

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Email: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org Website: www.stjohnmililani.org**NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!****SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION**

Fr. Joseph Ayinpuusa

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Keep sowing the seed of God's Word and Goodness

As we live in a culture that values success, failure can be hard to cope with. Not measuring up to our own expectations or those of others can leave us feeling demoralized. Yet, we know from experience that sometimes our own expectations and those of others can be quite unrealistic. Allowances are not always made for various kinds of limitations, in ourselves, in others, in our situation.

In the gospel reading, Jesus tells a short story in which both failure and success feature. Much of the seed that the sower scatters on the ground is wasted. There are a whole variety of obstacles impeding his work - the birds, the rocks, the thorns. He knows he has to live with these obstacles, but they don't stop him from casting the seed. He is confident that in spite of all these obstacles and the inevitable failure that results, some of the seed will take root and mature.

This parable was a kind of reflection on Jesus' own ministry. Jesus was the sower who scattered the seed of God's word. Much of what he said and did meet with little or no response from people. What he said very often fell on deaf ears; what he did was often misunderstood. Yet, Jesus was saying in this story, that, in spite of all these obstacles and failures, he would continue with the work that God had given him to do. He would keep sowing the seed because he knew that at the end of the day, the harvest would be great, or in the words of today's first reading, God's word would not return to him empty.

MASS SCHEDULE**Weekday** (Mon - Sat): 8 AM**Sunday** (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM, 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM & 6 PM**Sacrament of Reconciliation****Saturdays:** 3:30 pm—4:30 pm
(or by appointment)**Mass will be live streamed on
Sunday 11 am.**Please go to the parish website:
www.stjohnmililani.org and click on the
Link: <https://www.facebook.com/>**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!

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<u>Parish Rectory Hours</u> Mon. 12 pm—4 pm Tues- Fri.: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Saturday/Sunday: Closed
<u>FOOD PANTRY Hours</u> Tues.- Fri.: 9 AM to 4:00 PM
<u>Religious Ed Office Hours</u> Mon.- Fri.: 1:00 PM to 5 PM (808) 266-0622
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In telling that parable, Jesus was not only speaking about himself and his life, he was also giving us a way of looking at our own lives. The parable suggests that there are times in life when we need to keep sowing even in the face of unfavorable odds. When we are engaged in some worthwhile work, and things are going against us, we could probably find all kinds of reasons why we should give up. We may think that we are not getting the support we need, or that our efforts are not really being appreciated. In such situations, the Lord may be calling us to be faithful to the good work we are doing.

This kind of human persistence is also an image of how the Lord relates to each of us. The parable suggests that the Lord gives the most unlikely places the opportunity to receive his word and respond to it. He casts his word liberally, without discrimination. The unpromising soil is treated as generously as the good soil. This is not meant to make us complacent. But it is reassuring to know that God is wasteful and persistent in our regard; it encourages us to keep on responding to him, even after failure.

May the Lord help us to keep sowing the seed of God's Word, love, peace in our families, community, and Church even in the midst of insurmountable obstacles, and difficulties and apparent failures.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 2020-2021

Registration is now open!



***Want to be Batized?
Never were Confirmed?
Need to make your First Holy Communion?
Want to become a Catholic?***

For more information, email Deacon Romeo Ganibe at rganibe@rcchawaii.org or
Deacon Modesto Cordero at mcordero@rcchawaii.org,
or call the parish office at 623-3332 ext. 100 for an appointment.

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

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

Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms (Aug 23 & 30, Sept 20 & 27, Nov)

Baptism Preparation Classes: TBA

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

We are grateful to all you who continue to give to the parish generously so we can continue to serve you and others in many ways. May God bless you abundantly.

