



### St. Joseph Church

43 Kapiolani St., Hilo, HI 96720 Office Hours: Mon.- Fri. 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Phone: (808) 935-1465 Fax: (808) 969-1665 Emergency after-hours number: 899-9453



### Malia Puka O Kalani Church

326 Desha Ave., Hilo, HI 96720 Office Hours: 8:00 am - 12:00 Noon Phone: (808) 935-9338

### 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

St. Joseph Elementary School Chapel Tuesday & Friday 7:00 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.



# First Sunday of Advent

Father in heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of your love and our minds are searching for the light of your word. Increase our longing for Christ our Savior and give us the strength to grow in love that the dawn of his coming may find us rejoicing in his presence and welcoming the light of his truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen! Today's Missal 1st Sunday Advent Prayer

# **Important Dates**

Pastor's Corner

Rev. Thomas Purayidathil, Ph.D.

Sunday, Nov. 30 First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, Dec. 7 Second Sunday of Advent

## YOUTH Mass

Dec. 14, 6:00 pm Dec. 25, 11:30 am

Monday, Dec. 8

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule 6:00 am / 12:15 pm St. Joseph 6:00 pm / Malia 7:00 pm / St. Joseph

\**Sr. Marykutty and Sr. Ruth will be renewing their vows at the 7:00 pm Mass.* 

### Sunday, Dec. 14

Jubilee Mass Fr. John Mbinda 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination 6:00 pm / St. Joseph

### Sunday, Dec. 21 6 pm Mass at St. Joseph

Installation of Fr. Thomas as Pastor Bishop Larry Silva will preside

Tuesday Dec. 23 Advent Penance Service 7:00 pm / St. Joseph

### THE HOLY SEASON OF ADVENT

This Sunday (November 30) we begin the season of Advent. Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Thus Advent should be a period for devout and joyful expectation. As you know the dictionary definition of 'advent' is 'the coming or arrival of something very important.' So what is coming or who is coming? We know that Jesus is coming. But has not Jesus already come? Why then should we wait for another coming? Maybe all the fuss we make does not make a lot of sense. But the truth is that he is going to be born again and again in our hearts. That is his promise. As we know, any birth calls for a lot of preparation. It is more so if we want Jesus to be born in our hearts. The Season of Advent and the entire liturgy connected with that should help us to prepare for the feast of Christmas, prepare us to receive Jesus into our hearts and into our lives anew. So we need to celebrate this season with the utmost care and devotion. Let me wish each one of you a holy and fruitful celebration of Advent!

### HEARTFELT THANKS TO EVELYN AH SING

We, the parish of St. Joseph owe a debt of gratitude to the late Evelyn Ah Sing for leaving a sizable part of her estate and money to St. Joseph Church. She has left her house and property at Wainuenue to the Church. We have listed it for sale (Realtor: Annette M. Aiona of Aiona Island Realty; phone 935-3222) for the price of \$169,000.00. The proceeds of the sale will go to the Parish Hall building fund. We thank Annette who has agreed to forego her fee for the transaction as a contribution to the Church.

We have also received \$234,804.38 from her (Evelyn's) savings account. Some of it will have to be used for the urgent maintenance need of roofing the rectory to stop the leaks and other pressing expenses needed. May her soul rest in peace!

May I exhort you to leave something for your parish in your will and testament. That is one way of supporting your parish community even after you are gone.

Praying for God's choicest blessings on each one of you! Fr.

Fr. Tom

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE**

Religious Education classes continue to be held on Sundays at the St. Joseph Jr./Sr. High school from 10:15 am through 11:05 am. Please check the R.E. calendar for dates around the upcoming holidays and school vacations. We encourage all of our families to celebrate the holiday season with us at our churches. A schedule of the masses for the Advent season was sent home with our students this past Sunday. Please refer to it for dates and times of the main liturgical events.

Sunday, December 7, 2008-R.E. classes Sunday, December 14, 2008-R.E. classes Sunday, December 21, 2008-R.E. classes Sunday, December 28, 2008-NO CLASSES

#### ALTAR SERVER UPDATE

All St. Joseph altar servers who have signed up to serve at one of the Christmas masses must attend a training session to be held on Sunday, December 21, 2008 at 1:00 pm at St. Joseph Church. Please call Joyce Saenz at 935-1208 with any questions. 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 family 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.

