

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. DREXEL B. RAMOS****20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A**

In our Filipino language, we have this famous caption KSP (Kulang Sa Pansin) and it has a negative connotation, for this means lack of attention. And this has become the attitude of the Canaanite woman presented in our Gospel for today. The woman wanted to get the attention of our Lord Jesus Christ three times, even his disciples asked Jesus to “send her away, for she keeps calling after us.”

In today’s gospel something about Jesus’ conduct is so upsetting, it seems that He did not want to give his blessing and healing to the daughter of the Canaanite woman.

And yet the lesson that we can get from our Gospel for today is that it speaks of Jesus testing the faith of the Canaanite woman. The woman approached Jesus and asked him to cure her daughter. But Jesus said, “it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.”

Today, Jesus is reminding us to have a strong faith even to the point of embarrassment. The woman was a Canaanite, a pagan; she was considered an alien or a foreigner to that land. She did not belong to the chosen race. She belonged to the pagan world and therefore, she was not worthy to eat the food for the children of God. She had no right. To her, Jesus said, “it is not right to take the food and throw it to the dogs.” What a test of faith! And yet the woman who was embarrassed, answered with great faith, “Please Lord, even the dogs under the table eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.” What a faith! And her daughter lives.

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/
saintjohnmililani/live/](https://www.facebook.com/saintjohnmililani/live/)**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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Parish Rectory Hours

Mon. 12 pm—4 pm

Tues—Fri.: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

FOOD PANTRY (623-3332)

Tues.—Fri.: 9 AM to 4:00 PM

Religious Ed Office HoursMon.— Fri.: 1:00 PM to 5 PM
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The woman was a pagan and yet she believed in the healing power of Jesus – a thing that impressed the Lord. He said, “Women, you have great faith. Jesus was touched by her humble faith. And that convinces Jesus to heal her daughter. Her faith in Jesus was so strong, she was persistent and never gave up and her daughter was healed.

Indeed, there are so many things that can inspire us and be able to learn from our Gospel story for today. If we are humble and persistent in our faith and prayers, God will pour out his blessings upon us. And this is what we need for now as we are undergoing this battle of fear and anxiety of this pandemic that we are now experiencing. As we are confronted by our fears and anxieties, let us keep our faith and trust in our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us cling to him and live with his power. It is also a reminder and learning for us that our mission is that regardless of who we are, what is our religion and race, it extends beyond Israel; that God’s grace is open for all people. That God’s grace, mercy, and salvation is for all. God does not discriminate but welcomes all who believe in Him, who ask for His mercy and seek to do His will.

Let us always remember the good news that is, everyone can call upon God in our needs and receive His mercy because unlike us, he has time for everybody. Amen.

Dear Parish 'Ohana,

I am heading back to Oregon this weekend for my last semester of undergraduate seminary. I am sorry that I did not get to see many of you, but such is the case as we live through this pandemic. Please pray for me, & know of my constant prayers for you. Be safe!

Aloha,

Seminarian Taylor Mitchell

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50
YEARS
1971-2021

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CATHOLIC CHURCH, MILILANI*spirit-led*

“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, Oct 18 & 25, Nov 22 & 29 & Dec 20 & 27.

Baptism Preparation Classes: Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 15 & Dec 20.

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 17, 2020

(8 am) †Paulina Wong

†Neri Pagay

†Teresa Mellone

(Birthday Memorial)

Tuesday, August 18, 2020

(8 am) Cat Awong

(Birthday Blessing)

†M/M Charley Jones

†Dionisio Locquaio

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

(8 am) †Lusito Santos

Channing Fukuda (Healing)

†Beatriz Ebuén

(Death Anniversary)

Thursday August 20, 2020

(8 am) †Escolastica Rivera

Kelcey Reeves-Cambra
(Healing)

†Shirley Pichon

Friday, August 21, 2020

(8 am) †Dolly Mandap

†Patrick Vea Saguibo

(Death Anniversary)

†Paciencia C. Sumaoang

Saturday, August 22, 2020

(8 am) †Jose Soriano

†Angel Dytioco

†Yaeko (Flo) Oliveira

(5 pm) †Frances M.W. Plemer

Sunday, August 23, 2020

†Jona Rabago

For the People

†Tess Mata'u

Sean McKinney (Blessings)

†RIP

†Funeral Announcements †

Frances Mew Ngan Plemer (RIP)

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Burial: 10:30 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Melanio Laciste Aczon (RIP)

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

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

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Prayer Service: 10:00 am ~ Mililani Memorial-Makai Chapel

Burial: 11:00 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park

Angel Sapitan Dytioco (RIP)

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Wake Service: 11:30 am ~ Mililani Memorial-Makai Chapel

Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park



St. John Apostle and Evangelist Catholic Church
welcomes you HOME.

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 thru 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!

Message from the Office of the Bishop:

EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION:

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

To request a Mass Intention, please email the parish office at sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
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WITNESS TO JESUS

COMMUNITY OF HOPE



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Peace be with you!

The theme of this year's Catholic Charities Hawaii Sunday is "Accompanying His people with joy."

With joy? But why? What is there to be joyful about? These are grim, not joyous times. A global pandemic has put us in a state of trepidation, anxiety and fear. Joy? The virus has separated and disrupted families. Joy? A broken economy has cost an unprecedented number of people their livelihood. Joy? People are going hungry and homeless. Thousands have died.

