

HILO ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



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Malia Puka O Kalani
Church
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Office Hours:
8:00 am - 12:00 Noon



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
Spanish Mass: 7:00 pm
Sunday:
St. Joseph Church
7:00 am, 9:00 am,
11:30 am & 6:00 pm
Malia Puka O Kalani
Church
Sunday: 9:00 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.



The Wise Still Seek Him.

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TO OUR NEW
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John De Ramos, III,
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Jessa De Ramos

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Torrey Pedersen

Seprina Nitta

Felix, Rachelle, Justin,
Maria & Jhiro Calso

Harvey & Alicia
Motomura

Christine Saplan

Bob & Roni Koscik

Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends,

The week of January 13-18, 2008 is National Vocation Awareness Week. Here in our Diocese, a Second Collection will be taken up on January 12 & 13, 2008 for the support of our Seminarians. Presently we have three young men in priestly formation programs. They are doing well and we pray that they will persevere in their discernment to the priesthood. But the needs of our Diocese are great. We need more priests and more to follow their ranks to meet that need.

Seminarians need your help by your prayers and generous support. Consider making a gift to the 2008 Second Collection, to fund the educational and spiritual needs of our Seminarians. This collection undertakes the costs of the Seminary tuition, room and board, insurance and other expenses. This is needed to help produce priests who are committed, prayerful, joyful, and generous in ministering to God's people.

Indeed, God has given to us much and we are truly blessed. How wonderful to return, from our heart, a portion of what you have been given to support the education of our Seminarians.

There are vocations...they must be fostered...they must be awakened...they must be found and encouraged...they must be reassured...they must be strengthened...they must be helped financially. And "your reward shall be great in heaven." Luke 6:23

Mele Kalikimaka e Hau'oli Makahiki Hou!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Peter J. Dumag
Director of Vocations



SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE SEMINARY EDUCATION FUND

Seminarians need your help, as we need more priests. We are blessed with three seminarians and more to follow their ranks. The annual budget per seminarian is \$45,000.00. Support the Seminarian Education Fund on January 12 & 13, 2008. Many young men have answered this call. You can answer it as well, through your prayers and generous support of them as they continue to discern and follow God's will in their lives. Please take home your collection envelopes and **SHOW YOUR SUPPORT** by making a gift. Every gift helps, no matter what the amount!

Sunday Reflection

Fr. John M. Mbinda



The Epiphany of Our Lord

Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6;
Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6;
Matthew 2:1-12

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

This passage from Isaiah is song in praise of Jerusalem. It was written during the restoration of the ruined city after the captivity in Babylon. The prophet dreams that the former glory (vv 1-4) and prosperity (vv 5-7), such as King Solomon had achieved, would again belong to the Jewish people. This dream was never fulfilled literally, but was more than fulfilled by the coming of Christ.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

Psalm 72 looks back to the reign of King Solomon, characterized by the greatest peace, prosperity, power, and justice Israel had ever known. It also looks forward in hope to another king who would be like Solomon, but who would embrace the entire world. The response: "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you" anticipates that hope.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

Paul in this passage refers to the mission of the Church, the calling of all humankind into union with God, as a mystery. The reading underlines the universal nature of salvation in God's plan. Therefore God wills that all cultural barriers be broken down, and all men and women without exception come to know God's love, because the same promise has been made to them through the Gospel.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

This Gospel story about the wise men from the East in a certain sense anticipates the rejection of Jesus by the Jewish leaders as contrasted with his manifestation to and acceptance by the gentiles. The prophecy quoted in v 6 (adapted from Micah 5:1 and 2 Sam 5:2) points to Jesus as fulfilling the messianic hope symbolized by King David. More significantly, the entire story echoes the coming of the Queen of Sheba (Ethiopia) to King Solomon (1 Kg 10:1-13), and shows Jesus as the "new Solomon" whose wisdom draws even the wisest of the world to humble submission.



SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sunday, Jan. 6

Is 60:1-6
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

Monday, Jan. 7

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

Tuesday, Jan. 8

1 Jn 4:7-10
Ps 72:1-4, 7-8
Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, Jan. 9

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

Thursday, Jan. 10

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

Friday, Jan. 11

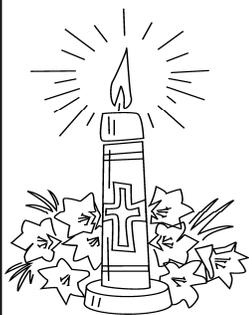
1 Jn 5:5-13
Ps 147:12-15, 19-20
Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, Jan. 12

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

Sunday, Jan. 13

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



Mass of Remembrance

A memorial Mass will be offered for all those in St. Joseph and Malia Puka O Kalani parish families who have died this past year. All parishioners, and especially the family and friends of the deceased, are invited to attend. This special Mass will be held on Saturday, January 19, 2008 at 1:00 pm. If you had a loved one who lived elsewhere and died in 2007, we would like to include them in the memorial Mass. Please call the rectory at 935-1465 and leave their name.



*Show me your ways, O Lord,
Teach me your paths...*



Adult Scripture Study
Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.
Rectory Library



Three Minute Liturgical Catechesis

Article 15: Preparing the Gifts and Ourselves

What do you call the part of the Mass that includes the collection? Many people still use its old name and talk about the Offertory of the Mass. The current liturgical books, on the other hand, call this part of the Mass the Preparation of the Gifts. This change in terminology was a deliberate one, as was noted by the pope's representative when the new missal was released in 1969.

The reason for changing the name of this section of the liturgy is that the real offertory of the Mass occurs in the Eucharistic Prayer. The sacrifice we offer is the sacrifice of Christ. No other sacrifice is acceptable and no other sacrifice is needed, as the Letter to the Hebrews insists. It is Christ who offers himself, and we join in that offering as we proclaim the Eucharistic Prayer.

So, then, what are we doing during the Preparation of the Gifts? The key word is preparation. In this part of the Mass, we are preparing for what is to come. This is symbolized by our preparation of the gifts of bread and wine that will become Christ's body and blood. In these few moments between the Liturgy of the Word and the Eucharistic Prayer, we make the preparations for the Eucharistic Meal and the great prayer of thanksgiving over the meal.

The key action during the Preparation of the Gifts is the procession to bring the gifts to the altar. This procession, though brief and generally simple, is more than merely a practical matter of getting the bread and wine to the altar. It is an expression of our own preparation for entering into Christ's sacrifice. On Holy Thursday, the rubrics suggest that the whole assembly form the procession, they represent all of us. Their movement to the altar suggests the movement of our hearts toward the Lord and our willingness to share in the sacrifice offered on that altar.

Senior members among us may remember being taught to place themselves on the paten with the host when it was offered to God during the Offertory. The only problem with that approach is that the bread is not being offered to God. Only after it becomes the body of Christ is the sacrifice offered. Yet the image still has value. As the bread and the wine are prepared and placed on the altar, we can mentally place ourselves there, too, prepared to give of ourselves as Christ did, ready to share in his sacrificial offering.

This time to prepare ourselves during Mass can bring to completion our efforts to prepare ourselves all week. We are continually called to give of ourselves as Christ did, in loving service to our neighbors. We might begin each day with a prayer that we will always be ready to link ourselves to Christ's sacrifice, whether in church or wherever we happen to be.

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St. Joseph School 2008 – 139 Years and Counting

The students & parents, faculty & staff, and administration wish all the happiness and blessings of the New Year!

We expect 2008 to be a good year for us. During December we received some major gifts to help the school and coming up within the next month we will begin a major marketing and recruiting effort centered on Homecoming.

As many of you recall, one of our alums and his wife (Clifford and Katherine Dias) made a significant \$1,000,000 pledge to the school. In December the first donation of just over \$100,000 was received to fund 13 projects proposed by the staff and administration of the school. A news release will be coming out on this gift shortly. You may have also seen the article and picture in last week Sunday's Hawaii Tribune-Herald (Dec. 30th) announcing the lead gift from the Alexander & Baldwin Foundation for the school's first comprehensive capital campaign. Individual donors, many of them alumni, have also been generous to the school this fiscal year with donations of close to \$50,000 altogether. We are indeed thankful for the vote of confidence that everyone has made to your parish school.

