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# HILO ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



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# MASS Schedule

St. Joseph Church Weekdays: Mon. - Fri. 6:00 am & 12:15 pm Legal Holidays: 7:00 am

Saturday: 7:00 am Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm Spanish Mass: 7:00 pm

Sunday: St. Joseph Church 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:30 am & 6:00 pm

Malia Puka O Kalani Church Sunday: 9:00 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.





# CONGRATS TO OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES!

This Sunday (April 27) our Bishop Larry will be confirming 26 of our parishioners. Through this Sacrament they share in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit among us. It is the same Spirit sent by Jesus upon his apostles at Pentecost and given by them and their successors to the baptized. The Holy Spirit makes us more like Christ and helps us to be witnesses to his suffering, death, and resurrection. It should strengthen you to be active members of the Church and thus help you in the building up of the Body of Christ in faith and love. The Sacrament of Confirmation also provides us with the spirit of wisdom and understanding as well as the spirit of right judgment and courage. The same Sacrament makes us adult Christians who are ready to bear witness to Christ even with our lives. Let us pray for our candidates in a special way that they be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to live out their Christian commitment to the fullest. Our prayerful congratulations to all of them and all those who were instrumental in their preparation! Fr. Tom



### Bulletin April 27 Sixth Sunday of Easter Year A

Readings: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

#### First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

The first reading recounts how the Gospel spread from the first Jerusalem community to the Samaritans who were of Jewish origin but considered "half-Gentile." The preaching of Philip, accompanied by signs, convinced the people, leading them to conversion. The laying of hands by Simon Peter and John, although reflecting something of the origins of confirmation and/or "baptism in the Holy Spirit," was mainly a sign of the acceptance of the Samaritan Christian community by the Jerusalem community, which would of course involve a sharing or recognition of the same Spirit.

#### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20

Psalm 66 commemorates the deliverance of Israel from her enemies, and witnesses with joy to the nations the Lordship of Israel's God. Response: "Let all the earth cry out to God with joy."

#### Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

In the second reading, Peter exhorts the new Christian community to be ready to give witness to anyone who asks for the reason for their hope in Christ. That hope in Christ should be evident in their lifestyle. Moreover, Christian gentleness and respect will help them in overcoming even the persecution they may experience in our witness. The example of Christ's own suffering is the model for the follower of Christ, so that they too may be brought to life in the Spirit.

#### Gospel: John 14:15-21

The Gospel reading is a continuation of Jesus' farewell discourse. Here Jesus speaks about the inseparable link between love and obedience to his commandments as a means by which all followers will know his continuing presence. Thus Jesus promises his followers that he would ask the Father for another Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who would guarantee his presence to guide them. The return of Jesus in this passage underlines his continued presence within his Church. That presence will be expressed and realized by his faithful disciples in their union with Christ, just as Christ is one with the Father.



### Hilo Roman Catholic Community - Mission Statement

We, the Hilo Roman Catholic Community of St. Joseph and Malia Puka O Kalani, guided by the Holy Spirit, Our Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph, gather as a family of believers in the celebration of the Eucharist. Blessed with many cultures, talents and inspired by the Hawaiian tradition of Aloha, we pledge to share our heritage, our gifts and the principles of our faith, and to commit ourselves to the educational, social and spiritual needs of all our brothers and sisters.



#### **Scripture Readings**

#### Sunday, April 27

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21

#### Monday, April 28

Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Jn 15:26-16:4a

#### Tuesday, April 29

Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8 Jn 16:5-11

#### Wednesday, April 30

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 Ps 148:1-2, 11-14 Jn 16:12-15

#### Thursday, May 1

Acts 18:1-8 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 16:16-20

#### Friday, May 2

Acts 18:9-18 Ps 47:2-7 Jn 16:20-23

#### Saturday, May 3

1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14

#### Sunday, May 4

Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 Eph 1:17-23 Mt 28:16-20



Three Minute Liturgical Catechesis Article 25:

#### **Expressing Our Communion**

Liturgy is faith made visible. When we celebrate the liturgy, especially the Eucharist, we express what we believe in word and song and action. Sometimes when the liturgy is reformed, it requires us to relearn what the Church really teaches about its meaning.

