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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/john.apostle.718>Follow us on Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/JohnAChurch>Website: www.stjohnmililani.org • Email: info@stjohnmililani.org**DAILY MASS: Monday-Saturday: 8:00am****SUNDAY MASSES:****Saturday: 5:00pm****Sunday: 7am, 9am, 11am & 6pm****RECONCILIATION:****Saturday: 3:30pm - 4:30pm****or by appointment****RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:****Monday: 12:00pm-4:00pm****Tuesday-Friday: 8:30am-4:00pm****Saturday & Sunday – Closed**

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Signs of the End Times

These last Sundays in the liturgical year purposely focus our attention on the end of times, final judgment and Christ's second coming. We are reminded of the need for preparedness, a theme that continues during Advent.

Three years ago, film makers released a new movie "2012". This apocalyptic movie was based on the prophecies of Nostradamus (1503-1566) who prophesied that a comet would destroy the world in 2012. The doomsday prophets gave a specific date for the end: December 21 2012, the date of the Winter Solstice. That day came and nothing happened! So you and I know that there is something wrong about such prophecies. In today's world, it is very easy to be confused by ideas from all sorts of preachers about the end of the world. Some even give an exact date and time, and to make it even more exciting, they indicate a place where their followers should gather, for the Lord to take them up – the so called rapture!

Jesus in the Gospel this Sunday uses the destruction of the Temple as a sign of the end times. He also cautions against the danger of apocalyptic messages of false prophets, who try to announce the end of the world. The point of the readings today is that God wants us to be ready at all times. Jesus confirms that the end times will certainly come, and warns against false prophets. "Take care not to be deceived...because many will come using my name and saying 'I am he' and 'the time is near at hand'... And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen, but the end is not so soon" (Lk. 21:8). Because those are only signs, do not listen to anyone telling you when the end of the world is coming; whether they are priests or televangelists or self-proclaimed prophets or spiritual writers. Jesus in the Gospel does not tell us when the end times will come. He only speaks about signs of the end: wars, earthquakes, insurrections, famines and plagues; "and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven." The point Jesus makes is that we should be concerned about our readiness at all times especially when we see these signs of the end times. We must not wait to be struck down by a tsunami, a hurricane or super typhoon in order to get ready! That would be too late. Readiness means being prepared to meet our maker at any time and so the important question is: am I prepared? Are you?

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's Readings: November 24 Solemnity of Jesus Christ The King Year C

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

This reading is about the third anointing of David, which signified his kingship over all Israel, thereby uniting as one nation the two distinct regions of Israel and Judah. Anointing was both a sign of God's authority shared with the king and an act of acceptance of this authority by the people. The first anointing, by the prophet Samuel (1 Sm 16:12-13) set David apart for his kingly role. A second anointing (2 Sm 2:14) acknowledged his rule over Judah.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5

Psalm 122 is a pilgrimage psalm used as pilgrims marched towards Jerusalem. The psalm expresses pride and gratitude at the privilege of being under God's orderly rule. "I rejoiced when I heard them say: let us go to the house of the Lord".

Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

Paul, in this passage which is like a hymn to Christ, strongly affirms the absolute lordship of Christ over all creation. The reading in all likelihood quotes a hymn commonly used in the liturgy at this time. It is like a prayer addressed to God, who has "delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son."

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

The Gospel passage from Luke centers on the paradox of the cross. Jesus here gives his basic teaching on discipleship: "anyone who loses his life will save it." In this Gospel, representatives of all humankind — the common people, the rulers, the soldiers, and even a criminal who shares his crucifixion - all fail to understand the mystery of the Cross. The Cross that seems to be a failure becomes a triumph for Christ in the resurrection. The penitent thief's prayer is more than an affirmation of Jesus' innocence. In an act of faith that we cannot fully comprehend, he was moved to acknowledge Jesus' lordship not in spite of, but because of the cross. Because of his faith, he became the first to share explicitly in the glory of the kingdom, referred to here as paradise which is more than any place. It means being with the risen Lord, Jesus Christ, in His kingdom.

