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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: **Monsignor John Mbinda**

This Sunday the readings underline deep-rooted trust in God as the key to real joy, peace and happiness as contrasted to the illusion of finding that same joy, peace and happiness outside of God and the Church. In the face of many challenges and demands by God and the Church for faithfulness, why do we continue to hang around instead of just quitting?

The prophet Jeremiah and Jesus in the gospel respond to that questions in the First reading and the Gospel of today. Jeremiah offers us a number of metaphors, but perhaps one that is most significant is the image of a tree planted beside the waters. The tree is an image of the true disciple. In spite of drought and devastation all around, it stands quietly by the waterside, its foliage green, its branches full of fruit. Jeremiah say that the tree thrusts its roots not on the surface ground, but into the stream. So how do you and I get to be like that tree?

In the gospel passage we find the mystery of God's love for the poor and the poor person's childlike trust and dependence on God. In Luke's version of the Beatitudes, it is not material poverty that Jesus calls blessed, but those who are helpless, without influence in society, the voiceless, those uprooted from their justly acquired land, the jobless, hungry, homeless, who put their total trust in God who cares for them. Happy indeed is the person who trusts in the Lord. 1) Trust in the Lord is the secret key to unlocking true joy, peace and happiness. 2) The Church is the running stream beside which you and I must remain planted if we are to grow and survive. To stop coming to Church is to uproot ourselves. 3) Those who put their total trust in God are blessed and happy as contrasted to those who put their trust in material things.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday (Mon - Sat): 8:00 AM

Sunday: (Sat. Vigil) 5 PM,
(Sun) 7 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM, 6 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
(or by appointment)

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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Pastor's Corner

Gratefulness for Parish Ministries

In follow up of last Sunday report highlighting the results of the 2018 stewardship annual commitment, this Sunday I wanted to thank all parishioners already engaged in various ministries. This is the commitment of your time in which you serve the parish in its many ministries. It is so wonderful to see the number of parishioners engaged in ministry and we keep growing. Because of this growth, we face the challenge of ongoing formation of ministers so they can deepen their faith and so server in a more meaningful way.

Well-formed lay ministers is always a sign of growing stewardship parish, where ministry becomes a way of life. Ministry does not work, but a service in the parish so that the parish may continue to serve all parishioners. Let me say how thankful I am as your pastor to be surrounded by all of you lay ministers. The pastoral ministry becomes lighter for us the clergy and staff in the parish because of what you do in your ministry, and the parish is able to serve from day to day because of you. Above all, I am thrilled to see some of you taking the daily Mass, the rosary and personal prayer moments in the chapel seriously. This for me is very encouraging because it is an indication of personal growth in your faith. Prayer is a way of life and the key to being a more effective minister.

Formation of our parish ministers is still a challenge because I want you to feel comfortable in understanding the deeper meaning of the ministry in which you serve. As we go forward, we will need to have in our faith formation ministry more opportunities for the formation of parish ministers in their respective ministries or by having sessions in which for example all liturgical ministers have a formation series during the year. One thing we might have a retreat together, say a Saturday morning once a year. During the coming season of Lent (three weeks away), I will be placing a challenge for all parishioners to increase their time of prayer this year. Prayer the first pillar of stewardship deepens our commitment to Jesus Christ as it helps us focus. Thank you, I thank all the parish staff who serve here in the parish daily and often times offer their stewardship of time and talent to keep the parish going.



<p><u>Parish Rectory Hours</u> Monday: 12:00 PM-4:30 PM Tues. - Fri.: 9:00 AM-4:30 PM Saturday/Sunday: Closed</p>
<p><u>Outreach Office Hours</u> Tuesday: 9 AM to 12 PM Friday: 9 AM to 11 AM <u>FOOD PANTRY Hours</u> Tues.—Fri.: 9 AM to 11 AM</p>
<p><u>Religious Ed Office Hours</u> Monday: Closed Tues.—Fri.: 12 pm - 6:30 pm Saturday: Closed Sun: 7:00 am - 1:00pm</p>
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 "Be generous and you will be prosperous; help others and you will be helped." (Good News Translation) - Prov 11:25

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

In this passage, David spares King Saul who has been hunting down David to kill him. This reflects David's great capacity to forgive his enemy, but above all his reluctance to kill one who is the anointed one of the Lord. The passage connects well with the Gospel message of loving one's enemies.

