

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: **Monsignor John S. Mbinda**

This Sunday, the readings draw a sharp contrast between those who are rich and those who are poor - between those who have lots of power and control and those who have little power and control. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus is a perfect response by Jesus to the Pharisees who categorized the poor as sinners. The story of the rich man dressed in royal purple and Lazarus "dressed in sores", sets the stage for a dramatic reversal of fortunes. Lazarus was not only poor but sick and handicapped. He was laid at the gates of the rich man's house daily to eat the scraps from his table. Dogs licked the sores of Lazarus as it were, feasting on him. The rich man who dined lavishly daily could have opened the gate and helped Lazarus, but he did not. In the parable, Jesus paints a dramatic scene of contrasts: riches and poverty, heaven and hell, compassion and indifference, inclusion and exclusion.

There is also an abrupt and dramatic reversal of fortunes. We are told that the poor man died and carried by angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried! The contrast continues with the rich man being tormented in hell, while Lazarus is happy in heaven. The rich man is now a beggar, while Lazarus is rich in God's life. Just as there was a gap between the rich man and Lazarus on earth, now there is a great chasm between the two. The rich man was condemned not because of his possessions, but because he failed to notice Lazarus who was at his door longing only for scraps from his table.

The parable challenges us to be more compassionate towards the poor and to be more involved in parish social ministries that give attention to the poor and the less fortunate. Jesus wants us to discover that true riches are to be found in sharing what God has given us with the poor. Lazarus is still at our doors today.

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.***

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Pastor's Corner

“Go Make Disciples”

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Mt 28:19-20)

“Go Make Disciples” is the theme of this year’s stewardship. Obviously, the theme comes from the Great Commission of Jesus. Three important questions are relevant to understand this theme: 1) How do we make disciples? 2) Who is a disciple? 3) What does making disciples involve?

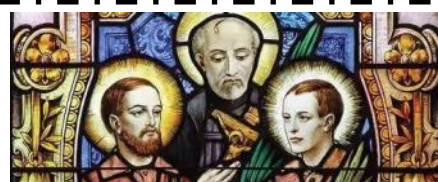
To answer the first question, we have to start with how Jesus made disciples. Jesus called his disciples. Discipleship is therefore a call. He called each by name from ordinary lives for an extraordinary purpose. If discipleship is a call, then a disciple “is one who responds to Christ’s call, follows Jesus, and shapes his or her life in imitation of Christ.” (Stewardship: A Disciples Response, US Bishops Pastoral Letter, 1992).

What does making disciples involve? It involves:

- reaching out
- engaging others, sharing your story & faith
- hospitality, inviting others to discipleship
- forming new disciples in the faith

In the gospels Jesus challenges those he calls "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk 12:49) Two examples here would be Bartimaeus (Mk 10:46-52) the blind man healed by Jesus. As soon as he was healed, he followed Jesus. Similarly, as soon as the Samaritan woman in John 4 believed in Jesus she went home and invited her entire village to come to see Jesus. Jesus set the world on fire and that fire continues blazing. In our outreach we continue to set the world on fire by our witness of life in words and action as we serve our brothers and sisters in need. Discipleship leads us to stewardship since we make use of the wonderful gifts that God had given to each us – time, talent and treasure which are meant to be continually shared. Stewardship like discipleship is a way of life. There a clear link between discipleship and stewardship.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda



Saint of the Week

St. Isaac Jogues

Feast Date-October 19

Born in Orleans, France, Isaac joined the Jesuits at a young age and was sent to his order’s North American mission in 1636. He and Rene Goupil were captured and tortured by a band of Iroquois in 1642. Rene was killed and Isaac was held as a slave until his rescue by Dutch settlers. He returned to France, secured permission to continue saying Mass despite mutilated hands, and returned to Canada in 1644. He and John Lalande were tomahawked and beheaded by Huron Indians who invited them to a meal. These three and five others, the North American martyrs, are patron saints of Canada and North America. They share this feast and shrines in New York State and Ontario, Canada.

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

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/ Saturday: Closed

Tues., Thurs & Fri.