†Funeral Announcements †

Norberto Ravara Arenas (RIP)

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

Burial: 9:30 am ~ National Cemetery of the Pacific

Lucy Ramos (RIP)

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

Wake Service: 6:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial~ Makai Chapel

Wednesday, July 29, 2020

Mass: 9:30 am—St. John A&E, Mililani

Burial: 11:00 am~ Mililani Memorial Park

Paciencia Caridad Ramos Sumaoang (RIP)

Saturday, August 15, 2020

Prayer Service: 11:30 am ~ Mililani Memorial~ Makai Chapel

Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park

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

July 4 / 5

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,881.45
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 4,154.35
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$1,111.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 4,118.20
Donation— Youth & Young Adults	\$ 120.00
Donation— Stewardship	\$ 47.50
Donation— Charity	\$ 2.73
Donation— Social Ministry	\$ 38.00
Candles	\$ 35.00
Donation— Catholic Relief Services	\$ 5.00
Donation— Holy Thursday	\$ 3.87
Donation— Good Friday	\$ 5.00
Donation— Easter	\$ 20.00
Donation— Peter's Pence	\$ 180.00
Children Collection	\$ 4.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 190.00

Weekend Total: \$ 18,916.10

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

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Larry Silva extends the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass to all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu through **August 31, 2020**.

All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection, are encouraged to do so, but are not obliged to do so. The faithful are encouraged to keep the Lord's Day holy. Some ways to do this include: Reading the Scriptures of the day, especially the Gospels, praying with your families, reading inspiring spiritual books, following the Mass via available media and to joining yourself to the sacrifice of the Mass by making an act of spiritual communion.

WHAT VOTERS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ELECTIONS BY MAIL

IMPORTANT DATES

09 JUL **VOTER REGISTRATION**
Final day voter registration is accepted online or by mail for the Primary Election.

21 JUL **MAIL BALLOT PACKET**
Look for your Primary Election mail ballot packet to be delivered.

27 JUL **VOTER SERVICE CENTER**
Voter Service Centers are open through Election Day. Services include in-person voting.

08 AUG **PRIMARY ELECTION**
Ballots must be received by 7:00 pm.

05 OCT **VOTER REGISTRATION**
Final day voter registration is accepted online or by mail for the General Election.

16 OCT **MAIL BALLOT PACKET**
Look for your General Election mail ballot packet to be delivered.

20 OCT **VOTER SERVICE CENTER**
Voter Service Centers are open through Election Day. Services include in-person voting.

03 NOV **GENERAL ELECTION**
Ballots must be received by 7:00 pm.

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

Para kadaligi naipatarus a materiales a mainaig iti eleksion wenno tulong iti lengguahe lapno makompletoyo daytoy nga aplikasion, awagan ti Opisina Dagiti Eleksion (Office of Elections).
若想像得電子票的翻譯材料，或者需要協助填表事宜，請聯繫選舉辦公室 (Office of Elections).

CONTACT US

For voter registration information, contact your Clerk's Office.

County of Hawaii (808) 961-8277
County of Maui (808) 270-7749
County of Kauai (808) 241-4900
City & County of Honolulu (808) 768-3800

For additional voting information, contact the Office of Elections.

(808) 453-VOTE (8683)
Toll Free: 1-800-442-VOTE (8683)

TTY: (808) 453-6150
Toll Free TTY: 1-800-345-5915

Email: elections@hawaii.gov
Website: elections.hawaii.gov

VOTE HERE

HAWAII VOTES BY MAIL
AUG 08
2020
NOV 03
STARTING IN 2020

All registered Hawaii voters will automatically receive a mail ballot packet approximately 18 days prior to the election

YOUR MAIL BALLOT PACKET INCLUDES:

1 **BALLOT**

Before voting your ballot, review the instructions and the contests and candidates on both sides of the ballot. To vote, completely darken in the box to the left of the candidate using a black or blue pen.

If you change your mind or make an error, contact the Clerk's Office for a replacement ballot. Do not use whiteout.

2 **SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE**

After voting your ballot, re-fold it and seal it in the secret ballot envelope. The secret ballot envelope ensures your right to secrecy as the ballots are opened and prepared for counting. Once sealed, place the secret ballot envelope in the return envelope.

