October 29, 2017

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St. Joseph Church

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www.stjoehilo.com <u>MASS SCHEDULE</u>

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



PRAY FOR US!

but it's all I got.

It ain't much.

It's all I ever wanted.

"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'

Matthew 22:36-37

Blessing over Parish Priests:

"In your loving kindness, O good and gracious God, you sent your Son to be our shepherd and guide. Father (<u>insert presider name</u>) continues Christ's ministry of working in the vineyard by sustaining and guiding your holy people. The ministries of the Church are many and varied, but God shows His goodness by sending priests to care for the people of this parish. Bless Father (<u>insert presider name</u>). Let your Spirit uphold him always in his service to the people of this parish. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

Weekly Reflection: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle A "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

Probably for many of us, who are familiar only with the 10 commandments, the question seems simple. But for a Jew, like Our Lord Jesus, it might be a little more complicated considering that there are 613 precepts in the Law of Moses to choose from. Plus the fact that there are many interpretations as to their order of importance

But in His wisdom and also in the way he lived it in his everyday life, Jesus has only one response: The greatest of all the commandment is "To LOVE". And this comes in two-fold: "Loving God and Loving our Neighbor".

How we wish that Our Lord had just focused on the first, which is to Love God. Then we only have to worry about our Sunday obligation, prayer, confession and giving our contribution to the Church. Why put the face of our neighbor in the picture which most of the time is difficult to love? He did so because only then do we understand what "truly loving" means.

First, we are reminded that "to love" is God's gift to us. It is a grace that God communicates to us when He makes His love known to us. And therefore, the norm for loving is the way God loves. And we know that He loves us unconditionally even if we could be difficult to deal with at times.

And second, "how could we love God whom we *cannot* see and how could we not love our neighbor whom we *can* see?" To love is to reach out to the other without asking for anything in return. To love is a conscious decision to make a gift of ourselves to others. After all, the "true measure of love is love without measure." (St. Francis de Sales).

Difficult as it may be, is it not true that in our everyday experience, the best moments of our lives are those spent in loving and caring for others. I think God created our neighbor that we may have the opportunity to show our love for Him. So, the question is: "Are we ready to love?

Pray! Invite! Encourage! Affirm! Vocations! There are vocations...

...which manifest themselves. They must be fostered. ...which are not conscious of themselves. They must be awakened.

...which do not dare manifest themselves. They must be found and encouraged.

...which are in fear of being lost. They must be reassured. ...which meet with opposition. They must be strengthened.

...which are paralyzed by poverty. They must be helped financially.

Look around you.

How many men and women in your parishes are caring and compassionate individuals who are good listeners, articulate speakers, and loving enthusiastic Catholics?

How many of these special, gifted people have ever been invited to consider becoming a priest, sister, brother, permanent deacon, or full-time lay minister?

Statistics show that 80% of the 18-30 year olds in the United States and Canada have never been asked to consider a Church Vocation.

Celebrate!
PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Popular ways to show appreciation for our parish priests:

- * Invite your priests for dinner with your family or friends.
- A simples note, a smile, or a phone call to affirm or assure him of your loving care and gratitude for his presence in our parish.
- Invite your parish priest to join in a family event or special occasion (i.e. birthday, anniversary, child/student play, graduation, etc.)

* Send a card or letter to a priest who used to serve at



Sunday, Oct. 29

Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40

Monday, Oct. 30 Rom 8:12-17

Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7, 20-21 Lk 13:10-17

<u>Tuesday, Oct. 31</u> Rom 8:18-25 Ps 126:1-6

Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday, Nov. 01

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

<u>Thursday, Nov. 02</u>

Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11 Jn 6:37-40

Friday, Nov. 03

Rom 9:1-5 Ps 147:12-15, 19-20 Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, Nov. 04

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29 Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday, Nov. 05

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10 Ps 131:1-3 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Mt 23:1-12 "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." St Jerome

> this parish (our parish/diocesan office can assist you with the addresses)

* Send a card or letter to a retired priest (our parish/ diocesan office can assist you with the addresses)

Weekly Calendar Stewardship Report of Treasury for

Monday, Oct. 30 6:00 pm RCIA (Adult Faith Formation)/Library 6:00 pm Faith Formation/Church 7:00 pm **Mother of Perpetual Help Novena** (this week only) (Rosary-6:30 pm)/Meeting room Tuesday, Oct. 31 Wednesday, Nov. 01 "All Saints Day" 6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Library "All Saints Day" Mass/Church 7:00 pm Thursday, Nov. 02 "All Souls' Day" **Blessing of Parish Cemetery**/ 1:30 pm 485 Waianuenue Ave. 6:00 pm Adult Confirmation Course/Conf. Room 6:00 pm PPAC Meeting/Mtg. Room St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church 6:30 pm Friday, Nov. 03 1:00 pm **First Friday Adoration/Church** 6:00 pm San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Mtg. Room Saturday, Nov. 04 8:15 am Church Cleaner's #1 (F. Veriato)/Church 9:30 am **Bible Sharing/Library** Reconciliation/Church 10:00 am 1:30 pm Simbang Gabi Meeting/Mtg. Room High School Youth Ministry/Library 5:00 pm Sunday, Nov. 05 10:15 am **Religious Education Classes/SJS**

