aquino

(5 pm) Patrick & Anke Thomas

Peter & Denise Halsey

Sunday, September 2, 2018**(7 am) †Eulalio Tulang****9 am For the People****11 am William Ursal (Healing)****6 pm Marissa Sosa****†Rest in Peace†**

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Shirley Del Rosario, Carol Towne, Darrlyn & Ron Bunda, baby Mairenuí Taotaha-Amo, Jack & Ellen Cleghorn, Ernesta Tolentino, Lester Wilson, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Jim Vangrinsven, Dollie McGarry, Suzanne Foster, Linda Eguchi, Mario Pichon, Leora Hernandez, Alan Cadiux, Rahul Chattergy, Deacon Modesto Cordero, Rose McNorton, Rosalie Tadda, The Hett Family, Bienvenido Roter, Randy Arrojo-Manuwa & Family, Rachel Sullivan & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Janie Andrews, Theodoro Melegrito, William Edward Souza Jr., Floriano Castaneda Jr., Benjamin P. Espanto, Hading Aranaydo, Nelson Pulmano, Jackie Revillo, Felisa Rapisura, Tina Aguinaldo, Sterling Kaahaaina, George Sullivan, William Slocomb, Laura Efurd, Kekiai Hett, Fr. Ed Turner, Raymond Akiona Sr., Anthony L. Dela Cuesta, Rodney Alfaro & Dolores Elema.

Please contact the parish office to set up an appointment & coordination for the following:

Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms (Upcoming ceremony dates)

Sept 16 & 30, Oct 21 & 28, Nov 18 & 25.

Baptism Preparation Classes: Sept 2, Oct 7 & Nov 4.

Blessings (home, auto, religious items, etc...)

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

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SAVE THE DATE!! Bishop Larry Silva will be presiding at the 5pm Mass on Saturday, September 1st with a Marriage Convalidation Ceremony.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	8/18— 8/19
Sunday Collection	\$ 12,179.65
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 2,496.60
Children's Collection	\$ 2.00
Building, Equipment, and Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 955.50
One Community Center	
Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 11,360.42
Candle Sales	\$ 546.00
Donation— Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$ 145.00
Donation— Charity	\$ 72.00
Donation- Mass Intentions	\$ 130.00
Weekend Total:	\$27,887.17
"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce."- Proverbs 3:9	

The next 24-hr Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



THE ADOPT A SEMINARIAN PROJECT

Help us bring the gift of Aloha to our Seminarians. Desired items: Affirmation letters (esp. from children), local snacks nuts & candies (Maunaloa, Menhune Mac, Island Princess, etc.) Hawaiian coffees (Lion Coffee, Kauai Coffee, Kona Coffee, etc.) Local Style Chips (Atebara's, Hawaiian Chip Company, etc.)

Please no canned meats or liquids, and monetary donations cannot be accepted.

2018-2019 Mailing dates: Monday, September 3; Monday, November 5; Monday, February 4 and Monday, April 1, 2018. Please drop off items in the rectory by Tuesday, August 28th.

† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS †

Wilfredo Alfaro (RIP)

Wednesday, August 29, 2018 ~ SJAE

Visitation: 9:30 am

Mass: 10:30 am

Burial: 1:30 pm ~ Schofield

Dolores Elemia RIP)

Thursday, August 30, 2018 ~ SJAE

Visitation: 9:30 am

Mass: 11:00 am

Burial: 2:00 pm ~ Valley of the Temple

William F. Slocomb (RIP)

Wednesday, September 19, 2018 ~

Mililani Memorial Park ~ Makai

Visitation: 9:00 am

Funeral Service: 10:00 am

Rodney Academia (RIP)

Saturday, September 22, 2018 ~

Mililani Memorial Park ~ Makai

Visitation: 10:00 am

Prayer Service: 11:30 am

Burial: 12:30 ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Fr. Edward Turner (RIP)

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

~ St. Bernadette Parish, FL

Funeral Mass: 10:00 am

Memorial Service in Hawaii with his remains (cremated) in December 2018 at

Resurrection of the Lord Parish, Waipio.

