

# ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

### SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: **Fr. Joseph Ayinpuusa**

Focus on Jesus, Your Eternal Inheritance

It is so easy to allow the ways of the world to influence our daily activities. We are bombarded with messages extolling the piling up of things and the searching for personal satisfaction.

The author of our first reading remarks that life sometimes seems meaningless as people focus on their possessions and seek to get more. They spend all their times accumulating wealth and possessions, just to leave them behind to others when they die. The author was wise enough to ask the question, "Is it not vanities of vanities to labour so hard to build up earthly happiness and before one realizes it, he has to leave it and depart from this world?" If all there is to life is material things and amassing fortune which will not travel along with us when we leave this mortal existence, then life is truly meaningless.

In the Gospel, Jesus also speaks about the futility of stockpiling things that will not be going with us as we transition from this earthly existence to eternity. Someone unhappy with the way his sibling is handling their inheritance, asks Jesus to get involved in the situation. Jesus uses the occasion to remind his audience that the focus is in the wrong place. If people are merely interested in amassing wealth and possession, they will lose what they treasure most when they are faced with death. Yet if one places value on developing a richer relationship with God, then death is a transition to fulfillment of one's searching, and one will be rewarded far beyond one's expectations.

The underlying theme of the world is, as Jesus says in the Gospel, "eat, drink, and be merry" without thinking about death and to what death leads. St Paul advises us, "Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth," such as immorality, impurity, passion, evil desires, and greed. What is interesting is that St. Paul calls these lifestyles idolatry, that is worshipping of false gods.

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### 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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**[www.ParishSolutionsCo.com/JohnHI](http://www.ParishSolutionsCo.com/JohnHI)**

## Parochial Vicar'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/ Friday:** Closed

**Tues.- Thurs.**

12:00pm - 6:00pm

**Saturday:** 8 am - 1 pm

**Sunday:** 7 am - 2 pm

### PARISH CLERGY & STAFF

**Pastor** (ext. 111)

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### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

By: Fr. Joseph Ayinpuusa

### Lay Liturgical ministers - called to be Instruments of Christ' Real Presence

Since Vatican II, our Church has been teaching us that those who come together for the Liturgy cannot simply be spectators. We who attend Mass, the Assembly, are asked to fully participate in the Liturgy, consciously and actively. Active participation means listening carefully, responding meaningfully, singing robustly, and allowing our spirits to be nourished through the Eucharist. Active participation also means that we are Christ to one another in the Mass.

In addition to the ordained ministries of bishop, priest and deacon, lay people are blessed with talents and called forth by God to share those gifts for the benefit of the church. Through Baptism the faithful share in Christ's mission and in his holy priesthood. The presider cannot do all that needs to be done during a liturgy so that it is a beautiful offering of praise and sacrifice to God. By using their skills and talents to help, Liturgical Ministers share in Christ's priesthood. Through the presider and through them, in their different roles, Jesus is revealed. So, Liturgical Ministers, both ordained and non-ordained, are called by God to be instruments of Christ's Real Presence.

Lay (non-ordained) Ministries within liturgical worship are not simply tasks to be performed. They are actions in service of God and his assembled people, fulfilling the instruction and example of Christ. Hence, Liturgical Ministers have a special opportunity to be Christ to those assembled by their acts of service within the Mass. By welcoming as ushers, by proclaiming the Word as lectors, by assisting as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and by serving the celebrant as MCs. and Altar Servers, lay liturgical ministers are Christ present sacramentally.

For effective service, however, each role to be fulfilled is to be accomplished by individuals possessing the proper skills and having received appropriate formation - instruction and preparation.

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The word of God today invites us first, to keep in mind that whatever we possess is God's gift. This gift should not be a hindrance, but a help to discover His love and goodness. We will remain accountable for two things: "How we acquired them?" and "what use we made of them?" Secondly, God wants us to remember that excessive attachment to earthly possessions and desires is dangerous. It makes us proud, closes our heart to the needs of our neighbour, and we easily turn these things into idols which replace God in our lives.