This may be especially true of our understanding of Holy Communion. For many generations, the liturgy was celebrated without much active involvement by most of the people present. This led us to develop habits and ways of thinking about the liturgy that were very individualistic. We learned to think of Communion as a very private moment between each of us and Jesus.

The problem with that way of thinking is that it overlooks the central meaning and purpose of the Eucharist. Jesus gave us the Eucharist to make us one body in him, so Communion is never a private moment between the individual and the Lord. It is a very personal moment, but it is also communal, for it involves all those around us who share the same body and blood.

There are two primary ways that we express our unity in Christ at the moment of Communion. The first is to join in the Communion procession. As we move to the table of the Lord, we form one procession, a pilgrim people on the move together. Thus it makes sense that we should all stay standing until the procession is completed. A procession is a communal action, a group movement. It is more than just individuals going to the table. We go as one people, as one body of Christ. Respect for each member of the assembly in the procession calls for us to remain standing until all have received.

The second way we express our unity at Communion, as we do throughout the Mass, is with singing. The Communion song is supposed to begin when the priest receives Communion and continue until the last person has received. The singing accompanies the procession in which we are all involved. All of us should be singing throughout, except when we are actually receiving the bread and wine. Even when moving in the procession, we can at least sing the refrain of the song.

When the procession is finished, the singing stops and we all sit together for some time of silent prayer. This is also a shared activity, a time to rest and pray together in the joy of our communion with Christ and one another. Many of us are used to time for quiet prayer as soon as we have received Communion. The liturgy simply calls us to wait until all have received so that we can share this quiet time together.



When we come to the minister of the body of Christ, we bow our heads and say "Amen" to express our reverence for Christ's presence there. We do the same when we come to the minister of the blood of Christ. With our voices and our bodies, we acknowledge the Lord's presence in the bread and wine. Remembering that he is also present in all those who share the meal with us, we use our voices and our bodies to acknowledge his presence there, too. By maintaining a common posture and joining in the singing, we proclaim our faith in the presence of the Lord in all his members as we share in his holy meal. It should be obvious to anyone who watches us that we reverence Christ in one another as well as in the bread and wine. Liturgy makes our faith visible.

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Pope Benedict XVI was the first pope to say Mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral, which, in his homily, he called "a house of prayer for all peoples."



Pope Benedict arrives to address the United Nations.

Little Sisters of the Queens Village are in high spirits as they head into

Yankee Stadium, tickets in hand.



Pope Benedict prays at ground zero



Pate

A little girl proudly wears her "I love the Pope" hat.





Pope Benedict celebrates Sunday Mass at Yankee Stadium for the crowd of 60,000.

# Pope Benedict visit to USA

"Christ Our Hope". These three words resonated thru the United States during the Papal Visit of Pope Benedict the 16<sup>th</sup>. From the White House to Ground Zero, the faithful gathered and waited patiently to see The Holy Father. Whether speaking before the United Nations delegation or the youth gathered at St. Joseph's Seminary, Pope Benedict urged everyone to pray, listen for the call of The Lord, and remain faithful to the teachings of the Church. He urged everyone to "put your trust in Jesus" and "do not be afraid". He reminded all of us in the United States, to look after the poor, the homeless, and all those less fortunate than we are through out the world. We, in the United States, have been given much freedom, among these the freedom of Worship, and yet we take it for granted. By his demeanor, his humility, his piety, he truly exemplified who he is, "Peter on earth".

By: Anna Texeira

# St. Joseph School

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Hilo's Happening a Great Success

(written by Patrick Naughton)

Good food, a good cause, and great company combined to produce a fun evening for everyone at Sangha Hall on Saturday (April 19<sup>th</sup>) in support of St. Joseph School's capital improvements fund. Teresa Fuata is to be congratulated for pulling together another great event.

Many donations from local restaurants, coordinated by Teresa Fuata and Rowena Austria, plus a great desserts table donated by master chef Sharon Alapai provided an outstanding menu for guests. Fine wines from throughout the world were on display and gave everyone an opportunity to explore some great vintages.

