

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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ST. JOHN APOSTLE & EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NEW PARISHIONERS & VISITORS, WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

SUNDAY GOSPEL REFLECTION

By: Deacon Modesto Cordero

God is merciful and compassion!

The readings this weekend provides us with another great opportunity to reflect on God's mercy and compassion. This is fully revealed in His son Jesus Christ. One important fact that runs through all the readings is the readiness of God to welcome and receive us irrespective of how much we have fallen and gone away from him. The first reading from the Book of Exodus shows us a God who is faithful to his promises. God is tired of His people because they are never faithful to Him. However, God allows Himself to be persuaded by Moses, who intercedes on behalf of the people, and He "relented in the punishment" for them. He demonstrated that his love and mercy surpass his anger and judgment. Do we pray for others to be spared? Do we ask God to be faithful to His promises to us?

The second reading from Paul's letter to Timothy reminds us that, like himself, we are all products of God's mercy. Paul says: "This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Paul is grateful to the merciful Lord who has delivered him from his sinful pride and ignorance. Does our community practice the hospitality of Jesus who welcomed all with joy, love, and compassion? If we call ourselves Christian we must take on the path of Jesus: seek the lost and welcome the sinner.

In the Gospel, we are confronted with three parables. These parables tell us about God's mercy, which does not follow strict justice. Instead, the love, care, and concern that our Father shows for his creation are superabundant. In each parable, the joy of finding is so great that it must be shared with others. In these parables, we see mercy lived out in the lives of men and women who have had their lives changed by an experience of the living God. Although like the apostle Paul's some conversions are flashy and life-altering, more often than not they are slow and subtle. Throughout our lives, Jesus continually calls us to return to him, to follow him more closely, to be found. We can only do this if we are praying regularly have a deep and solid connection to the Lord. Such a deep and solid connection never means that we will not be faithful. Rather it means that no matter how often we fail, we trust in Him to bring us back to Him. It challenges us to welcome back and be welcomed back. Whether we are forgiving or being forgiven, our lives must reflect a deep desire to be merciful and compassionate as we learn to imitate the image of a loving God who keeps inviting us to return. We must do our part, and remember that God is always faithful!

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

<p>Parish Rectory Hours Monday: 12:00 PM - 4:30 PM Tues. - Fri.: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday/Sunday: Closed</p>
<p>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</p>
<p>Religious Ed Office Hours Monday/ Saturday: Closed Tues., Thurs & Fri. 12 PM - 6:30pm Wednesday: 2 pm - 8:30 pm Sunday: 7 am - 2 pm</p>
<p>PARISH CLERGY & STAFF</p>

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What you can do during Eucharistic Adoration

- Pray the Psalms or the Liturgy of the Hours.*
 Whether you are praising, giving thanks, asking for forgiveness or seeking an answer, you'll find an appropriate psalm.
- Recite the "Jesus Prayer"*
 What is the prayer of Jesus? Very simple. Say "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, a sinner," repeatedly as you quiet your heart and mind.
- Meditate using Scripture*
 Choose a passage from the Bible. Read the words and ask God to let the passage speak to you.
- Read the life of a saint and pray with those who have had a great devotion to Our Lord in the Eucharist.* Some examples would be: Therese of Lisieux, Catherine of Siena, Francis of Assisi, Thomas Aquinas, Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Read about them and pray their prayers before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Pour out your heart to Christ and adore Him*
 Speak to Jesus, aware that you are in His presence, and tell Him all that comes to your mind. Listen for His response.
- Ask for forgiveness and intercede for others*
 Think of those who have hurt you and request a special blessing for them. Ask God to forgive you for all the times you have neglected or hurt someone else. Bring before the Blessed Sacrament all those who have asked you to pray for them. Ask the Lord to address their concerns.
- Pray the Rosary*
 Pope John Paul II reminds us, "...is not the enraptured gaze of Mary as she contemplated the face of the newborn Christ and cradled him in her arms that unparalleled model of love which should inspire us every time we receive Eucharistic communion?"
- Sit quietly and just "be" in the presence of God.* Think of a visit to the Blessed Sacrament as coming to see your best friend. Sit quietly and enjoy being in each other's company. Instead of talking to the Lord, try listening to what He wants to tell you.
- Plan while at home* how you will spend your one hour of adoration have your plan with you.