Responsorial Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13

Psalm 103 is an individual's prayer of thanksgiving after some personal trial (perhaps sickness). Thus, the psalmist prays: "The Lord is kind and merciful."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

The second reading from Paul First Letter to the Corinthians sounds complex, but it is a response to the Christian community of Corinth regarding some views on the role Christ in salvation. Paul found it necessary to use the idea of the two Adams in order to show divinity of Christ for He pre-existed the natural created Adam, yet He is the second Adam, who is able to save fallen Adam from death by his resurrection. Christ can only save the first Adam because he is both human (he suffered and dies) and divine (conquers death by rising).

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

The Gospel passage is part of the sermon on the plain. In this passage, Jesus calls his followers to a radical way of life unknown to the Jews, namely loving and forgiving their enemies. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly". The conclusion at the end is of great importance. "Be merciful just as your Father is merciful." Our treatment of others must correspond to the treatment we expect from God.

Follow Msgr. John's Homilies! Blog
(text): www.sundayhomily.com
Podcast (audio):
<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 18, 2019
(8 am) †Guillermo Wilson Andres
†Hak Soon Mercado
Simeon Lamailao
(Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday, February 19, 2019
(8 am) George Dona
(Birthday Blessing)

Wednesday, February 20, 2019
(8 am) Marites Acson
(Thanksgiving)

Thursday, February 21, 2019
(8 am) †Rosalinda Aglanao
(Death Anniversary)
†Josefina E. Ordillas
(Death Anniversary)

Friday, February 22, 2019
(8 am) †Daniel Fernandez
(Death Anniversary)

Saturday, February 23, 2019
(8 am) †All Souls in Purgatory
(5 pm) †Richard L. Unciano

Sunday, February 24, 2019
(7 am) †Richard L. Unciano

9 am **For the People**

11 am †Howard Beck

6 pm †Richard L. Unciano

†Rest in Peace†

HEALING / BLESSINGS: Shirley Del Rosario, Carol Towne, Darrlyn & Ron Bunda, baby Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Jack & Ellen Cleghorn, Ernesta Tolentino, Lester Wilson, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Jim Vangrinsven, Dollie McGarry, Suzanne Foster, Linda Eguchi, Mario Pichon, Leora Hernandez, Alan Cadiux, Rose McNorton, Rosalie Tadda, Bienvenido Roter, Randy Arrojo-Manuwa & Family, Rachel Sullivan, Duane Gonzales, Keahi Paaluhi, Marcelino Esdicul, Sr. & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: Kyung Soon Choe, Alvin Yasui, Wayne Ursal, Hak Hoon Kim, Leo Keli, Cherie F. Castillo, Deacon Kin Borja, Asako Ono Diana, Trixie Kato, Claro P. Bumanglag, Jodie J. Mendes, Vergelio C. Topinio, Clara Diane White, Lydia S. Agbayani, Fredrico Soliven, Annette Mitchell, Erwin A. Azada, Winston Kekina, Howard L. Beck, Delphine Brothers & Richard L. Unciano.

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

Anointing of the Sick

Baptisms (Upcoming ceremony date) **Mar 10 & 17, April (No Baptism), May 12 & 19, June 9 & 16.**

Baptism Preparation Class: Mar 3, Apr 7, May 5 & June 2.

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

Funerals

Homebound Communion

Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

Fact of Faith: Feast of the Chair of St. Peter
Feast—Feb 22

While to Solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul, celebrated on June 29, focuses on the martyrdom of St. Peter, this celebration draws attention to his role in the Church. The "Chair of St. Peter" is an image of his seat of authority—an authority that was given not for his own personal gain but so that he could be a source of unity for the Church. Jesus told Peter, "I have prayed that your own faith may not fail; and once you have turned back, you must strengthened your brothers."



(Lk 22:32) Today, this feast reminds us of the significance of the ministry of St. Peter & the succession of popes who followed in his footsteps.

† FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT †

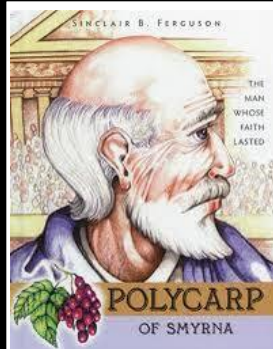
Richard Leonillo Unciano (RIP)

*Tuesday, February 26, 2019 ~ St. John A&E
Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 10:00 am
Burial: 1:00 pm ~ National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific*

SAINT OF THE WEEK
POLYCARP

C. 69— C. 156

FEAST DAY: FEB 23



This disciple of St. John the Apostle was appointed bishop of Smyrna (now Izmir, Turkey), perhaps by John. Representing the Asia Minor churches, he

went to Rome about 155 to discuss when to celebrate Easter. The result was that the Eastern and Western churches continued to calculate the date as before. Shortly, after his return, Polycarp was arrested and urged to renounce God. He refused and was sentenced to burn alive. When the flames did not harm him, he was killed by a sword, as recounted in an early Christian document.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	2/9-2/10
Sunday Collection	\$ 11,774.76
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,774.35
Building, Equipment, and Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 990.52
Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 7,602.00
Donation— Blessings	\$ 80.00
Donation - Charity	\$ 3.21
Donation— Children's Collection	\$ 3.00
Donation— Youth & Young Adults	\$30.00
Donation— Augustine Ed. Foundation	\$ 105.00
Candle Sales	\$ 475.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 265.00
Donations— Seminarian Education	\$ 400.00

Weekend Total: \$ 25,502.84

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

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PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

Church offices will be closed on Monday, February 18th, in observance of President's Day.

Augustine Educational Foundation (AEF)- Mahalo nui loa to our parish and parishioners from the Augustine Educational Foundation for your generous and continued support of the **Make a Student Smile—Give the Gift of Education Campaign** 2019 AEF collection. Your support makes a difference in hundreds of student's lives! For more, visit their website at www.augustinefoundation.org.

Faith Matters: The next Catholicism 101 and Introduction to Scriptures classes will be held on Thursday, February 21 at 7 pm in classrooms 1-3.

Old Blessed Palms NEEDED For Ash Wednesday! Please drop off your old palms thru **Sunday, February 24th**, in the box provided at the entrance of the church.

New Altar Servers Training will be on Sunday, February 24th at 12:30—3 pm in the church. If you are interested, please see Margaret Higa or email: sjaserver@hawaii.rr.com for more information.

Food Pantry- If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come see us on **Wednesday, February 27** from 10 am—12 noon at St. John's parking lot.

The next Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on *Friday, March 1*, immediately after the 8 am Mass to 7:30 am on *Saturday, March 2*.

Respect Life: "Called to serve the people and the common good, [civil leaders] have a duty to make courageous choices in support of life, especially through legislative measures."

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Effective March 1st, the cost of church and home candles will be \$5.

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 towards others.

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

THIS WEEK: **Feb 18 – Feb 24**

Monday– Church Office Closed– Holiday (President's Day)

7:30 am– Rosary

8 am– *Daily Mass*

8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

7 pm– Charismatic (CH)

7 pm– Family Prayer Group (Rm 4)

7 pm– Troop 144 (Rm 5)

Tuesday– 7:30 am– Rosary

8 am– *Daily Mass*

8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

9 am– Church Cleaning– Environment

9 am– Women's Bible Study (CH)

3 pm– Cenacle Prayer (CH)

6:30 pm– CRH Meeting- #4 (Rm 2)

6:30 pm– PPBC (Rm 3)

7:30 pm– AA Meeting (Rm 6)

Wednesday– 7:30 am– Rosary

8 am– *Daily Mass*

8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

6 pm– OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)

6:30 pm– Young Adult Faith Night (Rm 4)

7 pm– Combined Choir Practice (CH)

7 pm– RCIA#22 "Ecumenism" (Rm 3)

7:30 pm– NA Meeting (Rm 6)

Thursday– 7:30 am– Rosary

8 am– *Daily Mass*

8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

6 pm– 11 am Choir Practice (CH)

7 pm– Faith Matters (Rms 1-3)

Friday– 7:30 am– Rosary

8 am– *Daily Mass*

8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

9 am– Church Cleaning (Environment)

4 pm– 2 Hearts (CH)

Saturday– 7:30 am– Rosary

8 am– *Daily Mass*

8:45 am– Rosary Prayer Group

9 am– Catholic Women's Bible Study (Rm 1)

9 am– Liturgical Movement Ministry (Rm 4)

9 am– Church Cleaning (Group 4)

9:30am– Our Lady of Manaoag (Rm 3)

10 am– Healing Grace Ministry (Rm 2)

10 am– PHM Meeting (Rm 6)

3:30 pm– Confession

5 pm– Mass (Saturday Vigil)

Sunday– **Masses**

7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm

RE Classes: "A" Schedule

12:30 pm– New Altar Serving Training (CH)

4 pm– 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)