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ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

July 27, 2014

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

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 **MASS SCHEDULE**
St. Joseph Church

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

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

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

Youth Mass

July 27
@
11:45 am



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



YOU'RE INVITED!

Who: Youth (Teens 14-18-[high school])

What: Diocesan Youth Day on Oahu

When: Oct. 24th to Oct. 26, 2014

Where: Sea Life Park Hawaii & St. Stephen's Diocesan Center

Cost: \$450/person (includes airfare, housing, ground transportation, registration fees & some meals).

FUNDRAISING AVAILABLE

Contact Chrislyn Villena at 935-1465 or cwillena@stjoehilo.com or stop by one of our weekly youth ministry gatherings Saturdays from 5-8 pm at the rectory.

Deadline to register is July 31st.

VOTING WITH A CLEAR CONSCIENCE SERIES

8. Distinguish "choosing evil" from "limiting evil."

What happens if two opposing candidates both support abortion? First of all, *refrain from putting any labels or endorsements on anyone.* Don't call them anything. Or, if you prefer, call them both pro-abortion. Then just ask a simple question: *Which of the two candidates will do less harm to unborn children if elected?*

For example, is either of the candidates willing at least to ban late-term abortion? Is either of them willing to put up some roadblocks to free and easy abortion? Will either support parental notification, or parental consent, or waiting periods? Has either of them expressed a desire to support pregnancy assistance centers? How about stricter regulation of abortion facilities? Has either candidate expressed support for that idea? Nobody is saying that's the final goal. But ask these questions just to see whether you can see any benefit of one of the candidates above the other. One of the two of them will be elected; there is no question about that. So you are **not free right now**, in this race, to really choose the candidate you want. Forces beyond your control have already limited your choices. Whichever way the election goes, the one elected will not have the position we want elected officials to have on abortion.

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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.

Please remember St. Joseph Parish in your will



MĀLAMA I KA MAKANA

Cherish The Gift | A Call to Stewardship in the Catholic Church in Hawaii

Dear brothers and sisters,

Peace!

We are still in Matthew's Discourse on the Parables of the Kingdom. This Sunday's Gospel concludes the parables about the Kingdom of Heaven. Here we see how valuable the Kingdom is. It is compared to the treasure in the field, the pearl of great price and a huge catch of fish of every kind.

Through these parables Jesus invites us to enter into the fullness of God's reign. He challenges us to live up to the values of God's Kingdom, the values that he lived, stood and died for. These are values that truly lead to Fullness of Life.

In his General Audience (June 2013), Pope Francis referred to our society as a "throwaway culture." He said, "A person dying is not news, but if the stock market drops ten points, it is a tragedy! Thus people are disposed of, as if they were trash. This 'culture of waste' tends to become the common mentality that infects everyone. Human life, the person is no longer perceived as a primary value to be respected and protected, especially if poor or disabled, if not yet useful-such as the unborn child-or no longer needed-such as the elderly".

The parable ends with the judgment at the end of time. This continues the focus on God's patience and mercy from last Sunday's Gospel.

God bless you.

In Jesus, our fullness of Life,

Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS

Our Stewardship Prayer

Generous and Loving Creator,
you have called us to **Mālama i ka Makana**
(*Cherish the Gift*).

As disciples of your Son,
we ask that your Spirit open our minds and hearts
to more deeply appreciate your countless blessings.

Increase your transforming spirit within us,
so as to nurture our call to stewardship
as a way of life marked always by
faith-filled prayer,

service to others and generous giving.

With the kokua of St. Marianne and St. Damien,
teach us to be good stewards so we may return a
hundred-fold the makana entrusted to us.

We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Scripture Readings



Sunday, July 27

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12

Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

Rom 8:28-30

Mt 13:44-52

Monday, July 28

Jer 13:1-11

(Ps) Dt 32:18-21

Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday, July 29

Jer 14:17-22

Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13

Jn 11:19-27

Wednesday, July 30

Jer 15:10, 16-21

Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18

Mt 13:44-46

Thursday, July 31

Jer 18:1-6

Ps 146:1b-6b

Mt 13:47-53

Friday, Aug. 01

Jer 26:1-9

Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14

Mt 13:54-58

Saturday, Aug. 02

Jer 26:11-16, 24

Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34

Mt 14:1-12

Sunday, Aug. 03

Is 55:1-3

Ps 145:8-9, 15-18

Rom 8:35, 37-39

Mt 14:13-21



Pastoral Evaluation

Dear Parish 'Ohana,

The Blessed Sacrament Congregation is asking parishioners to evaluate the performance of the pastor and associate pastor by using our parish vision and mission statement as well as our parish goals as guidelines. Please take time to complete the survey and return them to our parish rectory office.