### Fr. John M. Mbinda

### November 30, 2008: First Sunday of Advent, Year B Theme: Stay Awake Always; Be Prepared Readings: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Cor. 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

### First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7

These words give voice to the cry of a people who are broken and in need of restoration. They call upon the Lord to return to them and to show again the favor of his presence. Yet they realize that he has not walked out on them, rather it is they who have been unfaithful to him. God is addressed as Father and Redeemer because human attempts at salvation have failed. The sought-for solution is a manifestation of God's power from on high (63:19), yet this hope stands in contrast to the real fulfillment of God's power we have experienced — it comes not in awesome splendor but incarnate in humble human flesh: Jesus, Son of Mary.

Note that the entire prayer (63:7-64:11) recalls God's past favors as motive for confidence in seeking his saving work in the present. This gives us an example of the type of ancient Jewish prayer from which the Christian Eucharistic prayer developed.

#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

This prayer depicts God as the caretaker of his people, and it utilizes the imagery of a vineyard. Read the whole psalm carefully — it reflects both fear of destruction and danger, as well as confidence in God's protection and restoration. Response: "Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved."

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

Paul's first letter to the church at Corinth tackles problems of an early, small Christian community — they are newborn infants living in a hostile atmosphere. This passage is from the greeting, but the apostle already gives the key to his teaching: unity in Christ is both the means and the goal of the Christian life (v 9). Salvation comes from God's power, not from human wisdom (v 7), but this salvation is not a once-and-for-all gift; it is a growing, ever-expanding reality (v 8).

### Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Advent begins with a call to watchfulness. This Gospel passage concludes Jesus' teaching on the signs that would characterize the last days — indeed, those very signs have been a part of every age. Jesus is not giving a schedule to predict his final coming, but rather he is telling what sort of watchfulness is demanded of his followers. We cannot wait passively or occupy ourselves with our own interests, even if they are spiritual interests, but must work diligently for the advancement of his kingdom as his servants —each of us with our own gifts, abilities, and particular tasks (v 34). On the one hand, we are told to open our eyes to read the signs of the times (v 28), but on the other hand, even the vigilant will be surprised at the suddenness of the fulfillment (vv 36-37).

We can catch glimpses of the suddenness and surprise of the Lord's presence in our day-to-day lives, if we but look with eyes of faith.



### **St. Joseph Maintenance Team**

I am happy to announce the Maintenance Team of St. Joseph! Thanks for your cooperation. *Fr. Thomas* **Maintenance Team Members:** Team Coordinator: William Affonso George Madden, Danie Villena, Godrey Nachor, Gerard Callo, Richard Hudak, David Mendiola, Evelyn Pacheco

At Large Members: Sal Panem, Kealii Beck, Larry Capellas



WELCOME To Our Visitors!



### Scripture Readings Sunday, Nov. 30

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37

Monday, Dec. 1 Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9

Mt 8:5-11 <u>Tuesday, Dec. 2</u> Is 11:1-10

Ps 72:7-8, 12-13, 17 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, Dec. 3 Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37

Thursday, Dec. 4 Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday, Dec. 5** Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 9:27-31

<u>Saturday, Dec. 6</u> Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Sunday, Dec. 7** Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 85:9-14 2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8

# "On the Road to Our Parish Hall" YOUR CHOICE: METAL AND STUCCO—BUILDING B



# ESTIMATED COST: \$2,759,125.00

# (Includes: grading, asphalt paving, parking lot lighting, concrete walks & ramps, sewer line, water line, drywalls, signage, landscaping & misc.)

A total of 120 parishioners chose the design for our new Parish hall. When tallied, the breakdown of votes was: "Traditional Construction" - Building A - 2, "Metal & Stucco" - Building B - 112, "Fiberglass Membrane" - Building C - 2, and "Other" - 4.

The next step is to send the plans to the Diocesan Building Committee for its approval. After approval is received detailed plans will be drawn, specifications will be prepared, etc. They then will be sent out for bids. When that process is complete, construction may begin after one-half of the total cost of the project is in the bank.

Bishop Larry has given us permission to continue to collect donations for the Parish Hall through our weekly envelopes. However, you <u>must</u> indicate the amount of your donation in the specific Parish Hall section of the envelope. If you don't use the parish weekly envelopes, please put your donation in a plain envelope. Write "Parish Hall", your name, and the amount of your donation on the front. Checks may be put in the basket. However, make sure that you indicate on the "memo" line "Parish Hall." Of course, donations may be dropped off at the rectory any time during the week.