Faith Formation Session with Father PoliCatholic Catechism RevisitedPart 2 The CreedMONDAY October 306:00 pmSt. Joseph Church

TAKE A VETERAN TO SCHOOL DAY

St. Joseph Elementary School is once again going to participate in the **Take a Veteran to School Program** sponsored by the History Channel, and we are looking for veterans who would be willing and able to volunteer to visit with our children in their classes and talk story about their military service.

We will hold our event on <u>Tuesday November 7,</u> <u>2017 from 10:15 till 12:00</u> <u>noon</u>, and then you are in-

vited to share a school

lunch with the kids in the cafeteria after the 45 minute talk story time. As our school ranges from K to 6th grade, the level of the conversation will vary greatly based on the ages of the children involved, so volunteers should be aware of that and think about what age children they would feel most comfortable talking to.

Veterans who might be willing to come to visit St. Joseph Elementary School, please contact Ann Wilson at <u>awilson@sishilo.org</u> or call the school at <u>808-935-4935</u>.

Stewardship Report of Treasury for:			
Week (10/17 to 10/23)		YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	8,229.25	142,576.62	152,639.76
All Other Income	10,432.17	106,968.88	109,798.65
Deposited to Bank	18,661.42	249,545.50	262,438.41
Parish Hall	206.25	Parish Savings	
		Loan to school	165,851.36
		Designated Funds	331,388.30
		Restricted Funds	423,512.07
			920,751.73



Living Catholic in the 808: Canon Law and Domestic Violence

By: Fr. Mark Gantley Judicial Vicar Diocese of Honolulu

To put it bluntly, canon law recognizes the right of a party to not maintain a common household with one's spouse in situations of danger.

While canon 1151 says: "Spouses have the duty and right to preserve conjugal living unless a legitimate cause excuses them," canon 1153 §1 provides an example of such a legitimate cause: "If either of the spouses causes grave mental or physical danger to the other spouse or to the offspring or otherwise renders common life too difficult, that spouse gives the other a legitimate cause for leaving. ..."

Note that the danger can be to either husband or wife or to children, and that the danger may be physical or some other danger or grave difficulty (e.g., drug use, alcoholism).

The Church in these situations encourages repentance, change of behavior, forgiveness, and reconciliation. That said, as long as danger exists, the innocent spouse has no obligation to resume marital life. Divorce may even be necessary to protect the rights of the innocent party.

The right to separate does not mean that the person has a right to marry someone else. The parties are presumed to still be married even if they civilly divorce. In this situation, the person may petition for a declaration of marital nullity through the Diocesan Tribunal to determine if the marriage was invalid from the beginning. This would allow a new marriage. Contact your parish to start the process. Let us continue to pray for victims of all forms of abuse, that they may find peace & comfort in God the Father.

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Just as small mustard seed can become a large and elaborate bush, discover how a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can encourage your marriage to blossom and provide a lifetime of joy. The next weekend is Nov. 3-5, 2017 at St. Anthony Retreat Center on Oahu.

For more information, contact Jose & Mary Elizabeth Alvior, 808.391.2045 or visit hwaiiwwme.org.

Submitted by Marriage and Family Life Ministry, St. Joseph

Are you seeking an opportunity to pray, share and learn with other families?

St. Joseph's is looking to form a Marriage and Family ministry. If you are interested in meeting other families with like minded values to encourage one another in our vocations as spouses and parents, please contact Jackie Mitchell at jaxmitchell2013@gmail.com

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.

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.



Join us as we gather together as the Body of Christ, to worship and thank the Lord for all He does for us. As we sing songs of praise, God is with us in a very special way.

> "Let everything that has breath give praise to the Lord! Hallelujah!" (Psalm 150:6)

Parish Book of Life

During the month of November, our parish prays for the souls of the departed. If you would like the names of your loved ones entered into the book of life, the blank pages will be available on

November 1.

You may write their names in as prayer offering. The Book of Life will be located in the alcove in the Church with the Sacred Heart of Jesus Statue.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Make plans to spend time with the Lord. You are invited to come and join us. Our parish will have continuous Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration during First Friday.

Exposition will begin at the conclusion of the 12:15 pm Mass and will continue until 9:00 pm followed by Reposition.

Visit for a few minutes or make a Holy Hour! Mark your calendars with the upcoming 2017 datesNovember 3andDecember 1