St. Joseph School Homecoming will be celebrated from January 27 to February 1 in conjunction with national Catholic Schools Week. At the 6 p.m. Mass on Sunday, January 27th, St. Joseph Parish will observe the 125th anniversary of the arrival of Blessed Marianne Cope and six other Franciscan Sisters from Syracuse, New York, to minister among the victims of Hansen's Disease. In 1900 the Sisters extended their missionary work to St. Joseph School and have continued their presence here ever since.

Two significant Homecoming events for alumni and friends will be the **Cardinal Café** on Thursday, January 31st at 5:30 p.m. in the school gym which will showcase student achievements and feature pizza and ice cream. Alumni who call the school at 933-1459 will be given a free ticket for a slice of pizza. The week culminates in the **Boys JV and Varsity Basketball Homecoming Games with the presentation of the Court** on Friday, February 1st at 6 p.m. in the Afook-Chinen Civic Auditorium.

We recognize that our best PR is provided by our customers – the alumni and families of current students. If you have school-aged children – or know families (Catholic and others) who have school-aged children – and want to enroll them in a safe, nurturing environment, please come or encourage others to come to the school's annual **Open House** on Saturday, January 26 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. No reservations are necessary. Parents and grandparents will be encouraged to speak with teachers, tour the facilities, look at students' work, and receive information on the application process and financial aid for tuition assistance

For those for whom distance or schedule conflicts prevent them from attending the open house on the 26th, St. Joseph School information sessions are being held from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in neighboring parishes:

Thursday, January 17th at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall, Honoka'a

Tuesday, January 22nd at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Pahoa

Thursday, January 24th at Holy Rosary Mission, Kea'au

For more information or questions about your Parish School, please call our direct line at 933-1459.

Christmas Midnight Mass

Photos By: Joyce C. Saenz





Malia Puka O Kalani Church

Our Volunteers Baptism of the Lord January 13



- *Church Cleaning – Maybelle / Shirley
- * Flowers - Maybelle / Shirley
- * Sacristan – Hale
- * Altar Servers – Kalauao/Kayla / Namele
- * Lectors – Ron / Natalie
- * Money Counters – Julia /Natalie
- * Eucharistic Ministers – Kathy/ Paulette
- * Bell Ringers – Pete / Melody

HO'OHUAHUALAU

Do you need a registration form? Forms are on the plastic shelf outside the front door or see anyone in the Finance Office. Please place completed forms in the Koa Bowl on any Sunday.

Alu Like Schedule
at Malia Puka O Kalani Church
Mon. – Fri.
8:00 am – 1:00 pm
(CLOSED WEDNESDAY)



Please keep in your prayers.
Patty Grube, & Kahele Ohana
Aunty Irene Kondo
Aunty Becky Reis
Aunty Ginger Moniz
Bret Hoffman
Aunty Minnie Alidon
Aunty Dorothy Gouveia
Aunty Dora Costa

Financial Notes: Dec. 30, 2007

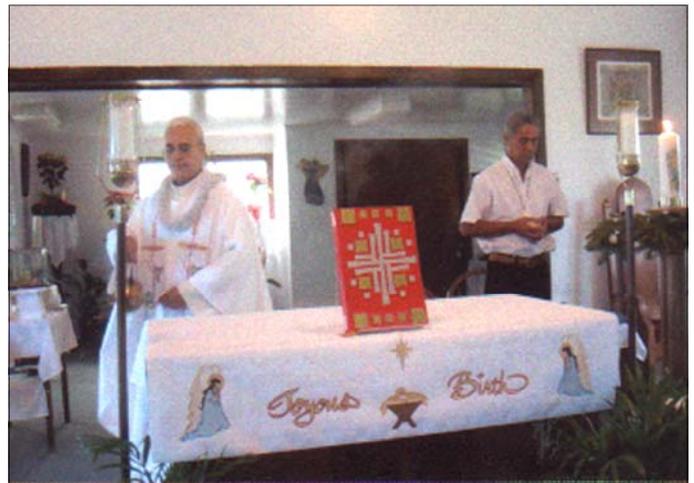
Attendance: 39Adults 4 Children

Koa Bowl: \$ 612.50
Appeal letter: \$ 100.00
Christmas: \$ 15.00

Mahalo Nui for all your Kokua!



