

# ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

### SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

#### DEACON MODESTO CORDERO

The readings this weekend speaks about what could happen when we let our lives be guided by ambition, greed, laziness, and deception which can leave us into deep sadness. However, the readings carry an overall message of good news, hope, and joy too. What a paradox! They are about a story of love offered and love rejected. A story of a landowner (God the Father), who loves creation and longs to be loved in return; the tenants (the children of God), created to be loved and to return love, but who are out of a relationship with God; and finally the servants sent by God to restore that loving relationship.

At the beginning, God establishes a radical relationship of love with the people of Israel – a covenant of love. It is a covenant where God says to the people: *"I will be your God and you will be my people."* And they all agreed. The Lord promised to provide for them and all that He asked in return was their unconditional love. But the people forgot the covenant; they turned away from God, they created idols, false gods and they neglected the poor. Then God sent the prophets, like the servants in the parable, but they were rejected and mistreated. Finally, He sends his own son. Everything that Jesus did during his ministry – the preaching, the miracles, and the healings – all was intended to win back the love of the foolish tenants. But he was also rejected, betrayed, tortured, and killed.

The servants in the parable are you and me. We are the servants sent by God to deliver to Him all the love, the devotion, and the commitment that He deserves. Sometimes we have a hard time imagining us as the servants because unlike the president of a country or the bishops or the head of a corporation, we don't see that we too have great responsibilities in the vineyard. We don't understand that God does see and hold each of us accountable. He expects us to produce a harvest. Yes, at times we could feel as rejected as the servants in the parable. The people we are sent to minister to do not appreciate us. We need to remember that through all Jesus is with us. Jesus is in us through the power of the Holy Spirit. We are called to look at the beauty in people, to look at the eyes of the suffering, at someone in pain, and deep from within we will experience love. Our arms will want to embrace, to relieve the hurting in any way we can. But it is God within us who prompts that love, the Holy Spirit dwelling within us. Because that's the way God made us.

Saintly people give us great examples of seeing God in all things, in everyone. Mother Teresa of Calcutta was asked how she could hold a dying person in her arms, and did it time and again, day after day. Her famous words were: *"When I look into their eyes, I see Christ."* Such is our call. Let us appreciate God in all, in everything, in everyone we see." So as Christian servants we are sent to the vineyard to collect the harvest. The vineyard is not ours to keep, it is giving to us to care for it and share with others. God expects a harvest. So let's go out and produce some good fruits!

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekday** (Mon - Sat): 8 AM

**Sunday** (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM, 7 AM,  
9 AM, 11 AM & 6 PM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
(by appointment only)

**Mass will be live streamed on  
Sunday 11 am.**

Please go to the parish website:  
[www.stjohnmililani.org](http://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.***

### SJAE MOBILE APP

Download our **FREE** app with these easy steps through **Apple App Store** or **Google Play Store**:

Search keywords: **ST. JOHN APOSTLE**

[www.ParishSolutionsCo.com/JohnHI](http://www.ParishSolutionsCo.com/JohnHI)



ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST MILILANI



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We look forward to connecting with you!



**Parish Rectory Hours**

Mon. 12 pm—4 pm  
Tues.—Fri.: 9:00 AM - 4:00

**FOOD PANTRY (623-3332)**

Tues.—Fri.: 9 AM to 4:00 PM

**Religious Ed Office Hours**

Mon.— Fri.: 1:00 PM to 5 PM  
(808) 266-0622

**PARISH CLERGY  
& STAFF**

**Interim Administrator**

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**RCIA Coordinators**

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Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

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

**Anointing of the Sick**

**Baptisms:** Oct 18 & 25, Nov 22 & 29, Dec 20 & 27.

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

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

**Funerals**

**Homebound Communion**

**Marriages** (at least 6 months before wedding date)

**†Funeral Announcement †**

**Eleanor Rodrigues Saguibo (RIP)**

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Wake Service: 9:30 am ~ Mililani Memorial  
—Makai Chapel

Burial: 11:00 am ~ Mililani Memorial Park

To request a Mass Intention, please email the parish office at [jaeinfo@rcchawaii.org](mailto:jaeinfo@rcchawaii.org) or call (808) 623-3332 x100.