12 PM - 6:30pm

Wednesday: 2 pm - 8:30 pm

Sunday: 7 am - 2 pm

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4

This reading consists of two parts. The first is a direct address spoken to God by the prophet. It sounds like a complaint: “how long, O Lord? I cry for help but you do not listen!” Complaint to God is an expression of profound religious sentiment. In the second part, the prophet reports the response he has received from God. “Then the Lord answered me and said.....” This response from the Lord is not an answer but a vision, the fulfilment of which lies in the future. The point is the need for hope and trust.

Responsorial Psalm: 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

The responsorial psalm combines an invitation for praise, a plea for openness to God’s voice and a word from God. “If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

In this text, Paul exhorts Timothy to renew his zeal, to be unashamed of the gospel, to bear his share of sufferings, to adhere to Paul’s teaching and safeguard it. Timothy like any of us struggled with his calling as a Christian, but now as one commissioned for the ministry, he had to struggle even more. Paul is aware of the risk one takes in publicly professing faith in Jesus Christ because “God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.”

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

The gospel passage contains two separate saying. The first deals with the power of prayer, while the second addresses the responsibilities of disciples. Both are understood to be instructions for the apostles. The apostles ask for an increase in faith, and Jesus realizes that they want more faith in quantity. Jesus’ response is in terms of quality of faith! “If you have faith the size of a mustard seed....”, you can move mountains! In the second saying, Jesus is teaching about the obligation of the one serving and not about the one being served. The disciple of Jesus Christ has been called to serve. Our service is not something we brag about, but something done in all humility.

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(text): www.sundayhomily.com
Podcast (audio):
<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 30, 2019

(8 am) †Paulina Wong

†Denisse Gutierrez

Rodney Kekina (Healing)

Tuesday, October 1, 2019

(8 am) †Shiloh Aiu

Kara W-C (Healing)

Nick Tatistcheff (Healing)

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

Francisco & Grace Marie & Family

(Thanksgiving)

†Federico Badua

Thursday, October 3 2019

(8 am) †Ramon N. Ramos

Jolly Guerrero-Tano

(Birthday Blessing)

Jake Ramos (Birthday Blessing)

Friday, October 4, 2019

(8 am) †Feliciano Dona

†Florencia Silva Solano

(Birthday Memorial)

Jolly Guerrero-Tano

(Birthday Blessing)

Saturday, October 5, 2019

(8 am) †Denisse Gutierrez

†Dr. Francisco Rebosa

Maria Alena (Gift of Life)

5 pm Kendyl Jane Grace

(Birthday Blessing)

Sunday, October 6, 2019

7am Rita Galicinao

(Birthday Blessing)

9 am For the People

11 am Suzanna Foster

6 pm †Daria Barayuga

(Death Anniversary)

†Rest in Peace†

HEALING / BLESSINGS: baby Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Jack & Ellen Cleghorn, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Jim Vangrinsven, Linda Eguchi, Leora Hernandez, Alan Cadiux, Rose McNorton, Rosalie Tadda, Bienvenido Roter, Randy Arrojo-Manuwa & Family, Rachel Sullivan, Duane Gonzales, Keahi Paaluhii, Marcelino Esdicul Sr., Lillian Chalmers, Alfred Fajota, John Durham, Maggie Bae, Suzanna Foster, Benjamin Bae Sr., Shirley Pichon, Mary Anne O. Llacuna, Shirley Leong & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Basilia V. Asuncion, Clova Y. Ramos, Bernadette Cypriano, Gilbert Buna Jr., Jesus Caldera, Paulina Wong, Federico G. Badua, Virgilio V. Benitez, Mary Ama, Shiloh John Aiu, Thelma Ruiz, Nestor “Jun” Tantamco, Lawrence Wilson, Anne Nishihara, Evelyn Bolosan, Ted Encarnado, Ted C. Abear, Kenneth Silva, & Robert “Bob” Duncan Sr.

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

Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms (Oct 13 & 20, Nov 10 & 17, Dec 8 & 15.)

Baptism Preparation Classes: Oct 6, Nov 3 & Dec 1.

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)



THE FALL 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN OF PRAYER FASTING AND OUTREACH TO PROTECT ALL INNOCENT LIFE EXTENDS FROM SEPTEMBER 25 THROUGH NOVEMBER 3.

