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Pope Francis and Saint Francis of Assisi

In the context of the Year of Faith, I wanted to focus on Pope Francis and offer a few reflections on why he chose the name of Saint Francis of Assisi. The focus of Pope Francis' papacy began to emerge immediately after the Conclave. The Pope himself offered some intimate insights into the conclave that elected him pontiff, describing how he was immediately inspired to choose St. Francis of Assisi. He said he wants to see a church that is "for the poor." Pope Francis wants to see a Church that looks beyond the sacristy to the most disadvantaged, just like Saint Francis of Assisi who renounced a wealthy, dissolute lifestyle to embrace a life of poverty and simplicity and go out in the countryside to preach a message of joy and peace.

"Let me tell you a story," Pope Francis began in a break from his prepared text during an audience for a few thousand journalists and Vatican communications officials in the Vatican's auditorium. He described how during the conclave he was comforted by his friend, Brazilian Cardinal Claudio Hummes, as the votes were going his way and it seemed "a bit dangerous" that he would reach the two-thirds necessary to be elected. When the threshold was reached, applause erupted in the frescoed Sistine Chapel. Cardinal Hummes embraced Cardinal Bergoglio and told him "Don't forget about the poor!"

Pope Francis recalls and says: "those words came to me: The poor. The poor. Then right away, thinking of the poor, I thought of Francis of Assisi. Then I thought of all the wars as the votes were being counted, until the end. Saint Francis is also the man of peace. That is how the name came into my heart: Francis of Assisi." Pope Francis further explained: "For me, he is the man of poverty, the man of peace, the man who loves and protects creation. These days we don't have a very good relationship with creation, do we?" he said. "He is the man who gives us this spirit of peace, the poor man. Oh how I would like a church which is poor and for the poor!" Francis said, sighing. The pope's admiration for Saint Francis' simplicity is evident in his own lifestyle: the former Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio would take the bus to work, lived in a Spartan apartment where he would turn the heat off on weekends and cook his own meals!

As a priest and later archbishop, he saw to it that every slum in Buenos Aires had a chapel and fostered many outreach programs, supporting former prostitutes and drug addicts and washing the feet of rehab patients. When the economy collapsed in 2001 and Argentines lost faith in their politicians, he denounced capitalist excesses and corruption from the pulpit. Pope Francis will mostly be remembered for his simple and humble style of his papacy; a pope so close to the people; to those on the margins of society; those who are nothing in the eyes of the world. He will continue to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable, as Jesus Christ did.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

Pastor

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.*

Next Sunday Scripture Reading: October 13

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Readings: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1,2,3,4; 2 Tim 2:8-13;
Lk 17:11-19

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

The reading is a narrative about healing, gratitude, conversion and worship. It is a recollection of stories about the prophet Elisha. The main character is Naaman, a foreigner cured of leprosy and converted to the God of Israel. Elisha simply asks Naaman to go and wash seven times in a river and he is miraculously cured.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 98:1,2-3,4

This psalm belongs to the category of enthronement psalm, praising God as King over all. It opens with a call to sing a new song to God. "Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done wondrous deeds."

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

The passage, written from prison, begins with a form of creedal statement which Paul identifies as a trustworthy saying. Paul then exhorts Timothy to remember what is at the heart of the gospel Paul has proclaimed - a truth that is twofold: Jesus Christ is raised from the dead and he is a descendant of David. The structure of Paul's teaching here seems to be a liturgical hymn that uses four conditional clauses, reflecting not only the need to believe, but also to remain faithful in order to share in Christ's reign.

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

The gospel passage echoes the healing story of a leper in the first reading. The Gospel passage tells of the healing of the ten lepers by Jesus. The point here is to show that Jesus is no ordinary prophet like Elisha who heals only one. Jesus heals ten here, and the list is long in the four gospels. These outcasts, instead of asking for alms as was expected of such persons, they asked for mercy and compassion: "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" Jesus sends them to the priests so that they can verify that they are clean and can now mix with other members of the community. The healing is used here as an image of salvation. In addition there is also the aspect of praise and thanksgiving by the one healed person who returns to offer gratitude to Jesus. One underlying contrast here is that ten were cleansed, but only one was totally healed, for he was able to return to offer praise to God for that healing. The others did not reach that level of healing.

*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: Channing Fukuda, Ellen Cleghorn, Carolyn Drapes, Patricia Perez, Jeremiah Bright, George Makio, Clara Cole, Sally Bordfeld, Leilani Mueller, Sherri Mauck, Hilda Gomez, Bernadette Uyeda, Charmaine Molina, Melody Ramos, Don Buenconsejo, Ken Enomoto, and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Ernest A. Leong III, Alejandrino 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, Elisa Sonico, Leonard Alexander Garcia, Eunice Yau Tai Soto (lay nun: "Sr. Stephanie"), Fortunata C. Juan, and Gary Tateishi.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, October 7, 2013

8am Mass Ben and Helen Guerrero (Birthday)
Michael Morano (RIP)
Timoteo Soriano Caseria, Jr. (RIP)

