

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 2 / 3, 2019



ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: Deacon Modesto Cordero

The good news of this weekend's Gospel is that Jesus wants to be with us. He said to Zacchaeus and us that He wants to "*stay at our house.*" The message of Zacchaeus' story is an invitation for us to celebrate God's love, to experience God's mercy (as it is mentioned in the first reading from the Book of Wisdom), and to renew our commitment to Christ and his message. Today we are invited to respond to God's invitation in three distinctive ways. First, we need to make an effort to meet Jesus in a more real and personal way, even its means that we need to climb a tree to make ourselves visible. Second, we must accept who we really are and what we are capable of. Zacchaeus was short. He couldn't do anything about that, but he could do something with it. Basically what he did with it was to not let it, and people's perception of him, stop him from reaching out to Jesus. Lastly, we need to listen to Jesus' words: "*Come down, I mean to have dinner at your house tonight.*" This is a call for us to make room for Jesus in our homes, our hearts, and our lives. Another way we can make room for Jesus in our lives is by embracing stewardship as a way of life. Since 2014 our parish started embracing stewardship as a way of life. Stewardship begins with an "attitude of gratitude." When we're thankful for the gifts in our lives, we're much more likely to want to share them with others. Stewardship is "living by giving." It's a lifestyle of generosity. After meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus chooses to put his life in right order. He offers half of his possessions to the poor and promises to repay four times over those that he had done wrong. Zacchaeus' response to God's invitation of living as a good steward is proof that "faith without works is dead." The good steward has a faith that is very much alive. Stewardship is using our gifts for God's purposes instead of only our own. It's something we never "complete." It is a process, and God is always calling us forward. In the end, being a good steward is part of being a good disciple of Jesus. If it is true that following Jesus is sometimes difficult, it is also true that *stewardship* can be hard, too. But with faith in the Holy Spirit, we know that God gives us strength—strength to use our gifts and resources for the sake of the Gospel and to build up the Church. Blessings!

Dcn. Modesto Cordero

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

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Each year on November 2, we celebrate the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed as part of our faith and practice. Throughout the month of November, many of give names of loved one to be listed in the Book of Remembrance whom we specially remember at Mass. The list does not limit God’s love and mercy. These are not imaginary people, but real people from families that have been shattered by separation; families and spouses who are still grieving. We have all been through the pain of separation. We all have had the experience of letting go of someone through death. It is never easy to let go of someone who is dear to you. You can never fill the void left by that person because that person is unique and only that person can fill the void.

To all of you who are still grieving for the loss of a loved one, be assured that the clergy and indeed all parishioners are in solidarity with you. “For when one member suffers, the whole body suffers as well.” (cf. 1 Cor 12:26) May your faith and hope in the resurrection of Christ comfort you in the sure hope of eternal life.

On All Soul’s Day the annual Commemoration of the Faithful Departed gives the Church an opportunity to share in our grief and bereavement and to remember in a special way our loved ones. 2) We remember our loved ones in a special way through the Mass during the whole month of November, because they need our prayers and the Mass is the highest form of prayer we can ever offer. May the souls of our loved ones and the soul of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Msgr. John B. Mbinda

<u>Parish Rectory Hours</u> Monday: 12:00 PM - 4:30 PM Tues. - Fri.: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday/Sunday: Closed
<u>Outreach Office Hours</u> Tuesday: 9 AM to 12 PM Friday: 9 AM to 11 AM <u>FOOD PANTRY Hours</u> Tues.- Fri.: 9 AM to 11 AM
<u>Religious Ed Office Hours</u> 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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Don’t Forget to Turn in Your Commitment Card. We’re still in the midst of our annual Stewardship Renewal. If you haven't returned your Commitment Card, it is NOT too late. Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. John Apostle & Evangelist. Please take this opportunity to discern how God is call you to grow closer to Him this year. The commitment cards are available at the main entrance to the church and online. Please visit our website stjohnmililani.org, click on the photo. Once you submit your card, it will go straight to Catholic Stewardship Consultants in Georgia.

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

The passage from Second Book of Maccabees, reveals the earliest clear beliefs of the after life in the Jewish Community about 110 B.C. The account of the mother whose seven sons are martyred one by one confessing their faith in the resurrection in defiance of the King, is evidence of these beliefs. Their faith is clear: “the King of the world will raise us up to live again forever. It is for his laws that we are dying.”

