

# ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

### SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

**By: Monsignor John M. Mbinda**

Shepherd, listening and following the Risen Lord are the key words that capture the central message of this Fourth Sunday of Easter also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The readings first remind us that the risen Christ, the Lamb slain for our sins is our Shepherd who gives us eternal life. That is the fulfillment of the vision in the Book of Revelations that speaks about those who are finally rewarded with new life, where they will never hunger nor be thirsty again. The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles is about the evangelizing efforts of the early Church. It draws our attention to the difficulties that beset that Church in its witness. Paul and Barnabas follow the voice of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the message of the Shepherd to the Jews. The rejection of the Good News by the Jews in Antioch becomes a blessing in disguise, because Paul and Barnabas turn to the Gentiles who warmly welcome the Good News. The comforting message is clear. Countless difficulties, opposition, deceit and persecution have never succeeded in blocking the evangelizing mission of the Church.

The Gospel of this Sunday proclaims good news of comfort for millions of people in the world today. It also offers us a great challenge. The comforting message is that the sheep listen to the shepherd's voice and that no one can snatch the sheep out of the Father's hands. The challenge for both the pastors and lay faithful alike is to recognize the voice of the shepherd in the midst of opposition, countless voices of other churches, the TV channels, the Internet, Facebook, Tweets? We do that by remaining close to other the sheep and our spiritual family. The challenge is caring for one another by being what Pope Francis has called custodians of one another to discern the voice of the Shepherd, the Risen Lord.

The message we take home this Sunday is threefold. 1) We are challenged to listen and follow the Risen Lord who shepherds us through the Church. 2) Just as the risen Lord is the lamb who dies for us and suffers with us, you and I are challenged to reach out with compassion to those who suffer. 3) As an Easter people touched by the risen Lord, we are challenged to purposely reach out to those who are weak in their faith; those tested by the many conflicting voices in the world; those led away from the flock, away from the Shepherd and bring them back home to the fold.

### 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.***

### SJAE MOBILE APP

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## Pastor's Corner

### Parish Rectory Hours

**Monday:** 12:00 PM-4:30 PM  
**Tues. - Fri.:** 9:00 AM-4:30 PM  
**Saturday/Sunday:** Closed

### Outreach Office Hours

**Tuesday:** 9 AM to 12 PM  
**Friday:** 9 AM to 11 AM

### FOOD PANTRY Hours

**Tues.—Fri.:** 9 AM to 11 AM

### Religious Ed Office Hours

**Monday:** Closed  
**Tues.—Fri.:** 12 pm - 6:30 pm  
**Saturday:** Closed  
**Sun:** 7:00 am - 1:00pm

### PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

#### **Pastor** (ext. 111)

Msgr. John Mbinda  
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#### **Parochial Vicar** (x 104)

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#### **Parish Office Administrator** (x 103)

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#### **RCIA Coordinators**

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 Dcn. Romeo Ganibe

#### **Religious Ed. Director** (x 206)

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#### **Acting Preschool Director**

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### Good Shepherd Sunday: Vocations Sunday



Christ is Risen! The Fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday because on this Sunday we hear the Gospel of St. John in which Jesus tell us that he is the Good Shepherd. Jesus as our Good Shepherd cares for us, nourishes us and keeps us in good spiritual health. He has appointed bishops and priests to serve on his behalf as shepherds. For that reason, on this Sunday the whole Church prays for good vocations. Here in the Diocese of Honolulu we certainly need more good priests.

Last year when speaking to our young confirmation students, one of them asked me how I realized I had a vocation to be a priest. Vocation to the priesthood can begin with an attraction to serve God following the example of good priests. That was my starting point. I saw the kindness of the Irish priest in my elementary school. Both the principal of my school and the pastor were so caring. The priests did not ask me if I wanted to become a priest. I came to that conclusion myself perhaps with God's grace. Other times the seed of vocation can be planted by parents in their children. Priests too can plant that seed in young men and help them to discern as they grow.

