



St. Joseph Church

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Malia Puka O Kalani Church

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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 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.

Allemía!



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.

Important Dates

First Reconciliation April 16, (Thursday) 6:00 pm St. Joseph Church

First Communion Rehearsal April 17, (Friday) 7:00 pm St. Joseph Church



St. Joseph Church

First Communion:

April 26, (Sunday) 9:00 am Malia Puka O Kalani



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY April 19 2:30 pm- 3:30 pm

Prayer service includes singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy." (Diary entry 699)

Pastor's Corner

Rev. Thomas Purayidathil, Ph.D.



Fr. Joe, Fr. John, Sr. Marykutty, Sr. Ruth, Sr. Lusika, and my humble self along with all the staff members wish each and everyone of you a Very Happy Easter! May the joy and peace that only the Risen Lord can grant descend upon you and your families this Easter and remain with you for the rest of the year! Fr. Tom



"WE ARE AN EASTER PEOPLE AND ALLELUIA IS OUR SONG"

Easter is the most joyful time of celebration of the Church's Liturgical Year. Celebrated against the background of the shadows and darkness of Lent and Holy Week, this season truly becomes a living expression of the hope and joy that God has brought into the world through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Indeed, the Resurrection of Jesus is our source of joy. Although the Resurrection remains a mystery-as to how it occurred-it is a real event with evidence that is historically verified. There were overjoyed witnesses who saw the risen Christ. There was the empty tomb with the linen clothes lying there. Guards were terror-stricken. The stone at the entrance of the tomb was rolled away.

We believe that God the Father through the action of the Holy Spirit raised Jesus from the dead in his real body but a body changed to reflect his heavenly glory. That is why Mary Magdalene first mistook him for the gardener on Easter morning. Jesus allowed himself to be touched. He ate with the apostles. His body bore the wounds he received on Good Friday. But after the Resurrection Jesus clearly was not limited by the constraints of time and place; He passed through closed doors. He travelled a day's journey to Emmaus, ate with two disciples and still, almost in an instant, joined the apostles in Jerusalem. Perhaps the strongest proof of the Resurrection is the fact that his closest followers – the apostles and disciples, who were so timid during His trial, suddenly became very bold and they never stopped proclaiming the Risen Christ. So great was their joy and conviction. The Risen Christ is in fact the heart of the Good News that the church is commissioned to proclaim and live in the world. Seen as Proclamation, the various aspects of worship during this season can become vehicles for God's grace and transforming work in the world, and among his people. Let this Easter Season be a means of bearing witness to our Faith.

The Scriptures speak of the power of the Resurrection. What is this power? It is the power of the Risen Christ seated at the right hand of the Father. All that concerns our salvation passes from God through Christ and all our worship and prayers pass to God through Christ. Here is indeed a vital connection between the Resurrection of Jesus and our lives. We are filled with joy! This joy has filled the hearts of faithful Christians from the very first Easter. It has led the Church to celebrate Christ's resurrection not only on Easter Sunday but every Sunday.

Therefore, we can truly say that "We are an Easter People and ALLELUIA is our song."

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!

Submitted by: Sr. Lusika Sangma



Sunday Reflection

April 12: Easter Sunday Morning, Year B

Readings: Acts 10:34a,37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

This passage from the Acts of the Apostles is one of several discourses of Peter to Jewish crowds. Peter's address to the household of Cornelius, the Roman centurion in Caesarea, may seem to be a strange passage to be read, but the thrust of Peter's message is the central theme of Easter. It shows how the apostles fulfilled the command to preach the Gospel. The address is a summary of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, with the conclusion that salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Psalm 118 is a hymn of thanksgiving to God as Savior of his people, and it looks toward the enthronement of the Messiah as Lord for ever. The response fits in with the joy of Easter: "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