Msgr. John S. Mbinda

IS CFM FOR YOU? CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT



Aloha! Our newest ministry, The SJA&E Christian Family Movement (CFM), is a place to share your concerns about whether you're doing a good job as a parent. It's a place to learn how to be a better spouse. It's a way to grow as a child of God. CFMers meet for study, conversation, simple companionship, and fun. CFMers discuss issues relating to home, workplace, society, and learn how to make things better for themselves and their families by letting Christ lead them. CFM will be on the church lanai after all Masses on Sept 22; Oct 13, 27; Nov 10; Dec 3 and 22. Find out more about us! Call Patrick A. Guzman at (808) 351-6179 for all the details.

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2019**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time****First Reading: Amos 8:4-7**

In the first reading, prophet Amos makes a prophecy denouncing the unscrupulous merchants for their false piety, their avarice, their dishonest business practices, and their exploitation of the poor. While these merchants observed the Sabbaths, it seems they did so hypocritically. They even plan what they will do to overcharge the poor. The poor referred to hear the landless; those who do not harvest anything and so have to purchase all their food. God, however, swears that He will never forget them.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 113: 1-2, 4-6, 7-8

Psalm 113 is a hymn of praise of the Lord. The psalm begins with a call to “praise” God. The word praise in Hebrew is “Hallelujah.” In this Psalm the word “Hallelu” (praise you) is used as a refrain, a response to a series of statements that offer God’s indescribable graciousness. God “raises the lowly from the dust” and lifts up the poor from the dunghill.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Paul in this passage is speaking to Timothy as leader of a Christian Community, giving him directions regarding prayer during times of public worship. The three types of prayers mentioned are various forms of the petition. The fourth kind, thanksgiving (eucharistia), is important in adding gratitude to prayer. The major point Paul makes is that prayers should be offered for all people. Special attention is given to civil leaders. Two reasons are given for such prayer. 1) Pray for their salvation since they were pagans, and 2) it is God’s will to pray for them which refers to God’s intention for the salvation of all.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

The Gospel passage is the story of the dishonest steward or household manager (oikonomos in Greek). The steward rewrites the debts of his employer’s creditors to ensure his own financial future after he is dismissed. The story has raised more questions than answers because it seems that Jesus is commending the steward for his behavior. The person is being fired because he did not fulfill his expected responsibility. The text does not say the steward swindled his master; it says he squandered the property. The reason for his dishonesty: “I am not strong enough dig and I am ashamed to beg.” He wisely plans ahead so that after being fired he would be welcomed into the creditors’ homes. Jesus, therefore, commends his prudence in planning ahead. He does not commend his action. Jesus draws a religious conclusion from this prudent action. The point of the story is found in the last verse. “You cannot serve both God and mammon.” One must choose.

Follow Msgr. John’s Homilies! Blog(text): www.sundayhomily.com**Podcast (audio):**<https://soundcloud.com/john-mbinda>*Mass Intentions for the Week***Monday, September 16, 2019****(8 am) †Alvin Yasui**

(1st Death Anniversary)

†Paulina Wong

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

Tuesday, September 17, 2019**(8 am) Karen Hartnett**

(Birthday Wishes/ Blessing)

†Paulina Wong

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

Julie Quiroz-Zamora

(Birthday Blessing)

Luvi Saguibo (Birthday Blessing)

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

Thursday, September 19, 2019**(8 am) †Eric Umetsu**

†James & Mildred Mizoguchi

†Anthony Scarpelli

(Death Anniversary)

Friday, September 20, 2019**(8 am) †Pacita Mauleon**

(Death Anniversary)

Deacon Modesto Cordero

(Birthday Blessing)

Kirah Evile (Birthday Blessing)

Saturday, September 21, 2019**(8 am) †Patrick Saguibo**

(Death Anniversary)

†M/M Robert Roberson & Brenda

Suzanna Foster (Healing/Blessing)

5 pm Dorothy Torres


(Birthday Blessing)

Sunday, September 22, 2019**7am Suzanna Foster****9 am For the People****11 am †Patrick Saguibo****6 pm †Eduardo Tarabotto****†Rest in Peace†**

HEALING / BLESSINGS: baby Mairenuí Tauotaha-Amo, Jack & Ellen Cleghorn, 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., Shirley Pichon, Mary Anne O. Llacuna & all names in Prayer Intentions Book.