**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-newsletter&utm\\_content=scam-call](https://www.malwarebytes.com/scam-call/?utm_source=double-opt-in&utm_medium=email-internal-b2c&utm_campaign=EM-B2C-2019-July1-newsletter&utm_content=scam-call)

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 **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. 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.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Monday, October 5, 2020**

(8 am) †Patrick Saguibo

†Gerardo & Feliza Udate

Dorothy Isaac (Birthday Blessing)

**Tuesday, October 6, 2020**

(8 am) †Patrick Saguibo

†Nancy Di Geronimo

†Daria Barayuga

**Wednesday, October 7, 2020**

(8 am) †Patrick Saguibo

†Mahine Tauotaha

Ben & Helen Guerrero

(Birthday Blessings)

**Thursday October 8, 2020**

(8 am) †Patrick Saguibo

†Paul Thames

†Steven Ladao

**Friday, October 9, 2020**

(8 am) †Steven Ladao

Pilar San Jose— Stark

(Birthday Blessing)

Brandi DeCosta

(Birthday Blessing)

**Saturday, October 10, 2020**

(8 am) †Steven Ladao

Francis Taglinao

(Birthday Blessing)

Theresa Pires (Birthday Memorial)

(5 pm) †Felicidad Fernandez

(Birthday Memorial)

**Sunday, October 11, 2020**

Ben & Helen Guerrero

(Anniversary)

**For the People**

†Joseph Zedallils, Sr.

(Birthday Memorial)

†Malvyn Olaiwar

**†TRIP**

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

CELEBRATING

# 50 YEARS 1971-2021

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST  
CATHOLIC CHURCH, MILILANI

*Spirit-led*



Celebrate our parish's 50th Anniversary with a St. John Spirit-led T-Shirt and mask!

T-Shirts: \$20,

Mask: \$10. Place your order by contacting the parish office, 623-3332 ext. 100 or email: [sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org](mailto:sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org).

Order while supplies last.

## Mass for Medical & Healthcare Professionals

Friday, October 16th, 2020 at 6 PM

Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa  
712 N. School St. Honolulu, HI 96813

*This Mass is a special celebration for physicians, surgeons, nurses, health care providers, and their family & friends.*

**ST. LUKE**  
THE EVANGELIST

PATRON SAINT OF PHYSICIANS  
& SURGEONS  
FEAST DAY: OCTOBER 18



President:  
Most Rev. Larry Silva  
Bishop of Honolulu

LIVESTREAMING:  
<https://www.facebook.com/hicocathedral>

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII  
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

## 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](mailto:mcordero@rcchawaii.org), or

Deacon Romeo Ganibe at

[rganibe@rcchawaii.org](mailto:rganibe@rcchawaii.org) or call the parish office

at (808) 623-3332 ext. 100 for an appointment.

# Reflections from the Word of God to Prepare for the 2020 Elections

Prepared by Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu (9/23/20)

[Scripture quotes from the New American Bible, Revised Edition]

As faithful citizens of the United States, the State of Hawaii, and the local regions to which we belong, we not only enjoy the right to vote, but we have a civic duty to do so to make our democracy a government “of the people, by the people, and for the people.” The following are offered as an invitation to prayer and discernment about some of the issues facing our community to help all discern God’s will regarding the persons we elect for public office. We urge you to pray over them in this time leading up to our November 3 elections.

## **One Nation under God - Religious Liberty**

Our nation was founded on “the laws of nature and nature’s God.” Do we still share this fundamental belief? For those who do believe, is that belief fostered or threatened by our culture and its leaders?

*“Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength.” (Deuteronomy 6:4-5)*

## **The Sanctity of Life from Conception until Natural Death**

Pope Francis has said that without the right to life, no other right has meaning. What can we do to halt and reverse the hidden Holocaust of abortion that is so accepted that it is protected by law? How can we assure that our leaders will work for a greater respect for life in all its stages, including the lives of convicted criminals, of the frail elderly, of the poor, and of other vulnerable persons?

*“I call heaven and earth today to witness against you. I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live.” (Deuteronomy 30:19-20)*

## **Unity of the Races**

God has made every person in his image and likeness, yet we often live with biases, prejudices and closed hearts to people who are different from us. How can we all, as individuals and as communities, work toward justice, dignity and equality for all in our land?

*“Glorious things are said of you, of city of God! Rahab and Babylon I count among those who know me. See, Philistia and Tyre, with Ethiopia, ‘This one was born there.’ And of Zion it will be said: ‘Each one was born in it.’” (Psalm 87:3-5a)*

## **Welcoming Newcomers**

Our country is a country of immigrants, and people are still coming here to escape persecution, oppression and debilitating poverty. How can we more effectively welcome immigrants as sisters and brothers and assist them in becoming integral members of our country of immigrants?

*“You shall not oppress or afflict a resident alien, for you were once aliens residing in the land of Egypt.” (Exodus 22:20)*

## **Care for the Poor and Homeless**

What can be done to provide all with good healthcare – mental and physical? How can we as a community put more people to work to restore their dignity and their ability to care for themselves and their families? How can we work toward more affordable housing?

