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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.*****Jesus Christ the King: Keeping our Faith Ablaze**

The Year of Faith that began on October 11 2012 ends this Sunday, on the Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King of the Universe. As we look back to the Year of Faith, let us rejoice in the graces received during this Year of Faith. What a year it has been here in our parish! Just think back to the faith and leadership formation programs we have had during the year. Think of the energy generated by our various ministries as they shared the gifts of time, talent and treasure. Several questions that we need to ask are: how do we harvest the fruits of the Year of Faith? How do we keep ablaze the fire of faith generated during this year? What about the impact of all our various faith and leadership programs within and beyond our parish boundaries? These questions are important as we go forward.

At the time the Year of Faith was beginning last year, a new feature movie was being released with the title: “*For Greater Glory*”. The movie tells the story of the Mexican Cristero war which broke out in the 1920’s. The government had decided to enforce strict anti-clerical laws that included the banning of: Masses, all sacraments, and wearing of clergy garbs in public. Moreover, bishops were forced to leave the country and priests who resisted were imprisoned, tortured and executed. One of the most touching scenes is the execution of Padre Christopher, an old priest, played by Peter O’Toole, as a young boy of 14 watches from hiding. Young José who witnesses that execution (José Luis Sánchez del Río) is fired up to join the Cristero army to fight against the government forces. Jose is captured in a fierce battle, imprisoned and tortured, but each time the government soldiers ask him a question he responds “*Viva el Cristo Rey*” (Long live Christ the King). Those are his last words as he is executed and thrown into a ditch. This inspiring movie touches our faith deeply.

The fruits of the Year of Faith are made concrete in the entire liturgical celebration of the Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King. It challenges each of us to ask the question of whether Jesus is truly our king who influences our thinking and actions. In the movie “*For Greater Glory*” José is deeply convinced that Jesus Christ rules his life. The Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King challenges each of us to ask serious questions: Is Jesus Christ my “Dominus”, my “Mano”, my “Seigneur”? Whose boots or feet do I kiss? If Jesus is truly the one who rules my life, there is then a further challenge: to give witness; to share my faith with others; to go out in search of those who are lost and bring them home. Faith will not grow unless it is shared. The fruits harvested during the Year of Faith need to be shared with those who desperately need nourishment; those out there on the margins; those alienated; those absent from our pews. To live our parish motto for the Year of Faith “*Set Your Faith Ablaze in the Year of Faith*”, we need to scatter into the parish community and bring the warmth of the good news to those who need it most.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda
Pastor

Set Your Faith Ablaze in the Year of Faith (October 11, 2012 – November 24, 2013)

Next Sunday's Readings: December 1 First Sunday of Advent Year A

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The prophet Isaiah sees a vision of the future when the Lord will gather all the nations on the Lord's mountain (symbolically Jerusalem). Here the nations will come to worship before the Lord so that the Lord may teach them his ways and form them into his kingdom. The Lord will have authority over the nations and lead them to peace, so that no nation will wage war against another.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Psalm 122 is a pilgrim's prayer for Jerusalem sung as they went to worship in Jerusalem. The response: "I rejoiced when I heard them say: let us go to the house of the Lord" is an expression of joy in anticipation of the procession into the city. (v.1)

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

The message of Paul in this passage is urgent. "It is the hour now to awake from sleep." Paul challenges Christians to wake up because our salvation is near. Night clothes are no longer proper in the light of day, especially since day is a time of battle with the forces of evil. The vices of v 13 are the clothing of night. That is why Paul urges us to "throw off the works of darkness" and put on Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

The Gospel from Matthew calls for watchfulness in preparation for the Lord's coming. The one thing that is certain about this coming is the impossibility of predicting the time — even from signs, all of which are easily subject to many different interpretations (v 36). Therefore there is need to stay awake and to be ready for the Lord's coming, like someone guarding his house full of treasure (our faith and God's grace). In brief, no one knows the day or the hour. That is why Jesus urges us to be vigilant at the end of the passage. Behind this vigilance is our hope and joyful expectation to receive the Lord when he comes.

*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: Sally Bordfeld, Leilani Mueller, Hilda Gomez, Bernadette Uyeda, Charmaine Molina, Melody Ramos, Don Buenconsejo, Ken Enomoto, Cely Deveraturda, John "Mike" Culkin, Guillermo Uytingco, Anthony Scarpelli, Shirley Shimaoka, Pearl Bates and everyone mentioned in our Prayer Intentions Book.

Deceased: Fortunata C. Juan, Gary Tateishi, Delores Albaso, Charles Bucao, Moses Dela Cruz, Delores Mertl, Hugo Gebauer, Justina Esperanza Antonio, Josephine Vincent, and Helen Ughoc.

