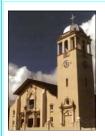
# HILO ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



St. Joseph Church 43 Kapiolani St. Hilo, HI 96720

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Malia Puka O Kalani Church 326 Desha Ave. Hilo, HI 96720

Phone: (808) 935-9338 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.

# Divine Mercy Sunday





### Hilo Roman Catholic Community Mission Statement

We, the Hilo Roman Catholic Community of St. Joseph and Malia Puka O Kalani, guided by the Holy Spirit, Our Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph, gather as a familv of believers in the celebration of the Eucharist. Blessed with many cultures, talents and inspired by the Hawaiian tradition of Aloha, we pledge to share our heritage, our gifts and the principles of our faith, and to commit ourselves to the educational, social and spiritual needs of all our brothers and sisters.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

TJ, Patricia & Trayvaunghn Ungeni

Valeria, Victoria & Jolinda Reuncy

### **FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP**

We have often heard the saying, 'Birds of the same feather flock together.' We need one another's company and inspiration to keep going in our faith lives. In the first reading of this Sunday, we have an idea of how the first Christians lived their lives. Fellowship, brotherhood and communion (Koinonia) marked their life style. Faith just like love is constantly exposed to temptation and doubt. During those times we need the fellowship of family and friends (community) to survive and to grow. That is the reason why community worship is so important. In our Hilo Catholic Community we are blessed with numerous volunteers who spend their time, energy and treasure to keep our faith community going. My heartfelt thanks to all of you for your contributions to the parish communities! Let those who are not involved yet find some ways of sharing, helping, and taking initiatives; do not lie back and let others do the work always.

This fellowship was so evident in our just concluded Lent and Easter celebrations. The Church cleaners, hospitality ministers, ushers, environment committee, sacristans, altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, office staff, youth and young adults volunteers, social outreach volunteers etc. worked so hard. The Good Lord will reward you abundantly and you will always have my sincere gratitude, prayers and blessings. As you might have noticed I work as hard as I can and demand the same from everyone else. If someone takes offense at this, my apologies. Know that everything is for the common good. You and I need to grow in our faith together and may the Divine Mercy take care of us.

Fr. Tom

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

The Second Sunday of Easter is kept as the Divine Mercy Sunday, a feast instituted by Pope John Paul II. The message of the Divine Mercy is that God loves us and His Mercy is greater than our sins. We need to receive the mercy of God and let it flow to others through us. The three things that comprise the Divine Mercy devotion are as follows:

- 1. Ask for God's Mercy. He wants us to approach him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
- 2. Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
- 3. Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His Mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

"Be you merciful as your Heavenly Father is Merciful." If we want to get the Mercy of God we need to practice in our lives the corporal works of mercy and the spiritual works of mercy. I encourage everyone in the Hilo Roman Catholic Community to take seriously the devotion to the Divine Mercy. Try to recite the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, practice the works of mercy both corporal and spiritual and try to find time to take part in the Adoration that we have on Fridays.

Fr. Tom



### March 30 Second Sunday of Easter Year A

Readings: Acts 2:42-47; I Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

### First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

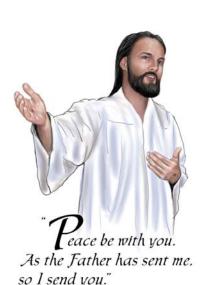
During Easter season each year, the first reading is from the Acts of the Apostles rather than from the Jewish Scriptures. In this book, the Holy Spirit is seen forming the early Christian community after Christ's image. This reading tells of the shared life of the early Jerusalem community. We see the beginnings of the Mass in the twofold religious action of going to the temple (for Scripture and prayer, the remote origin of our present-day the liturgy of the word) and of the breaking of bread at home (the Eucharist).

### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Once again Psalm 118 is used as a hymn of praise that recounts God's deliverance of his faithful servant from death, and sings of God's glory. While the last part of the psalm refers to the oppressed nation of Israel directly, it also gives a beautiful summary of God's power in raising Jesus to life and establishing him as Lord of all creation. Response: "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting."

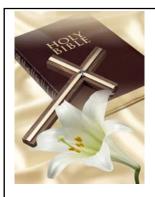
### Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

The entire letter of 1 Peter may have been a baptismal instruction for newly baptized Christians in the early Church. These verses clearly indicate that baptism is a rebirth into the life of the risen Christ. Moreover, Baptism commits us to share in Christ's death by the trials we endure. We do so joyfully because of the promise of salvation. The passage reflects the faith Jesus speaks of to Thomas in the Gospel (cf. Jn 20:29).