3 **RETURN ENVELOPE**

Read the affirmation statement and sign the return envelope before returning it to the Clerk's Office. Upon receipt of your return envelope, the Clerk's Office validates the signature on the envelope. After your signature is validated your ballot will be counted.

You must sign the return envelope for your ballot to be counted.

RETURNING YOUR VOTED BALLOT

BY MAIL

The return envelope is postage paid via the U.S. Postal Service and addressed to your Clerk's Office. Your ballot should be mailed 2-3 days prior to Election Day to ensure it is received by the deadline.

AT A BALLOT DROP SITE

You can return your voted ballot at a designated ballot drop site established by the Clerk's Office. This includes any voter service center in your County or directly to your Clerk's Office. Locations and hours will be available in May 2020 at elections.hawaii.gov.

VOTED BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CLERK'S OFFICE BY 7:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY.

ARE YOU PROPERLY REGISTERED?

You must be properly registered to ensure you receive your mail ballot packet. That means, if you have moved to a new residence, changed your name or mailing address, you must update your registration record.

PREFER TO VOTE IN-PERSON?

You can still vote in-person at a voter service center in your County. Voter service centers are open 10-days before and on Election Day. Additional services include same day voter registration in case you missed the voter registration deadline and still want to vote.

AWAY DURING THE ELECTION?

If you will be away from home during the elections you can request your ballot be temporarily sent to an alternate mailing address for the Primary Election, General Election, or both. Complete an [Absentee Application](#) and submit it to your Clerk's Office no later than 7-days prior to the Election.

NEED MORE INFORMATION?

For additional information about voting by mail or to check your voter registration visit elections.hawaii.gov. Information will be updated regularly as the 2020 Elections approach to find a voter service center and ballot drop sites in your County.

HEALING / BLESSINGS: baby Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Ben & Helen Guerrero, , Caridad Ramiscal, Rebecca Wills, Laralyn Corthran, Dan Wills, Elaine Kahala, Sandra Gose, Hildegard Borowitz, Linda Ward, Jean & James Tanoue, Kathy & Joe Ball, Willie & Bernard Rash, Florida Badua, Bienvinedo Roter, Thomas Taum, Xander Ray, Bernie Scott Franks, Sharon Scott & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Irene Moyles, Brian Ching, Marcelino Esdicul Sr., Gloria Tolentino, Dorothea Suan Agustin, Benjamin B. Bae Sr, Charles Lam, Hipolito J. Agustin, Leonora C. Cabbab, Karen Ann Roark, Anthony Calistro, Andres S. de Leon Jr., Florence Lindsey, Antonio C. Aguon, Dieter M. Pfister, Alfred Fajota, Clara Sojot, Benedict E. Kane, Aaron G. Cummings & Momi Correa.



Monday, July 13, 2020
(8 am) †Paulina Wong
Aera Estelle Garcia Armani (Blessings)
†Angelina Atiburcio

Tuesday, July 14, 2020
(8 am) †Angelina Atiburcio
Vince & Karmina Esmani
Dion Kevin Cortel (Birthday Blessing)

Wednesday, July 15, 2020
(8 am) †Angelina Atiburcio
†Paciencia C. Sumaoang
†Jose Guadalupe Rivas

Thursday July 16, 2020
(8 am) †Angelina Atiburcio
Richard Amaral (Birthday Blessing)
†Paciencia C. Sumaoang

Friday, July 17, 2020
(8 am) †Anne D. Ganzon
†Mary Agnes Kirby
†Paciencia C. Sumaoang

Saturday, July 18, 2020
(8 am) †Frank Larry Mascoto Sr.
(Death Anniversary)
Cherry & Mark Pascual (Birthday Blessings)
†Paciencia C. Sumaoang

Sunday, July 19, 2020
(5 pm) Willie Guillermo (Healing)
†James & Mildred Mizoguchi
For the People
†Masa Fujimoto
†Eric Umetsu

†RIP

To request a Mass Intention, please email the parish office at sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org or call (808) 623-3332.

