



# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

Nov. 1, 2015

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location in 1919*

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*"Wake up the world" 2015 Year of Consecrated Life*

## Pastor's Corner:

## All Saints Day

Dear brothers and sisters,

Peace!

In his book *Jesus of Nazareth*, Pope Emeritus Benedict, writes that the Beatitudes are the fruit of Jesus' gaze upon the disciples. Jesus sees them as poor, hungry, weeping, hated, and persecuted. Yet this condition also becomes a promise when seen from the perspective of God. Yes, the Beatitudes are paradoxes because they contain God's values.

Says Benedict, "It is precisely those who are poor in worldly terms, those thought as lost souls, who are truly fortunate ones, the blessed, who have every reason to rejoice and exult in the midst of their sufferings. The Beatitudes are promises resplendent with the new image of the world and of man inaugurated by Jesus, his 'transformation of values'. They are eschatological promises."

As we observe the Solemnity of All Saints, let us remember the many men and women of all time who were the portraits of Jesus in their own lifetime. Like them, let us follow their example of faithfulness and loving service.

Our Parish Pastoral Plan, Goal 3 under the Pillar of Service reminds us that all parishioners can help by "Promoting the restoration of human dignity and giving a sense of hope to individuals and families we serve."

God bless you and your family,

In Jesus, our fullness of Life,

*Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS*



There will be a blessing on  
**Monday, November 2, 2015,**  
at the St. Joseph Church  
Cemetery located inside of the Hilo  
Terrace Association Complex  
at 485 Waiānue Avenue;  
in the farthest left hand corner of the property.  
**The blessing will take place at 1:30 PM**



## Second Collection:

Last Month our parish began a second collection to assist in the expenses for the repair and maintenance projects. Some items that are included on the list is the replacement of the church sound system, the rectory office phone system and the general repairs to both the rectory and church buildings and property. We had a generous collection last month and our hope is to keep the monthly collection as an ongoing effort to meet our goals. Please consider giving as much and as often as you are able. Thank you for all your prayers and support to our parish.

## Parish Mission Statement:

Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a Parish and School community. Together as disciples of Jesus Christ as we seek fullness of life. Blessed with diversity of cultures and gifted with the spirit of Aloha, we pledge to become stewards of our time, talent and treasure by sharing our heritage, 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.

**\*\*\*Please remember St. Joseph Parish in your will\*\*\***

## Scripture Readings



### **Sun- Nov. 01** day.

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14  
Ps 24:1bc-4b, 5-6  
1 Jn 3:1-3  
Mt 5:1-12a

### **Monday, Nov. 02**

Wis 3:1-9  
Ps 23:1-6  
Rom 5:5-11

### **Tuesday, Nov. 03**

Rom 12:5-16b  
Ps 131:1cde, 2-3  
Lk 14:15-24

### **Wednesday, Nov. 04**

Rom 13:8-10  
Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9  
Lk 14:25-33

### **Thursday, Nov. 05**

Rom 14:7-12  
Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14  
Lk 15:1-10

### **Friday, Nov. 06**

Rom 15:14-21  
Ps 98:1-4  
Lk 16:1-8

### **Saturday, Nov. 07**

Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27  
Ps 145:2-5, 10-11  
Lk 16:9-15

### **Sunday, Nov. 08**

1 Kgs 17:10-16  
Ps 146:7-10  
Heb 9:24-28  
Mk 12:38-44

## **THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS:**

### **They pray for us....The Saints**

*All Saints Day (November 1)*, the day on which Catholics celebrate all the saints, known and unknown, is a surprisingly old feast. It arose out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary of their martyrdom. When martyrdoms increased during the persecutions of the late Roman Empire, local dioceses instituted a common feast day in order to ensure that all martyrs, known and unknown, were properly honored.

"The Communion of Saints is made up of all men [and women] who have placed their hope in Christ and belong to him through Baptism, whether they have already died or are still alive. Because in Christ we are one Body; we live in communion that encompasses heaven and earth." (YouCat #146; CCC#946-962)

The Church is larger and more alive than we think. Among her members are the living and the deceased (whether they are still undergoing a process of purification or are already in the glory of God), individuals known and unknown, great saints and inconspicuous persons. We can help one another even beyond the grave. We can call on patrons and favorite saints, but also our departed relatives and friends whom we believe are already with God. Conversely, by our intercessory prayer, we can come to the aid of our dear departed who still are undergoing purification. Whatever the individual does or suffers in and for Christ benefits all. Conversely, this unfortunately means also that every sin harms the communion. (YouCat #146).

