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VISION STATEMENT***We are called to develop a deeper relationship with Christ. Such a relationship is fostered through******active participation in: the******Sacraments, the Word,******Renewal programs,******ministry/service,******fellowship and******other Spirit-led activities.******We will dedicate our time,******talent and treasure******to install in our******Parish community******these basic building******blocks of Christian living,******to live out the Lord's commands******and to preach the Good News to all******through our words, deeds and lives.*****My Faith and Sacraments of Healing**

In the Creed we pray: "I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins..." The Sacrament of Reconciliation, Penance or Confession was instituted by Christ to offer forgiveness of sins committed after Baptism (CCC, 1486). Sin entails willful moving away from God. It is a self-alienation. The movement of return to God, called conversion and repentance, entails sorrow for and abhorrence of sins committed, and the firm purpose of sinning no more in the future. Conversion touches the past and the future and is nourished by hope in God's mercy. (CCC, 1490) The sacrament of Penance is a whole consisting in three actions of the penitent and the priest's absolution. The penitent's acts are repentance, confession or disclosure of sins, and the intention to make reparation. (CCC, 1491) Individual and integral confession of grave sins followed by absolution remains the only ordinary means of reconciliation with God and with the Church. (CCC, 1497)

"Is any among you sick? Let him call for the presbyters of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven" (Jas 5:14-15). The proper time for receiving this holy anointing is when the believer falls ill or in danger of death because of illness or old age. (CCC, 1528) Each time a Christian falls seriously ill, he or she may receive the Anointing of the Sick, and also when the illness worsens. (CCC, 1529) Only priests (presbyters and bishops) can give the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, using oil blessed by the bishop, or if necessary by the celebrating presbyter himself. (CCC, 1530) The celebration of the Anointing of the Sick consists essentially in the anointing of the forehead and hands of the sick person, accompanied by the prayer of the celebrant asking for the special grace of this sacrament. (CCC, 1531) Family members may request for the sacrament when a member falls ill even if not seriously ill. This is not a sacrament for those about to die. Therefore waiting until someone is dying in the hospital is uncharitable for the sick person.

In addition to the Anointing of the Sick, the Church offers those who are about to leave this life the Eucharist as viaticum. Communion in the body and blood of Christ, received at this moment of "passing over" to the Father, has a particular significance and importance. "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." That is why St. Ignatius of Antioch (c. +117 A.D.) called the Eucharist the "medicine of immortality".

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

Pastor

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings: September 22

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Readings: Ex 32:7-11,13-14; Ps 51:3-4,12-13,17,19;
1Tim 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-31

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

In this passage, Moses is at prayer before God who tells him that the Israelites are guilty of turning away from God's law. Moses pleads with God to spare the people asking him to remember the Covenant he made with the forefathers. In the end we hear that God relented in the punishment he had threatened to inflict upon the people.

Psalm: Ps 51:3-4,12-13,17,19

Psalm 51 is the most beautiful Penitential Psalms. The response consists of plea for mercy, a prayer for transformation. The seriousness of the offenses acknowledged requires a thorough conversion (transformation, change of heart, *metanoia*). The psalmist therefore pleads to God for this transformation: "a clean heart create in me, O God."

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

This six verse reading is a bold statement about God's mercy toward sinners. Paul begins this teaching with an expression of gratitude for God's goodness towards him, and for this Paul moves into a personal testimony that shows the extent of God's goodness. Paul states that he is grateful Christ strengthened him and found him worthy to proclaim the Gospel. In other words, Paul is admitting of having been transformed by the grace of God's goodness to what he is now. He was the foremost of sinners, but was mercifully treated. Christ too will transform those who come to believe.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-31

In the opening verses of this Gospel, the lines are drawn between the scribes and the Pharisees, who are considered righteous leaders, and tax collectors and sinners, who are social outcasts. To share a meal with the latter group was to share life with them. Thus Luke in this passage sets the stage for a real confrontation. That is the context for the accusation of the religious leaders that "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Typically, Jesus does not deny their accusation but seizes the opportunity to teach about God's unfathomable mercy and compassion using three parables of the lost and found." The best known of these parables is that of the prodigal son. While the parable is clearly about the mercy God shows to the repentant sinner, it also contrasts God's openness with the closed-mindedness of those who consider themselves faithful. Often times we tend to behave like the elder son whose attitude and language is sharply contrasted to that of his forgiving father. The feasting and the joy of forgiveness are worthy meditating upon as consequence of deeply experiencing God's mercy.