This passage focuses on the new life that is God's gift in the resurrection. The reading concentrates on the promise of future fulfillment in eternity. Paul's words open to us another dimension of Easter. For Paul, Easter is not only a celebration of Jesus' resurrection, but also of our being raised with Christ to a new life.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Throughout his Gospel, John calls attention to growth in faith through a step by step encounter with Christ. In this account of the resurrection, Mary of Magdala plays an important role in reporting to Peter and the disciple Jesus loved that Jesus' body has been removed. The two Apostles rush to investigate the mystery of the empty tomb. In seeing the circumstances, they begin to believe. It is important to note that all three are witnesses. We also note that the disciple Jesus loved is the first to penetrate the mystery of the empty tomb. "He saw and believed." This faith has yet to be confirmed and deepened by a return to the Scriptures to see them in the new light of the Spirit, and completed in personal encounter with the risen Lord. The appearances of the Risen Lord would therefore play a crucial role in deepening the faith of the Apostles. They in turn may give witness to Jesus from their own personal experience (cf. Lk 24:13-35, the Gospel for Easter Evening Mass on the Emmaus story.)

Scripture Readings

Sunday, April 12 Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35

Monday, April 13

Acts 2:14, 22-33 Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Mt 28:8-15 **Tuesday, April 14** Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Jn 20:11-18 Wednesday, April 15 Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Lk 24:13-35 Thursday, April 16 Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2a, 5-9 Lk 24:35-48 Friday, April 17 Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a Jn 21:1-14 Saturday, April 18 Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16ab-21 Mk 16:9-15 Sunday, April 19 Acts 4:32-35 Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31

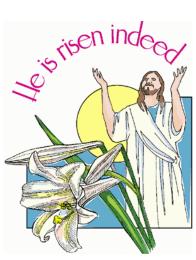
May You Rejoice In the Risen Lord



- April 12, 2009: No Religious Education classes, Happy Easter!
 - April 19, 2009: No Religious Education classes, First Communion Mass at 11:30 am.
 - April 26, 2009: Religious Education classes, St. Joseph Jr/Sr High School
 - May 3, 2009: Religious Education classes, St. Joseph Jr/Sr High School

First Communion Class Reminder

• All First Communion candidates are expected to continue with Religious Education classes after receiving the Sacrament of First Communion. Important material will be covered at these classes and students will not be excused from attending these sessions. Please review the R.E. class calendar and continue your attendance throughout the month of May. Mahalo!



Fr. John M. Mbinda

Congratulations to the candidates in the R.C.I.A. program. We welcome you into the Church and pray for you as you continue on your "Journey of Faith." God Bless you all!

> **CATECHUMENS** (Baptism, First Eucharist & Confirmation)

> > Jan Allan Agbigay Keri Kimura Amber Leon Alane Moniz Christian Pua Roy Okabayashi

FULL COMMUNION (First Eucharist & Confirmation)

> Nicholas Texeira Melissa Jacinto Gloria Phillips-Jones Phillip Williams



CONFIRMATION Daniel Superales John Rapozo Kerstan Park Christine Park Donala Kawa'auhau



The Lenten Parish Retreat with Fr. Herman Gomes at St. Joseph Church concluded with Benediction and was followed the next evening with the Lenten Reconciliation Service.

Providence Travel— You are invited to join us in a tour organized by Providence Travel. We embark on a spiritual pilgrimage to <u>Italv (for</u> <u>the canonization of Fr. Damien) and the Holy land</u>. We will depart Honolulu, October 2, 2009, and return October 18, 2009. For those that do not want to go to the Holy land, they may return on the 12th of October.

The tour prices are: \$3,449.00 & \$4,449.00 pp, + airline tax, this includes roundtrip air, in 1st class hotels, breakfast and dinners daily, with English speaking guides, tour bus drivers and entrance fees, tips, and country entrance fees. Single supplemental rooms and travel insurance are available for an additional fee.

I will personally donate \$50.00 to your parish, for each pilgrim identifying themselves as being recommended by you. For additional information, please call Edward Lam, CTC at 352-7192. Or you may e-mail me at: clumprovtravel@vahoo.com

St. Joseph School

Cardinal News



SJS 140th Celebration

On the evening of March 18 a 140th anniversary celebration was held at Aunty Sally's Luau Hale. As roughly 300 alumni, employees and former employees from St. Joseph and St. Mary schools gathered, music and laughter could be heard and hugs were in abundance.