Beginning January 1st specific Parish Hall Building Fund envelopes will be available.

It won't be easy during these difficult times to amass the funds we need. However, St. Joseph parishioners have a history of doing amazing things. Our ancestors managed to build our beautiful Church in the 1900's when they didn't have material wealth, but did have a great love for God. Like them with much prayer and some sacrifice, we, too, can pass on that love to our descendents. Can't we?! Submitted by: Maureen Saturnio



The Thursday, November 20, Parish Hall meeting gave parishioners an opportunity to review the design plan options and to vote.

# St. Joseph School

# Black & White Nite



Ten students from St. Joseph High School volunteered recently to help with Downtown Hilo's 5th Annual Black & White Nite. Donned in black & white attire, they served as the 'Ambassadors of Black & White Nite' handing out maps and giving information to shoppers attending the event that included entertainment throughout the downtown Hilo area, games, and prize drawings. This is the 4th year we've been invited to participate, as event coordinators are always happy with our students work! Mahalo goes to (I-r): **front row:** Shan, Christina, Keiko, Shaydene, and Hunter, **back row:** Chris, Cruz, Sydney, Derek, and Jeremy.

### Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

The parish Youth & Young Adult Choir Sang at Nov. 23, 2008 Youth Mass

### JOIN THE CHOIR!

The Choir is seeking more Youth and Young Adult members. Interested call Chrislyn Villena 935-1465







St. Joseph School Food Drive

Collected food will go to stock our Parish Food Pantry which distributes food to those in need in our community.



Assets		Liabilities and Fund Balance	
		Accounts Payable	\$28,890.06
Cash	\$259,693.79	Adv Tuition/ Unearned Rev	\$298,826.37
Accounts Receivable	\$85,981.40	Notes Payable	\$408,109.04
Prepaid Expenses	\$13,031.98	Due to Other Funds	\$141,041.86
Investments	\$561,384.69	Accrued Payroll & Taxes	\$94,045,34
Fixed Assets	\$560,414.28	Fund Balance	\$509,593.47
Total Assets	\$1,480,506.14	Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$1,480,506.14

### St. Joseph School **Income Statement** FYE JUNE 30, 2008

	Actual	Annual	YTD
	7/1/2007 6/30/2008	Budget	Variance
Tuition	\$2.201.507.56	£2.158.200.50	(10.04 m.).
Student Fees (Graduation, Band, Textbooks)	\$2,201,507.50	\$2,158,290.50 \$55,370.00	\$43,217.06
Athletics	\$12,134.81	\$27,250.00	(\$20,864.80)
Parish Subsidy (Parish Scholarships/Kapiolani St. Convent Lease)	\$174,125.00	\$171,500.00	(\$15,115.19)
Development(incl. Restricted and Unrestricted Donations	\$43.025.87		\$2,625.00
Summer School	\$7,950.00	\$5,000.00	\$38,025.87
Miscellaneous (incl. Lunch Program, Scholarships, Interest)		\$0.00	\$7,950.00
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Salaries	\$1,619,613.06	\$1,612,558.78	(\$7,054.28)
Payroll Taxes	\$139,681.94	\$155,747.39	\$16,065.45
Employee Benefits	\$162,736.14	\$167,829.47	\$5,093.33
Professional Fees & Services	\$58,700.69	\$70,926.01	\$12,225.32
Supplies	\$64,013.45	\$73,862.65	\$9,849.20
Organizational Dues & Subscriptions	\$7,129.34	\$7,350.00	\$220.66
Computers	\$53,454.77	\$52,300.00	(\$1,154.77)
Miscellaneous (incl. Insurance, Lunch Program, etc.)	\$195,397.39	\$187,460.00	(\$7,937.39)
Instructional Departments	\$131,281.95	\$166,076.00	\$34,794.05
Marketing	\$20,963.29	\$19,650.00	(\$1,313.29)
Athletics	\$30,026.32	\$37,500.00	\$7,473.68
Convent (Current Residence of Sisters of St. Francis)	\$18,085.01	\$23,612.70	\$5,527.69
Utilities	\$87,606.41	\$90,270.00	\$2,663.59
Vehicle Maintenance	\$3,237.08	\$2,395.00	(\$842.08)
Furniture	\$1,981.67	\$0.00	(\$1,981.67)
Deficit Reduction	\$7,142.42	\$0.00	(\$7,142.42)
Transfers	\$30,600.00	\$0.00	(\$30,600.00)
	\$2,631,650.93	\$2,667,538.00	\$35,887.07
	\$60.085.73	(\$44,980.50)	\$105,066.23