Mass Intentions:

Monday, November 25, 2013

8am Mass Extraordinary Ministers to the
Homebound and Hospital Ministry
(Blessings/Thanksgiving)
Vicente Soriano (RIP)
Kay Kimie Nishimura (RIP)

Tuesday, November 26, 2013

8am Mass Sheryl Aquino (Birthday)
Anna Maria Escamilla (Birthday)
Leonard Alexander Garcia (RIP)

Wednesday, November 27, 2013

8am Mass Milagros Cortel (Birthday/Thanksgiving)
Msgr. John Mbinda
(Blessings/Thanksgiving)

Thursday, November 28, 2013

8am Mass Guerrero Family
(Blessings/Thanksgiving)
Benedict J. Balthazar (RIP)

Friday, November 29, 2013

8am Mass Asuncion A. Vitug (RIP)
Primo Pablo (Birthday)
Leonard Alexander Garcia and
Leo and Maria Garcia (RIP)

Saturday, November 30, 2013

8am Mass Pedro Taglinao (RIP)
Bernard Diana (RIP) and
Asako Diana (Birthday)
5pm Mass Hiram and Zoila Romero (Anniversary)

Sunday, December 1, 2013

7am Mass Stephanie Cambra (RIP)
9am Mass For the People
11am Mass Delores Mertl (RIP)
6pm Mass Bobby and Valentina Asuncion
(Anniversary)

Parish News & Announcements

Church offices will be closed Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The parish Respect Life Ministry would like to thank all who participated in the Spiritual Adoptions of the Unborn Baby Shower last weekend. The Pearl City Pregnancy Problem Center relies on generous donations from our parishioners to continue to provide the care and support necessary to help those experiencing crisis pregnancies. Thank you for continuing to pray for the spiritually adopted unborn babies as they continue to grow and develop.

The Parish Directory will be distributed next weekend after all Masses. If you had a photo taken, there will be a directory available with your name on it. There are limited number of directories available for sale at \$10 for those wishing to buy a copy.

The Hui O Laulima food trolley will be out next weekend for food collection. Please kokua.

Hui Christmas Project: This year your Hui O Laulima will provide 252 toys to the Saint Damien Molokai Toyland. The toys will be given to children who otherwise would not receive any gifts at Christmas. In addition, we will present a 5-pound ham to each of their 100 families. We cannot continue to provide these gifts of charity without your generous support. We ask your assistance again for funding to support these events. Please contribute to these efforts by writing a check to Saint John with the words "Hui Christmas Project" in the memo section of the check. Put your check in one of our green Hui envelopes and deposit them into the Hui Box at the entrance to the Church. Cash will also be gladly accepted in the envelope. May God bless all of you for what you do for the needy. Merry Christmas!

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.

St. John Advent Parish Mission Retreat
"Fully Alive Catholic"

Speaker: Rev. Mathew Vellankal

When: Monday-Tuesday, December 9-10, 2013

Time: 7:00 PM

(Fr. Mat will preach at all Masses December 7 and 8)

Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 7:00 PM

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR THE VICTIMS OF TYPHOON HAIYAN: The parish will be taking up a second collection after Communion at all Masses next weekend for the humanitarian and institutional needs of the Catholic Church in the Philippines and surrounding areas impacted by Typhoon Haiyan. These funds will be used to support the efforts of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS), our official international humanitarian agency representing the U.S. Catholic Church, to respond to the immediate emergency need for water, food, shelter and medical care and assist in the long-term recovery from the disaster. Collection funds will also be used to support the long-term need to rebuild the Church after widespread destruction. **Please make check payable to St. John. Note "Typhoon Haiyan Recovery 2013".** Proceeds will be sent to the Diocesan Finance Office. These will then be forwarded to the USCCB for Catholic Relief Services. Please be generous and MAHALO for your support.

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!

Married Couples: Your wedding was just one day in your life, but your marriage is forever. Learn how to live happily ever after by registering for the next Marriage Encounter program, "Renew, Restore, Rekindle" taking place at St. John beginning in January. If you are not able to commit to an entire weekend due to work or child care, this 7-week program is for you. For more information please call Jose & Mary Elizabeth Alvior at (808)-391-2045 or visit www.hawaiiwme.org today!

Sunday Collection Report November 16/17, 2013

	Weekly Goal	Actual Amount
Sunday Offering	\$12,647.00	\$11,640.14
Building, Equip., Maintenance and Outreach	\$1,470.00	\$1,113.70
Bohol/Cebu Earthquake		\$11,207.35

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