

February 25, 2018

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

**Pastor:**  
Rev. Wilbert Laroga, SSS  
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**Deacon:**  
Dcn. Jim Dougherty, SOLT

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

*Church Dedicated in 1919*



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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

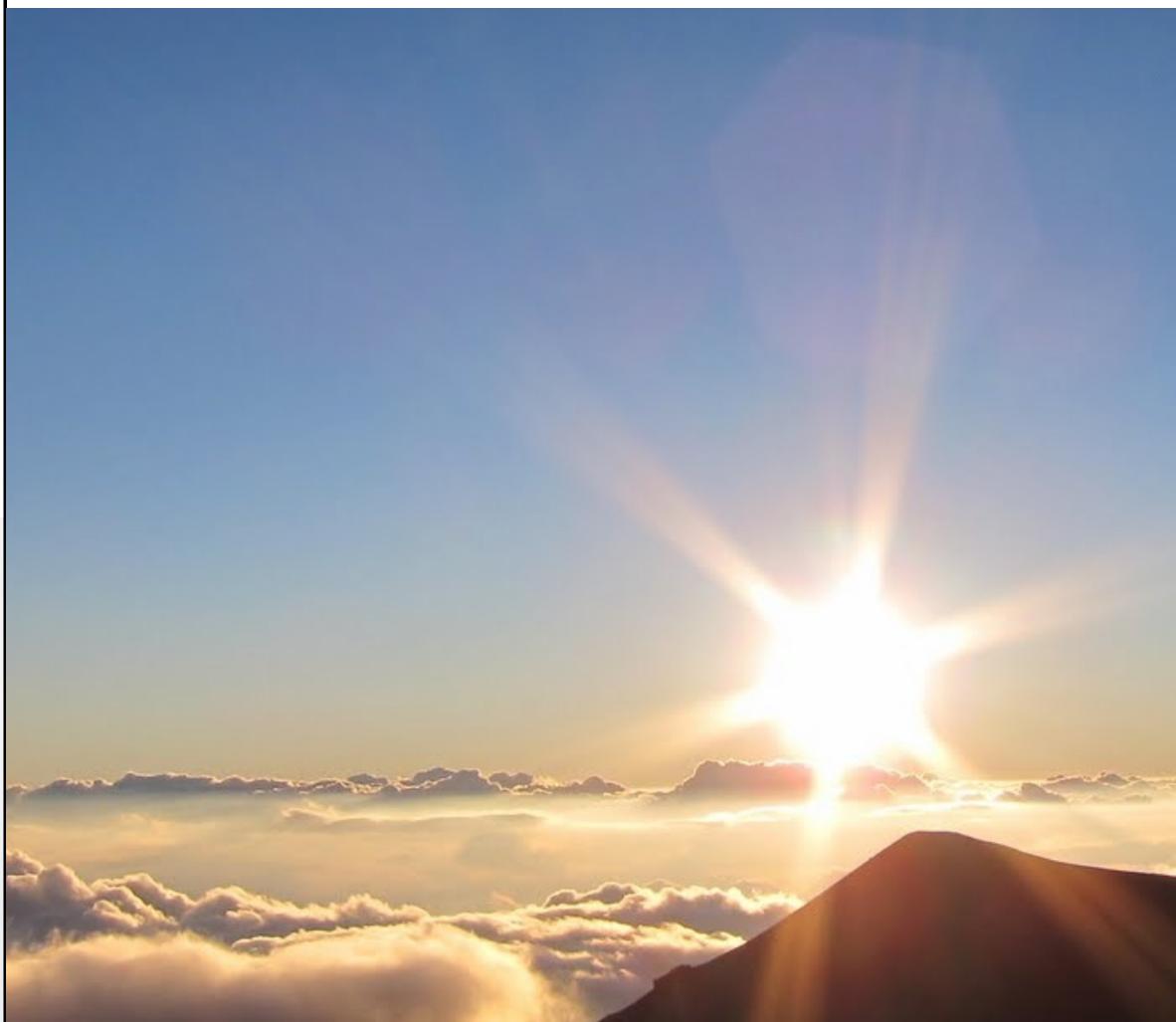
Sat 3:30 pm

Sun 4:30 pm



**ST. JOSEPH**

**PRAY FOR US!**



<https://www.aao.gov.au/science/research/staff/Amanda%20Bauer>

*Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them, then from the  
cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.*

