May 8, 2011



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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:

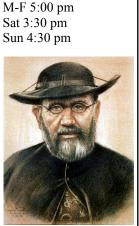
Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am St. Joseph Church or by appointment

*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





Blessed Marianne Cope Relic Mass

The relic of Blessed Marianne Cope of Molokai will arrive on the morning of Tuesday, May 10th. There will be a Mass held at 7 pm on Tuesday to honor the memory and courageous works of this holy woman.

The relic will be available for veneration immediately following the 12:15 pm Mass and throughout the afternoon until the 7:00 pm Mass. There will be a short presentation at 6:30 pm about Blessed Marianne's life and works.

FLORES DE MAYO

(Santacruzan)
Sunday, May 22, 2011 6pm Mass
St. Joseph Parish Church
(Procession begins at St. Joseph High

Flores de Mayo (English: Flowers of May) is a Catholic festival held in the Philippines in the month of May in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, mother of Christ. Filipinos turn each of the 31 days in May into a charming honor to the virginal virtues in Flores de Mayo, the flowers of May fiesta.

School Gym)

Santacruzan (religious-historical beauty pageant) refers to the novena procession on the last day of Flores de Mayo in honor of the finding of the Holy Cross by St. Helena. It involves the retelling of biblical and historical female personages who contributed to the Catholic faith. It culminates St. Helena's (Revna Elena) mythical finding of the true cross of Christ in Jerusalem. According to legends, 300 years after the death of Christ, at the age of 75, St. Helena, accompanied by St. Macarius went to Calvary to conduct a search for the Cross. After some archeological diggings at the site of the Crucifixion, she unearthed three crosses. She tested each one by making a sick servant lie on all three. The cross where the servant recovered was identified as Christ's. St. Helena's feast day falls on August 8 but the anniversary of the finding of the Cross is May (continued on page 3)

As another legend puts it, Constantine the Great (St. Helena's son), facing a battle against the Mighty Roman Emperor, Maxentius in the year 312 A.D. turned

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

May 8, 2011

Peace in the Risen Lord

Delivering a message about the sacredness of life and being pro-life cut against the grain of those who call themselves pro-choice. As disciples of Jesus, the Risen One, we are all called to stand, raise up our voice and proclaim.

This is what Peter did, the same person who, just days earlier, could not even stand up to the truth about who Jesus is. He denied the Lord thrice when questioned by an insignificant and nameless servant girl.

There must be something about experiencing the power of Christ's resurrection that totally transformed him. Peter "stood up with the eleven ... raised his voice and proclaimed to them".

The courage to stand up, raise one's voice and proclaim one's faith are actions out of which 'martyrdom' is made. Peter did it. And so do we.

As we observe Mother's Day we pray that all mother's may stand up for life and become life-giving agents to a death-stricken world.

Let us pray.

Holy God, you compare your own love for your people to the love of a mother for her children. Give them comfort in moments of sorrow and give them joy in their work for their families. Listen to their prayers and bless them in all they do for you. Let them share with Jesus your Son and Mary, our mother in the everlasting happiness of heaven.

Father, we ask this grace through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace in the Lord Jesus Christ! Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS

Religious Education Dates for May:

Confirmation rehearsal: Saturday, May 14 at 6:15 pm Last day of class for R. E.: Sunday, May 15

Confirmation: Sunday, May 15 at 6:00 pm

First Communion Rehearsal: Sat. May 21 at 6:15 pm First Communion Mass: Sunday, May 22 at 9:00 am

Youth Masses

May 8 & May 22 11:45 am

Collection Report for:	4/2	6/2011
Parish Hall Fund	\$	813.00
School Fund	\$	495.50
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	351.50
Social Ministry	\$	691.00
Food Pantry	\$	153.00
Mass Collections	\$	15,411.00
Other Collections	\$	6,411.21
Total Deposit	\$	24,326.21
Parish Hall Collection to date	\$	524,584.25