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

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2019

### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

This passage is an interpretation of the deliverance of the chosen people at time of slavery in Egypt. It recounts the events of the night of their Passover. The writer compares how God in his providence spares the Israelites while the Egyptians are smitten with afflictions. The Israelite put their trust in God so much that they took a risk to escape from the iron hand of the Pharaoh. The author moves beyond comparing the Egyptians and the Israelites and claims that God reversed the fates of the two people.

#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33:1, 12,18-19, 20-22

The responsorial psalm opens with a prayer of praise. Everything in the response speaks of covenant relationship with God. The psalm uses the idea of inheritance which normally refers to land from one generation to the next, but this is used as a metaphor to indicate that Israel belongs to God who loves Israel; God who gives Israel all they need and secure them. God is therefore their help and their shield.

#### Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

The first verse of this reading about the faith of Abraham is the best known in Scripture. The story of Abraham's faith begins with his call from God to leave from his land and go to a land that God would show him, a land he would receive as one receives an inheritance. In brief, the story of Abraham and his sojourn out of faith for a promised inheritance is here used as a metaphor for our journey out of faith towards our promised land, the New Jerusalem.

#### Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

The gospel passage can be divided into three parts: 1) teaching on possessions (vv. 32-34); A story that shows the importance of watchfulness (vv.35-40); and 3) instruction about responsible leadership. On the first part, Jesus does not condemn material possessions as such, but only the amassing (hoarding) of such goods. In this context, Jesus tells his disciples not to have money bags for carrying their surplus. Jesus knows that trust in riches can be an obstacle to trusting in God. He then introduces his teaching on watchfulness with a twofold admonitions. He tells his disciples to tuck in their flowing robes under their belts as their calling with demands strenuous activity. The next image Jesus uses is the metaphor of keeping your lamp lighted, suggesting that they will have to remain watchful and vigilant even in the night, as they wait the return of the householder, who is identified with the return of the Son of Man at a time the servants do not know.

Follow Msgr. John's Homilies! Blog

(text): [www.sundayhomily.com](http://www.sundayhomily.com)

Podcast (audio):

<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>

Mass  for the  
Intentions *for the Week*

**Monday, August 5, 2019**

(8 am) †Paulina Wong

†Mariano Espiritu Mendoza Sr.

†Julius Soria

**Tuesday, August 6, 2019**

(8 am) †Jennie Chow

†Julius Soria

Abraham Wilson

(Birthday Blessing)

**Wednesday, August 7, 2019**

(8 am) Channing Fukuda

(Healing)

†Lorraine Aguirre

(Birthday Memorial)

†Julius Soria

**Thursday, August 8, 2019**

(8 am) †Enedina E.A. Sales

†Julius Soria

Channing Fukuda (Healing)

**Friday, August 9, 2019**

(8 am) †Julius Soria

†Leslie A. Fountain

†Victims of the Skydiving Plane

Crash at Dillingham Airfield

**Saturday, August 10, 2019**

(8 am) †Baldomero Viernes

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

†Arthur Antolin

5 pm †Julius Soria

**Sunday, August 11, 2019**

7am †Jean Kekiwi

(Death Anniversary)

9 am **For the People**

11 am †Julius Soria

6 pm Rosalita Ibalio

(Thanksgiving)

†Rest in Peace†

**HEALING / BLESSINGS:** baby Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Jack & Ellen Cleghorn, Ernesta Tolentino, Lester Wilson, Ben & Helen Guerrero, Jim Vangrinsven, Linda Eguchi, Leora Hernandez, Alan Cadiux, Rose McNorton, Rosalie Tadda, Bienvenido Roter, Randy Arrojo-Manuwa & Family, Rachel Sullivan, Duane Gonzales, Keahi Paaluhi, Marcelino Esdicul Sr., Lillian Chalmers, Alfred Fajota, John Durham, Maggie Bae, Suzanna Foster, Benjamin Bae Sr. & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

**DECEASED:** George Makio, Violeta D. Solis, Byron Schubert, Benjamin Cockett, Jr., Emma Carnate, Lucia L. Bautista, Carmelita P Salazar, Samuel S. Pascual Sr., John K. Taflinger, Basilia V. Asuncion, Clova Y. Ramos, Bernadette Cypriano, Gilbert Buna Jr., Jesus Caldera, Paulina Wong, Federico G. Badua, Virgilio V. Benitez, Mary Ama & Shiloh John Aiu.



