

ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: Fr. Boniface Sakala

In our lives, one of the things which identify us as Hawaiians is the identity we have from our government and many years we have stayed in our state doing good works. When some people are mistaken about our true identity, we feel bad and out of place.

The background of the gospel we have this Sunday is that Jesus has been preaching and performing miracles to different classes of people, in different places. He had mixed feeling about the impression they had of his identity. So, he wanted to evaluate his works and also to know whether the people knew his true identity having revealed the human face of God to them through his mighty works and preaching. So Jesus asked his closest friends two questions: "Who do people say I am" and "Who do you say I am?" To the first question, the disciples told him the popular opinions from the people.

However, Jesus was eager to know what his own closest friends think of him. In other words, Jesus asked his disciples about his true identity. Peter as the representative of the apostles responds: "You are the Christ." The answer of Peter revealed the true and real identity of Jesus Christ. Peter knew Jesus better than the people they interacted with. For the people, Jesus was just a miracle worker, one of the prophets, and a great teacher. What about you and I, "who is Jesus in our life?"

In the Gospel, Peter challenges us because he recognized Jesus more than the prophet. For him, Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah. Messiah means the anointed one.

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.youtube.com/channel/UCcuDlu1K18PRr1J41UEGsUw>

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. 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

FOOD PANTRY (623-3332)

Tues.- Fri. 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM

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Jesus “warned them not to tell anyone about him” since he did not want the disciples to raise false expectations of what was to come after his resurrection. So, Jesus began to teach them that, he would suffer, be rejected, killed, and rise after three days.

Jesus’ identity as the suffering servant has implications for us as his disciples. We too must deny ourselves; we too must take up our cross and follow Jesus. This entails that, the first image of the cross in Mark’s Gospel is not in relation to Jesus’ cross but to our crosses – our own difficulties, our own commitments, our own choices, in following Jesus as the Messiah. Ours denying ourselves, our taking up our cross, and following Jesus is not about a showy response. Rather it is about how we live every single day: dying and rising in our ordinary simple circumstances.

Finally, James in the second reading talks about faith and good works. He challenges us that, “faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead”. May our faith grows and be manifested in good works as we become true stewards of God’s love by serving our parish community and other people in need.

San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena

The Fil-Am Catholic Group is hosting a novena to San Lorenzo Ruiz from September 16th to September 24th.



Thurs., Sept 16, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Fri., Sept 17, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Sat., Sept 18, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Sun., Sept 19, 3:00 - 4:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Mon., Sept 20, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Tues., Sept 21, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (CH)

Wed., Sept 22, 5:00 - 6:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Thurs., Sept 23, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Fri., Sept 24, 6:00 - 7:00 pm (OCC MPR)

Please contact Marcie Wong (808) 375– 6752

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

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

Mass for the Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 13, 2021

(8 am) Victor Peroff (Healing)

Caitlyn Gonzales

(Birthday Blessing)

Sharon Taylor (Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

(8 am) †Mucio Aguirre

†Florencia Silva Solano

†Cecilia M.J. Estoesta

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

(8 am) †Marcial Taglinao

†David Torres

Oscar Zuazo (Birthday Blessing)

Thursday, September 16, 2021

(8 am) †Dante Pantaleon

†Tony McKenzie

†Mucio Aguirre

Friday, September 17, 2021

(8 am) †Norberto Celestino

†Cris Celestino

McKenzie Family (Healing)

Saturday, September 18, 2021

(8 am) Gwen Kelley

(Birthday Blessing)

Shirley Guerrero

(Birthday Blessing)

Yuya Castillo (Birthday Blessing)

†Mucio Aguirre

Sunday, September 19, 2021

†Anthony Scarpelli

For the People

†James & Mildred Mizoguchi

†Eric Umetsu

†Genaro Zuazo

(Birthday Memorial)

† RIP †



Celebrate Priesthood Sunday (Sept. 26th)

Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor priesthood. This day was established for the Catholic communities to express appreciation for devoted priests who serve them faithfully.