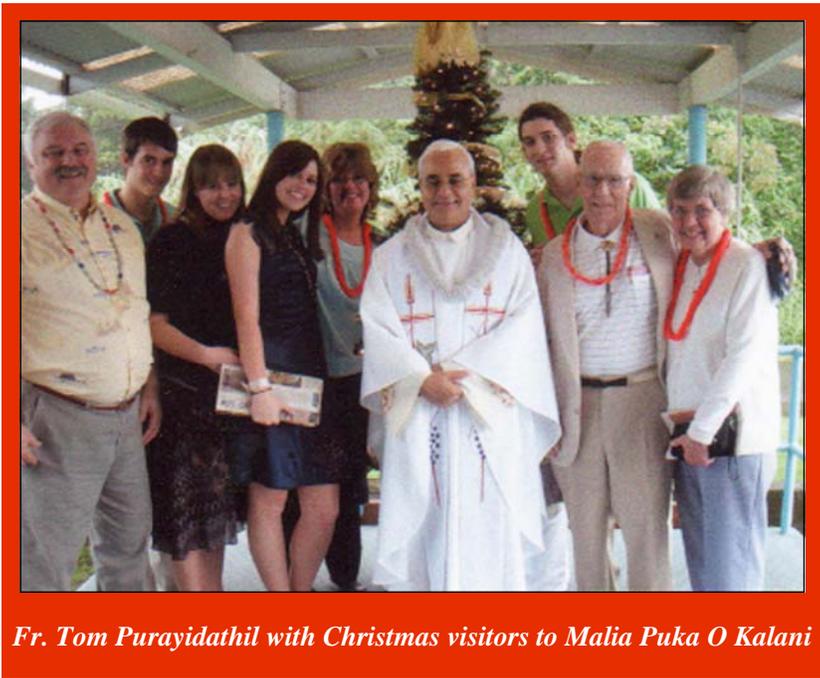
"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you"



Christmas Altar at Malia Puka O Kalani Church



"Then God said, 'I have some good news and some bad news. The good news is, the apple had zero cholesterol.'"



Fr. Tom Purayidathil with Christmas visitors to Malia Puka O Kalani



Fr. Lovell Soller



Fr. John Mbinda visits with parishioners following Mass



Receiving the Eucharist for home bound parishioners



Malia Puka O Kalani Church Choir

Sunday Collection Dec. 30, 2007	
5:00 pm	\$1,407.00
7:00 am	\$2,344.00
9:00 am	\$2,744.00
11:30 am	\$1,800.00
6:00 pm	\$1,609.00
Sunday Total Collection	\$9,904.00
Candles	\$315.00
Parish	\$105.00
Funeral	\$250.00
Mass Intentions	\$445.00
Thrift Shop	\$198.90
Spanish Mass	\$32.00
Filipino Mass	\$94.00
Imm. Concep.	\$65.00
Christmas	\$1,059.00
Christmas Appeal	\$2,857.00
New Years	\$198.00
Donations/Other	\$47.00
Total Operating Revenue (E.P.)	\$5,665.90
Property	\$361.50
School Fund	\$392.50
Building Fund	\$628.50
Parish Hall	\$713.00
Water/Sewer loan	\$1,040.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	133.00
Thanksgiving	\$5.00
Confirmation Retreat	\$30.00
Bulletin Ad	\$600.00
Aloha Choir	\$50.00
Total	\$3,953.50
Total Weekly Deposit	\$19,523.40
Donations for the Parish Hall Fund: to date: \$34,727.00	
Water/Sewer Installation Monthly loan balance as of today's date: 6,420.98	