The evaluation can be found on our parish website (www.stjoehilo.com) or if you need already printed hardcopies, they may be requested at our parish rectory office.

Mahalo!

Sincerely,

Margaret Lucas, Harvey Motomura, Christina Ranan, David Soares, Linda Villena, Miki Aizawa, Cecilia Dalere
St. Joseph Parish Pastoral Advisory Council

WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, July 28

- 10:00 am •Funeral Mass (+Clyde Araujo)/Church
- 11:30 am •Food Pantry/SJ Social Ministry Center
- 5:15 pm •Bible Study w/Dale Waltjen/Conf. Room
- 5:30 pm •Youth & Young Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church

TUESDAY, July 29

- 10:00 am •Memorial Mass (+Renfred Rico)/Church
- 5:00 pm •Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Conf. Room
- 6:30 pm •Small Christian Community/Library
- 7:00 pm •Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church
- 7:45 pm •San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church

WEDNESDAY, July 30

- 9:00 am •Graveside Service (+Renfred Rico)/Veteran's Cemetery
- 6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

THURSDAY, July 31

- 6:30 pm •SJ Choir Rehearsal/Church

FRIDAY, Aug. 01

- 6:00 pm •Young Adult Ministry/Library

SATURDAY, Aug. 02 "St. Peter Julian Eymard"

- 8:15 am •Church Cleaners (#6-L. Sales/M. Otomo)/Church
- 10:00 am •Bible Sharing (Marianne Leite)/Library
- 5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry/Library
- 7:45 pm •San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church

SUNDAY, Aug. 03

Stewardship report not available at time of printing.



Mark Your Calendars!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2014-2015

Registration for the New Year

August 17th & 24th 9am-1pm @ St. Joseph High School Main Entrance

BIG ISLAND YOUTH NIGHT 2014

Being a Joyful Witness Concert & Seminar with Paul J. Kim August 22, St. Joseph School GYM from 6pm to 9pm Cost: \$5/person

2014 Island Faith Formation Conferences-Big Island - Hilo:

August 23, St. Joseph School from 8:30 am—2:30 pm.

Religious Education Ministry is seeking New Volunteers



The New RE year is fast approaching and with the change of seasons we are looking for new individuals and or married couples who are willing to teach the students the traditions of our faith and form them with the teachings of our church.

No experience needed. We are willing to train and there is a variety of materials/resources to assist you. Our mission indicates a vision of people who love God, love our young people and love their ministry in which they serve. We are looking for volunteers to serve the Saturday Sac-Prep Class, the 7th & 8th Grade Class and the Adult RCIA Team as well as a multitude of substitute teachers to assist when a teacher is absent.

For more information and to set up an interview, please call Chrislyn Villena, Parish Coordinator or RE at **935-1465** or email at **cvillena@stjoehilo.com**.



BACK TO SCHOOL SURVIVAL KIT



As you pack your child's lunch bag, **PRAY!** Pray he/she will hunger for God's Word daily. (*Matthew 5:6*)

As your child climbs the huge steps on to the bus and you wave goodbye, **PRAY!** Ask God to keep his/her feet on the path of righteousness always. (*Proverbs 8:20*)

As the day goes on and you wonder what he/she is doing, **PRAY!** Ask our heavenly Father to protect him/her. (*Psalms 91:14*)

As you look over the papers he/she brings home each day, **PRAY!** Pray that his/her mind will grow in the knowledge of the Lord. (*2 Peter 1:3*)

As you empty the backpack & find scraps of paper, bits of crumbs and pieces of broken pencils, **PRAY!** Pray that God will take away any broken pieces from the day and bring healing and wholeness. (*Psalms 147:3*)



In this case, it is morally acceptable to vote for the candidate who will do less harm. This is not "choosing the lesser of two evils." *We may never choose evil.* But in the case described above, you would not be choosing evil. Why? Because in choosing to *limit an evil*, you are choosing a good.

What you have to ask as Election Day draws near is *whether your vote is needed to keep the worse candidate (of the two, less acceptable but more realistic choices) out of office.*

http://www.priestsforlife.org/vote_votingwithclearconscience.htm

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