*“And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.’” (Matthew 25:40)*

***Pray! Vote! Stay involved! God bless our country, our beloved islands, and all our communities!***

[For more information, visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Faithful Citizenship website at <https://www.usccb.org/.../forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship>.]

"...Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means."

SIRACH 35:7-10



## Be a Better *Steward* of St. John Apostle

**Stewardship** is made easier than ever with our new online giving system, **WeShare**.

Make your one-time or recurring donation using your debit card, credit card, checking, or savings account.

Start today by following these 3 easy steps:

- 1 Visit our church website, click on Online Giving
- 2 Set up your account
- 3 Choose a payment option and customize your donation

Sign up today by scanning the QR Code or visit [www.stjohnmililani.org](http://www.stjohnmililani.org)



*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

SEPT 19 / 20

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|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Sunday Collection</b>                            | <b>\$ 5,279.10</b> |
| Online Donation (WeShare)                           | <b>\$ 3,133.00</b> |
| <b>Building, Equipment, &amp; Maintenance (BEM)</b> | <b>\$ 569.00</b>   |
| <b>OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)</b>          | <b>\$ 1,175.00</b> |
| <b>Donation— Children's Collection</b>              | <b>\$ 20.00</b>    |
| <b>Donation— Youth &amp; Young Adults</b>           | <b>\$ 60.00</b>    |
| <b>Donation— Stewardship</b>                        | <b>\$ 50.00</b>    |
| <b>Donation— Augustine Ed. Fdn.</b>                 | <b>\$ 8.50</b>     |
| <b>Donation— Cath. Univ. of Amer.</b>               | <b>\$ 10.00</b>    |
| <b>Candles</b>                                      | <b>\$ 90.00</b>    |
| <b>Mass Intentions</b>                              | <b>\$ 80.00</b>    |

**Weekend Total: \$ 10, 474.60**

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

**Respect Life:** The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel" (EV 2). \*Excerpt from Evangelium vitae,

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USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities 2020-2021 Respect Life Reflection, [Respectlife.org/reflection](http://Respectlife.org/reflection)

### **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, & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

**DECEASED:** Dieter M. Pfister, 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, Mahine Tauotaha, Laura Lee Riley, Paul Drury, Angela DeCosta, Huguette L. Monette & Diana "Kina" Lewis Maglanti.

**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](http://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.**

**Confession is by appointment only. No 3:30PM Saturday Confession.**

**We currently have a new phone system. Dial (808) 623-3332 and listen carefully as our menu options has changed.**

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

**October is Respect Life Month!** Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating throughout October. Learn how you can participate at [respectlife.org/celebrate](http://respectlife.org/celebrate).

**October is the month of praying the Rosary—** Please join us starting Thursday, October 1st at 7:30 am before the 8 am daily Mass, and Sundays is TBD. A closing Mass will be held on Friday, October 30 at 6pm. We will be following the same guidelines that we are using at Mass.



**The 2020 Diocesan Rosary Relay: 7 days & nights Masses, Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, Hourly Recitation of the Rosary, Confession, Processions.** In our Diocese, we want to experience *"the traveling congress."* The Diocesan Relay will start on Sat., Oct 3 at 9 am and end on Fri., Oct 9 at 9 pm. **St. John A&E will be participating on TUES., Oct 6th AND THURSDAY, October 8th from 12 noon-6:00 PM.** To prevent duplication of assigning date and time, please contact Georgette Ane at [georgette.ane@gmail.com](mailto:georgette.ane@gmail.com) will take requests for Tuesday, October 6th and Laleen Ramiscal at [glaleen@icloud.com](mailto:glaleen@icloud.com) to take requests for Thursday, October 8th.

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

**All Souls Day Masses**, commemorating all those who have gone before us, will be on **Monday, November 2, at 8:00 am and 7:00 pm.** All Souls Offering envelopes are available at the main entrance of the church. Please submit your offering **no later than Sunday, October 25.** We hope to see you as we gather in prayer for our Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

**Food Pantry-** If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on Tuesday, October 27 from 10 am - 12 noon in front of the One Community Center.



**Religious Education  
Registration 2020-2021**  
Registration forms are available online. <https://www.stjohnmililani.org/religious-education-program/home>.  
**RE Virtual Class begins Sunday, Oct 11**  
If you have any questions, contact the RE office at (808) 623-3332 ext. 206.



**Senior Farmers' Market  
Nutrition Program**

**Voucher expiration date  
extended!!**

**Good News!!** If you haven't yet spend your vouchers due to COVID-19 or if you had limited access to our local Farmers' Market, it's not too late! Unused vouchers will be extended til **November 30, 2020.**

**PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE:** Proper estate planning can reduce administrative time, expense, and inconvenience. Careful estate planning can also be one of the best gifts you give your family.

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