THERE WILL BE AN OPENING RALLY AT THE SITE ON SEPTEMBER 28- FROM 9 AM TO 12NOON. ALL ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. YOU MAY SIGN UP ONLINE AT WWW.40DAYSFORLIFE.COM/HONOLULU. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT MARY SMART- CELL: 741-2358.

Online Giving – Stewardship is made easier than ever with our online giving system, WeShare. Make a one-time or recurring donation using your debit card, credit card, checking, or savings account in 3 easy steps. 1) Visit our church website, www.stjohnmililani.org, and click on **Online Giving**. 2) Set up your account. 3) Choose a payment option and customize your donation.

Let us serve one another in love!

The One Community Center (OCC) will help in many practical ways to welcome and to serve those who come to our church to encounter Christ. Please remember to contribute toward the completion of your pledge. Mahalo.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	9/21-9/22
Sunday Collection	\$ 12,329.06
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 755.25
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,129.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 2,946.00
Donation- Funerals	\$ 500.00
Donation- thanksgiving	\$ 20.00
Donation- Social Ministry	\$ 10.00
Donation– Charity	\$ 31.00
Donation– Children’s Collection	\$ 1.00
Donation- Seminarian Education Fund	\$ 500.00
Candle Sales	\$ 630.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 160.00
Weekend Total:	\$ 19,011.31
Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce.- Proverbs 3:9	

†FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS†

Evelyn Leonora Baysa Bolosan (RIP)

Sunday, September 29, 2019 – Visitation: 5:00 pm ~ Prayer Service: 6:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park- Makai Chapel
Monday, September 30, 2019 (SJAE, Mililani)
Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 11:00 am
Burial: 12:30 pm~ Mililani Memorial Park

Nestor (Jun) Luis Juanitez Tantamco, Jr. (RIP)

Wednesday, October 2, 2019 – Visitation: 5:30 pm ~ Prayer Service: 6:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park- Mauka Chapel
Thursday, October 3, 2019 (SJAE, Mililani)
Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 10:30 am
Burial: 1:00 pm~ Mililani Memorial Park



The Mass for Medical and Healthcare Professionals is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 18 at 6 pm at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa. Bishop Larry is presiding and everyone is invited to attend. The Philippine Medical Association of Hawaii (PMHA) Foundation is hosting a reception after the Mass. **Please RSVP to pmanhinfo@gmail.org, if you are planning to attend by Oct 4.**

St John A&E Marriage Validation

- ♥ Are you a Catholic who exchanged marriage vows in the presence of an authorized civic official or a minister from another religious tradition?
- ♥ Are you seeking to have your marriage officially recognized and blessed by the Church known as **Convalidation of a Marriage?**
Save the Dates
- ♥ Marriage Validation Retreat: Sat. Feb. 1, 2020 at 9am- 3 pm.
- ♥ Validation Rehearsal: Thurs. Feb. 6, 2020 at 6 pm.
- ♥ Marriage Validation Ceremony: Sat. Feb. 8, 2020 at 5 pm in the Church. Bishop Larry Silva will be presiding.
- ♥ For more information, contact Deacon Modesto at mcordero@rcchawaii.org or Deacon Romeo at rganibe@rcchawaii.org.



If you are a non-practicing Catholic or know of someone who left the Church and is not practicing his or her faith, we invite you and ask you to encourage others to join us for informal listening sessions & an update of the Catholic faith. **Next series will be on Tuesday, October 1, 2019, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm in classroom 2.**
October 8: The Church Today: Changes since Vatican II
October 15: Explanation of the Mass
October 22: The Sacrament of Penance
October 29: The Nicene Creed
For more info, contact the CRH team at (808) 623-3332 ext. 100 or email: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org. Everyone is welcome!





PARISH EVENTS &

St. John’s participating in Give Aloha, Foodland’s Annual Community Matching Gifts Program. From Sept 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. Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match a portion of each donation. 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, #77455.**



The Hui O Laulima Food Trolley will be out on all Masses for the month of September. There is a need of nonperishable: SPAM, Corned Beef, Beef Stew, Vienna Sausage, Rice, Oatmeal, Breakfast Items, Soda Crackers, Ritz Crackers, Pancake & Muffin Mix, Cocoa/ Coffee, Jellies and Ketchup/Shoyu/Mustard, etc. Thank you for your continued support and kokua.