Register for weekend Masses: To follow government and Diocese Guidelines, the number of people permitted in the church and OCC is limited. To control the number of attendees at any given Mass, SJAE will use a Mass Registration System available via online. Registration is free and of no charge to the parish or parishioners. Reservations are issued on a first come-first-serve basis. Parishioners may reserve a seat for the weekend Masses from Monday 8 a.m. until Friday 12 p.m. at www.stjohnmililani.org. For those who do not have computer access, a very limited number of seats (first-come-first-served) will be available. You will not be able to attend Mass without presenting your reservation. Ushers will check your reservation to ensure you are attending the correct (date/time) Mass. Parishioners are highly encouraged to arrive early to ensure adequate time for registration validation and seating. Please call the parish office if you have any questions.

For the weekday Masses (8 am Monday to Saturday), there will be no need to register to reserve a seat.

Church Candles are available at the Rectory office during office hours. Monday, 12pm— 4 pm and Tuesday —Friday, 9 am—4 pm.



Feeding the Community

Food Pantry— If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on Tuesday, July 28 from 10 am - 12 noon in the One Community Center.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is searching for the longest married man & woman couple in the State of Hawaii. Send your nominations to Bryan & Karen

Berland <https://tinyurl.com/LongestMarried2020> by July 13, 2020. For any questions, please email LMC@wwme.org. All married couples are eligible!



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. Our next series will be on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 through October 27, 2020 at 6:30 pm – 8 pm in classroom 4. For more info, contact the CRH team at (808) 623-3332 ext. 100 or email: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org. Everyone is welcome!

Volunteers are needed to help clean after Mass. If you are able to help, please meet in front of the Chapel after Mass.



Respect Life: “Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives.”

Read more at www.bit.ly/AdoptionLoveStory.

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.

https://www.malwarebytes.com/scam-call/?utm_source=double-opt-in&utm_medium=email-internal-b2c&utm_campaign=EM-B2C-2019-July1-

PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: Who needs estate planning? Every adult who is legally competent, who owns anything and cares about who receives it all the time of his or her disability or death.

Please remember St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church in planning your will.

Announcing a 2020 Zoom Educational Series: Your Statewide Alzheimer's Association – Hawaii

**Alzheimer's Association - Hawaii and Catholic Charities
Hawaii present: Connecting the Dots Series**



Learn all about the Alzheimer's Association - Hawaii from your own computer via Zoom! With this 5-part series given by their Hawaii leadership team of experts, you will learn about: their services and resources in every Hawaii County; dementia basics; warning signs of dementia; dementia-related behaviors; brain health; and, the latest information on research and advocacy nationally and in Hawaii.

The Alzheimer's Association® is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research in the world. **VISION:** A world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia.™ **MISSION:** The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia - by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support.

SESSION 1: Wednesday, July 29, 10-11:30am

Getting Acquainted

Presenter: LJ R. Duenas, Executive Director

Understanding Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias

Presenter: Tonya Hammond-Tullis, M.A.C., Program Specialist, Oahu

SESSION 2: Wednesday, August 19, 10-11:30am

The Ten Warning Signs *Presenter: Steve Tam, former Director of Development; Volunteer Sponsorship Chair for Oahu Walk to End Alzheimer's, Former Caregiver*

SESSION 3: Wednesday, September 9, 10-11:30am

Dementia-Related Behaviors

Presenter: Tonya Hammond-Tullis, M.A.C., Program Specialist, Oahu

SESSION 4: Wednesday, September 30, 10-11:30am

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body

Presenter: Christine Spencer, Maui County Regional Coordinator

SESSION 5: Wednesday, October 21, 10-11:30am

Advancing the Science and Public Policy: Updates to Research and Our Work in Advocacy

Presenters: LJ R. Duenas, Executive Director, and Ian Ross, Public Policy and Advocacy Manager

Please register for one or any number of sessions by contacting
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