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

- Anointing of the Sick**
- Baptisms** (Aug 11 & 18, Sept 8 & 15, Oct 13 & 20)
- Baptism Preparation Classes: Sept 1, Oct 6 & Nov 3.**
- Blessings** (home, auto, religious items, etc...)
- Funerals**
- Homebound Communion**
- Marriages** (at least 6 months before wedding date)



**St. John A&E presents...** Pilgrimage to Israel Discovery with optional 4-night Jordan Post Tour Extension, March 8—18, 2020 with Msgr. John and Deacon Modesto. For more information, please contact Jolly at (808) 623-3332 or go to the parish website and click on the link for the travel brochure. \$200 discount.

† **FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT** †

**Paulina Wong (RIP)**

*Monday, August 5, 2019 ~ St. John's A&E, Mililani*  
*Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 10:30 am*  
*Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park*

**Sonny Parinas Piano (RIP)**

*Sunday, August 11, 2019 ~ Mililani Memorial Park-Makai Chapel*  
*Visitation: 5:30 pm ~ Wake Service: 6:30 pm*  
*Monday, August 12, 2019 ~ Our Lady of Sorrows, Wahiawa*

*Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 11:00 am*  
*Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park*

**Federico Guira Badua (RIP)**

*Monday, August 12, 2019 ~ Mililani Memorial Park-Mauka Chapel*

*Visitation: 6:00 pm ~ Wake Service: 6:30 pm*  
*Tuesday, August 13, 2019 ~ St. John's A&E, Mililani*  
*Visitation: 9:30 am ~ Mass: 11:00 am*  
*Burial: 12:30 pm ~ Mililani Memorial Park*

**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.

**St. John's Catholic Preschool**



**Open Enrollment** is now available for Keiki's 3-5 years of age (Pre-K & Kindergarten.)

For more information, please contact Amie Quiason at (808) 744-9538 or via email [aquiason@rcchawaii.org](mailto:aquiason@rcchawaii.org).  
**Space is limited, so act quickly.**

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**7/27-7/28**

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 15,050.78</b>
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 1,280.60
<b>Building, Equipment, &amp; Maintenance (BEM)</b>	<b>\$ 815.55</b>
<b>OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)</b>	<b>\$ 8,884.14</b>
<b>Donation- Funerals</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>Donation- Youth and Young Adults</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>
<b>Donation- Social Ministry</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Donation- Charity</b>	<b>\$ 21.00</b>
<b>Donation- Peter's Pence</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>
<b>Donation- Children's Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2.00</b>
<b>Donation- Seminarian Education</b>	<b>\$ 250.00</b>
<b>Candle Sales</b>	<b>\$ 535.00</b>
<b>Mass Intentions</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>

**Weekend Total: \$ 28,039.07**

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



- \* 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 Initiations.

**2019-2020 RCIA classes begin this August.**

For more information, contact Deacon Modesto Cordero at (808) 585-3342 or [mcordero@rcchawaii.org](mailto:mcordero@rcchawaii.org) or Deacon Romeo Ganibe at [rganibe@rcchawaii.org](mailto:rganibe@rcchawaii.org).

**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-July-1-newsletter&utm\\_content=scam-call](https://www.malwarebytes.com/scam-call/?utm_source=double-opt-in&utm_medium=email-internal-b2c&utm_campaign=EM-B2C-2019-July-1-newsletter&utm_content=scam-call)



# PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR

**SJAE FAMILY FUN WALK & HEALTH FAIR** - A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone that coordinated and lead the walk and participated for their outstanding contributions, donations, and great support at last July 20th successful, thoughtful, and compassionate SJAE FAMILY FUN WALK & HEALTH FAIR.