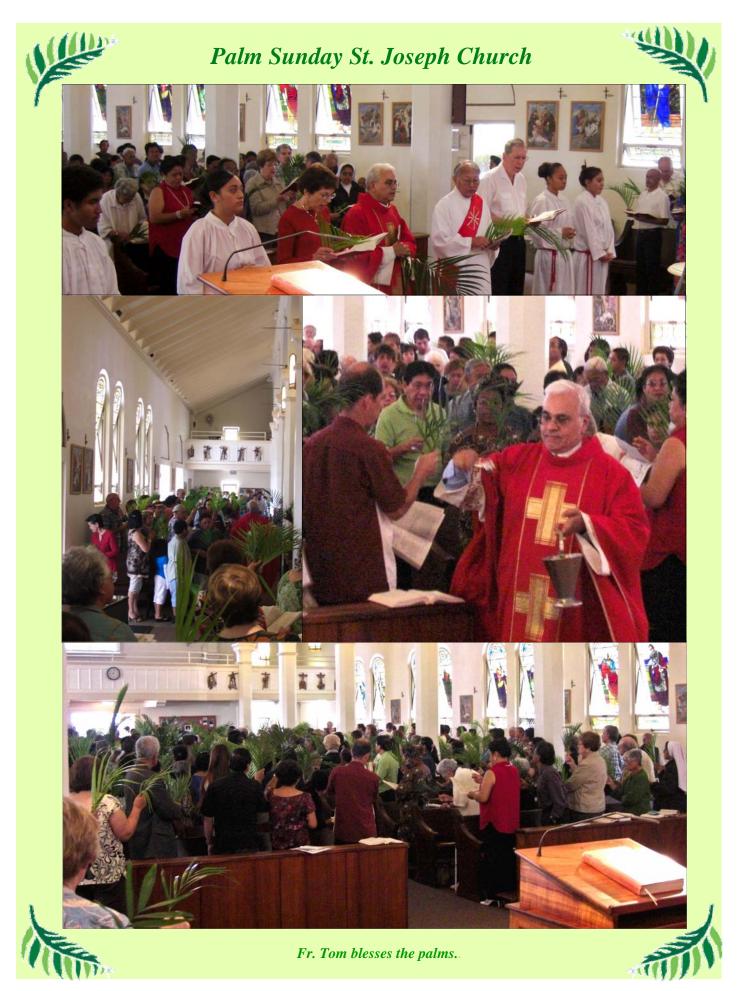
Mahalo to all who helped with and supported the celebration and to all who attended!. We look forward to seeing you all at the 150th celebration in 2019!















Young adults, Christian and Catherine read the meditations for the Stations of the Cross.

Praying The Stations

of the Cross



Dcn. Jerry blessed the congregation after the concluding prayer during the Stations of the Cross, April 3, 2009.





Dylan joins Sr. Lusika and Sr. Ruth for the concluding song at the Stations of the Cross.



MARY, Gate of Heaven pray for us.

> Please keep in prayer:

Ernest Matsumoto Kahele Ohana Aunty Patty Grube Uncle Tony Moniz Aunty Minnie Alidon Aunty Dora Costa Aunty Mamo Otineru Aunty Nita Kua Aunty Dulatre Eleanor Birney Rita Cusick Hale Pekelo Aunty Mabel Silva Aunty Joann Peralta Aunty Irene Kondo Fr. Joseph Hennen Valentine Gonsalves Destry Gacutan Shirley Rizzo Grace Carter

and all those who are sick.



Financial Notes: 4/05/09

ATTENDANCE Adults: 71 Children: 15 Rice Bowl \$38.88 Koa Bowl \$1,579.00

The estimated average Koa Bowl Collection needed each week to support ourselves is: \$1,500.00 Fr. John Christ is risen In him we have risen to new life!



Fr. Joe introduces Palm Sunday celebration.



The Gospel before the procession.



Fr. Joe preaches the homily.

Please remember our brothers and sisters who need our help by bringing food donations every week with you to Mass. THANK YOU!

