Anniversary

December 9, 2018

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St. Joseph Church

Served by the Blessed Sacrament Congregation

Church Dedicated in 1919

St. Joseph School

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www.stjoehilo.com 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

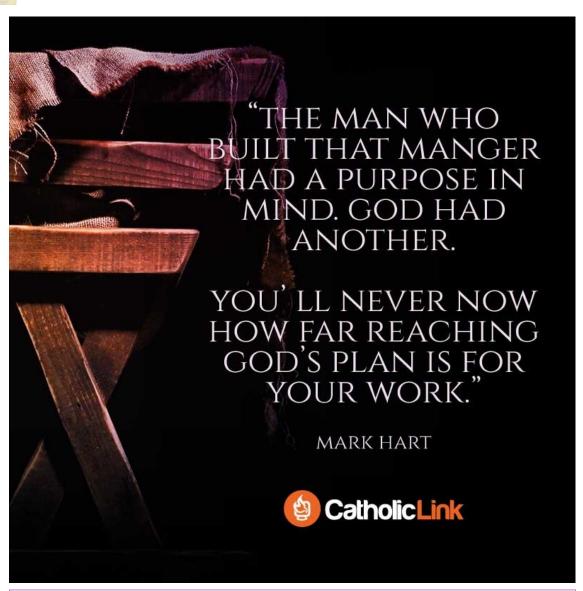
Adoration

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

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An Interactive Family Advent Prayer

Some families enjoy saying prayers and blessings as they light a candle each Sunday.

Parent: Lord, you are the light of the world.

Child: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

Parent: Heavenly Father, we long for your plan of rescue and redemption to be realized. Give us hearts that see Your beauty and wait in hope for You to make all things good and new again.

Child: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

Parent: May Your light and love shine brightly in our hearts, spreading hope and peace to those around us.

Child: Amen.





" Prepare the way of the Lord..."

One prominent figure of Advent is John the Baptist for as the gospel described him, he is "A voice of one crying out in the desert:' Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths'." For in the heart and mind of John the coming of the Messiah will usher in the new Exo-

dus, when God's people will start their journey back to their true homeland, back into the heart of our Heavenly Father. And the Messiah will come to lead the way.

But this journey entails a thorough preparation for it is centered in one's willingness to be uprooted and let go of what one might have been used to and have found comfort all this time. And certainly it will involve a change of heart, a true conversion – a "metanoia." It will therefore be a journey into the depths of our hearts and look out for those hollow valleys created by our despair and apathy and indifference and fill them up with hope and trust in God's mercy and love. We also have to watch out for the mountains of pride and self-centeredness and level them off with our accepting that everything that we have and are come from the God who love and cares for us.

Going back home after a long absence or exile brings the feelings of both joy and apprehension. There is excitement of meeting again our loved ones. But there is also the anxiety that one may not be able to cope with the needed conversion. Advent assures that "that the one who began a good work will continue to complete it (Philippians 1). That is why Advent is also the Season of Hope.

With St. Paul, "this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.."

"Preparing The Way For The Lord, One Wreath At A Time!"

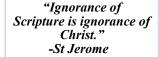
WHO: Parishioners & Friends of St Joseph Parish, Hilo.

WHAT: Create 19 wreaths for Christmas to hang inside the church.

WHEN: Wreath hanging is Saturday morning Dec 15 and wreaths remain through Jan 6, 2019.

HOW: Using a circular base with diameter of 12-14 inches (ie. foam, straw, twigs, or bundled plant material) decorate with flowers &/or foliage. Design represents your love, culture, creativity &/or history (how wreaths were made in last 100 years). If you want to match altar decorations, we'll give you a yellow bow that can be attached to bottom portion of wreath.

For more information, talk with Mary Correa (after masses) or leave name & phone # at Church Office 935-1465.



Sunday, Dec. 09

Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 Lk 3:1-6

Monday, Dec. 10

Is 35:1-10 Ps 85:9ab-14 Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, Dec. 11

Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-3, 10a-c, 11-13 Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday, Dec. 12

Zec 2:14-17 (Ps) Jdt 13:18b-19 Lk 1:26-38

Thursday, Dec. 13

Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1, 9-13ab Mt 11:11-15

Friday, Dec. 14

Is 48:17-19 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, Dec. 15

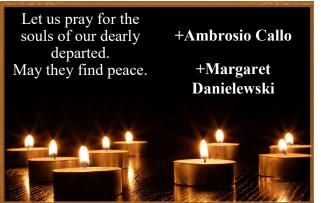
Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, Dec. 16

Zep 3:14-18a (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Phil 4:4-7 Lk 3:10-18

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND!





