

April 16, 2017

ST. JOSEPH

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919

Pastor:
Rev. Wilbert Laroga, SSS
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Happy Easter!

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Mon.-Fri.

6:00 am & 12:15 pm

Saturday: 7:00 am

Legal Holidays: 7:00 am

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00 pm

Sunday

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

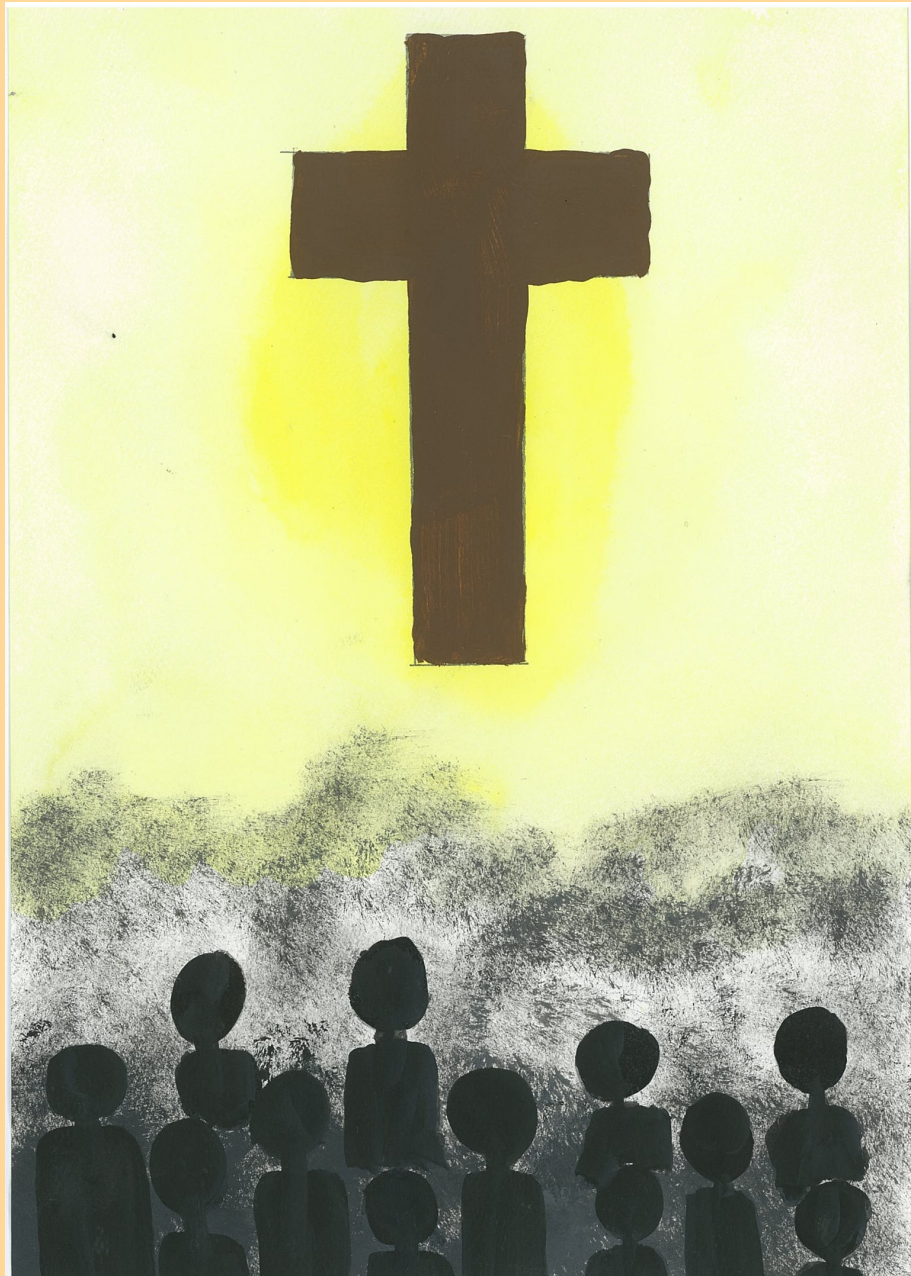
Sun 4-4:30 pm

Evening Prayer & Benediction

M-F 5:00 pm

Sat 3:30 pm

Sun 4:30 pm



*Art work by Kaci Benevides
(Confirmation Candidate, 2017)*

“Do not be afraid!...He has been raised”

Easter Sunday – April 16, 2017

“Do not be afraid!...He has been raised”

Alleluia! The Lord is Risen. Alleluia!

