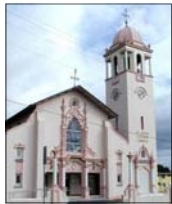


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# Hilo Roman Catholic Community



## **St. Joseph 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

Sunday:

St. Joseph Church

7:00 am, 9:00 am,

11:30 am & 6:00 pm

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

Morning Prayer

& Benediction

Mon.-Sat. Immediately  
after Mass

Evening Prayer

& Benediction

Sun. - Friday: 4:30 pm

Saturday: 3:30 pm

### **Malia Puka O Kalani Church**

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND:

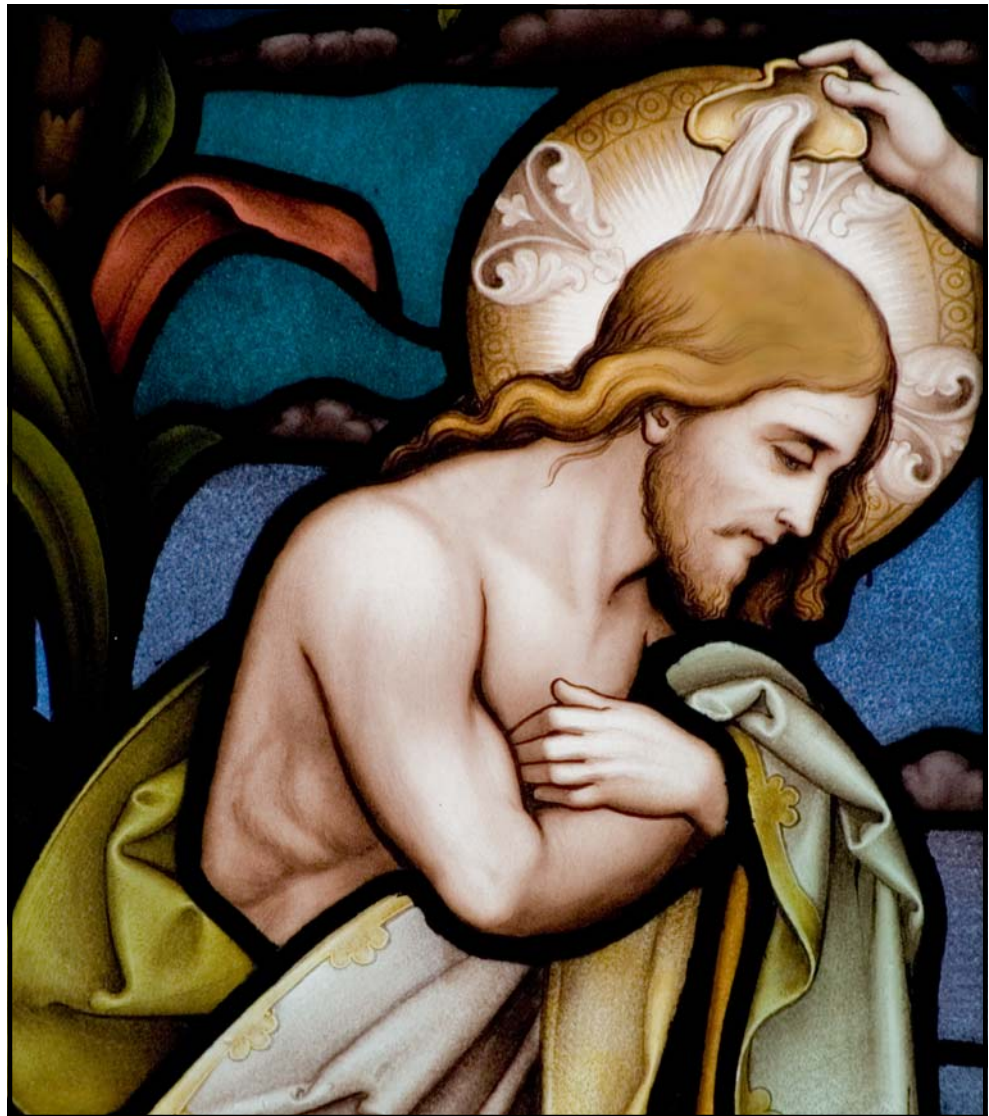
5:15 pm Saturday Vigil

9:00 am Sunday

4:00 pm (Spanish Mass)

WEEKDAY:

5:15 pm Mon., Wed., Fri.