Note: St. Joseph School ended the Fiscal Year 2007-08 with a budget surplus of \$60,085.73. This is due primarily to the increase in enrollment mid-year and expenses being kept to a minimum. The school continues to pay down the loan from the diocese using the proceeds from the Kapiolani St. Convent lease. The last payment on this debt is scheduled for October 2009. A special note about the Clifford and Kathie Dias Fund: This money is not held by the school. Mr. and Mrs. Dias have appointed a committee that reviews grant requests from the school on a yearly basis. Funding for the 2007-08 fiscal year totaled \$107,641.00. Funding for the 2008-09 year is \$41,403.00.

\*For questions please call Jeri Spain, Business Manager St. Joseph School. Ph: 808-935-4936 ext. 221



### **Pre Thanksgiving Luncheon**

Thanks to all who helped to make the Thanksgiving Luncheon a big success. Over one hundred and fifty individuals were served roast turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing and a fantastic selection of home baked desserts. Avalina Espina did a wonderful job of organizing this event. Mahalo!





The Parish Youth Choir entertained at the Pre Thanksgiving Luncheon



Jeannette Lesko and Nancy Capelas prepare the dessert table.



Jhunavee & Shelly serve water to thirsty Luncheon guests.



# **THE GIVING TREE**

One of the best ways to experience the joy of the Christmas season is to offer happiness to someone else. With this in mind the Parish Pastoral Advisory Council has once again set up a "Giving Tree" for the benefit of our brothers and sisters who need our help. Your generosity to the Giving Tree has been over-whelming for the past two Christmases. This Christmas we need your help more than ever. As was the case last year we have two trees, one at Malia and one at St. Joseph. The tree at St. Joseph is decorated with ornaments bearing the Christmas wishes of residents of Beyond Shelter Apartments located on the makai portion of our parish hall property, residents of Ponahawai Ola Prison to Community reintegration project, residents of the Kihei Pua Homeless Shelter and residents of the Faith Against Drugs program.

The tree at Malia bears the wishes of the adolescent boys in treatment with the Acadia Healthcare project, located in the Convent on Kapiolani Street. It is essential to the success of these five programs that those involved feel the support and encouragement of our parish community. It is also important that we, as parishioners, provide for the spiritual and material needs of those less fortunate. It defines us as Christians. Please fulfill one of the wishes on the Giving Tree. God will bless you for it.

How this works: Remove an ornament from the tree and fill in the log stating which ornament you took. Purchase and wrap a suitable gift and attach the ornament to the package. Malia parishioners are asked to return the gift to Malia Church by December 14th. St. Joseph parishioners may bring the gift to church and deposit it in the basket below the tree or take it to the rectory (Monday-Friday, 8 am until 4 pm) by December 14th. Should you have any questions, please call Susan Lee (St. Joseph) 969-7999 or Kathy Yamamoto (Malia) 961-3994. Thank you! Submitted by: PPAC

# Malia Puka O Kalani Church

### From Father Joe:

As you may be aware, before coming to the Hilo Roman Catholic Community and Malia I worked with atrisk adolescents in a residential



treatment setting in New Jersey. The Holidays were always the most difficult time. This was made somewhat easier by a Christmas morning celebration with the kids opening gifts given by the local community and singing Christmas carols. This was a Christmas morning event that many of them had never before experienced. More times than I can count, kids would say, "This was the best Christmas I have ever had."

Now I am on the other side---the side that gives the gifts for the Christmas celebration. Malia's Giving Tree is dedicated to a 32 bed adolescent residential treatment facility in Hilo: Pu'ukamalu which means "shelter on the hill." This wonderful organization serves boys ages 11 - 18. I have been in email contact with the CEO, Joe Tinervin, who happens to originate from New Jersey! (That, already, makes him a wonderful person!!) I have not yet visited Pu'ukamalu, a member of the national Acadia Healthcare system. However, Mr. Tinervin has invited me and I plan to accept the invitation when I return from New Jersey. In the meantime, the Giving Tree will stand at the entrance to our church. From prior experience I can assure you that each gift will mean love, care, and acceptance to some kid who so desperately needs to hear and experience this. Pu'ukamalu embraces an 'Ohana model with a strong Hawaiian cultural component. Please take a "an ornament," give with your heart and your love; let your Ohana share a gift with a young brother who hungers to belong. Bring your gift(s) to the church no later than Dec. 14. We will make sure they get to your brothers at Pu'ukamalu. Thank You!