*Msgr. John's Sunday homilies are available on the following updated links: **Blog (text):** <http://www.sundayhomily.com>*

***Podcast (audio):** <http://streaminghomilies.podbean.com>*

*On iTunes, under Podcast search for: **streaming homilies**, subscribe free to get the homilies weekly.*

***Boohomily (audio):** <http://audioboo.fm/jmbinda>*

"If our prayer is resolutely united with that of Jesus, in trust and boldness as children, we obtain all that we ask in his name, even more than any particular thing: the Holy Spirit himself, who contains all gifts."(CCC 2742)

PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Healing/Blessings: Emily Ramiscal, Anunciacion Amod, Marsha Cha, Ben Regidor, Sharon Scott, Channing Fukuda, Ellen Cleghorn, Carolyn Drapes, Patricia Perez, Jeremiah Bright, George Makio, Clara Cole, Sally Bordfeld, Leilani Mueller, Sherri Mauck, Hilda Gomez, Bernadette Uyeda and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: James Broto Toledo, Gloria Spray, Arthur S. Dorado, Robert Gulliford, Mercedes B. Soliven, Ernest A. Leong III, Alejandrino Confessor Taliman, Sr. Natividad Ferraren SPC, Carlos Pesante-Bonafe, Arsenio Batang Siggayo, Rose S. Hamora, Harold Looney, Evelyn Toshiko Winninghoff, Darrell Sabihon, Indra Duarte Robinson, Viola K. Quinn, Wilfred R. Castro, Enrique Corpus Ancheta Sr., Timoteo Soriano Caseria Jr., Mary "Malia" Kaipo Malama Serrao, Lucille Margaret Perske, Kay Kimie Nishimura, Winona Kuuleinani Rapoza, Frank D. Rampey and Elisa Sonico.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, September 16, 2013

8am Mass Paul Lapa (Birthday Memorial)
Avery Nakagawa (Birthday Blessings)

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

8am Mass Rose and Ernest Gruber, Sr. (RIP)
Rhianna Hara (Birthday Blessings)
Bernadette Uyeda
(Healing and Birthday Blessings)

Wednesday, September 18, 2013

8am Mass Shirley Guerrero (Birthday Blessings)
Gwen Kelly (Birthday Blessings)

Thursday, September 19, 2013

8am Mass Kirah Evile (Birthday Blessings)
James and Mildred Mizoguchi (RIP)

Friday, September 20, 2013

8am Mass Dcn. Modesto Cordero (Birthday)
Oscar Toves (Birthday Blessings)
Elena Atangan
(Healing/ For a Successful Surgery)

Saturday, September 21, 2013

8am Mass Constancio Guerrero (Healing)
Kaitlyn Guerrero (Birthday Blessings)
5pm Mass Mr. & Mrs. Pacifico Ongcangco (RIP)

Sunday, September 22, 2013

7am Mass The Navares Family (Thanksgiving)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass The Clute Family (Thanksgiving)
6pm Mass The Perry Family (Thanksgiving)

Parish News & Announcements

Religious Education classes for students on Schedule “B begin on Sunday, September, 15th. Students in Grades Pre-K through 5, First Eucharist Gr. 4-11 and Confirmation Year-1 should report to class at the times noted on the R. E. Calendar. Full class calendars are available on the website or at the Religious Education Office.

There are two spaces left on the 13-day (May 24-June 5, 2014) Marian Shrines Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain, France, and Rome with Msgr. John S. Mbinda as spiritual director. For information, please contact Jolly at 623-3332, ext. 111 or email: info@stjohnmililani.org.