**Father, your only Son revealed himself to us by becoming man. May we who share his humanity come to share his divinity, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen**

## IMPORTANT DATES:

### Religious Education

Classes will resume  
on Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>

### Youth Masses

January 10 & 24  
11:30 am

### Liturgy Meeting

Mon. Jan. 11  
7:00 pm  
Rectory Meeting Room

### PPAC Meeting

Tues. Jan. 12  
6:00 pm  
Rectory Meeting Room

### Bishop Larry's Visit

Jan. 16-17  
to St. Joseph Church

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!



• Fred Singenes,  
Carol Reuney &  
Kivanna Singenes

• Efrent Nethon,  
Rachel Rodrigues-  
Cuba, Karley &  
Rayme Cuba-  
Nethon & Joyme  
Jonas

• Anna Corpuz

• Erik Heckman

• Howard Tracy

• Herbert & Maria  
Barrow

## Pastor's Corner

Rev. Samuel Loterte, SSS

January 10, 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters,  
Peace in the Lord Jesus Christ!

Today we celebrate the feast of the Lord's baptism. Although sinless, Jesus humbly went down with sinners into the waters of the Jordan to receive John's baptism of repentance. He takes unto himself our sinfulness. The baptism of the Lord also inaugurates Jesus' mission as Messiah. But Jesus reveals himself not as a glorious figure but one who is obedient to the Father and close to the poor and sinners.

This feast also reminds us of our own baptism, which is dying to our own sinful ways to rise up as beloved children of God.

May this feast keep us faithful to our baptismal calling as children of our heavenly Father, just as Jesus was faithful to his mission which started at his baptism at the Jordan River.

God bless you all,  
Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS



### Prayer for the Week

Jesus, out of love for us  
You were baptized in the  
River Jordan. We thank you  
for the gift of water to  
cleanse us and revive us.

We thank you that through  
the waters of the Red Sea  
You led your people out  
of slavery to freedom in  
the Promised Land.

We thank you that you  
passed through the deep  
waters of death and rose  
again in triumph.

Have mercy on us who  
seek profit from what you  
offer so freely.

Confront us who turn the  
sacrament of liberation into  
material of oppression.

And as water flows from  
your side on the cross  
pierce our consciences  
And convert us again to  
your ways. Amen.



### Prayer Intentions for January 2010

**General:** That young people may learn to use modern means of social communication for their personal growth and to better prepare themselves to serve society.

**Missionary:** That every believer in Christ may be conscious that unity among all Christians is a condition for more effective proclamation of the Gospel.

## Sunday Reflection:

by Father Greg Friedman, O.F.M.

Baptism of the Lord (C)

January 10, 2010

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11, Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10, Acts 10:34-38, Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

It's a cliché, but true, that to finish well depends on making a "good beginning." Hello, I'm Father Greg Friedman, and this is the "Sunday Soundbite" for the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

A month or so ago we heard "the beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God," proclaimed on the Second Sunday of Advent. Those words sound like a title—and, in a way, they are Mark's "title" for his Gospel. All that will follow—from Christ's Baptism to the announcement that he is risen—is, for Mark, the "beginning" of the Good News about Jesus. The continuation of the story is up to us who have received this Good News.

As the liturgical season of Christmas ends today, we begin to reflect on a weekly basis on what it means to live the Good News that Jesus Christ has been revealed as Son of God. Much of our reflection will come from Mark's Gospel.

Today he presents the dramatic scene in the waters of the Jordan River, as Jesus is baptized by John. The Spirit descends on Jesus, and a heavenly voice claims him: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." From the Jordan, Jesus will begin a mission of healing and exorcism. Just as the Spirit hovered over the primeval waters at the dawn of Creation described in the Book of Genesis, so now the Spirit is at work in Jesus—and in each of us, become new creations in Christ through our own Baptisms.

I'm Father Greg Friedman with the "Sunday Soundbite" for St. Anthony Messenger Press, on the Web at [FranciscanRadio.org](http://FranciscanRadio.org).

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Thanks to everyone who came and enjoyed our first Annual Parish Christmas party which was held on Saturday, January 2.  
Special thanks go to:

Greg Branco for supplying plants to decorate the gym floor and stage  
Chrislyn Villena for all her efforts in organizing this successful event  
Danie Villena for overseeing the set-up and clean-up duties  
Youth & Young Adult members for their help with the set-up and clean-up efforts.  
Avelina and her crew for managing the food and beverage tables.  
Vision 20/20 who provided the music for the evening.