DECEASED: 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, Thelma Ruiz, Nestor “Jun” Tantamco, Lawrence Wilson, Anne Nishihara, Evelyn Bolosan, Ted Encarnado, Ted C. Abear, Kenneth Silva & Robert “Bob” Duncan Sr.

Please contact the parish office to set up an appointment & coordination for the following:
Anointing of the Sick
Baptisms (Oct 13 & 20, Nov 10 & 17, Dec 8 & 15.)
Baptism Preparation Classes: Oct 6, Nov 3 & Dec 1.
Blessings (home, auto, religious items, etc...)
Funerals
Homebound Communion
Marriages (at least 6 months before wedding date)

 The Parish Health Ministry is sponsoring the **FLU VACCINATION DAY** scheduled on Saturday, Sept. 28th from 9 am at St. John's. Vaccines will be provided by Walgreens. For more info, contact Bonnie Delos Santos at (808) 312-3651 or Elaine Gibson at (808) 497-8366.



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.

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.


STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE	8/31-9/1
Sunday Collection	\$ 11,861.82
Online Donation (WeShare)	\$ 3,031.45
Building, Equipment, & Maintenance (BEM)	\$ 1,836.00
OCC Capital Campaign (Non Assessed)	\$ 7,072.42
Donation- Baptisms	\$ 50.00
Donation- Social Ministry	\$ 1,473.00
Donation- Charity	\$ 11.00
Donation- Catholic Charities HI	\$ 23.00
Donation- Children's Collection	\$ 7.00
Donation- Youth & Young Adults	\$ 60.00
Donation- Good Friday	\$ 15.00
Donation- Catholic Univ. of America	\$ 8.00
Candle Sales	\$ 515.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 10.00
Weekend Total:	\$ 25,973.69

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


San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena
 The Fil-Am Catholic Group is hosting a novena to San Lorenzo Ruiz from September 19th to September 26th.

 Thurs., Sept 19 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Fri., Sept 20 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Sat., Sept 21 3:00 - 4:00 pm Rm 4
 Sun., Sept 22 3:00 - 4:00 pm Rm 4
 Mon., Sept 23 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Tues., Sept 24 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Wed., Sept 25 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Thurs., Sept 26 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Fri., Sept 27 6:30 - 7:30 pm Rm 4
 Sat., Sept 28 3:00 - 4:00 pm Rm 4

On Saturday, Sept. 28th, everyone is invited for fellowship and a potluck following the 5:00 pm Mass in classrooms 2 & 3. Please contact Marcie Wong (808) 375- 6752.

 The next Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Friday, October 4, immediately after the 8 am Mass to 7:30 am on Saturday, October 5.

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. **Next series will be on Tuesday, September 24, 2019, 6:30 pm – 8 pm in classroom 2.**
 October 1: Sharing Stories of Faith
 October 8: The Church Today: Changes since Vatican II
 October 15: Explanation of the Mass
 October 22: The Sacrament of Penance
 October 29: The Nicene Creed
 For more info, contact the CRH team at (808) 623-3332 ext. 100 or email: sjaeinfo@rcchawaii.org. Everyone is welcome!

St John A&E Marriage Validation
 ♥Are you a Catholic who exchanged marriage vows in the presence of an authorized civic official or a minister from another religious tradition?
 ♥ Are you seeking to have your marriage officially recognized and blessed by the Church known as **Convalidation of a Marriage?**
Save the Dates
 ♥Marriage Validation Retreat: Sat. Feb. 1, 2020 at 9am— 3 pm.
 ♥Validation Rehearsal: Thurs. Feb. 6, 2020 at 6 pm.
 ♥Marriage Validation Ceremony: Sat. Feb. 8, 2020 at 5 pm in the Church. Bishop Larry Silva will be presiding.
 ♥For more information, contact Deacon Modesto at mcordero@rcchawaii.org or Deacon Romeo at rganibe@rcchawaii.org.



PARISH EVENTS & WEEKLY CALENDAR



In two weeks, our parish will conduct a survey to measure the effectiveness of our programs and to assess the greatest needs of our parish community. This is an opportunity for all of those who come to this parish to make their needs and opinions known. The results will help us better serve all those who attend Mass here. The survey is being conducted by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) a Catholic research center. The survey will be distributed and collected in-pew during all Masses on the weekend of September 28-29. An example of the survey will be included in next week's bulletin. Our parish will receive a report summarizing our results within 12 weeks of the survey, and the findings will be used as we transition to a new priest in July 2020 and for the next Five Year Plan. Thank you for your cooperation and participation.