What can you do?

Pray - Priests need the prayers of the faithful that they become the men God has called them to be.

Affirm - Your spiritual fathers need affirmation. When you hear a good homily, witness an eloquent moment, or out of gratitude for receiving the Eucharist, write your priest a note. Priests hear a lot of bad news; you would be amazed what one letter of affirmation can do to touch the heart and soul of your priests, and thus build him up. A simple smile or a phone call to assure him of your loving care and gratitude goes a long way.

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

Anointing of the Sick

Baptism Preparation Classes:

Sept 19, Oct 17, Nov 21 & Dec 19.

Baptisms: Sept 12 & 26, Oct 10 & 24, Nov 14 & 28, Dec 12 & 16

**** Please contact the Parish Office to make all arrangements in advance.****

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

† Funeral

Announcements †

Evangeline K. Ballungay (RIP)
(Private Service)

Friday, September 17, 2021

Visitation: 10am

Prayer Service: 11am

Mililani Memorial~ Mauka Chapel

Burial: 12:30pm

Magdalena "Maggie" Bae (RIP)
(Private Service)

Thursday, October 7, 2021

Visitation: 9am

Family Program: 10 am

Prayer Service: 11:30 am

Mililani Memorial~ Mauka Chapel

Burial: 12:30 pm

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.

[Scam Call](#)

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PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 12, 2021

WATCH

THE RELUCTANT SAINT: THE STORY OF ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO

Maximilian Schell stars as "the flying friar," St. Joseph of Cupertino, in this story of the humble Franciscan friar. In Cupertino, Italy, Joseph's peasant mother convinces the reluctant Abbott to accept her son into the monastery. With the support of the kindly local Bishop who sees in him a great deal more than others do, and by a series of miraculous incidents, the simple but pious Joseph is ordained a priest.



LEARN

BIBLE STUDY: GALATIANS

Galatians

with Dr. Michael Barber and Dr. James Prothro

FORMEDNOW



Join Dr. Michael Barber and Dr. James Prothro as they dive into St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians.

This new multipart series walks through this pivotal book and how it fits in with the rest of the New Testament, as well as how Paul's writings can help us grow in relationship with Jesus.

LISTEN

DRAWING STRENGTH FROM OUR LADY OF SORROWS BY KIMBERLY HAHN

Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, wife of Dr. Scott Hahn and mother of six, is a convert to the Catholic Faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for her to understand initially, she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.



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2021-2022 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

OPEN REGISTRATION for

Grades Kindergarten - 5th

Classes start this Sunday 9/12!

New program: SOPHIA (Spirit of Truth)

Registration forms are available at the
office and online:

<https://www.stjohnmililani.org/pre-k-grade-5/pre-k-grade-5-home>

Please return completed registration forms
online: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org or during office
hours. For more information,
call (808) 623-3332.

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**Register for Comprehensive
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2021- 2022 Open Registration

LIFE TEEN: Grades 9-12

EDGE: Grades 6-8

Registration forms are available at the rectory during
office hours and online:

<https://www.stjohnmililani.org/life-teen-and-edge/life-teen-and-edge-home>

For more information, call (808) 623-3332



EDGE





September 22 – October 31, 2021

Help Save Lives in Honolulu!

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer & fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.

You can pray for mothers, fathers and children by joining the worldwide mobilization to pray and fast to end abortion!

With God's answered prayers, here are the proven results in 27 coordinated campaigns:

- 19,198 saved from abortion
- 112 abortion centers closed
- 225 abortion workers quit

Join hundreds of faith communities around the USA and the world to peacefully pray for an end to abortion (2 Chronicles 7:34, Matt. 19:26 and James 5:16).



Here's how to take part:

- **Sign-up to pray throughout the 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil**
from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm,
from September 22 – October 31, 2021.
www.40daysforlife.com/honolulu

We encourage your church group to select one day to come and pray for one hour throughout the campaign!