Financial Notes: November 23, 2008

### Koa Bowl \$1,318.67

The estimated average Koa Bowl Collection needed each week to support ourselves is: \$1,500.00 - Fr. Joe ATTENDENACE Adults 80 Children 13



Thank you for the wonderful Thanksgiving Brunch!

# Mary, Gate of Heaven, pray for us.



Mass Intentions Please pray for those in the Book of Life. Aunty Irene Kondo Kahele Ohana Aunty Patty Grube Uncle Tony Moniz Aunty Minnie Alidon Uncle Tommy Gouveia Aunty Dora Costa Aunty Dora Costa Aunty Mamo Otineru Aunty Mamo Otineru Aunty Mamo Uncle Dulatre Eleanor Birney Aunty Mabel Silva Dona Watson Rita Cusick

Our Volunteers for Su	unday, December 7, 2008
Church Cleaning Natalie Flowers Maybelle / Shirley Sacristan Moke Altar Servers Kayla / Kekona	Lectors Freida / Laverne Eucharistic Ministers Samantha / Patty Bell Ringers Pete / Melody Money Counters Kathy / Laverne / Natalie



Food Pantry: Please remember our brothers and sisters who need our help by bringing food donations every week with you to Mass.

Saint Joseph 11/17/08	Malia 11/20/08
60 persons served	17 persons served





Christ the King gifted with leis.



The sanctuary is decorated with kahili — symbols of royalty.



Gabbie and Keola, newly baptized, with their family.

### Decorations for Advent & Christmas needed

Two more wreaths are needed for Dec. 14 (Rose Color) and Dec. 21 (Purple). Please contact Natalie or Uncle Moke if you can share a wreath for Advent.





We are looking for donations of poinsettias for Christmas Eve. / day. Aunty Freida would like them no later than Tuesday, Dec. 23. Any questions please call Freida Lee at 960-3116.



Cassandra, newly baptized, surrounded by her family and Fr. Joe.

#### Directory

#### Emergency after-hours number: 899-9453

#### Pastor:

Rev. Thomas Purayidathil, Ph.D. Associate Priests: Rev. John M. Mbinda Rev. Joseph Hennen 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: David Watson Pastoral Assistant: Sr. Marykutty Social Outreach: Sr. Ruth Zonunthari Receptionist: Robyn Whittington Housekeeping: "Cres" Castillo Maintenance: Robert Balga Religious Education Coordinator: Joyce C. Saenz 935-1202 Youth & Young Adult Ministry: Chrislyn Villena 935-1465

#### **Sacraments**

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the rectory office for arrangements. Baptisms: Infant (under 7) Preparation sessions for parents available 9 times a year. Call the rectory office to register at 935-1465. Baptisms: (over 7-adult) / First **Communion / Confirmation:** Joyce C. Saenz 935-1202 **Hospital Communion:** Donna Saiki 935-7801 Home Communion: Joanne Kahaloa 961-2726 Marriages: Contact rectory office at least 6 months in advance. Funerals: Contact rectory office before meeting with funeral director.

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

t We remember in prayer all the departed and most especially our loved ones in this month of All Souls.

Security & Maintenance: Mario Miguel 990-9137 Liturgy Coordinator: Cecil Farin Music Ministry: Gloria Mendoza-Watson Alabare Choir: Godfrey Nachor Aloha Choir: Sylvia Young Engaged Encounter: 961-2442 Fred & Patti Basilio Marriage Encounter: 935-8464 Deacon Jerry & Rose Nunogawa Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Carol Denis Adult Scripture Study: Deacon Don Aanavi Prison Ministry: John Aguiar 935-8392 Parish Pastoral Advisory Council: Anna Texeira Finance Council: Don Kouchi Bulletin Coordinator: Karen Hotniansky Prayer Network: Kathy Choi Call rectory: 935-1465 with your prayer request