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15

Psalm 17 can be classified as a psalm of lament; the confident prayer of someone in danger. It may be the prayer of the whole nation of Israel under persecution. V 15 may reflect some undefined hope in a life after death, but more likely refers to the collective hope of Israel in the restoration of the kingdom in its former glory.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

Paul exhorts the Christian Community of Thessalonica, praying that the Lord comfort and strengthen them in their work even in the face of opponents. Paul in turn asks for their prayer so that he may continue to spread the message of the Lord, a task that is not yet completed, because not all have received the word of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

It is interesting that the question of the Sadducees to Jesus in the Gospel concerns seven brothers who die one after another! The Sadducees, who did not believe in a resurrection of the body after death, posed this question to show the absurdity of any real afterlife. Jesus, in turn, shows the absurdity of their question, mainly because life after death cannot be understood in terms of earthly life, for example marrying or not marrying. Jesus’ main point is that God is the God of life and salvation.

Follow Msgr. John’s Homilies! Blog
(text): www.sundayhomily.com
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<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

Mass Intentions for the Week
Monday, November 4, 2019
(8 am) †Teopista Tulang
†Evelyn Bolosan
†Jun Tantamco
Tuesday, November 5, 2019
(8 am) †Thelma Villareal Dangao
†Ronald Beauchemin
†Paulina Wong
Wednesday, November 6, 2019
†Amelie Tetahaimaui
(Birthday Memorial)
†Cristina Falke
(Birthday Memorial)
Suzanna Foster
(Healing & Blessing)
Thursday, November 7, 2019
(8 am) †Earl John Pacpaco
†John and Frances Clarke
†Barbara Rose
Friday, November 8, 2019
(8 am) †Ronald Beauchemin
†Philip C. Mullaro
†Harold “Clint” Freeman
Saturday, November 9, 2019
(8 am) Maria Aguirre
(Birthday Blessing)
†Robert “Bob” Duncan, Sr.
Suzanna Foster (Healing /Blessings)
5 pm †Evelyn Bolosan
Sunday, November 10, 2019
7am Suzanna Foster
(Healing/Blessing)
9 am **For the People**
11 am †Bernard Luna
6 pm †Gary Lucero

HEALING / BLESSINGS: baby Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Leora Hernandes, Alan Cadiux, Rose McNorton, Rosalie Tadda, Bienvenido Roter, Randy Arrojo-Manuwa & Family, Rachel Sullivan, Duane Gonzales, Keahi Paaluhi, Lillian Chalmers, John Durham, Maggie & Benjamin Bae Sr., Suzanna Foster, Shirley Pichon, Mary Anne Q. Llacuna, Caridad Ramiscal, RileyAnn Wills, Rebecca Wills, Laralyn Corthran, Dan Wills & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: 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., Patricia J. Merideth , Shirley Leong, Leslie Fountain, Irene Moyles, Brian Ching and Marcelino Esdicul, Sr.

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

Anointing of the Sick
Baptisms (Nov 10 & 17, Dec 8 & 15, Jan 12 & 19)
Baptism Preparation Classes: Nov 3, Dec 1, Jan 5.
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. ALL ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE. YOU MAY SIGN UP ONLINE AT W.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!

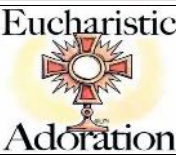
The One Community Center (OCC) will help in many practical ways to welcome and to serve those who come to our church to encounter Christ. Please remember to contribute toward the completion of your pledge. Mahalo.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	10/26 10/27
Sunday Collection	\$ 14,830.81
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 2,273.35
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,141.25
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 2,551.75
Donation- Funerals	\$ 800.00
Donation- Stewardship	\$ 95.00
Donation- Social Ministry	\$ 12.00
Donation - Children's Collection	\$ 1.00
Donation– All Souls	\$ 2,025.00
Donation– Archdiocese/Military Services	\$ 5.00
Donation- Catholic Charities	\$ 40.00
Donation - Retirement for Religious	\$ 50.00
Donation - World Mission	\$ 110.00
Candle Sales	\$ 700.75
Mass Intentions	\$ 100.00
Weekend Total: \$ 24,735.91	
"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce."- Proverbs 3:9	

†FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT †
Virginia Banis Cabilao (RIP)

Monday, November 18, 2019 - Visitation: 5:30 pm
Prayer Service: 6:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park- Mauka Chapel
Tuesday, November 19, 2019 - Visitation: 10:30 am
Wake Service: 11:30 am- Mililani Memorial Park- Mauka Chapel
Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memoria Park

National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 3-9, 2019. As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood and others to religious life. Some remain as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations and teaching young people how to discern God's call-is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation.