### Gospel: John 20:19-31

The Risen Lord appears in a new form of existence. His "glorified body" is presented as not having the physical limitations of the human body, and yet is truly physical and can be touched. However, the Gospel writers do not show Jesus as merely proving his resurrection by his presence, but as leading his disciples into deeper faith and understanding in preparation for their going forth to establish the Church. In commissioning them to continue his mission, he is empowering them to make him present in body to all peoples of all ages. The peace of Jesus' greeting is the commonly used Hebrew word, "Shalom." Jesus speaks it, however, as far more than a mere greeting ("my peace, not as the world gives it," Jn 14:27). Jesus' "Shalom" is his promise that his Spirit will restore order and harmony to all creation (Jn 14:26).



### **Scripture Readings**

### Sunday, March 30 Acts 2:42-47 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

### Monday, March 31

Is 7:10-14;8:10 Ps 40:7-11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

### Tuesday, April 1

Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1-2, 5 Jn 3:7b-15

### Wednesday, April 2

Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-9 Jn 3:16-21

### Thursday, April 3

Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20 Jn 3:31-36

### Friday, April 4

Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Jn 6:1-15

### Saturday, April 5

Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 6:16-21

### Sunday, April 6

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



## Three Minute Liturgical Catechesis

Article 21: Sharing the Peace of Christ

"Hey Father. Why don't we move the sign of peace to the beginning of Mass so that we would greet each other as we start rather than waiting until Communion time?" Many pastors have heard that suggestion over the years. It has this element of truth: We should greet one another as we gather for worship. The body of Christ needs to assemble as one body, and that means to be hospitable toward everyone who gathers with us.

That is not the purpose of the sign of peace, however. This ancient ritual gesture was restored to our liturgy after the Second Vatican Council. Though it had once found its place after the General Intercessions, for many centuries the Roman Rite has made it part of our preparation for Communion.

The earlier spot for this gesture placed it before the presentation of the gifts, linking it to Christ's command: "Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift" (Matt. 5:23-24).

Putting the sign of peace within the Communion Rite serves a similar function. It reminds us that we dare not approach the altar of the Lord for Communion if we are not willing to be reconciled with the other members of Christ's body. Some people have complained that the sign of peace interrupts their preparation for Communion, but this suggests that they really don't understand the meaning of Communion. Communion unites us with every member of

Christ's body. Anything that separates us from one another needs to be surrendered before we approach the table. The sign of peace gives us an opportunity to express our unity. This may mean reconciling with someone who is estranged from us, or it may simply mean reminding ourselves that we belong to one another. In both cases, we will be better prepared to enter into Communion with one another in Christ.

The peace that we wish for one another is the peace of Christ, the peace that Christ promised those who live in him. The Hebrew word for peace, *shalom*, means more than the absence of war or conflict. It suggests a state of complete harmony with God, with nature, with others and with ourselves. That's the gift we seek for ourselves and for all our brothers and sisters.

Part of the problem in understanding the sign of peace, perhaps, is our custom of using just a handshake for this ritual. This gesture suggests a standard greeting rather than a prayerful wish for Christ's peace. The official books simply say that we should make an appropriate sign of peace according to local custom. Perhaps we might try a two-handed hand-clasp to remind ourselves that this means more than a simple hello.

However you make the gesture, it fulfills its function if it makes us more aware of the love of Christ that binds us to one another. That's what Communion strengthens, and the sign of peace points the way.

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# The Hilo Roman Catholic Community welcomes the Catechumens and Candidates into our Church!

The catechumens, candidates and their sponsors sat anxiously in their seats, waiting for the start of the Easter Vigil. The lights were turned off and the Service of the Light began with the fire lit at the entrance of the church. Father Thomas Purayidathl and Deacon Jerry Nunogawa readied the Easter candle and lit it from the fire pit which was aflame in the vestibule of the church. The procession moved forward toward the altar with the Easter candle being used to light the way and illuminate the church as the faithful spread the light from the Easter candle to the individual candles being held by our parishioners. Deacon Jerry held the candle high, proclaiming "Christ our Light". The congregation responded by saying "Thanks be to God". The Easter Vigil had begun.

The five catechumens and four candidates sitting in the front rows were excited to be receiving the sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church. You may have seen them at church before, for their faith has brought them here. These individuals had been directly preparing for this vigil for eight months, however, all have been anticipating this holy night for years.

Their journey over the eight months had taken them through classroom studies, interviews with priests, deacons and teachers, community service projects, Rites of Acceptance and Election, and a half-day retreat held on Holy Saturday. They were prepared to embrace their Catholic faith as fully initiated adult members. Their sponsors sat ready to publicly present these faithful Catholics for Confirmation.

The Easter Vigil continued and the candidates and sponsors heard the Word of God proclaimed by the lectors and Deacon Jerry. Father Thomas, in his homily, asked those present to pray for the individuals joining our community that evening and to pray that all of us would grow in our faith.

The five catechumens were baptized, received their Confirmation and received their First Communion on Saturday evening. It was a blessed, holy evening. Their excitement and jubilation was evident. They are now fully initiated into their faith, however their "journey of faith" is really just beginning. Let them be a light for us this Easter season and let us all be reinvigorated by what we see in them.