*-Mark 9:7*

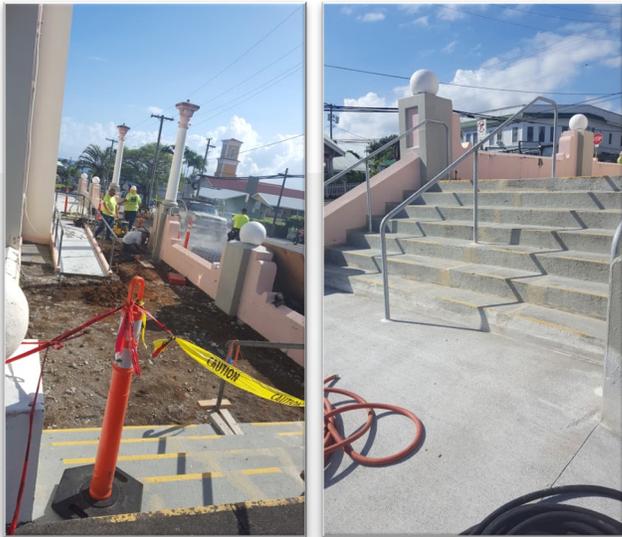
## “Listen to Him”

Do we really take Jesus and His words seriously? But by the looks of what is happening around us even in ourselves, it seems that we don't. I think we don't listen to the Lord enough. Probably, we need to experience Jesus in a completely new way, so we will listen to Him in a completely new way. And this is what the Gospel this Sunday invites us: **“This is My Son, My Beloved. Listen to Him.”**

**And this holy season of Lent is given to us to create a holy space where a meeting with God a take place in our lives. In the bible, sacred encounters usually happen in the mountains, such as Mt. Horeb for Abraham, Mt. Sinai for Moses, and today in the gospel, Mt. Tabor for Jesus' Transfiguration. On these high places God touched the lives of the people whom He had encountered. He was no longer a distant God but a God who is truly present in their lives.**

We in the Big Island are blessed to have Mona Kea and Mona Loa as possible high mountains for such an encounter. But even if we may not be able to literally go off to a mountain we can make sacred spaces in our own room or in our school or in our working place or a quiet space in the park and of course in our church. At this sacred space, we ask the Lord for the grace to recognize His presence!

And who knows, in these sacred moments we may experience a transfiguring revelation like Peter, James and John. We will experience the Lord in new way that will make a difference in our life's journey.



# Repair & Maintenance

# Second Collection

# THIS WEEKEND

Mochida Contracting has been diligently working to replace the concrete apron at the entrance of our church although Mother Nature hasn't been the most cooperative. We don't have a final billing amount however the estimate for this work was approximately \$28,000. Thank you so much for your generous support of the R&M second collections!

### Dear Parishioners,

Mahalo to all that helped gather the 651 signatures this past weekend against legalizing assisted suicide in Hawaii. We especially are grateful to Fathers Wilbert, Poli and Zaldy for their powerful support from the pulpit.

Your signatures will join those from other parishes that will be sent to our legislators.

We expect to call on your support again, for the battle has just begun!

**Thank you again.**

**St. Joseph Parish Right to Life**

“Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.”  
St Jerome

### Sunday, Feb. 25

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18  
Ps 116:10, 15-19  
Rom 8:31b-34  
Mk 9:2-10

### Monday, Feb. 26

Dn 9:4b-10  
Ps 79:8-9, 11-13  
Lk 6:36-38

### Tuesday, Feb. 27

Is 1:10, 16-20  
Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23  
Mt 23:1-12

### Wednesday, Feb. 28

Jer 18:18-20  
PW 31:5-6, 14-16  
Mt 20:17-28

### Thursday, March 01

Jer 17:5-10  
Ps 1:1-4, 6  
Lk 16:19-31

### Friday, March 02

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a  
Ps 105:16-21  
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

