

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. Steve Macedo**

Our readings today remind us that Christ came to serve. The world often encourages us to look inward — for ways that someone or something can better serve us. Countering this typical mindset, Jesus' entire life was focused on others. He came to fulfill His Father's mission — the salvation of mankind. And He labored for this mission by becoming the humblest of servants. This is made evident in our Gospel today. Let us recall that as disciples of Christ, we are called to be imitators — to labor for our Father's mission by becoming a humble servant.

Healing people was a central part of Jesus' ministry. In today's Gospel, He heals Simon's mother-in-law from a fever, in addition to those who are diseased and possessed. Jesus was becoming well known from these miracles as Simon says to Jesus, "Everyone is looking for you." Jesus did deserve all glory and honor — yet, He did not seek after the praise. Rather, He responded by saying, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also." Jesus was already looking to whom He could serve next.

As Christian stewards, we too are called to be humble servants who labor for our Father's mission. We should strive to imitate Christ — the Perfect Steward — who was constantly aware of the needs of those around Him and put His gifts to good use. For us, this begins right here in our homes, parish and community. It doesn't need to be complex, but rather, very simple — to live each moment in awareness of our Father's mission and in gratitude for all He has given us. We intentionally live each moment for Christ, even the ordinary moments are made significant.

MASS SCHEDULE**Weekday** (Mon - Sat): **8 AM****Sunday** (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM, 7 AM,
9 AM, 11 AM & 6 PM**Sacrament of Reconciliation**Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 PM
(and 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!



In our Second Reading, St. Paul exemplifies becoming a humble servant for Christ. He says, "I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak... All this I do for the sake of the gospel." He, like Christ, handed his life over to God in service to the salvation of mankind. He has become an imitator of Christ. And he tells the people of Corinth, "If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast." This mission has been entrusted to him and it is by God that it is made possible.

And how might we live in awareness of our Father's mission? Jesus tells us that the way to be attentive is through prayer. Before Jesus made the decision to "go on to the nearby villages" so that He might preach there too, He first "went off to a deserted place, where he prayed." It is through prayer that Jesus could hear what His Father was asking of Him so that He could perfectly accomplish His will. We, too, are called to spend time in daily prayer — we will then become aware of the opportunities to serve the Lord. We will also recognize that it is He Who gives us the strength as a steward — therefore, He should receive every ounce of gratitude.

Let us commit to finding some quiet time this week to pray. Let us ask the Lord — how can I serve You better throughout my days? How can I make more time for You that I may better know your plans for me? And let us pray, "Make me humble, Lord."

God Bless, Fr. Steve

A note about Ash Wednesday.

Attending Ash Wednesday services is a beautiful way to begin the Lenten Season, but it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. We are asking you to register for Ash Wednesday services, so we can assure social distancing during Covid times.

Rome has recommended we sprinkle ashes on the head this year as this is the custom in Rome. Some parishes in the diocese will be using cotton balls or q tips to apply ashes to the forehead. Our bishop has said if the priest feels comfortable, he can apply it to your forehead with his finger or thumb as we traditionally do. I am choosing to apply the ashes with my thumb. When you come forward to receive Holy Communion, I sanitize my hands before beginning. I use my pare hands to pick up each host and put it in your hands. Then you place it in your mouth. I will sanitize my hands before applying ashes and at the end.

If it is safe for me to place the host in your hands, it is logically safe to smear ashes on to your forehead. I just want you to know what to expect.

LENT AND EASTER 2021

FASTING

- ♦ In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 17, 2021) and Good Friday (April 2, 2021).
- ♦ To fast means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (excepting water and medicine) is not permitted on fast days.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

- ♦ Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.
- ♦ To abstain means refraining from eating beef, veal, pork, or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

ASH WEDNESDAY: February 17

Masses: 8:00 AM, 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM (Livestreamed)

Please register on the parish website to reserve a seat. Registration closes on February 8.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 PM, Fridays of Lent: February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26

3:00 PM, Good Friday, April 2

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE: March 4

7:00 PM

Please register on the parish website to reserve a seat. Registration opens on February 15 and closes on February 28.

HOLY THURSDAY, April 1

Morning Prayers (No 8:00 AM daily Mass)

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 PM (Livestreamed)

Please register on the parish website to reserve a seat. Registration opens on March 15 and closes on March 28.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 8:30 PM - 12 Midnight in the OCC.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 2

Church Offices Closed

Morning Prayers (No 8:00 AM daily Mass)

Stations of the Cross, 3:00 PM

Passion of the Lord, 7:00 PM (Livestreamed)

Please register on the parish website to reserve a seat. Registration opens on March 15 and closes on March 28.