We welcome the Catechumens and Candidates into our Church!

Receiving: Baptism, Communion & Confirmation: Nephi Akina Jet Heng Issac Mangauil Reginald Martines Richard Read

Receiving: Communion and Confirmation: A J Duarte Joshua Pang-Ching

Receiving: Confirmation: Justin Asencion Alyson Panem

Thanks to Carol Denis,
Michael Rohr, David Wilson
and Rose Nunogawa who selflessly gave their time and talent to help the catechumens
and candidates prepare for
initiation into the Church. You
are appreciated for all that you
do in the name of Jesus Christ.









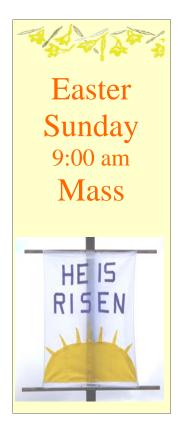
















### Malia Puka O Kalani Church



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Natalie / Sam

**Bell Ringers** 

Pete / Melody

### Alu Like Schedule at Malia Puka O Kalani Church

Mon. – Fri. 8:00 am - 1:00 pm CLOSED WEDNESDAY

### **Divine Mercy Sunday**



### **Financial Notes:**

Attendance: 40 Adults 3 Children

March 20, 2008

Koa Bowl: \$ 133.00

March 22, 2008

Koa Bowl: \$ 516.59 Rice Bowl: \$ 16.09

Aloha for all your Kokua!





### Please keep in your prayers:

Aunty Irene Kondo Bret Hoffman

Kahele Ohana Aunty Dorothy Gouveia

Aunty Patty Grube Uncle Tommy Gouveia

Aunty Becky Reis Aunty Dora Costa Uncle Tony Moniz Aunty Mamo Otineru

Aunty Ginger Moniz Aunty Nita Kua Aunty Minnie Alidon John Farias

and all those who are sick.





# Holy Thursday Mass





# E Ala ē! Rise Up!







One of the beautiful banners hanging in the parking area during this Easter season.

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Rose Nunogawa interprets for the hearing impaired at the Easter Mass.

### This Week's Calendar

SUNDAY, March 30

MONDAY, March 31

1:00 pm •Spiritual Support Group/St. Joseph Church Breezeway

6:00 pm •RCIA Class/St. Joseph Rectory Library
6:00 pm •U H Campus Ministry/U H Campus

7:00 pm •Baptismal Prep Class/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

TUESDAY, April 1

8:30 am •AARP Tax Aide/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

5:00 pm •Faith Against Drugs Board Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Mtg. Rm.

5:00 pm •Religious Ed Board Meeting/Religious Ed Office (SJHS)

7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/St. Joseph Church

7:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/YMI

WEDNESDAY, April 2

1:30 pm •Sacramental Prep Class/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

7:00 pm •Young Adult Ministry/YMI

THURSDAY, April 3

5:30 pm •Cursillo Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

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

FRIDAY, April 4 "First Friday"

9:15 am •St. Joseph School Mass (Feast of St. Joseph)/St. Joseph Church

1:00 pm •Adoration/St. Joseph Church6:00 pm •Benediction/St. Joseph Church

SATURDAY, April 5

7:45 am •Church Cleaners #5/St. Joseph Church

10:00 am •Adult Scripture Study/St. Joseph Rectory Library

5:00 pm •High School Youth Group/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

7:00 pm •Spanish Mass & Fellowship/St. Joseph Church & Rectory Mtg.Rm.

SUNDAY, April 6

10:15 am •Religious Ed Classes/St. Joseph High School

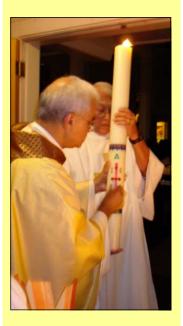
2:00 pm •Baptism/St. Joseph Church



Fr. Tom Blesses the new fire.



Pictures from the "Service of Light" at the Easter Vigil when we meditate on all the wonderful things God has done for his people from the beginning.



May the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.



Deacon LeRoy Andrews and Myungsun Paul Shin

### St. Joseph School

St. Joseph School has special cause to celebrate New Life during the Easter season. Myungsun Shin, a sophomore from Korea, was baptized into the Church at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Easter morning. Deacon LeRoy Andrews, Myungsun's theology teacher, performed the Baptism with Fr. Michael Scully. Myungsun's host parents, Mr. Scott Carrothers and Dr. Jan Hauser, are his godparents.

Myungsun chose the Christian name Paul in honor of the 17<sup>th</sup> century Korean lay catechist and martyr St. Paul Chŏng Hasang. Myungsun will receive his First Communion before returning to Korea for the summer and will join the Confirmation class for the next school year. The school rejoices with Myungsun in his journey of faith.

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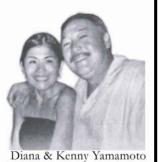
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