Saint Joseph Food Pantry 3/30/09 134 persons served

Malia Food Pantry 4/01/09 16 persons served

<u>Our Volunteers for *Sunday,* April 19, 2009</u>

Church Cleaning Natalie / Natalie Flowers Maybelle / Shirley Sacristan Moke Altar Servers Kalauao / Tiah Eucharistic Ministers Patty / Moke Lectors Natalie / Frieda Bell Ringers Pete / Melody



Palm Sunday Celebration at Malia Puka O Kalani Church



Fr. Joe blesses palms.









Kaukee leads the procession.



Directory

Emergency after-hours number: 899-9453

Pastor:

Rev. Thomas Purayidathil, Ph.D. Associate Pastors: Rev. John M. Mbinda 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 Sr. Lusika Sangma 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.



Security & Maintenance: Mario Miguel 990-9137 Lituray 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 Aquiar 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	\$	2,278.00
Spanish Mass	\$	110.00
7:00 am	\$	2,432.00
9:00 am	\$	2,362.00
11:30 am	\$	1,647.00
6:00 pm	\$	3,220.00
Sunday Total	\$	12,049.00
Collection		
Candles	\$	318.00
Donations/Others	\$	2,813.00
Total Other Revenue	\$	3,131.00
RESTRICTED DONATIONS		
Bldg. Maint. Fund	\$	852.00
Parish Hall Fund	\$	1,624.00
School Fund	\$	634.00
Convent Rent	\$	12,499.92
Apartment Rent	\$	3,500.00
Good Friday	\$	60.00
Augustine Ed.	\$	20.00
Cath. Relief Svcs	\$	62.00
Misc.	\$	319.00
Total Restricted	\$	19,570.92
Donations		
Total Weekly Deposit	\$	34,750.92
Parish Hall	\$	143,166.00
Fund to Date	Ψ	113,100.00



This Week's Calendar

SUNDAY, April 12 "Easter Sunday"

7:00 am •Easter Sunday Mass/St. Joseph Church

9:00 am •Easter Sunday Mass/St. Joseph Church

- 11:30 am •Easter Sunday Mass/St. Joseph Church 2:00 pm •Baptism/St. Joseph Church
- 6:00 pm •Easter Sunday Mass/St. Joseph Church

MONDAY, April 13

10:00 am •Aloha Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

- 12:30 pm •Food Pantry/St. Joseph Church
- 1:00 pm Spiritual Support Group/St. Joseph Church Breezeway
- 6:00 pm •RCIA Class/St. Joseph Rectory Library
- 6:00 pm •Youth & Young Adult Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

TUESDAY, April 14

7:00 am •SJ School Communion Service/St. Joseph Elem. School Chapel

- 8:30 am •AARP Tax Aid/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room
- 10:00 am •Funeral Mass (+Susan Graham)/St. Joseph Church
- 5:00 pm •Parish Maintenance Team Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room
- 6:30 pm •SJS Selection Committee/St. Joseph Rectory Conference Room
- 7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/St. Joseph Church
- 7:00 pm •Liturgy Committee/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room
- 7:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/YMI

WEDNESDAY, April 15

- 12:30 pm •Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church
- 7:00 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church
- 7:00 pm •Finance Council/St. Joseph Rectory Library

THURSDAY, April 16

- 5:30 pm •Cursillo Group/St. Joseph Rectory Library
- 6:00 pm •Frist Reconciliation Service/St. Joseph Church
- 7:00 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Rectory Library

FRIDAY, April 17

7:00 am •SJ School Mass/St. Joseph Elem. School Chapel

- 5:00 pm •Holy Hour/St. Joseph Church
- 6:00 pm •Benediction/St. Joseph Church
- 7:00 pm •First Communion Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

SATURDAY, April 18

- 7:45 am •Church Cleaners #3/St. Joseph Church
- 10:00 am •Reconciliation/St. Joseph Church
- 5:00 pm •High School Youth Group/St. Joseph Rectory Library

SUNDAY, April 19

- 11:30 am •Mass w/First Holy Communion/St. Joseph Church
- 7:00 pm •Young Adults Ministry/St. Joseph Rectory Library





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