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH		
WEEKLY COLLECTION		
5:00 pm	\$	1,447.00
Spanish Mass	\$	69.00
7:00 am	\$ \$	2,333.00
9:00 am	\$	2,250.00
11:30 am	\$	1,520.00
6:00 pm	\$	1,224.00
Sunday Total Collection	\$	8,843.00
Candles	\$	273.30
Donations/	\$	1,145.20
Others		
Total Other	\$	1,418.50
Revenue		
RESTRICTED I	DON	IATIONS
Bldg. Maint.	\$	618.00
Fund		
Parish Hall	\$	1,440.00
Fund		
School Fund	\$	376.00
World Mission	\$	29.00
Mission's	\$	365.00
Appeal		
Misc.	\$	7,060.00
Total Re-	\$	9,888.00
stricted		
Donations	•	00 4 40 50
Total Weekly Deposit	\$	20,149.50
Parish Hall	\$1	08,380.50
Fund to Date		

# Our First Week In Hila

It was the great dream of the Missionary Sisters of Mary Help of Christians to be with the beautiful people of Hawaii which is blessed with many cultures and natural beauty. This has come true as Srs. Marykutty and Ruth, landed on 15th of November in Hawaiian land, with mixed feelings of awe and wonder. We had a warm welcome at the airport from Fr. Tom and the representatives of the Parish in a Hawaiian Traditional way. The words of Jesus "Go proclaim the Good News" and "9 will be with you" continue to echo in our hearts as we spend each day in the company of the "Lord and one another." We are inspired every moment by the Hawaiian tradition of Aloha and at all times appreciative of the rich heritage of this beautiful land. We feel at home to be with our people and to work with them for the establishing of the Kingdom of love and Peace. Sr. Marykutty

#### This Week's Calendar

SUNDAY,	Nov. 30
MONDAY	, Dec. 1
10:00 am	•Aloha Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church
12:00 pm	<ul> <li>Food Pantry/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room</li> </ul>
1:00 pm	•Spiritual Support Group/St. Joseph Church Breezeway
6:00 pm	•RCIA Classes/St. Joseph Rectory Library
6:00 pm	•Youth & Young Adults Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church
TUESDAY,	. Dec. 2
7:00 am	•St. Joseph School Mass/St. Joseph Elem. Chapel
5:00 pm	<ul> <li>Religious Ed Board Meeting/Religious Ed Office (SJHS)</li> </ul>
	•Faith Against Drugs Board Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room
7:00 pm	•Basic Christian Community/YMI
7:00 pm	•Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/St. Joseph Church
WEDNESD	DAY, Dec. 3
12:00 pm	•Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church
6:30 pm	•Alabare Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church
THURSDA	Y, Dec. 4
5:00 pm	<ul> <li>Cursillo Group/St. Joseph Rectory Library</li> </ul>
7:00 pm	<ul> <li>St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church</li> </ul>
FRIDAY, I	Dec. 5 "First Friday"
1:00 pm	•Adoration/St. Joseph Church
6:00 pm	<ul> <li>Benediction/St. Joseph Church</li> </ul>
SATURDA	Y, Dec. 6
7:45 am	•Church Cleaners #5/St. Joseph Church
10:00 am	•Adult Scripture Study/St. Joseph Rectory Library
5:00 pm	<ul> <li>High School Youth Group/St. Joseph Rectory Library</li> </ul>
7:00 pm	•Spanish Mass & Fellowship/St. Joseph Church & Rectory Meeting Rm.
SUNDAY,	Dec. 7
10:15 am	•Religious Ed Classes/SJHS
2:00 pm	•Baptism/St. Joseph Church



### Serving in Hilo

Sister Marykutty and Sister Ruth Zonunthari have come to assist us here in the Hilo Roman Catholic Community. The parish is renting a house for them, however, we still need some assistance with furnishing their home. If you are able to donate a

new or gently used item from our wish list or would like to make a donation towards these items, please call David Watson, the Business Manager at 935-1465.

#### **Convent Wish List**

- Placemats
- New twin mattress pads (3 needed)
- 3 outside doormats • Ironing board and Iron
- Shower rug •
- Car-preferably a Toyota
- Vacuum Mixer
- Sienna or Honda CRV

Extending a heartfelt thanks to Floor Décor for their generous donation of a new area rug for the conference room.



Christ is counting on you ..... to find out more about Cursillo. Contact Joyce Berrios 966-6763



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