*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: Ellen Cleghorn, Carolyn Drapes, Patricia Perez, Jeremiah Bright, George Makio, Clara Cole, Sally Bordfeld, Leilani Mueller, Hilda Gomez, Bernadette Uyeda, Charmaine Molina, Melody Ramos, Don Buenconsejo, Ken Enomoto, Cely Deveraturda, John "Mike" Culkin, Guillermo Uyttingco, Anthony Scarpelli, Shirley Shimaoka, Pearl Bates and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: 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, Gary Tateishi, Delores Albaso, Charles Bucuo, Moses Dela Cruz, Delores Mertil, Hugo Gebauer, Justina Esperanza Antonio, and Josephine Vincent.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, November 18, 2013

8am Mass Ponce Tranilla (Birthday Memorial)
Gregory Castillo
(Birthday and Thanksgiving)

Tuesday, November 19, 2013

8am Mass Naomi Naong (RIP)
Romeo Piedad (RIP)

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

8am Mass Ann Walsh (Birthday)
Romeo Piedad (RIP)

Thursday, November 21, 2013

8am Mass Asuncion A. Vitug (RIP)
Two Hearts Prayer Group
(Thanksgiving)

Friday, November 22, 2013

8am Mass Mary Claudia Abad (RIP)
Two Hearts Prayer Group (Blessings)
Leonard Alexander Garcia and Maria
and Leo Garcia (RIP)

Saturday, November 23, 2013

8am Mass Lucille Perske (RIP)
Aida Malinis (RIP)
5pm Mass The Gonzales Family (Healing)

Sunday, November 24, 2013

7am Mass Paul and Lillian Lapa (Anniversary)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Lynn Child (Birthday)
6pm Mass Bryant DeCosta (Birthday)

Parish News & Announcements

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND, NOVEMBER 23 AND 24: Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty throughout America by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With a tradition of improving education, housing, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Defend human dignity. Take poverty off the map. **Please give to the CCHD Collection next weekend. Special collection envelopes are available at the back of the church.**

The next Youth and Young Adult Faith Life meeting will be on Thursday, November 21st, at 6:30pm-8:30pm in Rooms 4 and 5. The theme is "Gratitude". Invite your friends.

The Catholic Book Club will meet to discuss its next book: The Miracle of Father Kapaun: Priest, Soldier, and Korean War Hero by Roy Wenz and Travis Heying, on Thursday, November 21, from 7:00-9:00pm in classroom #6. Borrow or buy the book, read it and plan to join the discussion. Contact Melissa Crisostomo at 626-2469 or alohamc@yahoo.com.

The Fil-Am Catholic Group will hold their next meeting on Saturday, November 23, from 10am to 12noon in the church.

Little Bethlehem Christians is a group that represents 200 Christian families who live in Bethlehem, the holy land, and make their living as wood carvers. The group represented by the Alsahouri Family will display a collection of hand-carved olive wood religious items for sale after all Masses next weekend, November 23 and 24. The profit goes to support Christianity in the land of Christ. Please visit www.little-bethlehem.org.

The Year of Faith Catholic Cultural Celebration sponsored by the Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii will be held on Saturday, November 23, 2013 from 9am – 4pm at Star of the Sea Church, 4470 Aliikoa St., Honolulu. Come relax and enjoy. There will be ethnic island cuisine, games for the keiki, entertainment by parish cultural groups and Oahu Catholic school band and choruses, prayer, confession, and 5pm Mass on the lawn. For more information, go to www.catholichawaii.org

Mililani Annual Christmas Parade ~ Show your St. John *Spirit-led* Christmas Spirit! Join us in the Mililani Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 7. Parade line up starts at 7am at the Town Center of Mililani near Taco Bell. The parade starts at 9am and ends at 10:30am at Mililani Shopping Center near Jack in the Box. Parish ministries and organizations are encouraged to wear their group's uniform. For more information, please call 623-3332 ext. 100 or email: info@stjohnmililani.org.

SAVE THE DATE ~ FRIDAY, DECMEBER 27, 2013: We will celebrate the Feast of St. John Apostle and Evangelist and the 45th Anniversary of Ordination of Msgr. John S. Mbinda on Friday, December 27, 2013. There will be a concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving at 6pm, presided by Bishop Larry Silva. A dinner reception on the church grounds will follow after the Mass. More information will be coming soon. Stay tuned!

A Holy Land Experience! Treat yourself or a loved one to an adventure of a lifetime – a pilgrimage to the Holy Land with a Catholic Bible scholar, historian, and New York Times best-selling author as your guide. Directed by Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio (known as "Dr. Italy" on Catholic radio and TV), the trip departs from Chicago on April 22, 2014 and returns on May 2, 2014. This trip, with wonderful times of prayer, *liturgy & music daily* under the spiritual direction of Fr. Patrick Marshall, promises to be a fascinating journey into a deeper life in Christ and richer understanding of the Bible. For more information call Mary Gail Reding (773) 909.8090 or email reding@core.com. Act now--the remaining places are going fast!

Sunday Collection Report November 9/10, 2013		
	Weekly Goal	Actual Amount
Sunday Offering	\$12,647.00	\$12,835.23
Building, Equip., Maintenance and Outreach	\$ 1,470.00	\$ 2,413.00
Archdiocese for the Military Services		\$ 290.00
<i>"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce." PROVERBS 3:9</i>		