

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!****SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION****Fr. Steve Macedo**

Today, we celebrate Palm Sunday — the beginning of our Holy Week. Our liturgy starts with the account of Jesus humbly entering into Jerusalem riding a donkey. People put cloaks and palm branches in His pathway crying, “Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” It is with great joy that Christ was being honored as king, still in the same breath, we are filled with sorrow as we reflect on Christ’s passion and death. Thankfully, we know the glorious outcome of this painful journey. Today, as we read about the climax of Christ’s mission here on earth, we are reminded that He is the Perfect Steward, a model for us all on our stewardship journey.

Our First Reading, from the prophet Isaiah, portrays a suffering servant. The suffering servant, in many ways, foreshadows what Jesus endured during His passion — “I gave my back to those who beat me... my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting.” Christ endured such tortures, knowing that He did not deserve them, but still He humbly submitted to them.

We see that throughout Christ’s life, His mission as a steward was to fulfill His Father’s mission. He became man for a reason, and He humbly and obediently submitted to that mission for each one of us. We, too, play a unique role in our Father’s mission by bringing souls to Christ. And it simply begins with the witness of our lives. Let all that we do, including the way we speak and act, reflect our mission in this life.

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!

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This message is re-echoed in our Second Reading, from St. Paul to the Philippians. St. Paul says, “Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself... he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” We see again that although our Lord deserved every honor and praise from man while on earth, He chose the path of service and humility, sacrifice, and love. He gave us everything in that moment. This truly was an overflowing gift for each one of us. So how can we share our gratitude with the Gracious Giver? We can bring service, humility, sacrifice, and love into all areas of our lives — our homes by the way we treat our family members, into our church by the way we welcome and serve our neighbors, and into our workplaces, by the way, we speak and act.

Our Gospel today shares the account of Jesus’ last days on earth, and how He lives them says a great deal about how we should be living ours as faithful stewards. Jesus does many things in these last days, and they all revolve around prayer and service — two trademark actions of a good and faithful Catholic. He first hosts a Passover meal in which He gives us His Body and Blood in the Eucharist. He then intensely prays to His Father. Lastly, He submits to humiliation, torture, and death for our sake, calling out to God the Father in His weakest moments. We might not be called to the same type of prayer and service, but we are all called to commit time in daily prayer with our Lord, and to serve our families, churches, and neighbors in the various ways God is calling us to do so. No matter our state in life, we are all called to be faithful stewards through prayer and service.

As we embark on this Holy Week, let us take some time to reflect on the life of Christ as He is our model Steward, and may we strive to imitate Him daily.

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: April 11 & 25, May 16 & 30, June 13 & 27

Baptism Preparation Classes: Mar 21, April 18, June 20

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

Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

Monday, March 29, 2021

†Channing Fukuda

†Marianne Davidson

Irene Orara (Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

(8 am) †Rita Shimabukuro

†James Riddle

†M/M Paul Sequeira

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

(8 am) †Lorna Tulang

†Channing Fukuda

†Helen Meyers

Thursday April 1, 2021

(8 am) †Isidoro Barayuga

†Candida Santiago

†Channing Fukuda

Friday, April 2, 2021

†Feliciano Dona

†Channing Fukuda

Guerrero Family (Thanksgiving)

Saturday, April 3, 2021

(8 am) †Cesar Francisco

†Baltazar Mauleon

†Susan Puli

Samuel S. Aguirre (Blessing)

†Channing Fukuda

Sunday, April 4, 2021

†Teodoro Melegrito

For the People

†Luther G. Fernandez

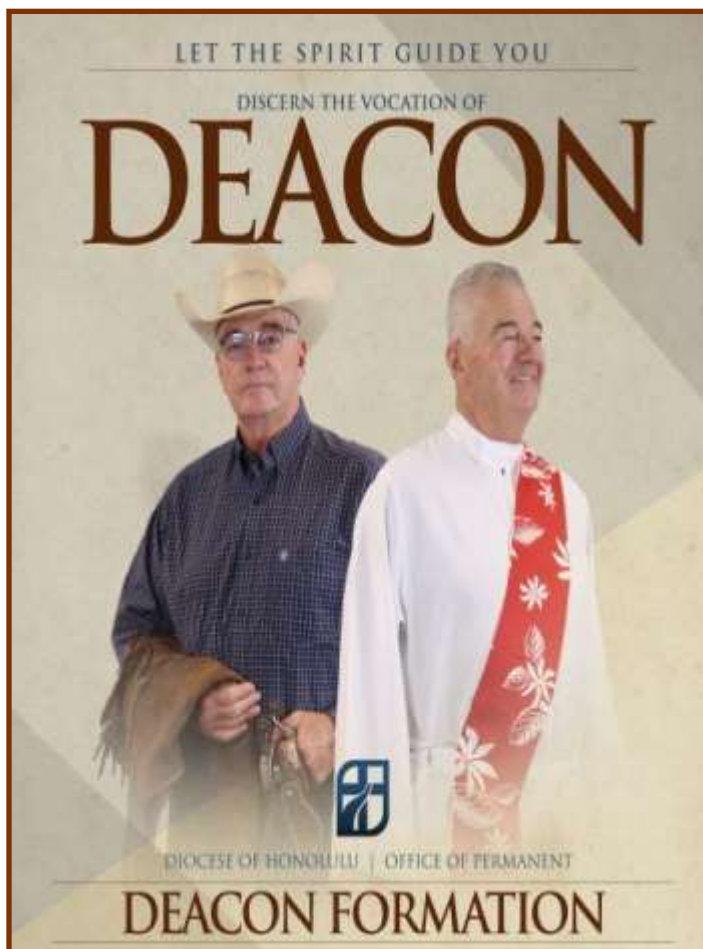
†Modesta A. Dario

†RIP

Effective Easter Sunday, April 4 (or as of the Easter Vigil, April 3), Bishop Larry Silva is ending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, which has been in effect since mid-March, 2020. However, anyone who is sick, may have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19, or who has a health condition that would endanger themselves or others by being present in church, continues to be dispensed.