**Next weekend**, the Parish Health Ministry will be on the lanai after the 5pm Mass on Saturday and all morning Masses on Sunday to provide free blood screening.

**Faith Matters: The next Introduction to Scriptures class will be held on Thursday, August 15th at 7 pm in classroom 3.**



**Annual School Supply Drive, June 10—August 17, 2019.** All school supplies are welcome. A complete list of requested supplies is available in the Parish Office. If you are a family in need of assistance with school supplies for your child, please call the Outreach Office at 623-3332 ext. 203 for more information. Thank you for your support!



**Attention Men of St John the Apostle and Evangelist: The Men's ACTS retreat is currently planned for August 22—25, 2019, at the St Anthony Retreat Center in the beautiful Kalihi Valley. This retreat has enriched the**

**lives of many people in at least 27 states in the U.S. & several countries throughout the world. This retreat will help your personal, spiritual growth! If you are seeking answers about your spiritual journey and/or wish to deepen your faith, please consider attending this wonderful retreat. Contact Armando Lopez at (808-799-4740) for additional information or to sign up.**

**Catholic Charities Hawaii (CCH):** Our parish will be participating in a special collection the weekend of August 22/23, for CCH. Your participation will help fulfill the mission to serve the most vulnerable brothers & sisters.

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



**ONE COMMUNITY CENTER- MEMORIAL TILES:** Honor a living loved one or celebrate a life by purchasing a personalized, etched tile, which will be placed on the OCC outside wall. **Tiles must be purchased by September 1st 2019.** Forms available at the Rectory Office. Tile is **\$1000 (\$850 is tax deductible)**, 8" x 8" - 6 lines of text (20 characters per line.) The wall of 220 tiles will be filled on a **first come, first served** basis so don't miss out on recognizing someone you love!

**SAVE THE DATE: Parish Event-** Guest speaker, Hunter Haas will be speaking here on Wednesday, September 4th at 7 pm. The talk will be on Art of Accompaniment ~ Our call to discipleship and evangelization. Topics: 1) How to engage young people in the parish. 2) How to live out mission in our everyday life, and 3) discipleship and evangelization. Everyone is welcome!

**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 you death?

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

## **THIS WEEK: August 5 – 11**

**Monday**— 7:30 am—Rosary

8 am- *Daily Mass*

8:45 am- Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

7 pm- Family Prayer Group (Rm 4)

7 pm- Troop 144 (Rm 5)

7 pm- Charismatic (CH)

7 pm- 4th Degree Knight (Rm 3)

**Tuesday**— 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- *Daily Mass*

8:45 am- Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

9 am- Women's Bible Study (CH)

9 am- Church Cleaning- Environmental

3 pm- Cenacle Prayer (CH)

7 pm- 5 pm Choir Practice (CH)

7:30 pm - AA Meeting (Rm 6)

**Wednesday**— 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- *Daily Mass*

8:45 am- Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

9 am- HUI (Rm 3)

6 pm- OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)

6:30 pm- RE- FRCE Parent Mtg. (Rms 2-3)

7 pm-9 am Choir Practice (CH)

7:30 pm—NA Meeting (Rm 6)

**Thursday**— 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- *Daily Mass*

8:45 am- Rosary Prayer Group (CH)

9 am- Church Cleaning (Group 2)

6 pm- 11 am Choir practice (CH)

6 pm- ACTS Retreat Team Mtg. (Rm 4)

**Friday**— 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- *Daily Mass*

4 pm- 2 Hearts (CH)

6 pm- ACTS Ministry Core Mtg. (Rm 4)

**Saturday**— 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- *Daily Mass*

8:30 am- Catechist Retreat (Benedictine Monastery)

8:45 am- Rosary Prayer Group

9 am- PHM Nutrition Demo (CH Lanai)

10 am- Knights of Columbus State Mtg. (Rms 2-3)

3:30 pm - Confession

5 pm- Mass (Saturday Vigil)

5 pm- PHM- Blood Pressure Screening (Lanai)

**Sunday**— **Masses**

7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm

4 pm - 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)

PHM- Blood Pressure Screening (Lanai)