

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Pastor: Rev. Samuel Loterte, SSS Parochial Vicar: Rev. Clifford Barrios, SSS

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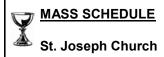


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Weekdays: Mon.-Fri. 6:00 am & 12:15 pm Saturday: 7:00 am Legal Holidays: 7:00 am

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

#### Sunday:

St. Joseph Church 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:45 am & 6:00pm

# **Youth Mass**

Dec. 7 & 21 @ 11:45 am

#### CONFESSION

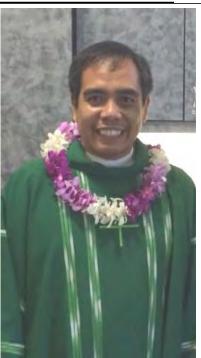
Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am St. Joseph Church or by appointment

\*Please note: confession schedule does not apply during some liturgical seasons.

#### PRAYER TIMES

Adoration: M-F 4-5:00 pm Sat 3-3:30 pm Sun 4-4:30 pm





# MAHALO & A HUI HOU, FATHER CLIFFORD!

Fr. Clifford's journey of faith and service to our Lord has now called him back to the Philippines. He will leave Hilo on December 2.

Fr. Clifford has served St. Joseph with love, compassion and humility for the past four years and his quiet presence will be missed.

If you wish to send mail to Fr. Clifford please send to him at the following address: Archdiocesan Shrine of the Holy Eucharist

> Sacred Heart Parish Rer Drive, Kauswagan Cagayan De Oro 9000 Philippines

Fr. Clifford, we thank you for sharing your gifts and talents with us. Please know that we wish you long life and happiness and pray that God watch over you and protect you always.

#### A Simple gift with a Huge Impact!

Thank you to all who donated and participated with this year's OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Shoebox. All of the Hawaii boxes will be sent to the various islands of Indonesia this year. St. Joseph parish collected over 125 boxes,



ous islands of Indonesia this year. St. Joseph parish collected over 125 boxes, doubling our numbers from last year which was our first year participating. Thank you to Mario Miguel and the team from our parish Social Ministry in spearheading this year's outreach project.

**Mission Statement**: Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ as we seek fullness of life. Blessed with many cultures and gifted with the Hawaiian spirit of Aloha we pledge to share our heritage and our faith, and commit ourselves to the full development of our people. With Saint Joseph as our patron we offer our gift of self for the greater glory of God.

Nov. 30, 2014

# Pastor's Corner

### 1st Sunday of Advent

Dear brothers and sisters

Peace!

It is Advent. The Lord promised to come. He will come. He will fulfill his promise. But does our heart long for his coming?

Advent is not just a day but a season to prepare us for the coming of Jesus, the Promised Messiah. He is the hope of Israel. He is the hope of all nations.

It is important for us that every year we enter into the spirit of holiness as the core of our preparation for the coming of Jesus in our lives, in our homes, and in our communities.

Life is also a perpetual Advent. Not because life is a burdensome waiting for Jesus. The daily Advent of life is filled with excitement. Jesus comes at every moment of our lives. So our waiting is not in vain. He said, "I will be with you till the end of time".

Jesus comes. He is with us. He is Emmanuel.

Pope Francis proclaimed 2015 a Year of Consecrated Life (November 29, 2014-February 2, 2016). The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) announced the observance of "Days with Religious". This will focus on prayer, service, community life with those living a consecrated life. Let us pray and support the many men and women who have embraced this life. Let us pray for more vocations.

Let us also welcome into our parish community FR. POLI TY, SSS. He will be part of the parish team.

God bless you. In Jesus, our fullness of Life, Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS



CherishThe Gift | A Call to Stewardship in the Catholic Church in Hawaii

Thank you for your contributions to the Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we help keep Catholic social teaching alive and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor . . . to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).