The next Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, December 6th, immediately after the 8 am Mass to 7:30 am on Saturday, December 7th.

Be an Angel and Volunteer to help with this year's Angel Tree!

Angel Tree gift tags will be distributed next weekend! We need volunteers to distribute tags and receive gifts. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Pearl Bates at 623-3332 ext. 203 or email: pebates@rcchawaii.org.



This year we will provide gifts to Catholic Charities (CCH), Honolulu Community Action Program (HCAP), Hui O Lailima (Molokai), Waikiki Health Center (WHC) and St. John's Local Outreach (Families and children in need, seminarians, seniors).

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 ganibe@rcchawaii.org.



PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

Next weekend our parish will take up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS). Established by Saint John Paul II in 1985, the AMS is the only U.S. diocese responsible for providing pastoral care to men and women serving the U.S. Armed Forces, enrolled at a U.S. Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or working for the federal government beyond U.S. borders - including those from our own parish diocese. Including families, AMS priests and deacons serve approximately 1.8 million Catholics who hail from 50 states and U.S. territories. While the salaries and retirement of Catholic military chaplains are paid for by the U.S. government, the AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military for program and administrative costs. Envelopes are available at the main entrance to the church or you may donate online through our parish website. Please be generous. MAHALO.

BEAT-LELE Benefit Concert Tickets will be on sale starting November 9/10 after all Masses! The concert will held on Saturday, January 25, 2020, from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the One Community Center. This event is sponsored by Friends of St. John’s Catholic Preschool.

Veterans Day Mass 2019: Please join us for our Veterans Day Mass on **Monday, November 11 at 8 A.M.**

SJAE Seniors – MARK YOUR CALENDARS for next month’s Senior Bingo! **Join us on Sunday, November 17, from 2-4 pm in Classrooms 1-3.** Sign-ups will be after all masses on November 9-10. As always – come prepared to win!

Food Pantry– If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come and see us on **Tuesday, November 26, 2019 from 10 am—12 noon at St. John’s parking lot.**

PRISON MINISTRY: “Lord, when did we see you ill or in prison and visit you?” (Matthew 25:39) St. John’s Social Ministry is reinvigorating its Prison Ministry Program. For more Information, call Gary & Diane Nishijima at 808-294-8012.

Got an umbrella? Anyone Interested in purchasing a compact, wind resistant SJAE umbrella may contact Ursula Ramos at 392-1971 or stop by the parish office during office hours. Cost: \$30.

PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: At the death of a special friend or relative you might like to remember that person through a memorial gift to your church. This will show your appreciation for this treasured relationship and help others through the church. An acknowledgement card will be sent to the surviving family, letting them know of your gift, without disclosing the amount.
Please remember *St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church* in planning your will.

THIS WEEK: Nov 4 – Nov 10

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 - 4th Degree K of C (Rm 3)
7 pm– Charismatic Prayer Group (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 (CH)
3 pm– Cenacle Prayer (CH)
6:30 pm - PPC (Rm 4)
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)
9am - Hui O Lailima (Rm 3)
6 pm- OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)
7 pm– 9 am Choir Practice (CH)
7 pm- RCIA- Session #11: Holy Orders (Rm 3)
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 3)
6 pm- 11 am Choir Practice (CH)
Friday– 7:30 am– Rosary
8 am– *Daily Mass*
9 am- Church Cleaning- Environment (CH)
4 pm - Two Hearts (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 (Rm 4)
3:30 pm - Confession
5 pm- Mass (Saturday Vigil)
Sunday– Masses
7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm
Religious Education: “B” Schedule
12:30 pm - Baptism (CH)

CALLS, TEXTS & EMAILS SCAMS! There has been a scam affecting many parishioners. Please never respond to such email messages or texts from clergy and staff of St. John’s. For more information, see the link below.
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