Join us in Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church on Friday, September 27th with a presentation on “Prayer: Finding God in Our Lives” from 7:00-8:30pm in the church. The celebration continues on Saturday, September 28th at 9:00am with a Video Presentation on: “The Church: Community of New Life in the Spirit,” Holy Mass, and Commissioning of Catechists. Contact Sr. Alma Esmero at 623-3332 ext. 205 or Deacon Modesto Cordero at 585-3342 for more information.

New Altar Server Training will be held on Sunday, September 22nd from 12:30-3:00pm in the church. Minimum requirements: at least 7 years old, have received First Eucharist and willing to serve at least two times per month. We are in particular need of children and adults to serve at the 11:00 am mass. Please email Margaret Higa at sjserver@hawaii.rr.com to RSVP for the training or for more information. Thank you!

The Knights of Columbus are selling Zippy’s chili tickets after all the Sunday Masses on the weekends of September 15th and 22nd. The tickets are \$8.00 each and are redeemable for chili, meat sauce, Portuguese bean soup or cookies. The funds raised will be used to support the seminarians from our parish and the good and charitable works of the Knights of Columbus.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY: A Special Collection for Catholic Charities Hawaii will be taken up next week, September 21st and 22nd during all Masses. *“Catholic Charities Hawaii respects the God-given dignity of each person, serving all with compassion, justice and competence... Catholic Charities Hawaii performs these acts of love in our name but it can only do so with our support and assistance. I urge you, therefore, to be generous in your contributions to this worthy organization.”~ Bishop Larry Silva.*

There will be a Women’s Guild General Membership Meeting on Saturday, September 21st from 10:00am – 11:30am in the Church. Members and other women wanting more information about the Guild and its activities are encouraged to attend. Contact Gwen Mitsui #623-6982 for more information.

Youth and Young Adult FaithLife Ministry (for high-school and college-aged students): join us for fun, fellowship, Scripture sharing, praise & worship and refreshments on Thursdays from 6:30pm-8:30pm in rooms 4 and 5. **Upcoming Events: Thursday, September 19: Getting to Know You & Welcome to St. John’s Family; Thursday, September 26: The Light of Christ in You and Me.** Contact Aunty Gwen and Deacon Wally Mitsui at 623-6982 or email: gmitsui@gmail.com and wmitsui@rcchawaii.org for more information.

Join Our Lady of Good Counsel Church (Pearl City) in Celebrating their 15th Anniversary of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with a two-day “Life in the Holy Spirit Retreat” on Saturday, Sept. 28th from 9am-4pm and Sunday, Sept. 29th from 2pm-4pm, with Holy Mass at 5pm celebrated by Bishop Larry Silva and present and former OLCG priests. Dinner will follow.

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats bring hope and healing after abortion. *“If the emotional and spiritual wounds of a past abortion have been sapping faith, love and joy from your life, I can promise, that if you enter this process for healing, your life will begin to change. A journey into Rachel’s Vineyard is a gift only you can open your heart to receive... A new chapter of your life awaits you. You are not alone. Take courage, God is calling you towards peace, love, hope, and freedom.”~ Dr. Theresa Burke, Founder of Rachel’s Vineyard Ministries.* Register for the **October 25-27 retreat** by calling Lisa at (808) 349-5071 and to receive more information. Financial scholarships are available.

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kay Kimie Nishimura (RIP)

Wednesday, September 11, 2013

Mililani Memorial Park Mortuary – Mauka Chapel

8:00-9:00am ~ Public Viewing; 9:00-10:00am ~ Family Program

10:00-10:45am ~ Prayer Service; 11:00am ~ Burial

Eunice Y. T. Soto/ Lay Nun, “Sr. Stephanie” (RIP)

Friday, September 20, 2013 ~ Mililani Memorial Park

5:30pm ~ Memorial Service (Makai Chapel)

Saturday, September 21, 2013 - 10:00am ~ Burial - MMP

Sunday Collection Report

Sunday Offering September 8, 2013	Actual Amount	Weekly Goal
Building, Equipment, Maintenance and Outreach September 8, 2013	\$13,831.01	\$12,647.00
	\$ 1,243.10	\$ 1,470.00

“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce.” PROVERBS 3:9