Today, on this first day of the week, let us rejoice with Mary Magdalene and the other Mary as we hear the angel announce: ” Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for He has been raised just as he said.”

But how real is this Easter joy for you? And for our needy brothers and sisters?

The day after Jesus was buried, the women, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb? (Mark 16:1-4) ? And then when they arrived, “while it was still dark, (they) saw the stone removed from the tomb!”

Most probably the many people that you have extended some help last lent, you again will encounter one of these days and will still be begging help from you. And when that happens , we probably asked ourselves has the Lord really rose from the dead for them. Who will roll the stone away for them to encounter the risen Christ?

But let not our hearts be dismayed. Easter is not about finding a solution to all of the world's problem. Easter joy is recognizing the presence of an authentic hope among us because we know and believe that Christ is truly alive among us.

Let this authentic hope in the Risen Lord assures us that it is He and not us who will take, bless and break and multiply the blessings that we want to share with them.



ST. JOSEPH

PRAY FOR US!



RCIA Retreat April 8, 2017



FAITH FORMATION



Dear Brother and Sisters of St. Joseph Parish and School, Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

Happy Easter to all! We have such a wonderful celebration of the glorious Resurrection of Christ. Considerable number of our parishioners have an incredible faith experience during the Easter Triduum: Holy Thursday, the Celebration of the Lord's Passover and Washing of the Feet, Good Friday, the celebration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Cross and at Easter Vigil, the blessings of the fire, Christ is the Light of the world, we received our seven RCIA candidates into full communion of our Catholic faith and we renew our baptismal promises.

I would like to **welcome our new sisters and brothers** into full communion of our Catholic faith, **Cameron Goldsmith, Peyton Pana, Shantel Wichlimeng, Kayla Dente, Nikita Yoleman, Heidi Pana and Benjamin "Kaleo" Gabriel-Pana, III**. Congratulations! Rest assured that we will continue to pray for the growth of your Catholic faith.

Our Easter Celebrations would have not been meaningful without the support of our four strong Pillars of Prayer, Formation, Hospitality and Service. A big Mahalo to the PPAC, all the members of the different committees/ministries and the parish staff.

Our parish is blessed with our very own primary Catholic educational ministry, St. Joseph School, the only Catholic School on Hawaii Island. Our school has been performing very well over the past couple years with increased enrollment and its recent recognition as the "Best Catholic High School" in the State of Hawaii by the Niche Group two years in a row. Academic performance and test scores remain very strong, and our school continues to improve every year. The Catholic identity of our school is also promoted with the help of our priests and lay ministers for theology. We're also receiving great assistance from the parish Director of Religious Education in evangelization and sacramental preparation of our students and their families!

This year, our school fell short of some of its financial obligations due to an aggressive budget which promoted expansion and capital improvements. As a result, the church has pledged to assist our school by lending money from its savings to help carry it through the end of the fiscal year. **All funds borrowed by our school will be paid back to the church in a timely fashion.** The school is a direct ministry of our church, and it is our obligation to support it when possible. Rest assured, any funds used to help our school will come from the church savings and NOT from the Donor-Restricted funds set aside for the Parish Hall. Furthermore, the church and school will work together to create a repayment schedule to ensure a timely return of these funds.

As a friendly reminder to everyone, this is OUR school. It belongs to St. Joseph Church, and we strongly encourage anyone in the parish with children to consider sending them to St. Joseph School. Just as the church assists its ministries, our school will help its parishioners who qualify for financial assistance. Please contact our school for more information.