### Saturday, March 03

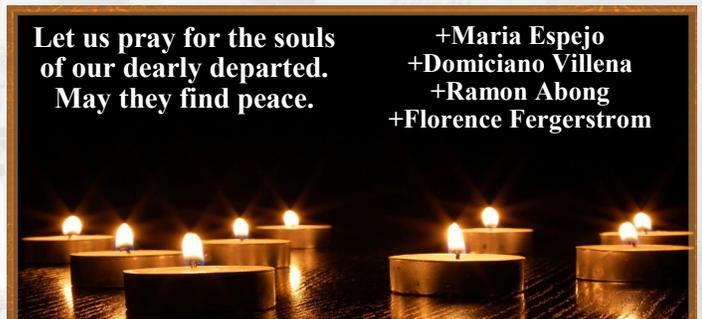
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20  
Ps 103:1-4, 9-12  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

### Sunday, March 04

Ex 20:1-17  
Ps 19:8-11  
1 Cor 1:22-25  
Jn 2:13-25

Let us pray for the souls of our dearly departed. May they find peace.

+Maria Espejo  
+Domiciano Villena  
+Ramon Abong  
+Florence Fergerstrom



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Weekly Calendar

### Monday, Feb. 26

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 8:00 am Viewing (+Francisco Cariaga)/Church  
 10:00 am Funeral Mass (+Francisco Cariaga)/Church  
 12:15 pm Mass/Church  
 6:00 pm RCIA Class/Library  
 7:00 pm Liturgy Committee/Mtg. Room

### Tuesday, Feb. 27

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 9:00 am Viewing (+Tyla Ferreira)/Church  
 10:00 am Memorial Mass (+Tyla Ferreira)/Church  
 12:15 pm Mass/Church  
 6:00 pm PPAC Meeting/Mtg Room  
 7:00 pm Mother of Perpetual Help Novena (Rosary 6:30)/Church

### Wednesday, Feb. 28

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 10:15 am Prayer Service (+Robert Galima)/Ballard Family Mortuary  
 12:15 pm Mass/Church  
 6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

### Thursday, March 01

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 12:15 pm Mass/Church  
 6:30 pm St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church  
 7:00 pm Wake Service (+Domiciano Villena)/Dodo Chapel

### Friday, March 02

6:00 am Mass/Church  
 12:15 pm Mass/Church  
**1:00 pm First Friday Adoration/Church**  
**3:00 pm Stations of the Cross/Church**  
 6:00 pm San Lorenzo Choir Rehearsal/Mtg. Room  
**7:00 pm Stations of the Cross/Church**

### Saturday, March 03

7:00 am Mass/Church  
 8:15 am Church Cleaner's #4 (V. Coloma)/Church  
 9:30 am Bible Sharing/Library  
 10:00 am Reconciliation/Church  
 10:00 am/12:00 pm Prayer & Graveside Service (+Rudy Rabang)/Dodo Chapel & Homelani  
 5:00 pm Mass/Church  
 5:00 pm High School Youth Ministry/Library

### Sunday, March 04

7:00 am Mass/Church  
 9:00 am Mass/Church  
 10:15 am Religious Education Classes/SJHS  
 11:45 am Mass/Church  
 6:00 pm Mass/Church

## Stewardship Report of Treasury for:

Week (2/13-2/20)		YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Collections	6,778.25	325,775.48	343,178.55
All Other Income	6,480.50	215,529.76	227,589.42
Deposited to Bank	13,258.75	541,305.24	570,767.97
Parish Hall	111.25	Parish Savings	
		Loan to school	146,051.33
		Designated Funds	336,330.58
		Restricted Funds	428,242.17
			<b>910,624.08</b>

## St. Joseph Bereavement Ministry- Grief Support Group

**Saturday, March 10 at 1:30 p.m.**

**Downstairs meeting room**

The death of a loved one comes in many ways. No matter how it comes, dealing with the loss is never easy. To help individuals through this journey of loss and suffering there is a newly formed support group facilitated by Deacon Jim Dougherty.

