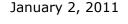


St. Joseph Church

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MASS SCHEDULE St. Joseph Church

Weekdays: Mon.-Fri. 6:00 am & 12:15 pm Legal Holidays: 7:00 am Saturday: 7:00 am Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday:

St. Joseph Church 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:45 am & 6:00pm

Confession:

Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am St. Joseph Church or by appointment

*Please note: confession schedule does not apply During some liturgical seasons.

Prayer Times

Adoration: M-F 4-5:00 pm Sat 3-3:30 pm Sun 4-4:30 pm **Evening Prayer & Benediction** M-F 5:00 pm Sat 3:30 pm

Sun 4:30 pm

Reflection by Father Greg Friedman, O.F.M.

If one phenomenon marks our modern world, it's instant communication. The message you're listening to is just one way we interact at the speed of light. Hello, I'm Franciscan Father Greg Friedman, and this is the "Sunday Soundbite" for the Feast of the Epiphany.

I sat at a computer to write this short reflection, and then someone took it-via the Internet—to edit and prepare so that it might be heard on our Web site or over the radio waves. If you wish, you could download the very text I originally typed. I still marvel at all the ways we can communicate today.

Today's feast of the Epiphany of the Lord is a feast that celebrates communica*tion.* The Gospel we read today portrays Jesus, the Word Made Flesh, revealed to

the nations, as the wise men arrive to pay him homage. Whatever the historical facts behind the story, the *message of faith* is that God is reaching out to us, communicating to us the Word Made Flesh. That's communication that has transformed human history.

God's revelation in Jesus has a power surpassing all our modern technological "miracles," because it speaks to our hearts. Are we listening? Are we open to the Word?

Let's become modern channels of God's communication to the world in this new year, using our gifts—whatever they may be—to pass on the message of the Good News, that Love is born in our midst.

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Mission Statement:

Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ as we seek fullness of life.

Blessed with many cultures and gifted with the Hawaiian spirit of Aloha we pledge to share our heritage and our faith, and commit ourselves to the full development of our people.

With Saint Joseph as our patron we offer our gift of self for the greater glory of God.



Pastor's Corner

Solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany

Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, Happy New Year to all of you!

The experience of the Magi narrated in this Sunday's Gospel provides inspiration in our search for the various manifestations or epiphanies of God. The Magi have one basic question which moves them to set out boldly along unknown paths.

Their persistent search brings them to Bethlehem, the birthplace of the Christ child. They are

rewarded with a joyful face-to-face encounter with the King they set out to find.

The center of the story then is Jesus, the newborn King, who moves the hearts of men and women to re-examine their positions and act accordingly.

Pope Benedict reflects:

"The new King, to whom they paid homage, was quite unlike what they were expecting. In this way they had to learn that God is not as we usually imagine him to be. This was where their inner journey began. It started at the very moment when they knelt down before this child and recognized him as the promised King. But they still had to assimilate these joyful gestures internally. They had to change their ideas about power, about God, and about people, and in so doing, they also had to change themselves."

The Solemnity of Epiphany signifies our true destiny. God's coming in the flesh and blood allows us to see what we were made to bebearers of divine love. Encountering God in the Christ child leaves us no other choice but to begin our journey back to where we belong, back to our Creator, back to Love who calls us into being.

God bless you,

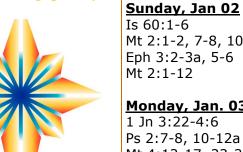
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The parish would like to honor married couples who have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries. Please sumbit your names and wedding date to the parish office as soon as possible. You may also submit the name and contact info of the person representing the married couple. Mahalo. Submitted by Fred & Patti Basilio

Parish Hall Fund	\$	815.00
School Fund	\$	250.00
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	406.00
Social Ministry	\$	26.00
Food Pantry	\$	211.87
Mass Collections	\$	24,623.20
Other Collections	\$	4,899.50
Total Deposit	\$	31,231.57
Parish Hall Collection	¢	462 525 92
to date	\$	463,525.83

MSMHC Mission 2nd Collection

There will be a 2nd collection on January 8 & 9 for the Missionary Sisters of Mary Help of Christians mission in India. If you have any questions please call Sr. Lisa at 990-2063