The exact date of the

Memorial Service is pending..

Condolences can be sent to:

Theresa Collins (sister) c/o Elizabeth Ogg

20091 SW Matera Way,

Port St. Lucie, FL 34986-1736



PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

Catholic Charities Hawaii (CCH): Our parish will be participating in a *special collection this weekend, August 25/26, for CCH*. Your participation will help fulfill the mission to serve the most vulnerable brothers & sisters. Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please drop your donation during offertory or you may also donate online through our parish "Online Giving". Please be generous.

Food Pantry- If you or someone you know needs food assistance we can help! Come see us on **Tuesday, August 28, 2018 from 10am- 12 noon** at St. John's parking lot.

Calling all St. John's Seniors - DON'T miss out on the fun! Sign up today, after all masses, for the SJAE Senior Social! Social will be held on Saturday, Sep 8th, from 10 a.m. until 12 here at SJAE (Classrooms #2 and #3). There will be fun, games, food, prizes, and lots of fellowship. C'mon out and enjoy...AND SIGN UP today at the table on the lanai. For more information, call Connie Murphy at 808-625-7773.

Faith Matters! Do you feel like you don't know enough about your Catholic faith or about the Bible? Don't worry - help is on the way! **Msgr. John and Fr. Joseph will begin a year-long study of Catholicism and Scripture beginning on Thursday, Oct 4.** Msgr. John will be teaching **Catholicism 101: Why Be Catholic?** And Fr. Joseph will be teaching **An Introduction to Scripture**. Both classes will run from Oct 2018 - Sep 2019 from 7-9 pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month. Have questions or want to register now? Call SJAE Office at 808-623-3332 or email sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org.

Help Wanted: St. John's Preschool are currently seeking substitute teachers and substitute teacher aides for the 2018-2019 school year. Familiarity with ECE and flexible schedule preferred. Call 744-9538 for more information.

St. John's participating in **Give Aloha, Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program**. From September 1- 30. Customers are invited to make donations of up to \$249 (per person) at checkout. Donations are accepted by Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farm checkout. At checkout, present your Maika'i card (or provide number) and inform the cashier that you would like to make a donation to:

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Outreach, code#77455

Interested in joining the Scouts?

All interested boys ages 11-17 yrs. old (Boy Scouts—Troop 144) are welcome.

Please contact Troop 144:

(808) 292-0793, (808) 228-8324,
(808) 230-1778.



Planting Seeds for the Future: How long has it been since you updated your will? Does it still express your wishes? Does it leave a gift to your church to carry on its ministry after your death?

Please remember **St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church** in planning your will.

THIS WEEK: August 27– September 2

Monday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
7 pm - Charismatic PG (CH)
7 pm– Family Rosary Prayer Group (Chapel)

Tuesday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am– Church Cleaning– Environment (CH)
9 am– Women's Bible Study (Rm 2)
10 am– Food Pantry (Prkg Lot)
3 pm– Cenacle Prayer Group (CH)
7:30 pm - AA Meeting (Rm 6)

Wednesday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
6 pm– OLPH Prayer Group (CH)
7 pm– Choir Practice (CH)
7 pm: RCIA: #2 Divine Revelation (Rm 3)
7 pm– Pack 144 Committee Mtg. (Rm 5)
7:30 pm - NA Meeting (Rm 6)

Thursday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am– Church Cleaning– Group 5 (CH)
6:30 pm– 11 am Choir Practice (CH)
7 pm– Stewardship Council (Conf Rm)

Friday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am– Church Cleaning (Environment)
4 pm– Two Hearts (CH)

Saturday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am– Women's Catholic Bible Study (Rm 1)
9 am– Senior Ministry Mtg. (Rm 3)
3:30 pm - Confession
5 pm– Mass (Saturday Vigil)
5 pm– Marriage Validation (CH)
~presiding Bishop Larry Silva

Sunday– Masses

7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm

"A" Schedule-

Religious Ed. Classes

4 pm - 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)

7 pm– Young Adults (Social night)