Sunday, Nov. 30 Is 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37

Monday, Dec. 01

Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11

#### **Tuesday**, Dec. 02

Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:7-8, 12-13, 17 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, Dec. 03

Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37

#### Thursday, Dec. 04

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

#### Friday, Dec. 05

Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Mt 9:27-31

#### Saturday, Dec. 06

Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-6 Mt 9:35—10:1, 5, 6-8

#### Sunday, Dec. 07

Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 85:9-14 2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY,	Dec. 01
5:15 pm	•Bible Study w/Dale Waltjen/Conf. Room
5:30 pm	<ul> <li>Youth &amp; Young Adult Choir Rehearsal/Church</li> </ul>
6:00 pm	<ul> <li>Adult Faith Formation (aka RCIA)/Library</li> </ul>
TUESDAY, Dec. 02	
5:00 pm	<ul> <li>Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Conf. Room</li> </ul>
	•PPAC Meeting/Mtg. Room
	<ul> <li>Small Christian Community/Library</li> </ul>
7:00 pm	•Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 03	
6:30 pm	•Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church
THURSDAY, Dec. 04	
6:30 pm	•SJ Choir Rehearsal/Church
FRIDAY, Dec. 05	
6:00 pm	•Young Adult Ministry/Library
SATURDAY, Dec. 06	
8:15 am	<ul> <li>Church Cleaners (#2-Social Ministry)/Church</li> </ul>
10:00 am	•Bible Sharing (Mary Ann Leite)/Library
5:00 pm	•High School Youth Ministry/Library
7:45 pm	San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church
SUNDAY,	Dec. 07 "Second Sunday of Advent"
10:15 am	•R E Classes/SJHS
11:45 am	•Youth Mass/Church



**Sunday, Nov. 30** NO RE CLASS (Thanksgiving Break)

Monday, Dec. 8 IMMACULATE CON-CEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MASS 6:00 am; 12:15 pm & 7:00 pm

Due to the holiday our bulletin was printed before the Financial report was available.



#### CHILD-SAFETY DURING THE HOLIDAYS:

An article by Lindsay Hutton for the online magazine, *Family Education*, gives expert advice on how to keep children safe during the holidays. Everyone gets too easily caught up in the hustle and bustle of family gatherings, school Christmas programs/concerts, charity events and yes, even in our Christmas shopping but it's no excuse to leave our children unprotected

from the dangers and strangers of the world. Hutton for *Family Education* has provided a list of tips on how to keep children safe while preparing for the holidays.

#### Parents, grandparents and godparents can all use these simple tips:

- <sup>°</sup> **Talk with your child before any family outing.** Make a rule that you must always be able to see them and they must always be able to see you. It sounds pretty simple but keep reminding them periodically and check frequently on them if you think they are getting restless.
- <sup>o</sup> Teach your children that if they ever become separated from you, you should **look** for a "safe stranger" for help; ie a mom with children of her own or a store clerk with a clear nametag and store logo. With older children, agree on a "meeting place" inside the store ahead of time.
- Dress your younger children in **bright colored clothes** so that it makes them easier to spot.
- Always bring your children into the restroom with you and look for well lighted restrooms in high traffic areas whenever possible.
- Statistically, the men's room isn't the safest place for a child to use alone. If you feel comfortable letting your older child (at least 9 years old) use the men's room alone, stand outside the door and call in as your child enters, "I'm right out here if you need me." It's a clear signal to anyone who may be hanging around in there that there's a parent close by. Your child is less of a target if a potential predator thinks there's a chance he could be caught. If you think your child's taking too long, open the door and call in, "Is everything okay?" If you don't get an answer or are unsure, enter the restroom immediately to be sure your child is safe. (Informing your child that you'll be doing this will encourage him to answer you quickly and not linger.)
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Make sure that your child knows your cell phone number.</u>

Read more on FamilyEducation: <u>http://life.familyeducation.com/safety/stranger-safety/59187.html#ixzz3IKXykQ7y</u>



# <u>Marriage and</u> Family Corner:

—Hosted by St. Joseph Church Religious Education Family Ministries

Marriage Tip #1

(taken from *101 Tips for a Happier Marriage* by Morse & Kerekes; 2013)

Think about what is in your spouse's interest. A loving person wants the best for another and is willing to follow through with actions.

"Many disappointments in married life can be traced to one basic misunderstanding: we think love is a feeling. We think we are "in love" when we like the way we feel with the other person. But timeless wisdom shows that love is more than a feeling. Love is a decision. You can improve your marriage by making a decision to love. In fact you can improve the lives of many people by making a decision to do what is in their interest, even if it is inconvenient for you at the time. -Morse & Kerekes

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