

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 16/17, 2019



ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: **Msgr. John S. Mbinda**

The readings of this Sunday draws our attention to the urgency of being ready for Christ's triumph over the enemy in a battle that is already taking place. The first reading from the prophet Malachi, speaks about the day when those who do not listen to the Lord will be burnt up, while those who listen and dance God's melody will leap like calves going to the pasture.

Paul in the Second Reading deals with the question of the Second Coming of the Lord, because some faithful in Thessalonica believed that Christ was about to return soon, and therefore there was no need to work. Paul corrects that misunderstanding.

Jesus in the Gospel teaches us that before the events of the end taken place, we too must undergo persecution, but by our perseverance, we will secure our lives. Jesus also cautions against the danger of false prophets, who try to announce the end of the world. Christians from the very beginning have always been curious about the meaning of today's readings, and some would want to ask the same question the disciples asked: "Teacher, when will this happen?" They won't know when exactly the end-times will be. 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 be priests or televangelists or self-proclaimed prophets or spiritual writers. As soon as you hear any preachers say they know when the end will come, be sure to avoid them like the plague. 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 not be concerned about when the end will be. Rather we should be concerned about our readiness at all times.

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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We look forward to connecting with you!

Pastor’s Corner

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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One Community Center Construction Update



Dear parishioners, last weekend you noticed that the OCC is heading towards completion. There was more parking space, Below is an outline report of ongoing and scheduled work:

Construction Phase – Sitework:

- ❖ Permanent Power to OCC completed
- ❖ New water meter work in Kipapa Drive to be completed November 6/7
- ❖ Exterior concrete walkways completed except for tie in to the Church and Kipapa Drive
- ❖ Grading around the building ongoing in preparation for landscaping.

Construction Phase – Building:

- ❖ Exterior finishes completed except for storefront leave-out area
- ❖ Storefront and window frames, glazing completed (one bay left out for equipment access).
- ❖ Gypboard walls completed to include painting
- ❖ Interior ceilings completed except for lay-in tiles
- ❖ MEP, Fire Sprinkler, A/V rough-in mostly completed except for fixture/device installation
- ❖ Interior and Exterior light fixture installed and being tested
- ❖ Flooring and millwork installation ongoing

Scheduled to Finish on Time

We project the above remaining work including the landscaping that is going one to be completed on time for the dedication on Saturday, December 21, 2019. The landscaping will include better lighting of our parking lot. In preparation for use of the OCC as soon as it is ready, all furniture to be used is ready to be moved in. All this should make us excited. We can’t wait to use the OCC! Other parishes have a policy for the use of their parish halls, and so the Leadership Advisory Council is currently working on a policy that we will publish for parishioners to know.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

Our Annual Stewardship Renewal:

Please remember to turn in your commitment cards to the parish as soon as possible. We appreciate your willingness to participate in this year’s Stewardship Renewal. The more we grow to embrace and understand the stewardship way of life, the more our St. John Apostle & Evangelist Parish will flourish & grow. Thank you!

“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 24,

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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 for the annual celebrations. 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, the good thief is moved to acknowledge Jesus’ lordship not in spite of, but because of the cross. Because of his faith, he becomes 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.

Follow Msgr. John’s Homilies! Blog
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<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

Mass Intentions for the Week
Monday, November 18, 2019
(8 am) †Eric Umetsu
†James & Mildred Mizoguchi
†Ponce Tranilla
(Birthday Memorial)
Tuesday, November 19, 2019
(8 am) †Paulina Wong
Bernie Grace
(Birthday Blessing & Thanksgiving)
Wednesday, November 20, 2019
†Asako Diana
Ann Walsh (Birthday Blessing)
†Patricia Merideth
Thursday, November 21, 2019
(8 am) †Pat Merideth
†Shirley Leong
†Francisco Perez
Friday, November 22, 2019
(8 am) †Fr. Franciscan Beck
†Federico G. Badua
†Herman Gabriel
Saturday, November 23, 2019
(8 am) †Stanley Miranda
†Juliana Basug Valion
Channing Fukuda
(Healing/Blessing)
5 pm †Dominador Ballesteros
Sunday, November 24, 2019
7am Bryant DeCosta
(Birthday Blessing)
9 am *For the People*
11 am †Maria Grace Ulep
6 pm †Mary Grace Angelica Ramos

† RIP

HEALING / BLESSINGS: baby Mairenui Tauotaha-Amo, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Leora Hernandes, 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, Elaine Kahala, Sandra Gose, Ellen Cleghorn & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: 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, Marcelino Esdicul, Sr & Gloria Tolentino.

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

Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms (Dec 8 & 15, Jan 19 & 26, Feb 16 & 23)

Baptism Preparation Classes: Dec 1, Jan 5 & Feb 2

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

On behalf of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Timothy P. Broglio, Archbishop for the Military Services, USA, *thanks to those who contributed to the Triennial National Collection for the AMS last week.* Your generosity will assist Archbishop Broglio in the mission, "Serving Those We Serve," and will help make it possible for Catholic men and women, and their families, currently serving in the U.S. Military, to receive the sacraments and pastoral care no matter their location around the globe.