Tuesday, October 8, 2013

8am Mass Brigido Torres (Birthday Blessings)
Rita Galicinao and Maya Serrao
(Birthday Blessings)

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

8am Mass Brandi De Costa (Birthday Blessings)
Francisco "Sonny" Cole (RIP)

Thursday, October 10, 2013

8am Mass Francis Taglinao (Birthday Blessings)
Jane and Ray Beauchemin
(57th Anniversary on October 6th)

Friday, October 11, 2013

8am Mass Ben and Helen Guerrero (Anniversary)
Ray and Ann Swider (56th Anniversary)
Elisa Sonico (RIP)

Saturday, October 12, 2013

8am Mass Peter Kaeo, Jr. (Birthday Blessings)
Two Hearts Prayer Group (Blessings)
5pm Mass Luis and Beatrice Delgado (RIP)

Sunday, October 13, 2013

7am Mass Dcn. Wally Mitsui (Birthday Blessings)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass The De Freitas Family (Thanksgiving)
6pm Mass Yvonne C. Reyes (RIP)

Parish News & Announcements

Get attuned to the Holy Spirit living and present in your life! Join the Life in the Spirit Seminar on Friday, October 11th at 7:30pm and Saturday, October 12th at 8:30am. Representatives from the Charismatic Group are available after Mass at the Lanai to answer questions and accept registrations.



Our Blessed Lady of Fatima Public Square Rosary is being held on Saturday, October 12th at Kipapa Park, Mililani at 12-noon. Please MAKE time to join us in prayer for our country. At this feast day, we petition Our Lady to bless our country with peace and prosperity. Please take time to join in a public display of prayer – bring friends and family! Sponsored by America Needs Fatima.

A Healing Mass with Anointing is scheduled for Monday, October 14th. Praise and worship begins at 7:30pm followed by Mass. All are welcome!

PROTECT MARRIAGE: The Holy Family, Joseph, Mary and Jesus, is the model for families: One Man and One Woman committed to each other exclusively for life. Jesus explained: Marriage is a union between one man and one woman, and without this union, there can be no new gifts of life from God. “God made them male and female. For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother, and the two shall become as one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no man must separate...” (Mark: 10:7-9)

The Catholic Book Club will meet to discuss its next book for discussion, **Conceived Without Sin** by Bud Macfarlane, on Thursday, October 17th from 7:00-9:00pm in the Parish Center classroom #6. Borrow or buy the book, read it and plan to join the book discussion. Contact Melissa Crisostomo at 626-2469 or alohamc@yahoo.com.

All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance: The Bereavement Ministry invites you to a special candlelight Mass celebration in memory of your departed loved ones on **Saturday, November 2nd at 8:00 a.m.** Please submit 4x6 photos of your loved ones to be displayed on a photo board during this Mass to the church office by October 25th. Please include the name of your loved one, a contact name and phone number. You may also place the name of your loved ones in the Book of Life in the back of the church. For more information contact the Bereavement Ministry at 721-7858.

All Souls Day offering envelopes are available at the back of the church.

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.

St. John's Outreach Holiday Food and Fund Drive: Outreach will be collecting non-perishable food and personal hygiene items for our yearly holiday food baskets. Monetary donations are also accepted to purchase Foodland/Sack n Save “Makana” food cards. A food card is provided in each basket for the purchase of a ham or turkey to complete the family's meal at Thanksgiving and Easter. Additional funds and food cards are used by the Outreach Office to supplement the outreach food pantry and provide assistance as needed throughout the year. **The drive will run from October 1 through November 6, 2013.** Envelopes are provided on the table at the entrance of the church for your use.

Would you like some wholesome fun, entertainment, and delicious food for the whole family? Please come to our **FALL FEST on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th from 10am to 2pm** at St. John's church grounds. Bring your family for: games, prizes, food, baked goods, plant sale, costume parade, entertainment and much more. Tickets to our Fall Fest are being sold on the fellowship lanai after all masses for \$5.00, but at pre-sale, you'll receive an additional \$1.00 tickets for games.

Flu Season is around the corner and the Parish Health Ministry with Longs Drugs Store will once again be offering the flu shot; to take place on **October 26th, from 8-11am** outside the church. Forms are available at the back of the church. Please complete and return them to the Parish Office (Mon-Fri) by October 13th. HMSA, Medicare, and Tricare insurances are being accepted. We cannot accept Kaiser and Medicaid. Please call Elaine Gibson at 497-8366 after 6pm for information. Mahalo!

World Mission Sunday (Propagation of the Faith), a Sunday to help the whole world, is coming up on October 19 and 20, 2013. **“Pray and Give Generously.”** For more information, please visit: www.IAMAMissionary.org.

A Veterans Day Mass is happening on Sunday, November 10, 2013 at 11am ~ Join us for fellowship, a blessing of Vets, and light refreshments on the breezeway. Come and also learn about programs working with Veterans and their Families.

Sunday Collection Report September 28/29, 2013

	Weekly Goal	Actual Amount
Sunday Offering	\$12,647.00	\$13,659.88
Building, Equip., Maintenance and Outreach	\$ 1,470.00	\$ 1,518.00

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