Here at St. John's we say the Diocesan Prayer for vocations at the end of Mass during weekdays. This prayer is our continuous response to Jesus who asks us to "Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers to the vineyard." Parents can respond to this prayer by encouraging their sons to think of being priests in the future. Thanks to those parents who are already open to encourage their sons to think of vocation to the priesthood even in their young years. May God bless such parents. May He bless parents of priests, seminarians and future seminarian more particularly for their sacrifice so that their sons may be good shepherds of Christ's flock. We are grateful that God is giving us a new priest in answer to our prayers when Deacon Romple Emwalu is ordained on May 17, 2019. May God bless him as he prepares for his ordination.

*Msgr. John S. Mbinda*

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019

### Fifth Sunday of Easter

#### First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

In this passage, Paul and Barnabas resume their missionary journey. From Derbe (v. 20) they revisit the churches on the way and reach Perga, then set sail for Antioch. In Derbe, they had made many converts. As they visit these churches, the apostles establish a kind of administrative structure by appointing leaders. It is clear there was need for organization and leadership.

#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

Psalm 145 is a hymn in praise of the greatness of God. It begins by speaking about God, extolling divine mercy and compassion. The psalm then speaks directly to God, praying that all God's works will give thanks. Finally it proclaims the Lord's universal and everlasting reign.

#### Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5

The vision reported in this passage uses several images to describe forthcoming fulfillment. John first sees the vision and then hears the voice from the throne explaining what it means. The new heaven and new earth recall the prophecy of Isaiah 65:17 and 66:22 which promises a restored Israel after the Babylonian captivity. The newness implies renewal and transformation. New Jerusalem implies the new people of God - the redeemed. In the end, all things are made new.

#### Gospel Reading: John 13:31-33, 34-35

The passage in the beginning speaks of the departure of Judas. That sets in motion the arrest, trial and crucifixion of Jesus. While this may sound gloomy, the events of salvation are about to begin. The hour of Christ's glorification by the Father is already here. The Jesus addresses the remaining 11 apostles with affection exhorting them to love one another just as he has loved them to the point of self-sacrifice. By his love, all we will know that they are his followers.

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Podcast (audio):  
<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week

**Monday, May 13, 2019**

**(8 am)** †M/M Charley Jones  
†Zamuel Pascual  
†Marcial Taglinao  
(Birthday Memorial)

**Tuesday, May 14, 2019**

Priests are at Convocation

**Wednesday, May 15, 2019**

Priests are at Convocation

**Thursday, May 16, 2019**

Priests are at Convocation

**Friday, May 17, 2019**

Priests are at Convocation

**Saturday, May 18, 2019**

**(8 am)** Christ Rodriguez-Zuazo  
(Spiritual Healing)  
†Lucia Bautista  
†William Slocomb  
(Birthday Memorial)

**5 pm** Mr & Mrs. Rodolfos  
Gasmen & Family  
(Thanksgiving)

**Sunday, May 19, 2019**

**(7 am)** Christ Rodriguez-Zuazo  
(Spiritual Healing)

**9 am For the People**

**11 am** †James & Mildred  
Mizoguchi & †Eric Emetsu

**6 pm** †Bernadette Cypriano

**†Rest in Peace†**

**HEALING / BLESSINGS:** Darryln & Ron Bunda, baby Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Jack & Ellen Cleghorn, Ernesta Tolentino, Lester Wilson, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Jim Vangrinsven, 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 Paaluhí, Marcelino Esdicul, Sr., Lillian Chalmers, Alfred Fajota & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

**DECEASED:** Annette Mitchell, Winston Kekina, Richard L. Unciano, Agnes DeJesus, William K.M. Ahuna, George Makio, Violeta D. Solis, Byron Schubert, Benjamin Cockett, Jr., Emma Carnate, Lucia L. Bautista, Carmelita P Salazar, Zamuel S. Pascual Sr., Carolina J. Resurreccion, John K. Taflinger, Basilia V. Asuncion, Carmen Fajota & Gilbert Buna, Jr.