### **And we pray for them.....The Souls**

Often overshadowed by the two days preceding it, Halloween and All Saints Day, *All Souls Day (November 2)* is a solemn feast in the Roman Catholic Church commemorating all of those who have died and now are in Purgatory, being cleansed of their venial sins and the temporal punishments for the mortal sins that they had confessed and atoning before entering fully into Heaven.

The term, purgatory, still exists in church literature today (Catechism of the Catholic Church, No. 1030-1032) despite the fact that it is not mentioned in the Bible. Two New Testament verses allude to a cleansing fire (1 Corinthians 3:15 and 1 Peter 1:7), and they have served as the basis for the concept of purgatory, which evolved from the fifth to 13th centuries. Consistent with this ancient Jewish practice, the Catholic Church has taught for centuries that our prayers serve as an aid to those who have died, and the premier prayer to offer for their intention is the Eucharist, the holy sacrifice of the Mass. The church also recommends almsgiving, indulgences and other works of penance for the deceased (Catechism, No. 1032). On this All Souls Day or any time throughout the month of November, please consider reserving some time to pray for the dead. (Father Michael Van Sloun is pastor of St. Stephen in Anoka; <http://thecatholicspirit.com/featured/all-souls-day-why-should-we-pray-for-the-dead/>)

"I Believe in ... the Communion of Saints"



## **We are a welcoming parish. Be a family member, today!**

Parish registration forms are located in the rear of the church or at the rectory office.

Visit our parish website at [www.stjoehilo.com](http://www.stjoehilo.com).

For more information to join one of the many parish ministries, call 935-1465 and ask for one of the coordinators or email us at [stjosephchurch@stjoehilo.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@stjoehilo.com)

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### **MONDAY, Nov. 02 "All Souls' Day"**

- 1:30 pm •Blessing of Parish Cemetery/485 Waiianuenue Ave.
- 5:30 pm •Young Adults Choir Rehearsal/Church
- 6:00 pm •Adult Faith Formation (aka RCIA) Class/Library

### **TUESDAY, Nov. 03**

- 5:00 pm •R E Board Meeting/Mtg. Room
- 5:00 pm •Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Conf. Room
- 6:00 pm •PPAC Meeting/Mtg. Room
- 6:30 pm •Small Christian Community (Carol Denis)/Library
- 7:00 pm •Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church

### **WEDNESDAY, Nov. 04**

- 6:00 pm •Stewardship Committee/Mtg. Room
- 6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

### **THURSDAY, Nov. 05**

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

### **FRIDAY, Nov. 06**

- 4:30 pm •Teen Council Meeting/Conf. Room

### **SATURDAY, Nov. 07**

- 8:15 am •Church Cleaners (#7-M. Aizawa)/Church
- 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, Nov. 08**

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**(after hours):**

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### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **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

### **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

#### **Evening Prayer & Benediction**

M-F 5:00 pm

Sat 3:30 pm

Sun 4:30 pm

## **November is Homeless Awareness Month**

*by: Parish Social Ministry*

The St. Joseph Social Ministry Food Pantry is in desperate need of food items. As the holidays approach us, we tend to find more and more individuals visit our parish food pantry. The Catholic Church teaches us that through our call for justice we strive to meet the most basic needs for the vulnerable members of our community. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgement (Matthew 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

**Our parish has 2,000+ members and if every single one of us brings in at least one (1) food item for our pantry every week, imagine the amount of items we'd have and the amount of hungry individuals we could serve.** Hunger is a huge social problem for our society and through our response as good stewards for God's creation, we could work towards change.

Let us take a stand against hunger and challenge ourselves to share with the least fortunate of our community.

First Letter of Last Name	Suggested Items for the Pantry
A-H	Canned Fruits & Veggies
I-P	Canned Meats
Q-Z	Cereal, Saimin, Rice, Grains

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT		Year to Date	Year to Date
October 12, 2015		Totals	Budget
Offertory Collections:	\$7,795.25	\$140,930.33	\$145,635.73
Other Collections:	\$6,969.60	\$63,108.82	\$77,936.62
Total Deposit:	\$14,764.85	\$204,039.15	\$223,572.35
Parish Hall Collection	\$171.25	Restricted Savings:	\$384,162.15
		Designated Savings:	\$470,359.66
		Total Savings:	\$854,521.81

## **Youth & Young Adult Mass**

December 6

@

11:45 am



*Eternal rest grant unto them  
O Lord  
and let perpetual light shine  
upon them.*



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