It may not seem to make sense, but it is true. Our message is a joyful one because we are people of faith, who live in the Lord's favor. This we believe. "Do not be afraid" Jesus tells us. St. Paul said, "Rejoice always, and in all circumstances, give thanks to the Lord, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

As the men and women of Catholic Charities Hawaii help the immigrant, comfort the elderly, house the homeless, counsel the abused, assist the single parent, transport the isolated, and connect with those quarantined, behind each smile, accompanying each kind word, each gentle touch, each patient moment spent, is God's love and deep abiding mercy. Conscious of this, they are messengers of joy.

This is not simply putting on a happy face or a cheerful "mask." It is wrapping oneself in the serenity that comes from trusting in the Lord's comfort and strength. It is a spiritual joy, the kind Jesus talked about when he said, "I have told you all these things that your joy may be full."

As messengers of joy, the men and women of Catholic Charities Hawaii transform lives. Please help them. On this Catholic Charities weekend, I ask you to join them in their work with your generous support. Help spread the joy – because "God loves a cheerful giver."

In doing so, you will help those whom Catholic Charities Hawaii serves join the psalmist as he sings: "You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!"

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu

Please support our special collection

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY

BUILDING BRIDGES TO HOPE

4,698

**HOUSING
SOLUTIONS &
HOMELESSNESS**

families and individuals
housed and safe

7,298

**FAMILY & YOUTH
ENRICHMENT**

children and families
strengthened

147

**IMMIGRANT
SERVICES**

immigrants welcomed
with dignity

3,684

**AGING SUPPORT
SERVICES**

seniors kept healthy and
active

**OUR
IMPACT**

8,911

HELPLINE CALLS

Provided information and
referrals to programs and
resources



16,262

HAWAI'I ISLAND

family strengthening services,
housing assistance, foster
care, disaster relief and
community support services



3,492

KAUA'I

housing assistance, disaster relief
and community support services



1,486

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SIRACH 35:7-10



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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 2020-2021

Registration is now open!



Want to be Baptized? Never were confirmed? Need to make your First Holy Communion?

Want to become a Catholic?

For more information,
email Deacon Modesto Cordero at

mcordero@rcchawaii.org,

or Deacon Romeo Ganibe at rganibe@rcchawaii.org
or call the parish office at (808) 623-3332 ext. 100 for an appointment.

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.

Stewardship of Treasure

Aug 8 / 9

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,412.00
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 5,318.10
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 574.50
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 6,380.89
Donation— Baptisms	\$ 200.00
Donation— Social Ministry	\$ 50.00
Donation— Stewardship	\$ 66.50
Donation— Children's collection	\$ 20.00
Donation— Catholic Charities	\$ 15.00
Candles	\$ 120.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 270.00

Weekend Total: \$ 20,426.99

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

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.

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Ben & Helen Guerrero, 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, Ron & Patricia Li, Mahine Tauotaha & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Florence Lindsey, Antonio C. Aguon, Dieter M. Pfister, Alfred Fajota, Clara Sojot, Benedict E. Kane, Aaron G. Cummings, Momi Correa, Mona Sagon, Danny Casaquit, Teresa Mellone, David M. Torres, Lucy Ramos, John Francis Walker, Paciencia C.R. Sumaoang, Melanio L. Aczon, Frances M.W. Plemer, Dolly Mandap, Shirley Pichon, Angel S. Dytioco, Robert & Patrick Saguibo & Eileen Hayase.

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, August 21st in observance of Admission Day.

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 & Tuesday—Friday, 9 am—4 pm.

Catholic Charities Hawaii (CCH): Our parish will be participating in a special collection **next weekend, August 22/23**, for CCH. Your participation will help fulfill the mission to serve the all people, especially those with the greatest need, regardless of their faith or culture. As part of the largest private network of social service organizations in the United States, Catholic Charities Hawai'i offers much needed programs and services statewide, serving 40,000 individuals each year. Please drop your donation during offertory. Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please prayerfully consider being generous in your support!

Alzheimer's Association - Hawaii and Catholic Charities Hawaii present: Connect the Dots Series. Learn all about Alzheimer's from your own computer via Zoom! With this five-part series given by a Hawaii team of experts you will learn about: 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. Please register for one or any number of sessions by contacting Jody Mishan, (808) 295-2624 or at jmishan@hawaii.rr.com. **The sessions are on Wednesdays, Aug 19, Sept 9, Sept 30 & Oct 21 at 10AM.**

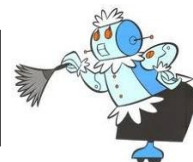
Parish Health Ministry- Please register for this **FREE webinar** sponsored by Astra Zeneca at www.mypnaa.org. Interesting topics covered by experts in the field include Heart Failure, Diabetes, and CVD. All of these conditions are predominant in our Filipino-American community. Webinar Series, **first session on Heart Failure & t2d (type 2 diabetes), Saturday, August 22 at 7:00 AM (1:00 PM EST), Speaker—Crisamar J. Anunciado, PhD.**

Food Pantry— If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on Tuesday, August 25 from 10 am - 12 noon in front of the One Community Center.

ONE COMMUNITY CENTER MEMORIAL TILES: Only 3 tiles left! Honor a living loved one or celebrate a life by purchasing a personalized, etched tile, which will be placed on the One Community Center outside wall. Don't miss out on recognizing someone you love! Order forms are available at the Parish Office. Tile is \$1000 (\$850 is tax deductible), 8" x 8" - 6 lines of text (20 characters per line.)



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



Respect Life: "Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God's design that 'the two shall become one' (Mt 19:5)."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Healing within Marriage from an Abortion" (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

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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PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: Have circumstances changed since you last updated your estate plan? Do your current estate planning documents carry out your commitments to your church?

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