

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

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Dedicated: July 9, 1862

Established at current location in 1919

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

# **Pastor's Corner:**

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Gospel reading today is a well-known passage, one we may be tempted to ignore because we think it does not apply to us. It is important to remember, however, that Jesus is speaking to each of us.

The rich man is sincere about wanting to inherit eternal life, his heart is in the right place. However, his intentions and his following of the law are not guarantees to eternal life. Why? Because salvation is God's gift to us and not something we can earn. Receiving the gift of salvation requires seeking to love God with your whole being and letting go of those things that hinder us from growing in our love for God.

Receiving the gift of salvation that God offers through faith in Jesus requires that we have the proper disposition. We strive to love God above all things, love our neighbor as ourselves, and practice the teachings of Jesus in our daily lives. In order to live our lives as a more faithful disciple of Jesus, we must let go of things that hinder us from growing in our love for the Lord.

Ask yourself, What is keeping me from following Jesus? What in my life am I choosing above Jesus? What in my life is keeping me from prayer? These questions are relevant to all of us.

The Gospel says, Jesus looked at him and loved him. Jesus is not trying to condemn us. Rather, he invites us into a deeper relationship with him. Let us focus on Jesus so that one day we might come to share eternal life in heaven.

Yours in the Risen Lord.

Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS



#### A Stewardship Moment:

http://catholicstewardship.com/

Jesus offers a hard lesson regarding wealth and possessions in today's Gospel. The rich man whom he encountered could not part with his possessions as a condition to becoming a disciple of Jesus. Would our response be the same as the rich man? Do we place our trust in our money and possessions instead of trusting in God's generosity? Do we seek security in our possessions? Good stewards realize that their possessions must not possess them, lest those possessions block their relationship with the Lord.

#### 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.



Oct. 11, 2015

# Scripture Readings



#### Sunday, Oct. 11

Wis 7:7-11 Ps 90:12-17 Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30

#### Monday, Oct. 12

Rom 1:1-7 Ps 98:1bcde, 2-4 Lk 11:29-32

#### Tuesday, Oct. 13

Rom 1:16-25 Ps 19:2-5 Lk 11:37-41

#### Wednesday, Oct. 14

Rom 2:1-11 Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 Lk 11:42-46

# Thursday, Oct. 15

Rom 3:21-30 Ps 130:1b-6b Lk 11:47-54

# Friday, Oct. 16

Rom 4:1-8 Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11 Lk 12:1-7

#### Saturday, Oct. 17 Rom 4:13, 16-18

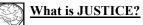
Ps 105:6-9, 42-43 Lk 12:8-12

#### Sunday, Oct. 18

Is 53:10-11 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Heb 4:14-16 Mk 10:35-45

# **TIPPING THE SCALE: A Social Justice Teaching**

Brought to you by: the Parish Religious Education Ministries in collaboration with the Parish Social Ministries



We owe each person what he/she needs to live a full human life because we believe in the intrinsic worth of all people. Worth is not something which people have to earn. They deserve it by virtue of being created in God's own image and likeness. That's a chal-

lenge for people brought up in today's world where people are judged by their possessions or their career rather than their inherent worth. But it is the challenge of the Gospel. Jesus saw the worth in each leper, each tax collector, each Samaritan whom he encountered.

#### What's happening in our world?

*"Let my heart be broken with the things that break the heart of God."* Bob Pierce wrote these now-famous words in his Bible after visiting suffering children on the Korean island of Kojedo. This impassioned prayer is what guided him as he founded and led the ministry of Samaritan's Purse in 1970. His mission for this organization was "to meet emergency needs in crisis areas through existing evangelical mission agencies and national churches. "After World War II, Bob Pierce traveled throughout Asia as an evangelist and journalist with Youth For Christ. While on a university lecturing circuit in China, he stumbled across some courageous women who were living among lepers and orphans, sacrificing everything to share the love of Jesus Christ. Through their selfless love, God gave Pierce a vision for ministry. He dedicated himself to finding and supporting other such Christians who were caring for the poor and suffering in the distant corners of the world.

#### Take Action, Start Today:





**Girl or Boy?:** Decide whether you will pack a box for a girl or a boy, and the age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14.

**Fill with Gifts:** Select a quality "wow" toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal. Then add other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. **Pray:** Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift.



**\$7 Tracking Labels:** Donate \$7 online and receive a tracking label to <u>Follow Your Box</u> and discover the destination of your shoebox gift.

**Drop-Off:** Take your shoebox gift to the parish rectory office during National Collection Week, November 16-23.

-Be Blessed Beloved Family and Continue to Pray for Justice.

For more information on parish outreach ministries, contact Mario at the Social Ministry Office @ 808-935-1153

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# 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. 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



# WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### MONDAY, Oct. 12

- 5:30 pm •Young Adults Choir Rehearsal/Church
- 6:00 pm •RCIA Class/Library
- 7:00 pm •Baptismal Prep Class/Mtg. Room & Church
- TUESDAY, Oct. 13
- 5:00 pm •Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Conf. Room
- 6:30 pm •Small Christian Community/Library
- 7:00 pm •Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church

# WEDNESDAY, Oct. 14

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

# THURSDAY, Oct. 15

- 6:30 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church *FRIDAY, Oct. 16*
- 4:30 pm •Teen Council Meeting/Conf. Room

#### SATURDAY, Oct. 17

- 8:15 am •Church Cleaners (#2-Social Ministry)/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, Oct. 18 "World Mission Sunday"
- 11:45 am •Young Adult Mass/Church



# THANK YOU!

On behalf of all the students, their families, all the faculty and staff of St. Joseph school, we would like to thank you for your donations and support of our 28th annual country fair. Pictures to follow in the next issues.

# <u>MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT</u> <u>GATHERING</u>

All are welcomed to join us on **Friday**, October 23, 2015 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the rectory library.



This marriage ministry meets on the <u>4th FRIDAYS OF EVERY MONTH.</u> Our hope is to create a time and space for all married couples to gather in prayer as well as grow through dialogue about family life, living for your spouse and keeping Christ at the center of the family. We invite couples to share in the fellowship by bringing a simple snack to share.

For more information please contact Fred & Patti Basilio at FrdBasilio@aol.com

"FALLING IN LOVE IS EASY. STAYING IN LOVE REQUIRES SOME WORK...BUT ITS TOTALLY WORTH IT!"

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT		Year to Date	Year to Date
<b>SEPTEMBER 21, 2015</b>		Totals	Budget
<b>Offertory Collections</b>	\$6,288.00	\$110,554.95	\$114,997.20
Other Collections:	\$15,955.15	\$53,918.86	\$61,856.04
Total Deposit:	\$22,243.15	\$164,473.81	\$176,853.24
Parish Hall Collection	\$100.00	Restricted Savings:	\$383,042.15
		Designated Savings:	\$466,999.66
		Total Savings:	\$850,041.81

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(after hours):

# 769-7792 or 989-0967

## 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

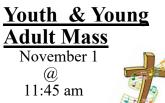
Saturday: 10:00 am-11:00 am St. Joseph Church or by appointment

\*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



Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. +Thomas Nakanishi +Lisa Mae Pang  ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH THANKS OUR BULLETIN ADVERTISERS -PLEASE PATRONIZE THEM WHEN POSSIBLE •



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