## Scripture Readings

### **Sunday, January 10**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7

Ps 29:1-4, 9-10

Acts 10:34-38

Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

### **Monday, January 11**

1 Sm 1:1-8

Ps 116:12-19

Mk 1:14-20

### **Tuesday, January 12**

1 Sm 1:9-20

(Ps) 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8

Mk 1:21-28

### **Wednesday, January 13**

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20

Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10

Mk 1:29-39

### **Thursday, January 14**

1 Sm 4:1-11

Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25

Mk 1:40-45

### **Friday, January 15**

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a

Ps 89:16-19

Mk 2:1-12

### **Saturday, January 16**

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1

Ps 21:2-7

Mk 2:13-17

### **Sunday, January 17**

Is 62:1-5

Ps 96:1-3, 7-10

Jn 2:1-11





## New Start

New start? Well, why not? The year 2010 is beginning and it is not uncommon to find people reflecting on what has been and, at the same time, looking ahead with the intention to change in one way or another. Persons may resolve to make personal changes, changes in family life and to try a new approach in various facets of their lives. Christians, who take seriously their following of Jesus, will reassess their lives in the light of the Gospel.

St. John in his First Letter reminisces on his personal encounter with Jesus. He writes, "Something which has existed since the beginning, that we have heard, and we have seen with our own eyes; that we have watched and touched with our hands: the Word, who is life." (1 Jn 1: 1-2ft)

John speaks of Jesus, the Word made flesh. The incomparable experience and witness of John to whom Jesus is Son of God, Savior, the One who is Life, the One who is Light. He witnesses to Jesus who is the Way, the Truth, the Life.

In our belief and acceptance of Jesus we not only cling to him but also listen intently to his words since they are the words of life. Love is at the heart of the teaching and actions of Jesus. He solemnly said in response to a question from a lawyer, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. You must love your neighbor as yourself."

These words of love are central to any new start in Christian living. We ponder these words, we realize ever to quickly that we can always go one step further—there is no end to love. These two commandments are interwoven as John teaches so clearly in his First Letter, "We can be sure that we love God only by keeping his commandments."

John goes further to teach that if we say that we love God and do not love our neighbor, we are liars. Love embraces God and neighbor.

Our new start may well begin in deep silence in the Lord's presence. Who is altogether central in the depths of my heart? Who is special in the depths of my

soul as I stand alone before the Lord? Who do I first seek with all my mind and intelligence? Who do I commit myself to without reserve? The questions refer back to the first of the two great commandments. Next we turn our attention to 'Love your neighbor as yourself'. Ask the same questions, do I love my neighbor? The parable of the Good Samaritan (Lk 19: 29-37) may both tell us who is our neighbor and how we are to treat our neighbor. To reflect on this parable is to begin a new way of loving. If it so happens that a person cannot specify how s/he should now live then turn to the Beatitudes (Mt 5: 1-10) as a simple and practical means of how to live out the two great commandments of the Lord.

Christians, who really take to heart the teaching of Jesus, may find the Beatitudes a more direct and easily understood way of fulfilling the great commandments of the Gospel. They point out the principles, the stances, the directions basic to Christian life and inspirational and basic on how to live the Gospel.

God blesses those who depend solely on him. God bless those who are gentle.

God blesses those who are compassionate. God bless those in whom fairness reigns. God blesses those with a forgiving heart.

God blesses those whose hearts belong to him God blesses those who spread peace on earth. God blesses those who stand firm.

These eight challenges for life may be expressed more succinctly as:

- Be trusting
- Be gentle
- Be compassionate
- Be just
- Be merciful
- Be pure of heart
- Be reconcilers
- Be courageous.



The Lord has invited us to a life of heartfelt love for God and our brothers and sisters. The Beatitudes are means of expressing this love in a manner that is both human and divine. Truly a new start for 2010.

*Fr. Ed Wood, SSS*



### Theology Class Gift Boxes

Students in Mrs. Beth Andrade's Theology classes are shown with assorted student donations of school bags, toiletries, towels, etc. that were given to children who are in need this Christmas. Congratulations and Mahalo for your donations and on a job well done!

