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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**St. Joseph Church**

**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**

Jan. 18

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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



## A New Year, New Beginnings for the Christian Steward

The practice of making New Year's resolutions goes back over 3000 years. The start of a New Year gives us the feeling of a fresh start, a new beginning, and new opportunities. It is a time when people feel that they can begin anew with their lives. Common New Year's resolutions are to lose weight, exercise more and eat healthier; or to spend more time with family. Still others include managing money better and being more organized.

Although there is nothing in the Bible or notable in Christian tradition about New Year's resolutions, many good stewards take advantage of this time of year to become closer to the Lord. They may re-commit themselves to pray more, to read the Bible, or to attend Mass more regularly. If you are looking for some ideas for your New Year's resolutions, here are a few to get you started:

**Practice gratitude** – Cultivating a grateful heart is the hall-mark of a Christian steward. Every day, express thankfulness to the Lord and to others.

**Encounter the Lord each day** – Find time to be with the Lord each day, whether it be for an hour or ten minutes. Have a conversation with the Lord. Give your joys and worries to Him as well. Allow God's love to transform them. Our encoun-

ters will keep our eyes and ears open to the presence of Christ in our midst

**Be present to others** – There is much celebration and mourning, joy and sorrow in people's lives. What a blessing it is to be able to share those times and not let others experience them alone. The gift of your presence to others is much more valuable than you realize.

**Resist overwork** – There is a pressure to produce, meet goals, be successful. But activities that lead us to over-work, constant fatigue and worry do not give glory to God. What God calls us to do we can do well. Be mindful that life requires balance, down time and letting go of unrealistic goals.

**Nurture friendships** – Our friends are those we choose to be with, those with whom we spend our evenings, with whom we vacation, to whom we go for advice. Friends are gifts from God who give us a greater appreciation of God's love for us. Friends need our time and love.

**Give more** – Good stewards realize that everything they have is entrusted to them as a gift to be shared. There is no better place to begin than sharing with the community that gathers around the Lord's table at Mass. Consider what you are giving to your parish and local diocese and commit to an even greater contribution as circumstances allow.

**Make a difference in your parish community** – Believe it or not, your parish community can use your talents. Offering your talents to your faith community is one of the most effective ways to feel useful and connected to others, and it is a potentially life-changing New Year's resolution.

**Consider living more simply** – We cannot find fulfillment in possessions. They add nothing to our self-worth. Jesus blessed the "poor in spirit" in his Sermon on the Mount;

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**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.

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

## Pastor's Corner

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear brothers and sisters

Peace!

We have as our theme, "A Path to Life: Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure".

We have in our gospel, John the Baptist bearing witness to Jesus, "Behold, the Lamb of God." This is quite significant. Hearing John call Jesus the Lamb of God, two of his disciples followed Jesus.

What is the path to true happiness? Who is the way to true LIFE? JESUS: the Way, the Truth, the Life.

True happiness, true Life consists in remaining in Jesus' presence like Andrew and his brother Simon Peter who stayed with the Lord and afterwards followed him.

Let us discover again what true **happiness** is. Let us discover again what true **life** is.

*Let us spend time to be with the Lord in the way that we share our time, our talent and our treasure to God and to the church.*

God bless you.

In Jesus, our fullness of Life,

Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS

### A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Loving Father,

You are the Lord of our history;  
our yesterdays, todays and tomorrows.

We join all of creation in giving you  
praise and thanks for the year behind us  
and for the days you give us in the year ahead.

We ask you to bless the gift of this new year,  
and through your grace, help us be  
good stewards of the time  
You have so graciously entrusted to us.

Forgive us for any misuse of days past, and  
show us how to use Your gift of days in a more  
loving and generous way.

Fill us with Your compassion,  
that we may do our part to bring about  
a more just and non-violent world,  
and to care for the most vulnerable among us.

And open our hearts to the Good News,  
so that we too may share it  
with more passion, inspiration and joy.

We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy  
Spirit, One God forever and ever.

Amen.

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and Saint Francis of Assisi urged us to live with only what was necessary, for that is how we begin to find God.

Don't give up—People give up their New Year's because of perfectionism and unrealistic expectations. So take it slow, be kind to yourself and keep trying. Resis the urge to throw your hands up and quit. You succeed through small, manageable changes over time.

Turn to the Lord—Ask the Lord for guidance, strength and perseverance in achieving your resolutions. In his letter to the Philippians, Saint Paul writes, "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength" (Phil 4:13). If God is the center of our New Year's resolutions, they have a better chance for success.