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

**Anointing of the Sick**

**Baptisms**

**May 12 & 19, June 9 & 16, July 14 & 21 & Aug 11 & 18**

**Baptism Preparation Classes: June 2 & July 7, Aug 4**

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

**Funerals**

**Homebound Communion**

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

**St John Catholic Preschool** Open Enrollment is now available for Keiki 3-5 years of age. For more information, please contact Amie Quiason at (808) 744-9538 or via email at [aquiason@rcchawaii.org](mailto:aquiason@rcchawaii.org). Space is limited, so act quickly.



**THANK YOU** for your generous donation to the Preschool Keiki Fun Run/Walk. Last weekend, St. John Catholic Preschool raised \$ 1, 973. 00. Mahalo for your support!

† **FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** †

**Carmelita P. Salazar (RIP)**

*Tuesday, June 4, 2019 ~ St. John A&E, Mililani*

*Visitation: 9:30 am ~ 10:30 am—Mass*

*Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park*

**Bernadette Cypriano (RIP)**

*Saturday, June 15, 2019 ~ St. John A&E, Mililani*

*Visitation: 10:00 am ~ 11:00 am—Mass*

**“For all of you who are reading books from our SJAE Library – THANKS for your support and you may NOW return your books during all weekend masses. A return box is in the back of the church – just drop your books in there and keep reading!”**



**SAVE THE DATE:** A Town Hall Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 4th at 7 pm and Saturday, June 8th at 10 am in the Church. Come on out! Socialize with fellow parishioners and learn what’s happening at St. John A&E.



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



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	5/4-5/5
Sunday Collection	\$ 13,391.31
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 2,981.10
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,217.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 8,369.00
Donation– Social Ministry	\$ 38.00
Donation– Operation Rice Bowl	\$ 149.40
Donation– Holy Land (Good Friday)	\$ 7.50
Donation– Children’s Collection	\$ 3.00
Donation– Mother’s Day	\$ 665.00
Donation– Charity	\$ 1.00
Donation– Flowers	\$ 30.00
Candle Sales	\$ 600.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 220.00

**Weekend Total: \$ 27,868.31**

“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with fruits of all your produce.” - Proverbs



**THE FIL-AM CATHOLIC GROUP OF ST JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST IS INVITING EVERYONE TO COME AND PRAY FOR A NINE DAY NOVENA TO “OUR LADY OF MANAOAG”**

**MAY 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17 at 7 PM**  
**Sunday, May 12 at 7:30 PM**

**MAY 18, 2019 – (SATURDAY) FEAST DAY**

**14th ANNUAL FEAST DAY**

**SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019**

**9:00 AM – ROSARY AND LITANY**

**10:00 AM – PROCESSION**

**11:00 AM - MASS**

**12:00 PM – LUNCH**

**1:00 PM- ENTERTAINMENT**



# PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

**2019 Annual Diocesan Priests' Convocation: Msgr. John & Fr. Joseph will be away on Convocation the week of May 13-17. There will be 8:00 am Daily Mass on Mon., May 13th and Communion Services from May 14-17.**

If you are a non-practicing Catholic or know of someone who left the Church and is not practicing his or her faith, we invite you and ask you to encourage others to join us for informal listening sessions & an update of the Catholic faith. **Our next series will be on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 6:30 pm - 8 pm in classroom 2.** For more info, contact the CRH team at (808) 623-3332 ext. 100 or email: [sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org](mailto:sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org). Everyone is welcome!