### SJS January Events Calendar

Jan.	4 & 5	No School for students; Faculty & staff In-service day
	6	School Resumes
	8	Report Cards distributed to students, gr. 1-12; original signed copy due to homeroom teachers by Jan. 12
	12	Signed report cards due
	13 & 14	Science Fair
	18	No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday
	23	SAT Exam
	27	Open House for prospective students, 8:30 – 11:30 am
	30	Open House for prospective students, 9-11 am

*Sr. Marion Kikukawa*



*In God's love  
Thinking of you,  
Loving you,  
Praying for you.*

*Parish Family,  
Please remember  
in your prayers  
Sr. Marion Kikukawa  
who suffered a stroke  
this past week.*





## Simbang Gabi...

This year's theme was "Faithfulness of Christ...Faithfulness of the Priest". Each night involved subthemes based on the readings and reflections for the advent season.



Families brought donations of food each night to help the Food Pantry project.







**St. Joseph Youth & Young Adult Choir**



**"Members of the Filipino Catholic choir"**



## MAHALO

I wish to extend my sincere Mahalo to all who made our Advent, Christmas, and New Year liturgical celebrations so significant and so uplifting. The number of individuals who lent a hand is too great to list by name. You truly expressed yourself as a participating member of the Malia Ohana. Mahalo. At the same time, I wish to extend a personal Mahalo to all who graced me with Christmas and New Year's greetings, food, clothing, books, monetary gifts, and prayers. Your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated and very humbling. Mahalo.



## CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The total Christmas Collection was \$2,758.35. This was more than twice as much as we expected. It was more than four times as much as last year. May God bless you for your goodness and generosity. We promise, with the watchful eye of the Finance Committee, to be good stewards of your sacrificial offerings. MAHALO!

## LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Liturgy Committee is scheduled to meet on Saturday, January 16, 9:30 – 11:00. The agenda will include a review of the Advent and Christmas Liturgical Celebrations and the preparation for Lent. The Committee is open to any agenda item which may be of concern. Please give the agenda item to the chairperson, Joe Farias or email it to [maliapastor@gmail.com](mailto:maliapastor@gmail.com) by Tuesday, January 12.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

The Religious Education and Youth Activities Committee will meet on Saturday, January 23, 9:30 – 11:00. The agenda will include Religious Education and Adult and Youth Sacramental Preparation at Malia. If you have agenda items you would like to be discussed please give the item to the chairperson, Wendy Cortez, or email it to [tomaliapastor@gmail.com](mailto:tomaliapastor@gmail.com) by Friday, January 15.



*Please  
keep in prayer:*

*Fr. Joseph Hennen  
Ernest Matsumoto  
Aunty Patty Grube  
Uncle Tony Moniz  
Aunty Minnie Alidon  
Aunty Dora Costa  
Aunty Mamo Otineru  
Aunty Nita Kua  
Aunty Elizabeth Dulatre  
Eleanor Birney  
Aunty Mabel Silva  
Aunty Joann Peralta  
Aunty Irene Kondo  
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Shirley Rizzo  
Grace Carter  
Rupert Tripp Jr.  
Laverne Amay  
John Tardino  
Rita Branco  
Daniel Richards  
Uncle Black Manu  
Uncle Warren Curtis  
Infant Tiare Cervantes  
and all those who are  
sick.*

## MALIA COLLECTIONS

KOA BOWL	\$ 2,059.00
NEW YEARS	\$ 561.00
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CHRISTMAS	\$ 65.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$ 4,247.50



### **FEAST OF MOTHER MARIANNE COPE**

The Feast of Mother Marianne Cope is Saturday, January 23. I have requested permission from the Bishop to celebrate the Mass of Blessed Mother Marianne on Saturday, Jan. 23 and Sunday, Jan. 24. As of the writing of this Bulletin, I have not yet received an answer. Also, there is a Novena to Blessed Mother Marianne which customarily starts on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Due to the fact that I will be gone the week of Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> (see following article) we will begin the Novena on her Feast day, Saturday, Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> and end on Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. I am deeply grateful that you have joined in praying that through the intercession of Mother Marianne I will be cured of leukemia. I ask you to join with me during this week of the Novena. During the Novena, we will celebrate Mass every week day at 5:15.