The wonderful Hawaiian music was provided by Kanakapila, at the end of the evening the music moved several couples to "dance with the stars." The high school students' trash fashion show, featuring outfits made out of re-cycled materials and designed by St. Joseph High School students, was a big hit.

Theresa Burian and her band of volunteers compiled a great collection of art donations and auctioneer Dan Monberg was able to create several high spirited bidding battles for several of the art items.

Everyone said they were looking forward to continue to add to SJS wine glass collection at the next Hilo's Happening in 2009. Way to go Teresa & Theresa!













St. Joseph School Band marches in the Merrie Monarch Parade

#### St. Joseph School May Event Calendar

5/1/08 • PTG meeting & elections, 6:30 p.m., school cafeteria,

5/6/08 • High School Ho'olaule'a, program at 9:30 a.m., Walter Victor gym

5/9/08 • Elementary School May Day program at 8:30 a.m., Walter Victor gym,

5/14/08 • Band Spring Concert, 7:00 p.m., Walter Victor gym,

5/23/08 • Awards Ceremony, grades 7 thru 12, 9 – 11 a.m., Walter Victor gym,

5/23/08 • Senior class Baccalaureate service, 7:00 p.m., St. Joseph Church

5/24/08 • SJS Alumni & Friends Luau, 5:30 p.m., Hilo Meishoin hall,



5/24/08 **Graduation**, 4 p.m. Afook-Chinen Civic Auditorium



#### Blessed are the peacemakers...

Every year St. Joseph Jr./Sr. High School coordinates a school-wide Day of Reflection. Each theology teacher plans and organizes the day's events. Mrs. C. Villena was assigned to guide the freshmen and sophomores in a day dedicated to the theme of forgiveness and reconciliation. Students and teachers gathered at Malia Puka O Kalani parish hall for the day's activities. Fr. Tom welcomed the students with a message on the importance of forgiveness taken straight from the Lord's Prayer. Mrs. Ruth Statler delivered the large group session on God's unconditional love and mercy. Barett and Forrest Statler lead the young people in songs of praise and worship. Students from the Big Island Catholic College Campus Ministries demonstrated the importance of healing and reconciliation through a skit. They said, "As you get older it is important to stay connected to God, especially when you are trying to take on the rest of the world. God is there for you. He



Big Island College Catholic Campus Ministries skit on forgiveness.



Journal: "How will you promote forgiveness on campus?"

wants you to just come to Him." The retreat was a wonderful time for SJHS students to apply what they had been learning in their religion courses. The theology department had arranged for a priest from the East Vicariate to have reconciliation with many students the very next day. Forgiveness of self and of others is truly important to the spiritual growth of everyone.



Visitor to Malia Puka O Kalani Church, John Rohrback from Yuba City California.



Pictured left:
Bart Naipo-Arsiga,
Joanne Ebanez,
Martha Ahuna, as
they bring in the
gifts at Malia Puka
O Kalani Church.

Pictured below: Martha Ahuna, Rita Martin and Lucy Palik.





Above pictured: Aunty Mildred Vereze shares a smile during the sign of peace.

Pictured right:
Aunty Becky Reis says aloha to Fr.
John following Mass.

Pictured Far Right: Kainoa and Kody sharing fellowship.





# Malia Puka O Kalani Church



Please keep in your prayers the Kumali Ohana.

## Our Volunteers for Sunday May 4

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Bell Ringers

Pete / Melody

Alu Like Schedule at Malia Puka O Kalani Church Mon. – Fri. 8:00 am – 1:00 pm CLOSED WEDNESDAY



# Pray for all those being Confirmed in our Hilo Roman Catholic Community





Fr. Tom shares his homily with Malia Parishioners.



# Financial Notes: *April 20, 2008:*

Attendance: Adults 43 Children 3

> Koa Bowl -\$ 586.00 Mass Intention -\$ 25.00

### Please keep in your prayers:

Aunty Irene Kondo Kahele Ohana Aunty Patty Grube Aunty Becky Reis Uncle Tony Moniz Aunty Ginger Moniz Aunty Minnie Alidon Bret Hoffman

Aunty Dorothy Gouveia Uncle Tommy Gouveia Aunty Dora Costa Aunty Mamo Otineru Aunty Nita Kua John Farias

and all those who are sick.