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Calendar

Monday, Dec. 10

6:00 am Mass/Church 12:15 pm Mass/Church 6:00 pm RCIA Class/Library

7:00 pm Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

(Rosary 6:30 pm)/Church

Tuesday, Dec. 11

6:00 am Mass/Church

8:30 am Viewing (+Joleen Simao)/Church

10:00 am Memorial Mass (+Joleen Simao)/Church

12:15 pm Mass/Church

6:00 pm Parish Advent Penance Service/Church

Wednesday, Dec. 12 "Our Lady of Guadalupe"

6:00 am Mass/Church

8:30 am Viewing (+Margaret Danielewski)/Church 10:00 am Memorial Mass (+Margaret Danielewski)/

Church

12:15 pm Mass/Church

6:00 pm Stewardship Meeting/Meeting Room 6:30 pm Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church

Thursday, Dec. 13

6:00 am Mass/Church 12:15 pm Mass/Church

1:00 pm Christmas Wreath Making Prep (Mary Correa)/

Church

6:00 pm Ilocano Choir Rehearsal/Meeting Room 6:30 pm St. Joseph Choir Rehearsal/Church

Friday, Dec. 14

6:00 am Mass/Church

9:00 am Viewing (+George Gomes)/Church 10:00 am Memorial Mass (+George Gomes)/Church

12:15 pm Mass/Church

1:00 pm Christmas Wreath Making Prep (Mary Correa)/

Church

5:30 pm Youth Core Team Meeting/Conference Room 6:00 pm San Lorenzo Family Choir Rehearsal/Church

Saturday, Dec. 15

7:00 am Mass/Church

8:15 am Church Cleaner's #6 (C. Lantano)/Church

9:30 am Bible Sharing/Library

9:30 am RE 1st Penance-Reconciliation/Church

10:00 am Reconciliation/Church

5:00 pm Mass/Church

5:00 pm High School Youth Group/Library Sunday, Dec. 16 "Third Sunday of Advent" 4:00 am Missa de Gallo Mass/Church

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

10:15 am Religious Ed. Classes/SJHS

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

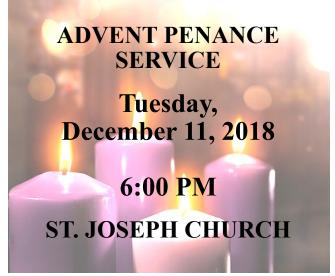
| Stewardship Report of Treasury for: | | | | |
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| Nov 27 to Dec 03 | | YTD Actual | YTD Budget | |
| Collections | 6,391.25 | 195,280.56 | 211,970.96 | |
| R&M Collection | 5,583.23 | 37,658.15 | | |
| All Other Income | 2,801.75 | 176,649.33 | 151,391.11 | |
| Deposited to Bank | 14,776.23 | 409,588.04 | 363,362.07 | |
| | | Parish Savings | | |
| Parish Hall | 336.25 | Loan to school | 106,203.06 | |
| | | Designated Funds | 361,196.87 | |
| | | Restricted Funds | 447,136.13 | |
| | | | 914,536.06 | |



How do we express our longing, joy, and gratitude as we travel together through Advent? One way is to spread the light! We invite families to light the Advent

candles at the start of our <u>Simbang Gabi Masses</u> as a reminder that Jesus is the hope and culmination of our daily journey. Contact a sacristan for the sign up sheet.

Its located in the back sacristy.



Our Lady of Guadalupe (Feast) Wednesday, December 12 6:00 AM & 12:15 PM Mass





We are collecting potted poinsettia plants starting to be delivered to
St Joseph Church on
Thursday, Dec 13.
For more information, contact
Mary Correa.

| Advent Novena Masses: | Sunday, December 16 4 am Mass | Wednesday, December 19 7pm Mass | Saturday, December 22 4 am Mass |
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| Simbang Gabi | 7pm Mass | | Sunday, December 23 4 am Mass |
| & Missa de Galo | Tuesday, December 18 7pm Mass | | Monday, December 24 4 am Mass |

Religious Ed News!



<u>Parish Children's Liturgy</u> (Ministry for Children during

<u>Mass</u>) St. Nicholas Service Project The feast day of St. Nicholas is on December 6th. We would like the children to partici-

pate in an **Advent Service Project.** We would like to encourage our children to fill a new pair of socks with small items that those in need might use. Before filling the sock, place the other side of the sock (from the pair) inside to be filled. The sock can be filled with small soaps, candy, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, bandaids, deodorants, prayer cards, etc. After filling the sock, gather the top together and tie it with a ribbon. The sock can be for an adult or a child. **The socks may be handed in on Sunday, December 16, & December 23** during the Sunday Masses when your child attends Children's Liturgy. **This is a voluntary project but highly encouraged!** Thank you for your kindness.





Pictured to the Left: Grades 4 & Kinder Sunday Classes learn about the season of Advent as they make Advent wreaths for their families.



Saturday Youth Ministry has diligently prepared these plush items for a simple holiday goody bag. These items were donated to us from Mauna Lani

Resorts via Catholic Charities for our advent service project. These Christmas items will be delivered to the various adult care facilities around the for the residents there.