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	NOV. 9 - NOV. 10
Sunday Collection	\$ 12,498.69
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 940.50
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 744.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 12,033.06
Donation- Baptisms	\$ 50.00
Donation- Social Ministry	\$ 2.00
Donation - Charity	\$ 10.00
Donation- All Souls	\$ 1.00
Donation- Archdiocese/Military Services	\$ 1,504.00
Donation- Catholic Campaign for Human Dev.	\$ 2.00
Donation- Stewardship	\$ 114.00
Candle Sales	\$ 595.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 160.00

Weekend Total: **\$ 28,654.25**

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce."
- Proverbs 3:9

†FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS †

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

Recalte Dick Navarro (RIP)

Monday, November 25, 2019 - Visitation: 8:30 am

Wake Service: 10:30 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park- Mauka Chapel

Burial: 11:00 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park



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.



Show your **"St. John Spirit-led"** Christmas spirit and join us in the **34th Annual Mililani Holiday Parade on Saturday, December 7th, 9am to 10:30am.**

Parade **STARTS** at Mililani High School Stadium **DOWN** Kipapa Drive to Mililani Shopping Center **RIGHT** on Moenamanu Street **LEFT** on Kuahelani Avenue **RIGHT** on Meheula Parkway **LEFT** on Lanikuhana Avenue **ENDS** at Town Center of Mililani.

Let us walk the parade route as one family in Christ!

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

While this very important celebration is usually on December 8, since that is a Sunday this year, all the Masses for December 7/8 will be for the Second Sunday of Advent.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception WILL be celebrated on Monday, December 9, 2019 as a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION in the Diocese of Honolulu. Masses are at 8am and 7pm.

Celebrations in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena

December 4 - 11, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Thursday, December 12, 2019

Mañanitas (serenate) at 6:00 pm.

Mass at 7:00 pm.

Join us for a potluck dinner & gathering in the church lanai after the Mass!!

For more information, please contact Milagros Quiñones at (321) 914-2357





PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

Catholic Campaign for Human Development– CCHD Collection: Please respond to Pope Francis’ call for the World Day of the Poor the weekend of Nov 24, the Solemn Feast of Christ the King.

In the US, more than 46 million people live in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and help vulnerable people across our country struggling to overcome persistent poverty. Here in Hawaii CCHD has supported a wide range of projects, working with the most vulnerable, including HOPE Services Hawaii, Inc., instrumental in responding to the needs of the homeless and victims from natural disasters on the Big Island. CCHD grants have also helped the Pu’a Foundation assist women returning from prison successfully re-enter communities around the state, and Honolulu Habitat for Humanity help low income families build and own affordable housing. **Please remember that 25% of the collection’s proceeds stay in our diocese to hear and respond to the cry of the poor and some of the most vulnerable in our own islands. Please prayerfully consider contributing to the CCHD collection.** Donation envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please drop your donation during offertory or you may also donate online through our parish “Online Giving”. Please be generous.

BEAT-LELE Benefit Concert Tickets will be on sale from November 9 to December 1, 2019. Pre-sale Price: \$35. The concert will be 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. Get your tickets early!

Angel Tree: This weekend we will be on the church lanai after all Masses. This year we will provide gifts to Catholic Charities (CCH), Honolulu Community Action Program (HCAP), Hui O Laulima (Molokai), Waikiki Health Center (WHC) and St. John’s Local Outreach (Families and children in need, seminarians, seniors). 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.

SJAE Seniors – Join us for Senior Bingo on Sunday, November 17, from 2-4 pm in Classrooms 1-3. As always – come prepared to win!

St. John’s Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group is sponsoring a Healing Mass on Monday, November 18. Praise and Worship begins at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. Celebrant: Fr. Joseph Ayinpuusa. For more information: Victoria Achaval 623-8860 & Stephen / Helen Uyehara 623-7423.

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

We give thanks to our Lord for all his blessings! Join us in gratitude at the **8am Thanksgiving Day Mass (Nov. 28)!** Bring a meal item (labeled with your name) for your thanksgiving table for a blessing before sharing it with your family & friends (i.e. apple cider, dinner rolls, fruit, etc.) Our Liturgical Environment Ministry will place the item on the sanctuary with you.

Little Bethlehem Christians (LBC) is a group that represents Christian Families who live in the Holy Land of Bethlehem that make their living as wood carvers. The Alsahouri Family, representing this group, will display a collection of hand-carved olive wood religious items for sale on **December 7th & 8th** after all masses. All profits will support Christianity in the land of Christ.

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: Nov 18 – Nov 24

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– Healing Mass (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- PPBC (Rm 1)
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)
6 pm- OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)
7 pm– 9 am Choir Practice (CH)
7 pm- RCIA- Session #13: Marriage (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 1)
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)
9am - Church General Cleaning (CH)
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 - New Altar Servers Training (CH)
4 pm - 6 pm Choir Practice (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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