This group is not meant to be a counseling program, but rather a way to receive spiritual support, to let mourners know that God is with them in their pain and loneliness and that He will give them strength. It will also provide an opportunity for people to share their feelings and experiences if they wish to do so.

*Please consider joining us on March 10.*

*Contact person-Madelyn Troelstrup, 934-9727.*

## Emergency Food Pantry Ministry: Seeks gently used men's clothing, jackets & footwear

Many of the recipients who visit the food pantry are men who don't have the proper clothing to endure the elements.

- ⇒ Men's pants (long & short)
- ⇒ Men's tee shirts
- ⇒ Men's jackets/sweaters
- ⇒ Men's shoes & slippers

Items may be dropped off to Robert Balga or with the volunteer, Kim during weekday hours.

Please do not just leave them under the canopy.

Thank you in advance!

## GET THE MY PARISH APP!

Look for the **NEW LENT** button!  
It contains Lenten reflections to aid in your preparation for **EASTER!**



Lent



## Island Treasures Program

Island Treasures is an annual tribute on the Feast Day of St. Joseph to honor parishioners who make a difference by their witness to the gospel through ministering in the Stewardship Pillars of Hospitality, Prayer, Formation and/or Service. They find the fullness of life and light the way for others to be disciples of Jesus Christ. Pastor Wilbert Laroga SSS, Fr. Apolinario Ty SSS, Fr. Zaldy Norba SSS and Parishioners at St. Joseph Church - Hilo, will bestow these honors on March 18, 2018 at the 11:30a mass. The following members were recognized in 2017: John Aguiar, RainaLynn Andres, Fred & Pattie Basilio, Avelina Espina, Mary Ann Leite, Margaret Lucas and Danie & Linda Ville-na. Parishioners recognized in previous years were: 2007-Donna Saiki, 2006-Godfrey & Trini Nachor, 2005-Joanne Kahaloha, 2004 -John & Linda Tolmie. In 2003, nineteen parishioners were recognized: Joanne Kahaloha, Madeline Troelstrup, John & Linda Tolmie, Pat & Alex Kamau, Liz Shoemaker, Agnes & Milton Crivello, Pualani Chaves & Carole Moniz, Joey Saturnio, Joyce Berrios, Marilyn & Harold Pakele, Cressentia (Chris) Mau, Lawrence Balberde, Alice Andagan, and Frank Lawrence. The Island Treasures Memorial plaque, located on the makai wall near the back of church and above the last pew, lists all honorees. Pastor Wilbert Laroga revived this tribute in 2017 and promotes it as an annual event.

### The 2018 criteria to be a nominee includes:

1. Once in a lifetime honoree.
2. Volunteers are registered parishioners of St Joseph Church in Hilo and practicing Catholics.
3. Open to individuals who were past or presently involved in Stewardship ministries at St Joseph Church in Hilo for a minimum of 3 years. Can be Youth, Young Adults, Couples, Singles, or Elderly.

Parishioners have an opportunity to nominate a person who they feel is deserving of this honor by completing the official nomination form (attached below) starting Feb 24, 2018 at 5:00pm mass and ending on March 2, 2018 after 12:15p mass.

Fr Will is selecting a committee to review all ballots and submit recommendations to him. Fr. Will's decisions are final.

**The Island Treasures honorees will be announced on March 18, 2018 at the 11:30am St. Joseph Feast Day Mass and recognized at the Celebration that follows.**

*Submit bottom portion only. Fold, tear, drop in collection basket or at rectory office during work hours*

## Island Treasures Recognition Program (official ballot)

Print name of nominee (if couple, print both names):

\_\_\_\_\_

Reason(s) for nomination: (Name the ministries and describe involvement & duration):

I attest that my nominee meets all criteria listed above..

Print your name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

St. Joseph Feast Day  
Celebration

**Save the Date!**

**LET'S CELEBRATE!**

**March 18 11:30a-2:30p**

11:45 a MASS moved to 11:30a

RE Classes will remain SAME TIME & PLACE