The next Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, October 4, immediately after the 8 am Mass to 7:30 am on Saturday, October 5. Adorers are needed between the hours of 10 pm to 6 am to continue the devotion overnight.

2019 Diocesan Rosary Relay: 7 days & nights Masses, Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, Hourly Recitation of the Rosary, Confession, Processions. In our Diocese, we want to experience “the traveling congress.” The Diocesan Relay will start on Mon., Oct 7 at 6 pm and end on Mon., Oct 13 at 6 pm. **St. John A&E will be participating on Thurs., Oct 10 at 6 am - 12noon in the Church. 6 am - 7:45 am - Rosary; 8 am Mass; 8:45 am - 12 noon- Rosary.**

Homebound Ministry: There will be a refresher course on **Thursday, Oct. 10th at 7 pm in classroom 3.** If you have any questions, feel free to contact Yolanda Morreira at (808) 220-8997. It's open to everyone.

SJAE Women’s Guild Membership Meeting on Saturday, Oct 12 at 9 am in classroom 3. Please come to participate in the holiday planning. The annual WG Birthday Luncheon will be on Thursday, Oct 17 at 11 am at Helemano Plantation Café. Sign up on the WG website at <https://stjewomensguild.shutterfly.com/> or see one of the officers.

Food Pantry– If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come and see us on **Tuesday, October 29, 2019 from 10 am—12 noon at St. John's parking lot.**

IS CFM FOR YOU? CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT: Aloha! Our newest ministry, SJA&E Christian Family Movement (CFM), is a place to share your concerns about whether you’re doing a good job as a parent. It’s a place to learn how to be a better spouse. It’s a way to grow as a child of God. CFMers meet for study, conversation, simple companionship, and fun. CFMers discuss issues relating to home, workplace, society, and learn how to make things better for themselves and their families by letting Christ lead them. CFM will be on the church lanai after all Masses on Oct 13, 27; Nov 10; Dec 3 and 22. Find out more about us! Call Patrick A. Guzman at (808) 351-6179 for all the details.

▪ **Our Faith, Our Freedom- Introducing the** Hawaii Catholic Advance Healthcare Directive- The Hawaii Catholic Conference invites all adults, ages 18 and older, to attend the following rollout session: Saturday October 5 from 9 am to Noon at Resurrection of the Lord, Waipio. ▪ Learn how to start a conversation about end-of-life decisions with a loved one, how to make morally sound decisions about medical care when a person may be nearing death, how to choose an agent and complete the AHCD form, and about palliative care and the benefits of hospice services. For more information, visit catholichawaii.org/hcc.

PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: You can share your faith beyond your lifetime by careful estate planning that includes your church in your will. During your lifetime you will have the joy of knowing that whatever you do not use in this life will continue in ministry through your church after your death. Please remember *St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church* in planning your will.

THIS WEEK: Sept 30 – Oct 6

Monday– 7:30 am—Rosary
8 am- *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
7 pm– Family Prayer Group (Rm 6)
7 pm– Troop 144 (Rm 5)
7 pm– Charismatic (CH)
Tuesday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am– Women’s Bible Study (Rm 2)
9 am– Church Cleaning– Environment
3 pm– Cenacle Prayer (CH)
6:30 pm- Catholics Returning Home (Rm 2)
7 pm- 5 pm Choir Practice (CH)
7:30 pm - AA Meeting (Rm 6)
Wednesday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am- Hui (Rm 3)
6 pm- OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)
7 pm– 9 am Choir Practice (CH)
7 pm- RCIA- Session #6: Baptism (Rm 3)
7:30 pm—NA Meeting (Rm 6)
Thursday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
9 am- Church Cleaning (Group 3)
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
6 pm- 11 am Choir Practice (CH)
Friday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:30 am- The Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (CH)
9 am- Church Cleaning- Environment (CH)
Saturday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group
9 am- Catholic Women’s Bible Study (Rm 1)
9:15 am- Liturgical Movement Ministry (Rm 4)
3:30 pm - Confession
5 pm- Mass (Saturday Vigil)
5 pm- Respect Life- March 4 Life (CH Lanai)
Sunday– Masses
7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm
Religious Education: “A” Schedule
2 pm- Baptism Prep Class (Rm 3)
4 pm - 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)

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