This Week's Calendar	
SUNDAY, January 6	
2:00 pm •Baptism/Church	
MONDAY, January 7	
6:00 pm •RCIA Class/Library	
6:00 pm •Young Adult Ministry/YMI	
7:00 pm •Baptismal Prep Class/Meeting Room & Church	
TUESDAY, January 8	
6:30 pm •Small Christian Community/Library	
7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30pm)/Church	
7:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/YMI	
WEDNESDAY, January 9	
10:00 am •Confirmation Retreat Meeting/Religious Ed Office	
5:30 pm •U H Campus Ministry/U H Campus	
6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Meeting Room	
THURSDAY, January 10	
5:30 pm •Cursillo Meeting/Meeting Room	
7:00 pm •SJ Choir Rehearsal/Church	
7:00 pm •Wake Service (+ Aurelia Vicente)/Borthwick	
FRIDAY, January 11	
10:00 am •Funeral Mass (+ Aurelia Vicente)/Church	
5:00 pm •Holy Hour/Church	
6:00 pm •Benediction/Church	
SATURDAY, January 12	
7:45 am •Church Cleaners #7/Church	
9:00 am •Confirmation Retreat/Malia Puka O Kalani Hall	
10:00 am •Adult Scripture Study/Library	
5:00 pm •High School Youth Group/Library	
7:00 pm •Hispanic Mass & Fellowship/Church & Meeting Room	
SUNDAY, January 13	
10:15 am •Religious Ed Class/SJHS	

► **Young Adults Meeting:**
January 7th
Meeting Place: Cronies at 7:00 pm

► **UH Campus Ministry**
January 9th
Meeting Place: The Lava Lounge at 5:30 pm

*Ahahui Hale O Na Ali'i
O Hawai'i*

**Anniversary
Celebration**
of the birth of
HRH Princess
Abigail Wahiikaahuula
Campbell Kawananaoko

on the Island of Hawaii at
**St. Joseph
Catholic Church**
January 5, 2008
5:00 pm
Saturday Mass



**DISTRIBUTION
OF 2008
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ENVELOPES**

Starting the weekend of December 15 & 16, 2007 thru January 6 & 7, 2008; the 2008 Contribution Envelopes will be given out at all Masses. The distribution will take place in the front entrance of our Church.

Volunteers will be present to assist you in the pickup process and make arrangements to get envelopes to you if you don't have envelopes. You will be asked to leave your name, mailing address, and telephone contact number so we can get your envelopes quickly. Thank you for supporting the maintenance of our parish facilities, ministries, and various programs.

Directory Information

Clergy

Pastor/ Administrator:
Rev. Dr. Thomas Purayidathil

In Residence:
Fr. John M Mbinda

Associate Priest:
Rev. Lovell Soller

Hispanic Ministry:
Rev. John Fredy Quintero

Deacons:
Rev. Don Aanavi
Rev. Jerry Nunogawa

St. Joseph School Principal:
Sr. Marion Kikukawa, OSF
935-4936

Office Staff & Ministries

Business Manager:
Mike Tulang

Secretary/Accountant:
Teodora "Theo" Chandler

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Housekeeping: "Cres" Castillo

Maintenance: Robert Balga

Social Ministry:
"Miki" Lindsey 935-1465

Religious Education:
Joyce C. Saenz
935-1202

Youth Ministry:
Chrislyn Villena
935-1465

Young Adult / 25+ Ministry:
Mario Miguel
990-9137

Liturgy: Cecil Farin

Music Ministry:
Gloria Mendoza-Watson
Alabare Choir: Godfrey Nachor
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Engaged Encounter:
Fred & Patti Basilio
961-2442

Marriage Encounter:
Deacon Jerry & Rose Nunogawa
935-8464

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of Adults:** Carol Denis

Adult Scripture Study:
Deacon Don Aanavi

Prison Ministry:
John Aguiar 935-8392

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Craig Camello

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Karen Hotniansky

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Kathy Choi
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with your prayer request

Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick:
Contact the rectory office
for arrangements

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**(over 7-adult) Baptisms/
First Communion /
Confirmation**
Contact Joyce C. Saenz
935-1202

Hospital Communion:
Donna Saiki 935-7801

Home Communion:
Joanne Kahaloha 961-2726

Marriages:
Contact rectory office
at least 6 months in advance

Funerals:
Contact rectory office before
meeting with funeral director

East Hawaii Vicariate Confirmation Class Retreat



Malia Puka O Kalani Church
Monday, January 21, 2008
9:00 am – 7:00 pm

**The East Hawaii candidates for confirmation
will be coming together to participate in a day
long retreat as they prepare to receive the
sacrament of confirmation. Please keep all
our confirmation candidates in your prayers!**



Fr. Tom blesses the nativity scene at St. Joseph Church.

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