### **FR. JOE GONE TO NEW JERSEY**

As many of you know, prior to coming to Malia, I started and was in charge of an adolescent substance abuse treatment program in New Jersey, Daytop-NJ. There is a newly elected Governor of New Jersey. He has invited me to do the Benediction at the swearing-in ceremony. His inauguration and swearing-in ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan 19<sup>th</sup>. The new Governor is a strong advocate to giving treatment to adolescents rather than putting them in jail. His request for me to do the Benediction is not only a personal honor but also a strong message to all the people of New Jersey. I have accepted the invitation (they also paid for the ticket!). I will be gone from Sunday afternoon, Jan 17<sup>th</sup> until Friday evening, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **BISHOP'S VISIT**

Bishop Larry Silva will have an official visitation of the Malia parish the weekend of Jan 30 – 31. He will celebrate the 5:15 pm Mass on Saturday and the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday. He will also celebrate the 4:00 pm Spanish Mass on Sunday afternoon. Following the Saturday evening Mass he will have dinner with the Self-Study Team (the chairs and secretaries of the parish committees and three at-large parish members). This will be in the Parish Hall. We plan to have a home cooked Hawaiian meal. We will be asking for volunteers. (More information to come later). After Mass on Sunday, he would like to meet with the entire parish community for an open discussion. I ask you to please consider active participation in these significant events.

Many decisions will be based on what the Bishop learns and experiences on this weekend. The Parish Self-Study Committee has completed an extensive Self-Study which has been sent to the Bishop. Copies of this will be made available to any interested parishioner. The Bishop will also meet with the Hispanic Community after the 4:00 pm Mass.



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*Eternal Rest Grant  
unto them O Lord &  
let perpetual light  
shine upon them*

† Catherine Pacheco  
Rapoza

† Mae Jean Mathews

† John Andrade

† Priscilla Reed

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH WEEKLY COLLECTION

5:00 pm	\$ 1,731.00
7:00 am	\$ 2,222.00
9:00 am	\$ 1,994.00
11:30 am	\$ 1,920.00
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Misc.	\$ 60.00
Total Restricted Donations	\$ 19,217.92
Total Weekly Deposit	\$ 31,624.42
Parish Hall Fund to Date	\$ 360,174.27

## This Week's Calendar

### SUNDAY, Jan. 10

10:15 am •Religious Ed Classes/SJHS

4:00 pm •Spanish Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

7:00 pm •Young Adults Ministry/St. Joseph Rectory Library

### MONDAY, Jan. 11

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

12:30 pm •Food Pantry/St. Joseph Church

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

5:15 pm •Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

5:30 pm •Youth & Young Adults Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

6:00 pm •RCIA Classes/St. Joseph Rectory Conference Room

7:00 pm •Baptism Prep Classes/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

7:00 pm •Liturgy Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Library

### TUESDAY, Jan. 12

10:00 am •Funeral Mass (+ Mae Jean Mathews)/St. Joseph Church

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

5:00 pm •Parish Maintenance Team Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Mtg Rm

6:00 pm •Parish Pastoral Advisory Council (PPAC)/SJ Rectory Mtg Room

6:30 pm •Small Christian Community/St. Joseph Rectory Library

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

7:00 pm •Wake Service (+ John Andrade)/Borthwick Funeral Home

### WEDNESDAY, Jan. 13

10:00 am •Funeral Mass (+ John Andrade)/St. Joseph Church

12:30 pm •Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

3:30 pm •Spiritual Growth Group/St. Joseph Church Breezeway

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

5:15 pm •Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

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

7:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/YMI

### THURSDAY, Jan. 14

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

5:30 pm •Cursillo Group/St. Joseph Rectory Library

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

### FRIDAY, Jan. 15

9:30 am •SJ School Mass/SJES Chapel

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

5:15 pm •Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

### SATURDAY, Jan. 16

8:45 am •Church Cleaners #7/St. Joseph Church

10:00 am •Reconciliation/St. Joseph Church

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

3:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry (Faith Formation)/SJ Rectory Library

5:15 pm •Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

### SUNDAY, Jan. 17

10:15 am •Religious Ed Classes/SJHS

12:30 pm •Jr. High Ministry/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

4:00 pm •Spanish Mass/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

4:30 pm •Evening Prayer & Benediction/St. Joseph Church

7:00 pm •Young Adults Ministry (Faith Formation)/SJ Rectory Library



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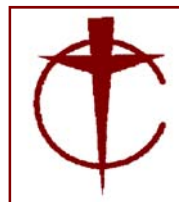
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