#### February 11, 2018

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www.stjoehilo.com MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: Mon.-Fri.

Deacon:

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.

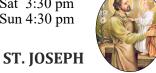
#### **PRAYER TIMES**

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!** 



"Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean."

-Mark 1:40

## **NOTICE:**

Due to computer equipment issues the statement of contributions that we send out every January will be delayed in mailing. The business office computer went down on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January and is still being repaired. We will mail out the notices as soon as we possibly can. We apologize for any inconvenience.



Weekly Reflection: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – Cycle B – "He stretched out his hand (and) touched him. "

In the Gospel today, Jesus once again witnessed to us what true compassion means. Confronted by the leper's requests: "If you wish, you can make me clean.", He has only but one reply: "I do will it. Be made clean." But before saying those words, Jesus did something unthinkable: "Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand (and) touched him." Nobody during His time would dare touch a leper. One would be declared unclean, and more importantly, he could be accused of violating the Law. But Jesus did not mind. He was more concerned with the suffering of the leper before Him.

No other disease is dreaded than leprosy. It isolates a person for years to a wretched situation. Actually the leper in today's gospel experience three kinds of separations.

First is separation from himself. The leper feels that he is a burden to himself. Slowly but steadily he becomes disabled. The leper can only hardly help himself and needs help so much from others. Second is separation from others. The leper needs help from others and yet nobody helps him since he is cast out from society. And third is separation from God. The leper was even separated from the Lord because he was not allowed to attend the religious service in the synagogue since he was unclean by his leprosy.

As we prepare to enter again the season of Lent, let us be imitators of Christ and follow His great example by showing love and compassion to those we find hard to relate to, not only because of their physical deficiencies but due to what we have perceived as their sinfulness and brokenness. Let our love transcend the physical and go deep down into the beauty of one's heart.

#### Welcome to the Diocese of Honolulu Catholic Committee on Scouting:

The Diocese on Honolulu Catholic Committee on Scouting (DHCCS) promotes the spiritual phase of Scouting in the State of Hawaii. It provides Catholic religious emblems and award programs to help our Scouts, to include American Heritage Girls (AHG), Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Trail Life USA, grow in their Catholic faith and develop the decision-making skills to live out Christian values.



We welcome Boy Scouts from Troop 82 as they celebrate Boy Scouting Sunday! They are at the 11:45 am mass this weekend as hospitality ministers and greeters.

#### **Pro-life Update:**

-from the Respect Life Ministry

The state legislature will deal with two life issues this year:

HB 559- "The legislature is concerned with the health, safety, and welfare of all the people of Hawaii, including military personnel, veterans, and visitors." The purpose of this Act is to establish a suicide prevention task force to reduce suicides by 25% by year 2025.

#### THE DIOCESE OF HONOLULU SUPPORTS THIS BILL, HB559

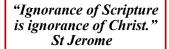
On the other hand there are four bills that advocate and PROMOTE suicide:

HB 2212; HB 2736, HB 2739 & SB 2727 facilitate suicide but cleverly avoid using the word "suicide", but instead refer to "voluntary assisted dying substance" or "medication to end a patient's life".

### Let's not be fooled, these BILLS are Against Life!

All is needed for evil to exist is for Good people to do nothing. What can you do?

- ⇒ Sign the petition that will be circulated at next week's masses (Feb. 17 & 18)
- ⇒ Call Senator Kai Kahele 808-586-6760 and Representative Chris Todd and ask them to vote in support of HB 559 AND to vote against any form of assisted suicide.
- ⇒ Urge others to sign the online petition on the Hawaii Catholic Conference website. <a href="http://www.catholichawaii.org">http://www.catholichawaii.org</a>



#### Sunday, Feb. 11

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 1 Cor 10:31—11:1 Mk 1:40-45

#### Monday, Feb. 12

Jas 1:1-11 Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76 Mk 8:11-13

#### Tuesday, Feb. 13

Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-15, 18-19 Mk 8:14-21

#### Wednesday, Feb. 14

JI 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6a, 12-14, 17 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

#### Thursday, Feb. 15

Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 9:22-25

#### Friday, Feb. 16

Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-6a, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

#### Saturday, Feb. 17

Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32

#### Sunday, Feb. 18

Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-9 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15



aid in your preparation for EASTER!



# IOUNCEME

#### Weekly Calendar

Monday, Feb. 12

6:00 pm RCIA Class/Library

Tuesday, Feb. 13

PPAC Meeting/Mtg. Room 6:00 pm

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena 7:00 pm

(Rosary 6:30)/Church

Wednesday, Feb. 14 "Ash Wednesday"

6:00 am Mass/Church

SJS Mass/SJS Gvm 9:30 am

12:15 pm Mass/Church

6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Library

7:00 pm Mass/Church

Thursday, Feb. 15

11:30 am Hot Meal Service/Mtg. Room, Kitchen

& Under canopy

St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church 6:30 pm

Friday, Feb. 16

6:00 pm San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Church

Saturday, Feb. 17

8:15 am Church Cleaner's #7 (M. Aizawa)/Church

9:30 am Bible Sharing/Library Reconciliation/Church 10:00 am

Mass/Church 5:00 pm

High School Youth Ministry/Library 5:00 pm

6:30 pm Lector Training/Church

Sunday, Feb. 18

7:00 am Mass/Church 9:00 am Mass/Church

10:15 am **NO Religious Education Classes** 

(President's Day)

11:45 am Mass/Church 6:00 pm Mass/Church

Monday, Feb. 19 "Presidents' Day" Holiday

**Rectory office closed** 

7:00 am Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass

RCIA Class/Library 6:00 pm

## **Cannot Marry in the Catholic Church Due to a Prior Marriage?**

Pope Francis recently streamlined the process to petition for a declaration of nullity to make the process shorter. He also eliminated the mandatory fee. If a person is able to prove in this process that their prior marital bond was invalid for some reason, then he or she can marry in the Catholic Church or validate a current civil marriage.

For assistance in petitioning, you may contact Rosemary

Nunogawa at jrnunogawa@rcchawaii.org

or (808) 935-1465.

Let us pray for the souls of +Doreen Souza our dearly departed. +Paul Layaoen May they find peace. +Benedict Uyetake





This weekend the Augustine Educational Foundation (AEF) is having its' annual Second Collection.

We kindly ask for you to support this Second Collection -Each Student is a Star – Give the Gift of Education *Campaign*. Your gift enables Catholic education to be affordable for families in Hawaii. Every dollar raised in St. Joseph Church will go to the families within our parish community (Students of St. Joseph School-Hilo). A priority is given to those with the highest level of need.

You may also make a gift on-line, including by credit card, by visiting: www.augustinefoundation.org

Thank you for your continued support!

# **2018 Open House**

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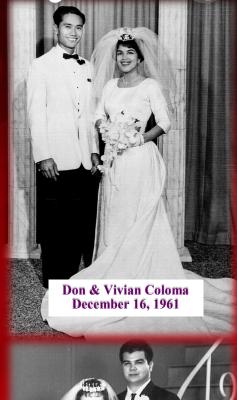
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Monthly HOT MEAL MINISTRY will serve lunch on Thursday, Feb. 15 11:30 am VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME!

# World Marriage Day 2018









January 12, 1963



**Thomas & Yvonne Rezentes** January 26, 1963



We celebrate the anniversaries of these lovely couples! May God bless them!



Steve & Georgianna Woo June 5, 1965



Leo & Nathy Ancheta January 17, 1966



Raphael & Bernadette Tomas December 16, 1967