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.

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



The Permanent Deacon Formation Program is directed at preparing men spiritually, intellectually, and pastorally for ordination and to assist the Church in its mission of salvation of souls.

Applicants for the next cohort will be accepted only after attendance at one of the mandatory inquiry weekends, along with your wives, if married.

Inquiry Weekends will be held on the following dates:

- ◇ April 9-11, 2021 (Registration deadline April 2)
- ◇ May 14-16, 2021 (Registration deadline May 7)
- ◇ June 11-13, 2021 (Registration deadline June 4)

You are invited to reserve a space online at: www.catholicahawaii.org/formation.

For questions please email: deaconformation2@rcchawaii.org or call (808) 203-6777.

Serving the Suffering Christ



As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let's reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our sisters and brothers with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



The Hui O Laulima Ministry, which serves those in need in Molokai, is in need of nonperishable food items: SPAM, Corned Beef, Beef Stew, Vienna Sausage, Rice, Oatmeal, Breakfast Items, Soda Crackers, Ritz Crackers, Pancake Mix, Cocoa/Coffee, Jellies and Ketchup/Shoyu/Mustard, etc. Please drop off your donation in the food trolley located inside the church or the rectory during office hours. Thank you for your continued support.

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.



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.



MASK



FRONT



BACK

VACCINE APPOINTMENT ASSISTANCE



Are you 65 years old or older?

Do you need help to schedule your vaccine appointment?

We have volunteers to help make your vaccine appointment!

1. By phone or face to face
2. Only 10 minutes to complete application
3. Confidential and private
4. Transportation may be arranged.



BE SAFE! GET VACCINE!

Contact: SJAE Parish Office

At (808) 623-3332

SJAE umbrellas from Women's Guild \$30 each;

Special 2 for \$55.

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



Respect Life: "There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those 'brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves'... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life" (*The Gospel of Life* 86)



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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



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.

Mahafo!

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

March 20/ 21

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,753.33
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 5,670.00
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 884.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 695.00
Donation– Youth/ Young Adults	\$ 75.00
Donation– Social Ministry	\$ 100.00
Donation– Children's collection	\$20.00
Donation– Stewardship	\$ 125.00
Donation– Easter Flowers	\$ 550.00
Donation– Easter	\$500.00
Donation– Catholic Relief Services	\$710.00
Donation– Church in Latin America	\$ 10.00
Donation– Holy Thurs– Rice Bowl	\$108.13
Donation– Seminarian ED	\$20.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 140.00
Candles	\$ 195.00

Weekend Total: \$ 18,555.46

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

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, Barbara Ursal, Nicholas Padron, Alexander Bonilla, Elaine Utu & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: 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, Bernabe & Bernard Gonzalez, Tutu Jean McGarry, Linda Armant, Channing Fukuda, Jonathan N. Guerrero & Negrís Indasio.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, April 2 in observance of "Good Friday" and Monday, April 5, in observance of "Easter Monday."

The Catholic Relief Services Collection— Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping **Jesus in disguise**. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information on how to give.

Holy Thursday is on April 1. There will be morning prayers at 8 am in the Church lieu of daily Mass. Our parish will be participating in the **Operation Rice Bowl Collection on Holy Thursday**. You may also donate online by visiting our parish website, selecting "online giving." **Please be generous. Don't forget to turn in your Rice Bowls today!**

Good Friday is on April 2. There will be morning prayers will be at 8 am in the Church lieu of daily Mass. **Stations of the Cross** will be at 3 pm. **The Passion of the Lord will be in the Church** at 7:00 pm.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION- The collection for the Holy Land will be taken up as usual on Good Friday at the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion. The people of the Holy Land have suffered greatly during the pandemic, since, like Hawaii, tourism is a mainstay of their economy, and it has basically been suspended for over a year. Your sacrificial generosity will be appreciated. You may also donate online by visiting our parish website, clicking the "online giving." **Please be generous.**

Holy Saturday is on April 3. Morning prayers will be at 8 am in the Church lieu of daily Mass. **There will be NO confession. Easter Vigil** is at 7 pm.

Easter Sunday is on April 4. Masses are at 7am, 9am, 11am & 6pm.

Remember a love one at Easter. Easter Flower Envelopes are available at the back of the church or you may also donate through online giving by visiting our parish website.

Vaccine Appointment Assistance— Do you need help to schedule your vaccine appointment? We have volunteers to assist you by phone or face to face. It's private and confidential. Please call the rectory office at (808) 623-3332.

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, March 30 from 10 am - 12 noon** in front of the One Community Center.

PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: When your attorney prepares your estate planning documents, you can include your church as the final beneficiary to receive remaining benefits after other beneficiaries are remembered.

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