Is 60:1-6 Mt 2:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Scripture Readings

Monday, Jan. 03

1 Jn 3:22-4:6 Ps 2:7-8, 10-12a Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, Jan. 04 1 Jn 4:7-10 Ps 72:1-4, 7-8 Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, Jan. 05

1 Jn 4:11-18 Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, Jan. 06 1 Jn 4:19-5:4 Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17 Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, Jan. 07

1 Jn 5:5-13 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, Jan. 08 1 Jn 5:14-21 Ps 149:1-6a, 9b Jn 3:22-30

<u>Sunday, Jan 09</u>

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17

Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord and Let perpetual light shine upon them



Important Dates:

Youth Masses Jan.23 11:45am

R.E. Classes will resume on January 9th.

Catholics Returning Home 5:30 pm Thursday, Jan. 6 & Friday, Jan. 7



The Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu, announces the following pastoral changes in the Diocese of Honolulu:

<u>New Vicar General</u>

Father Marc Alexander, who has served the diocese with great energy and vision and the Vicar General since 2006, has requested a six-month sabbatical. I have granted him this well deserved sabbatical, which will begin on February 1, 2011. He will serve as Vicar General until then, and upon his return after the sabbatical will receive a new assignment in the diocese.

Father Gary Secor, currently the Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish in East Honolulu, will become Vicar General effective January 1, 2011. For the month of January, he will share the responsibilities with Father Marc Alexander, and will become the sole Vicar General on February 1, 2011. Father Secor will continue to serve as Pastor of Holy Trinity until July 1, 2011, when he will become full-time Vicar General and a new pastor will be named for Holy Trinity Parish.

Vicar for Clergy

Father Khanh Hoang, the current Vicar for Clergy, has received my permission to minister in a Mainland diocese for one year, beginning in June, 2011. His physicians have determined that the "vog" (volcanic fog) in Hawaii is detrimental to his health, so he will see if a change in environment helps reduce his frequent allergic reactions. He has served the clergy and the diocese with great distinction as Vicar for Clergy.

Father Manuel Hewe, currently Pastor of St. John the Apostle and Evangelist Parish in Mililani, will become the Assistant Vicar for Clergy, effective January 1, 2011, while remaining Pastor in Mililani. On July 1, 2011, he will assume full-time duties as Vicar for Clergy and a new pastor will be named for St. John the Apostle and Evangelist Parish.

I am most grateful to Father Marc Alexander and to Father Khanh Hoang for their outstanding service to our diocese. They will be greatly missed. I am also grateful to Father Gary Secor and to Father Manuel Hewe for accepting these new responsibilities.

This Week's Calendar

MONDAY,	January 03	THURSDAY	, January 06	
	 Aloha Choir Rehearsal/Church 	5:30 pm		
12:30 pm		-	Room	
5:15 pm	 Bible Study w/Sr. Marykutty/Conf. 	7:00 pm	•Filipino Christian Community (Faith	
Room			Sharing)/Mtg. Room	
•	 RCIA Classes/Library 	FRIDAY, January 07 First Friday		
•	 Liturgy Meeting/Mtg. Room 	9:30 am	•SJ School Mass/SJES Chapel	
-	January 04	1:00 pm	 Adoration/Church 	
	 Small Christian Community/Library 	5:30 pm	•Catholics Returning Home/Conf.	
•	 Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church 		Room	
WEDNESDAY, January 05		SATURDAY, January 08		
	 Funeral Mass(Edwards)/Church 	8:15 am	•Church Cleaners #2/Church	
12:30 pm	 Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church 	9:00 am		
6:00 pm	•Basic Christian Community/Soc.	10.00	ing(New Roman Missal)/Mtg. Room	
0.00 pm	Min. Center	10:00 am	Reconciliation/Church	
7:00 pm	•Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church	10:00 am	•Bible Study (Dcn. Don Aanavi)/	
•	Y, January 06		Library	
		SUNDAY, January 09"The Baptism of the		
5:30 pm	S .	Lord"		
	Room			
7:00 pm	•Filipino Christian Community (Faith			
	Sharing)/Mtg. Room			

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