- **Come to the Opening Rally**
from 9:00 am – 12 noon,
Saturday, September 25, 2021
in front of the abortion facility at
839 S. Beretania Street, Honolulu, HI.
- **Contact Anne** at anne40dfl@gmail.com
or 808-268-7143.

Sign Up Today!

www.40daysforlife.com/honolulu

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.stjohnmillani.org



The Hui O Lailima 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.



SUBSCRIBE TO OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL!

You need a Google account to subscribe to our YouTube channel.

St. John Apostle & Evangelist Church, Mililani

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!**

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

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Sunday Collection	\$ 10,096.67
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 2,615.00
Social Ministry	\$ 140.00
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,354.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 665.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 170.00
Candles	\$ 301.00
Seminarian Education	\$ 20.00
Easter	\$ 32.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 15.00
Haiti Emergency Disaster Fund	\$ 3,276.25

Weekend Total: \$ 18,684.92

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

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Helen Guerrero, Linda Ward, Jean & James Tanoue, Kathy & Joe Ball, Willie & Bernard Rash, Florida Badua, Thomas Taum, Xander Ray, Sharon Scott, Ron & Patricia Li, Laura Ann Peeters, Barbara Ursal, Nicholas Padron, Alexander Bonilla, Elaine Utu, Art Apilado, Zosima Pacleb, Monique Carlmark, Luke Alaipalelei, Sayo DeBoyce, Jimmy Austin, Elaine Marterella, Thi Choi Nguyen & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Mario Pichon, Ben Guerrero, Don Motz, Eileen Hayase, Tutu Jean McGarry, Linda Armant, Channing Fukuda, Jonathan N. Guerrero, Negrís Indasio, Kristen "Kiddy" DeCoster, Mildred Loggins, Caleb Romero, Gary Nakata, Valentina Asuncion, Maggie Bae, Catherine Gibbs, Mildred James, Catherine McGruder, Donald Blue, MD., Thi Ly Nguyen, Thanh Tan Nguyen, Thanh Xuan Nguyen & Jean Tanouye.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic University of America (CUA) is the national university of the Catholic Church in the USA. This weekend, we will be participating in a National Collection for the CUA. Envelopes are at the back of the Church. You may drop your donation during offertory or donate online through our parish website, "Online Giving." You can learn more at collection.catholic.edu.

Fr. Anthony & Fr. Boniface will be attending the Annual Priests' Retreat this week at St. Stephen Diocesan Center from September 13th - 17th. There will be Communion Service in lieu of daily Mass.

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

Church Candles are available before Mass (exact change only) and at the Rectory during office hours. Monday at 12pm-4pm and Tuesday-Friday at 9am -4pm.

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

Due to the rising numbers with COVID, we will not be doing house blessings at this time.

Respect Life: "By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God." USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts" Bulletin Insert .



St. John's participating in **Give Aloha**, Foodland's Annual Community Matching Gifts Program. From Sept 1- 30. Customers are invited to make donations of up to \$249 (per person) at checkout. Donations are accepted by Foodland, Sack N Save or Foodland Farm checkout. At checkout, present your Maika'i card (or provide number) and inform the cashier that you would like to make a

donation to: **St. John Apostle & Evangelist, #77455.**

Beginning in October, we will have a second collection once a month for debt reduction. Your donation will help pay for the mortgage of the **One Community Center**. Envelopes will be available at the back of the church or you may donate through our parish website online giving. Your generosity is much appreciated.

- ❖ Never Confirmed in the Catholic Church?
- ❖ Do you want to be baptized?
- ❖ Are you or do you know someone who is interested in becoming a part of the Catholic Faith?
- ❖ Let us help you with your journey in receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.
- ❖ Candidates will explore the elements of the Catholic faith in weekly meetings with Catechists in preparation to receive all the Sacraments of Initiation. For more information, contact Deacon Romeo Ganibe at rganibe@rcchawaii.org.



PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: Preparing an estate plan is good Christian stewardship - saying thanks to God, expressing your love for family, and showing charity toward others.

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