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
5:00 pm	\$	1,497.00
7:00 pm	\$	57.00
Spanish		
Mass		
7:00 am	\$	1,990.00
9:00 am	\$	1,740.00
11:30 am	\$	1,547.00
6:00 pm	\$	1,411.00
Sunday Total	\$	8,242.00
Collection		
Candles	\$	402.00
Donations/	\$	2,515.00
Others		
Thrift Shop	\$	374.13
Total Operat-	\$	3,291.13
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School Fund	\$	429.00
Others	\$	113.00
Total Rest.	\$	2,162.00
Donations		
Total Weekly	\$	13,695.13
Deposit	L_	
Parish Hall	\$	66,204.50
Fund to Date		



#### FOOD PANTRY HOURS

We are happy to announce that the food pantry will begin regular distributions to those in need in our community once again. The initial schedule for the Food Pantry program will be as follows:

Every Monday at St. Joseph Church and every Wednesday at Malia Puka O'Kalani food will be passed out between the hours of 12 pm to 4 pm. If you have any questions regarding the Food Pantry program please contact Mario Miguel at 935-1465.

#### This Week's Calendar

#### SUNDAY, April 27

10:00 am •Filipino Catholic Club Coffee & Donut Hour/Under Parking Canopy

10:15 am •Religious Ed Classes/St. Joseph High School

6:00 pm •Youth Mass & Confirmation w/Reception to follow/St. Joseph Church & Meeting Room

#### MONDAY, April 28

10:00 am • Aloha Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

1:00 pm •Spiritual Support Group/St. Joseph Church Breezeway

6:00 pm •RCIA Class/St. Joseph Rectory Library

6:00 pm •U H Campus Ministry/U H Campus

#### TUESDAY, April 29

6:30 pm •Small Christian Community/St. Joseph Rectory Library

7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/St. Joseph Church

7:00 pm • Basic Christian Community/YMI

#### WEDNESDAY, April 30

1:30 pm •Sacramental Prep Class/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

6:30 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

6:30 pm •Young Adult Ministry/St. Joseph Church Rectory Library

#### THURSDAY, May 1

5:00 pm •Wedding Rehearsal (Pa-Toilolo/Alameda)/St. Joseph Church

5:30 pm •Cursillo Meeting/St. Joseph Rectory Meeting Room

6:30 pm •SJ Choir Rehearsal/St. Joseph Church

#### FRIDAY, May 2 "First Friday"

1:00 pm •Adoration/St. Joseph Church

6:00 pm •Benediction/St. Joseph Church

#### SATURDAY, May 3

7:45 am •Church Cleaners #2/St. Joseph Church

10:00 am •Adult Scripture Study/St. Joseph Rectory Library

1:00 pm •Wedding (Pa-Toilolo/Alameda)/St. Joseph Church

5:00 pm • High School Youth Group/Malia Puka O Kalani Church

7:00 pm •Spanish Mass & Fellowship/St. Joseph Church & Rectory Meeting Room

#### SUNDAY, May 4 "The Ascension of the Lord"

10:15 am • Religious Ed Classes/St. Joseph High School

2:00 pm •Baptism/St. Joseph Church



Children receive a blessing before going to Children's Liturgy.



May Crowning will be held on May 1, immediately following the 6:00 am Mass at St. Joseph Church.



# Reminder from the Alumni and Friends of SIS

If you are in the mood for scrumptious luau food, great entertainment and fun with good friends, then hurry and buy your tickets for the Alumni and Friends luau to be held at the Hilo Meishoin Hall on Olona St. on Saturday, May 24. The profits from the luau provide tuition assistance for students at St. Joseph School. Tickets are only \$25 each, and may be bought from any Alumni and Friends member, or call Milton or Agnes Crivello at 935-7753.



Scott Andrada receives the precious blood at his First Communion on Sunday, April 20, 2008, at 9:00 am Mass.

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