**Mark your calendar for the upcoming Priesthood Ordination for Diocese of Honolulu Seminarian Deacon Romple Emwalu on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 6:00 pm, at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa, Kalihi, 712 North School Street. Bus transportation will be provided. Bus will leave St. John at 4:15 pm and will leave Co-Cathedral at 8:30 pm. Cost is \$5 (non refundable.) First come, first served. Sign up at the Parish Office.**

**Healing Grace Ministry for Widows and Widowers will be offering the Season of Hope Spring Session. Saturday, May 18th at 10:30 am in room 6. Please email Abbie: [healinggrace808@gmail.com](mailto:healinggrace808@gmail.com) for more information.**

**You are cordially invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving with the newly ordained Rev. Romple Emwalu at St. John Apostle & Evangelist on Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 5 pm and Sunday, May 19, 2019 at 6 pm.**



**St. John's Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group is sponsoring a Healing Mass on Monday, May 20th. Praise and Worship begins at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. Celebrant: Fr. Joseph Ayinpuusa. For more information: Victoria Achaval 623-8860 & Stephen / Helen Uyehara 623-7423.**

**Saturday, May 25th, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation for 72 of our Ohana. There will be 28 First Communicants (also receiving Confirmation) at the 5PM Mass. We ask those who regularly attend the 5PM Mass to consider attending 7AM, 9AM, 11AM or 6PM Mass to allow room for visitors. Parking is very limited.**

**Food Pantry- If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help! Come and see us on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 from 10 am—12 noon at St. John's parking lot.**

**Hawaii Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) are now available. Income requirements are based on eligibility. Qualifying Seniors are able to receive SFMNP benefits. Please contact Pearl Bates for more information at (808) 623-3332 ext. 203.**

**PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE:** How long has it been since you updated your will? Does it still express your wishes? Does it leave a gift to your church to carry on its ministry after your death?

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

## **THIS WEEK: May 13 -19**

**Monday**— 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)  
7 pm— Our Lady of Manaoag Novena (CH)

**Tuesday**— 7:30 am— Rosary  
8 am— Communion Service  
8:45 am— Rosary Prayer Group (CH)  
9 am— Women's Bible Study (CH)  
9 am— Church Cleaning— Environmental  
9 am— SJAЕ Preschool Graduation Rehearsal (CH)  
3 pm— Cenacle Prayer (CH)  
6:30 pm— Combined Choir Practice (CH)  
6:30 pm— Catholics Returning Home (Rm 2)  
7 pm— Our Lady of Manaoag Novena (CH)  
7 pm— K of C (Rm 3)  
7:30 pm— AA Meeting (Rm 6)

**Wednesday**— 7:30 am— Rosary  
8 am— Communion Service  
8:45 am— Rosary Prayer Group (CH)  
6 pm— OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)  
7 pm— Combined Choir Practice (CH)  
7 pm— RCIA #31 session "Catholic Social Teaching" (Rm 3)  
7 pm— Our Lady of Manaoag Novena (CH)  
7:30 pm— NA Meeting (Rm 6)

**Thursday**— 7:30 am— Rosary  
8 am— Communion Service  
8:45 am— Rosary Prayer Group (CH)  
9 am— Church Cleaning (Group 3)  
10 am— SJAЕ Preschool Graduation Rehearsal (CH)  
6 pm— 11 am Choir practice (CH)  
6 pm— ACTS Retreat Team Mtg. (Rm 4)  
7 pm— Our Lady of Manaoag Novena (CH)

**Friday**— 7:30 am— Rosary  
8 am— Communion Service  
8:45 am— Our Lady of Manaoag Rosary, Procession & Mass (CH)  
9 am— Church Cleaning (Environment)  
4 pm— 2 Hearts (CH)  
7 pm— Our Lady of Manaoag Novena (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)  
9:15 am— Liturgical Movement Ministry (Rm 4)  
10:30 am— Healing Grace (Rm 6)  
3:30 pm— Confession  
5 pm— Mass (Saturday Vigil)  
5 pm— Mass of Thanksgiving (Fr. Romple)  
7 pm— Our Lady of Manaoag Novena (CH)

**Sunday**— Masses  
**7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm**  
**RE Classes: "A" Schedule**  
4 pm— 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)  
6 pm— Mass of Thanksgiving (Fr. Romple)