We are doing the Lord's work through all our ministries, and we thank each of you for your continued support of our initiatives. Let us enter into this Easter season as people of the resurrected Lord, with joy and thanksgiving. God bless you and all you do for St. Joseph Church!

Blessings and Mahalo,

Fr. Wilbert Laroga, SSS
Pastor

Dr. Llewellyn Young, Ph.D.
Principal



New Parish App Coming Soon!

In the coming weeks St. Joseph Church will launch our own app for iPhone and Android smart phones. This will allow us to better communicate with you throughout the week and keep you updated with relevant parish news or updates. The app is very well designed and very intuitive.

It will be a great resource for parishioners by providing daily Mass readings, Catholic news and prayers, convenient prayer and Confession reminders, our bulletins and more.

We hope for our new app to be a tool for fostering stronger parish life at St. Joseph Church and better engaging the New Evangelization. Please watch in the coming weeks for our official launch announcement.



THANK YOU to all those who helped to prepare our parish for Palm Sunday. Thank you to the many hands that helped to pick the palms and donate from their own yards. Thank you to the individuals who spent the afternoon cleaning and washing the palms. Thank you to the environment ministry who helped to decorate the church with the beautiful and creative pieces. Mahalo ke Akua for all the talents.



SERVICE

Lenten Recollection 2017



More pictures from the
Lenten Recollection,
April 8, 2017



The Prayer Pillar hosted the parish Lenten Recollection on Saturday April 8 beginning with mass at 7:00 am followed by morning prayers at the church. Breakfast and fellowship held at the SJS gym introduced the second part of the recollection. Fr. Zaldy led the recollection focusing on the theme, "The Discipline of Lent". He used prayer, videos, scripture, songs and small group discussions to help participants reflect and examine their faith journey during the season of Lent. He shared with them the meaning and significance of the passion and resurrection of Jesus. Thank you to all who shared their delicious food, to those who helped with the set up and clean up and thank you to all those who attended this recollection.





Sunday, April 16

Morning:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4

Jn 20:1-9

Evening:

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Col 3:1-4

Lk 24:13-35

Monday, April 17

Acts 2:14, 22-33

Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 18

Acts 2:36-41

Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 19

Acts 3:1-10

Ps 105:1-4, 6-9

Lk 24:13-35

Thursday, April 20

Acts 3:11-26

Ps 8:2ab, 5-9

Lk 24:35-48

Friday, April 21

Acts 4:1-12

Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday, April 22

Acts 4:13-21

Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-21

Mk 16:9-15

Sunday, April 23

Acts 2:42-47

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1 Pt 1:3-9

Jn 20:19-31

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

+Alice Solywoda

PRAYER



YOUR SUPPORT WILL CHANGE LIVES



St. Joseph School now has a very easy, and safe way to donate online!

Visit our school website, sjshilo.com, to easily support our school and get an early start on your tax-deductible donations.

Whatever designation you choose, your support will contribute to the overall growth and viability of the school. St. Joseph School remains an important and necessary institution to developing outstanding citizens in our community!

FYI:
Kindergarten
Cut-Off is
December 31st
SJS. (Public
School is July 31)



FIVE REASONS YOU SHOULD DONATE TO

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

WE ARE PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS AND WANT TO SHARE SOME OF THE MANY ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE LAST THREE YEARS:

CATHOLIC VALUES



We are the only Catholic School on the Big Island. Our students are taught to show love, compassion, and mercy to each other as we instill the Gospel message of Jesus Christ in all things we do.

ACADEMIC PROFILE



Our academic profile continues to promote high expectations at the highest standards.

SAT SCORES



Our students continue to score much higher than the state and national averages with their SAT scores.

NICHE RATING



We have been recognized as the Best Catholic High School in the State of Hawaii for two years in a row by the NICHE group!

ENROLLMENT



We have seen increases in our enrollment as well as increases in the number of students for sacramental preparation.