Food pantry- If you or someone you know needs food assistance, we can help!! Come see on **Tuesday, September 24th from 10 am— 12 noon at St. John's parking lot.**



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. Foodland and the Western Union Foundation will match a portion of each donation. 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 Outreach, #7745**

The Hui O Lualima Food Trolley will be out on all Masses for the month of September. There is a need of nonperishable: SPAM, Corned Beef, Beef Stew, Vienna Sausage, Rice, Oatmeal, Breakfast Items, Soda Crackers, Ritz Crackers, Pancake & Muffin Mix, Cocoa/ Coffee, Jellies and Ketchup/Shoyu/Mustard, etc. Thank you for your continued support and kokua.



Oahu Faith Formation Conference- Fri., Sept 20 - Sat., Sept 21 at Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa School. Register online: www.catholicahawaii.org/oahufaithconference. Parents with young children who wish to attend the conference, on Sat., Sept 21, they will offer a morning 10:30 am and afternoon 1:30 pm "Play and Pray" session for children in preschool and grades K-1. Submit forms and payment by Wednesday, Sept. 11. For more information, please contact Chad Chun at (808) 203-6747 or cchun@rcchawaii.org.

Rosary Making Ministry: The next gathering is on **Saturday, September 28th** at 10 am on the church lanai. Everyone is welcome.

2019 Diocesan Rosary Relay: 7 days & nights Masses, Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, Hourly Recitation of the Rosary, Confession, Processions. In our Diocese, we want to experience "the traveling congress." The Diocesan Relay will start on Mon., Oct 7 at 6 pm and end on Mon., Oct 13 at 6 pm. **St. John A&E will be participating on Thurs., Oct 10 at 6 am - 12noon in the Church. 6 am - 7:45 am - Rosary; 8 am Mass; 8:45 am - 12 noon- Rosary.**

Homebound Ministry: There will be a refresher course on **Thursday, Oct. 10th at 7 pm** in classroom 3. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Yolanda Morreira at (808) 220-8997. It's open to everyone.

Our Faith, Our Freedom- Introducing the Hawaii Catholic Advance Healthcare Directive- The Hawaii Catholic Conference invites all adults, ages 18 and older, to attend the following rollout session: Saturday October 5 from 9 am to Noon at Resurrection of the Lord, Waipio. Learn how to start a conversation about end-of-life decisions with a loved one, how to make morally sound decisions about medical care when a person may be nearing death, how to choose an agent and complete the AHCD form, and about palliative care and the benefits of hospice services. For more information, visit catholicahawaii.org/hcc.

PLANTING SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE: Grandpa didn't have a will, but Grandma does. She had to settle Grandpa's estate without one, and she now knows how important a will really is. Do you have a will?

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

THIS WEEK: Sept 16 – Sept 22

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)

Tuesday- 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- Daily Mass
8:45 am- Rosary Prayer Group (CH)
9 am- Women's Bible Study (Rm 2)
9 am- Church Cleaning- Environment
3 pm- Cenacle Prayer (CH)
6:30 pm- PPBC (Rm 1)
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)
6 pm- OLPH Prayer Group (Rm 2)
7 pm- 9 am Choir Practice (CH)
7 pm- RCIA- Session #4: Prayer (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)
9 am- Church Cleaning (Group 5)
6:30 pm- Fil Am- San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena (Rm 4)
7 pm- Faith Matters Graduation (CH)

Friday- 7:30 am- Rosary

8 am- Daily Mass
9 am- Church Cleaning- Environment (CH)
4 pm- 2 Hearts (CH)
6 pm- ACTS Ministry Core Mtg (Rm 3)
6:30 pm- Fil Am- San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena (Rm 4)

Saturday- 7 am- Oahu Faith Formation (Co-

Cathedral - St. Theresa School, Kalihi)
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)
9:30 am- Advent Liturgy Planning Mtg (Conf rm)
10 am- Town Hall Meeting (CH)
3 pm- Fil Am- San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena (Rm 4)
3:30 pm - Confession
5 pm- Mass (Saturday Vigil)

Sunday- Masses

7 am, 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm

Religious Education: "A" Schedule

3 pm- Fil Am- San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena (Rm 4)
4 pm - 6 pm Choir Practice (CH)

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.

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