Collection Report for:	5/2	2/2011
Parish Hall Fund	\$	671.00
School Fund	\$	454.50
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	355.00
Social Ministry	\$	82.50
Food Pantry	\$	713.00
Mass Collections	\$	8,497.11
Other Collections	\$	3,028.50
Total Deposit	\$	13,801.61
Parish Hall Collection to date	\$	525,255.25

Scripture Readings

Sunday, May 08

Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11 1 Pt 1:17-21 Lk 24:13-35

Monday, May 09

Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday, May 10

Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6-7b, 8a, 17, 21ab Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday, May 11

Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a Jn 6:35-40

Thursday, May 12

Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

Friday, May 13

Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1-2 Jn 6:52-59

Saturday, May 14

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Ps 113:1-8 Jn 15:9-17

Sunday, May 15

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Ps 23:1-6 1 Pt 2:20b-25 Jn 10:1-10

Food Pantry Report for April:

491 persons were assisted with emergency food

155 persons served for Hot Meal

hopeless to the new Christian God for help. Constantine cast his eyes heavenwards and saw in the night sky a glowing sign of the cross with the words "In hoc signia vincit", meaning "By this sign thou shalt conquer". He adopted the Cross as his battle insignia with the words and forthwith went to defeat the Roman Army and entered Rome a victory, pledging his faith in Christianity.

In the procession, St. Helena is accompanied by a young Constantine who became the first emperor to make Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire.

The Tagalog region credits the beginning of the Santacruzan or the Sta.Cruz de Manila after the declaration of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception on Dec. 8, 1854, Mariano Sevilla translated and published the devotional Flores de Maria or the "Mariquit na Bulaclac na sa Pagninilaynilay sa Buong Buan nang Mayo ay Inihahandog nang mga Devoto cay Maria Santisima" (The Flowers of Mary or the Beautiful Flowers Prayer for the whole month of May is dedicated by the devotees to Mary, most holy). Nine days of prayer in honor of the Holy Cross precedes the Santacruzan procession, the final part of the Flores de Mayo festival, an enjoyable thanksgiving celebration.

Flores de Mayo/Santacruzan festivity was introduced by the Spaniards in the Philippines and has since become part of Filipino traditions. It's an event that's full of color, beauty, elegance, and most of all, honoring Mother Mary.

Food Pantry **Requests:**

Spam, Corned Beef, Corned Beef Hash,

Vienna Sausage, Canned Pastas, Pork & Beans, Rice and Cereal

Thank You...Sr. Ruth

Hot Meal for May:

Thursday, May 26 Ham will be served



Welcome to these new members:

- **Gavin-John Mata**
- Ian Embernate
- Barbara Jean Makanani-Manuia
- **Gabrielle Pitoy**
- **Melanie Carter**
- **Lawrence Davis**



WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, May 09

10:00 am •Aloha Choir Rehearsal/Church

12:30 pm •Food Pantry/Mtg. Room

5:15 pm •Bible Study w/Sr. Marykutty/Conf. Room

5:30 pm •Youth & Young Adult Choir Rehearsal/ Church

6:00 pm •PPAC meeting/Library

7:00 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church

7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Meeting Room

TUESDAY, May 10

10:00 am •Funeral Mass (Ann Costa)/Church

1:00 pm •Veneration of Blessed Marianne relic

5:30 pm •Parish Maintenance Team Meeting/Meeting Room

6:30 pm •Presentation about Blessed Marianne/Church

•Vicariate Mass (Blessed Marianne Cope 7:00 pm relic)/Church

WEDNESDAY, May 11

•Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church 12:30 pm

6:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/Social Ministry Center

•Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, May 12

FRIDAY, May 13

10:00 am •Society of St. Damien/Social Ministry Center

5:00 pm •Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Library

SATURDAY, May 14

8:15 am •Church Cleaners #6/Church

10:00 am •Bible Study w/Dcn. Don Aanavi/Library

10:00 am •Reconciliation/Church

•Reconciliation/Church 11:00 am

5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry/Library

SUNDAY, May 15

6:00 pm Confirmation Mass/Church

7:00 pm Young Adults Ministry/Library

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