HOLY SATURDAY, April 3

Morning Prayers (No 8:00 AM daily Mass)

No Confession

Easter Vigil, 7:00 PM (Livestreamed)

Please register on the parish website to reserve a seat. Registration opens on March 15 and closes on March 28.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 4

Masses: 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM (Livestreamed), No 6:00 PM Mass

Please register on the parish website to reserve a seat. Registration opens on March 15 and closes on March 28.

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

Tues.— Sat.: 1:00 PM to 5 PM

**PARISH CLERGY
& STAFF**

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

Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms: Feb 28, Mar 14 & 28

Baptism Preparation Classes: Feb 21, Mar 21

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

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

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Larry Silva extends the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass to all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu through **noon on Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021, which marks the end of Lent.**

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, February 8, 2021

M/M Henry DeCosta Jr.

Anniversary Blessings

†Dieter Pfister

Dylan Pascual (Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday, February 9, 2021

(8 am) †Priscilla R. Meek

†David Torres

(Birthday Memorial)

Allen Baytes (Birthday Blessing)

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

(8 am) †Lorna Tulang

†Vicente Manacio

Sherry Pascual (Birthday Blessing)

Thursday February 11, 2021

(8 am) †Rosario Mangano

†Ben Guerrero

Friday, February 12, 2021

†Aly Simon

Modesta Yadao

(Birthday Blessing)

†Josefa & Antomio Herrera

Saturday, February 13, 2021

(8 am) Henry DeCosta Jr.

(Birthday Blessing)

†All Souls in Purgatory

†Rosario Mangano

†Alveria Maldonado

Sunday, February 14, 2021

†Rosario Mangano

For the People

†James & Mildred Mizoguchi

†Eric Umetsu

†Violet G. Porras

(Birthday Memorial)

†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
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FRONT



MASK



BACK

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.

Order while supplies last.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults 2020-2021

Registration is now open!



SJAE umbrellas from Women's Guild

\$30 each;

Special 2 for \$55.

Call the parish office,
(808) 623-3332.

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.

"...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
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Sign up today by scanning the QR Code
or visit 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

JANUARY 30/ 31

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,200.50
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,223.00
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 782.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 920.00
Donation— Stewardship	\$ 50.00
Donation— Children's Collection	\$ 26.00
Donation— Christmas	\$ 5.00
Donation— Black & Indian Mission	\$ 325.00
Donation— Seminarian ED	\$ 8.00
Donation— Retirement Fund Religious	\$10.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 250.00
Candles	\$ 320.00

Weekend Total: \$ 14,119.50

"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, Helen Guerrero, Elaine Kahala, Sandra Gose, Linda Ward, Jean & James Tanoue, Kathy & Joe Ball, Willie & Bernard Rash, Florida Badua, Bienvinedo Roter, Thomas Taum, Xander Ray, Sharon Scott, Ron & Patricia Li, Brenda Upchurch, Laura Ann Peeters, Tutu Jean McGarry, Barbara Ursal, Nicholas Padron, Alexander Bonilla & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: 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, Eleanor R. Saguibo, Huguette L. Monette, Priscilla F. Fisher, Mario Pichon, Lorna Tulang, Louise Iopa, Reginald B. Peeters, Alejandro Gasmen, Rafael Mauleon, Elizabeth Burns, Priscilla R. Meek, Maricon Wood, Ben Guerrero, Don Motz & Healani Akana.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Augustine Foundation - Augustine Educational Foundation (AEF) - Our parish will participate in the annual AEF collection, February 13/14. We kindly ask for your assistance in making Catholic Education more affordable for Hawaii families.

Please donate online through their website: www.AugustineFoundation.org/Donate. Thank you for your continued support the AEF's *Make a Student Smile— Give the Gift of Education Campaign* by making a gift!

Confessions are held every Saturday from 4:00—4:30 pm and by appointment.

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

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

Food Pantry- If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on **Tuesday, February 23 from 10 am - 12 noon** in front of the One Community Center.

Miles Christi Catholic Women's Bible Study Group will be meeting by Zoom video conferencing on Saturdays, 9 am to 10:30 am. Catholic women who would like to join us, please contact Barbara at (808) 671-4750 or (808) 777-8604.

Respect Life: "A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned." Pope Francis, Message for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021 © 2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.



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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.