-<http://www.catholichawaii.org/stewardship/parish-stewardship.aspx>



#### Social Ministry Hot Meal Service

It's that time again, our Social Ministry office is seeking items for the next Hot Meal they will be preparing on

**Thursday, January 29, 2015** from 11:30 am—2:00 pm. For more information, please contact Mario @ 935-1153.

## Scripture Readings



### Sunday, Jan. 18

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19

Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10

1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Jn 1:35-42

### Monday, Jan. 19

Heb 5:1-10

Ps 110:1-4

Mk 2:18-22

### Tuesday, Jan. 20

Heb 6:10-20

Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c

Mk 2:23-28

### Wednesday, Jan. 21

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17

Ps 110:1-4

Mk 3:1-6

### Thursday, Jan 22

Heb 7:25—8:6

Ps 40:7-10, 17

Mk 3:7-12

### Friday, Jan. 23

Heb 8:6-13

Ps 85:8, 10-14

Mk 3:13-19

### Saturday, Jan. 24

Heb 9:2-3, 11-14

Ps 47:2-3, 6-9

Mk 3:20-21

### Sunday, Jan. 25

Jon 3:1-5, 10

Ps 25:4-9

1 Cor 7:29-31

Mk 1:14-20

#### Items needed:

20 lbs. ground beef  
Canned corn  
Hot dogs  
10 round onions  
Juice syrup  
Cake

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**MONDAY, Jan. 19** "Martin Luther King, Jr." Holiday—Rectory office closed

7:00 am •Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass  
5:15 pm •Bible Study w/Dale Waltjen/Conf. Room  
6:00 pm •Adult Faith Formation (aka RCIA)/Library

**TUESDAY, Jan. 20**

11:30 am •Food Pantry/SJ Social Ministry Center  
5:00 pm •Life Teen Core Team Meeting/Conf. Room  
7:00 pm •Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church

**WEDNESDAY, Jan. 21**

6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

**THURSDAY, Jan. 22**

6:30 pm •St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church  
7:00 pm •Deacon Inquiry Evening/Mtg. Room

**FRIDAY, Jan. 23**

8:30 am •Viewing (+Rockne Araujo)/Church  
10:00 am •Memorial Mass (+Rockne Araujo)/Church  
6:00 pm •Young Adult Ministry/Library

**SATURDAY, Jan. 24**

8:15 am •Church Cleaners (#6-L. Sales/M. Otomo)/Church  
10:00 am •Bible Sharing (Mary Ann Leite)/Library  
10:00 am •Diaconate Ordination Mass (Joe Aglia)/Church  
5:00 pm •High School Youth Ministry/Library  
7:45 pm •San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church

**SUNDAY, Jan. 25**

8:00 am •SJ Filipino Catholic Club Coffee Hour/Mtg. Room  
10:15 am •R E Classes/SJHS

### Marriage and Family Corner:

Hosted by St. Joseph Church Religious Education Family Ministries

#### **Prayer for World Marriage Day**

**Prayer** - "Father, as we prepare for **WMD**, we thank you for your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Help us to witness to its glory by a life of growing intimacy. Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more One in Heart, Mind and Body. Strengthen our dialogue and help us become living signs of your love. Make us grow more in love with the Church so we may renew the Body of Christ. Make us a sign of unity in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Brother. Amen" - Fr. Bill Dilgen, S.M.M.

We are searching for any married couple willing to share a photo of their wedding with the parish family in a featured insert of our parish bulletin for

**World Marriage Day on February 8, 2015**

**All submissions should be emailed or brought into Chrislyn Villena**  
**(cvillena@stjoehilo.com) at the front rectory office no later than February 3, 2015**

**Include Husband & Wife Names and Wedding Date**



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT December 22, 25 & 29, 2014		Year to Date Totals	Year to Date Budget
Offertory Collections	\$31,802.25	\$ 254,872.81	\$ 266,601.86
Other Collections	\$10,012.80	\$ 127,800.52	\$ 134,830.87
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>\$42,261.30</b>	<b>\$ 382,673.33</b>	<b>\$ 401,432.73</b>
Parish Hall Fund	\$446.25	Parish Hall Collection to date	\$ 808,966.06

## **SECOND COLLECTION...**



Next week, we will take up the Collection for the **Church in Latin America**. Your generosity to the Collection for the Church in Latin America is invaluable to the future of the faith in this region. Your donations will fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation. Please give with a joyful and generous heart. Please support programs like these and give generously in next week's collection.

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

+Rockne Araujo  
+Rita Pavao  
+Josefina Matias

### **Annual ProLife Chain**

The annual ProLife Chain in response to Roe v Wade will be held in two places this year on  
**Sunday, January 25, 2015:**

1. From 8:30 to 9:30 am along the Volcano Highway (Highway 11) just south of the Keaau Bypass.
2. From 10:00 am to 11:00 am on the Volcano Highway, (Highway 11) in front of St. Theresa Church.

All are welcome. Signs will be provided and remember to bring your rosaries! Mahalo!



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