With your generosity, you can assist a student in achieving their educational goals by giving to the:



Tuition assistance program



Help enclose the campus field keeping our students safe with a perimeter fence



Assist the school in sustaining a feasible operating budget

for more info: <https://squareup.com/store/st-joseph-school-5>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Calendar

Monday, April 17

6:00 pm Adult Faith Formation (RCIA)/Library

Tuesday, April 18

6:30 pm Novena Rosary/Church

7:00 pm Mother of Perpetual Help Novena/
Church

Wednesday, April 19

6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, April 20

11:30 am Hot Meal Service/Mtg. Room

6:30 pm St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church

Friday, April 21

Saturday, April 22

8:00 am "NAMI" Family-to-Family Classes/Mtg.
Room

8:15 am Church Cleaners #1 (F. Veriato)/Church

9:30 am Bible Sharing/Library

10:00 am Reconciliation/Church

5:00 pm High School Youth Ministry/Library

Sunday, April 23 "Divine Mercy Sunday"

10:15 am Sunday R E Classes/SJHS

1:30 pm Divine Mercy Adoration/Church

2:00 pm Divine Mercy Rosary/Church

2:45 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet/Church



National
Child Abuse
Prevention
Month

**Sunday RE Classes will hold
safe environment lessons for
students and families on
April 23 at 10:15-11:15 am.**

Parents are able preview the lessons by email.

**Contact Chrislyn Villena at
cvillena@stjoehilo.com
for more information.**

RE CALENDAR

SAVE THE DATE

Note: Time
Change

**Sunday April 23- First Communion Rehearsal
3:00 pm /CHURCH**

Sunday April 30-First Holy Communion 11:45 am MASS

Sunday May 7-Confirmation Rehearsal 2:30 pm/CHURCH

**Friday May 12-East Vicariate CONFIRMATION
with Bishop Silva 6:00 pm**

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

| | Week (4/4-4/11) | YTD Actual | YTD Budget |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Collections | 9,860.25 | 394,008.82 | 432,744.42 |
| All Other Income | 10,166.48 | 277,447.97 | 263,827.62 |
| Deposited to Bank | 20,026.73 | 671,456.79 | 696,572.04 |
| | | | |
| Parish Hall | 146.25 | Parish Savings | |
| | | Loan to school | 100,000.00 |
| | | Designated Funds | 424,119.66 |
| | | Restricted Funds | 412,162.57 |
| | | | 936,282.23 |

Hot Meals:

Thursday, April 20, 2017

The Hot Meal Ministry will serve
their monthly lunch for the
Hungry. Volunteers are welcome
to help. Lunch will begin at
11:30am.

You're Invited

8TH ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL CARDINAL BALL

SUNDAY,
APRIL 30TH

IMILOA
ASTRONOMY
CENTER

5:00 PM-
9:00 PM

*Outstanding
Leadership Award:*

*Outstanding
Service Award:*

**WILL LEE
WAYNE DE LUZ
JULIE (MIRANDA) TULANG**

**MIKE COSTALES
PIILANI CHAVES
MAURICE MIRANDA**

5 PM NO-HOST COCKTAILS & SILENT AUCTION
6 PM DINNER & WINE
7 PM AWARDS & LIVE AUCTION

\$75 DONATION PER PERSON
\$1500 "CARDINALS" TABLE OF 10
\$2500 "SAINTS" TABLE OF 10

FOR TICKET INFORMATION:
KMORISON@SJSHILO.ORG OR 935-4936

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Worked Life Care Center of Hilo - 31 years
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**FOOD DRIVE
SATURDAY,
MAY 13, 2017**



**Please consider advertising in the
St. Joseph Parish (Hilo) Sunday
Bulletin.**

**Many in our parish have referred
their business to those
advertising in our bulletin.**

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ASSOCIATE MEMBER

This pricing is calculated to cover the cost of publication. For a color ad, please add 20%. If monthly, the month may have 4 or 5 weeks. Your ad will run for all Sunday's in that month. 10% discount for annual commitment paid in advance.

**For more information
or to submit your ad,
please call the rectory office and
leave a message for Bernard Balsis,
935-1465.**



**Rice Bowls will be collected on
April 9-23 at every weekend mass.**

**Bring them with you to mass & hand them to
any of the hospitality members
Or drop them off at the rectory office!**