

# Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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**Weekend Masses:**  
5:15 pm Saturday  
9:00 am Sunday  
Spanish Mass 7:00 pm  
Saturday

**Weekday Masses:**  
5:15 pm Mon. Wed. Fri.

**Office hours:**  
9:00-12:00 & 2:00 -5:00  
daily except. Thurs. (Day off)



December 11, 2011

## Mission Statement

Malia Puka O Kalani is a Roman Catholic parish in Keaukaha, Hawaii dedicated to building a church community filled with the Holy Spirit, guided by God's word, and enriched by the Hawaiian Culture

**Administrator:** Fr. Wilson Buitrago

**Pastor Emeritus:** Fr. Joe Hennen

**Baptisms:** Samantha Naipo-Arsiga  
966-6350

**Building Maintenance:**  
Moke Moses 937-9783

**Business Manager:** David Watson  
935-1465 x20

**Finance:** Jeannette Lesko  
808-778-8058

**Liturgy:** Joe Farias 982-5919

**Religious Ed:** Wendy Cortez  
896-7224

**Social Awareness:** Richard MacKenzie  
896-0390

**Spanish Coordinator:**  
Laura Abad-Huilca 989-4234

My Dear Friends.

We are already in the third Sunday of Advent, called the "Gaudete" Sunday, which means in Latin "rejoice." Saint Paul says to us "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice!" (Phil. 4: 4 - 6), or how Isaiah says to us "I rejoice heartily in the LORD, in my God is the joy of my soul"; (Isaiah 61:10). A priest uses pink vestments to express the joy for the birth of the Messiah to be celebrated in Christmas and the coming of the end of times.

This Gaudete Sunday invites us to be a joyful Church, because God is the source of all that is good, he is also the source of joy and peace. This Gaudete Sunday invites specifically each of us that is serving our community, whether it be in one of the 5 committees or as volunteers, to serve with joy and peace; to follow the example of John the Baptist, who as the precursor to the Messiah came to prepare the Lord's path, but in a humble and helpful manner, without seeking the limelight, recognizing that he was "not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals."

All of you know that I just arrived to this parish and my duty is to first know the parochial reality; I have been watching silently and I will continue to do so to **take the correct measures that benefit of our community, but for this time is required.** In the time being I am discovering that there is an excellent organization, excellent leaders that work hard, but I want to invite you to continue to work together, helping one another, walking on the same side of the street, humbly, each of us meeting the duties that were assigned to us, without interfering in the work of others, since the task of supervising the work of others is mine as the pastor of our community and I have received from the Bishop the authority to do so. Let us not despair; I am getting to know bit by bit our community and each of its members and at a prudent moment I will take the appropriate decisions. In the meanwhile let us not get distracted in this magnificent and privileged time of Advent and Christmas! Let us rejoice in the Lord!

With Love, Fr. Wilson





"Children of our community light the candle of Advent wreath"

" We welcome our newly baptized into Malia Ka'i and Kasie "



"Mahalo" to all in community who participated in the Blessing of the rectory and the hall kitchen.  
Fr. Wilson took the time to involve all present in the blessing of his new home here at Malia;  
All present made a wonderful potluck.

Mahalo once more.



**FROM THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY**

We invite all who want join us for the Mass on Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm, Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast celebrated in the Dioceses of the United States. Rosary at 6:30 pm. Mass and "Mañanitas" at 7:00 pm. Mahalo!

**FROM SOCIAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE**

Malia Puka O Kalani provided gift certificates to 15 different families at Malia and within the Keaukaha community. Mahalo to everyone that provided certificates and names of families! We are gearing up to provide certificates to families this Christmas season as well. However, we have depleted our reserve of gift certificates. The Social Awareness and Outreach Committee is again asking for donations of additional gift certificates up to \$25 or any monetary contributions that can be used to purchase gift certificates. Please provide to Richard MacKenzie or any other Social Awareness and Outreach Committee members by Dec. 20th so that we can mail out in time for Christmas. Contact Richard (896-0390 or [rmack@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:rmack@hawaii.rr.com)) with any questions. MAHALO!!

**CRAFT ITEMS NEEDED**

Malia will hold their annual Christmas Craft sale before and after all Masses on Dec. 3-4; 10-11; 17-18. We are seeking donations of craft items for these days. Please bring your items to Mass with you and give to Aunty Laverne who will be coordinating this fund raising effort. Mahalo!

**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday, December 24, 2011, 2011 - 5:15 pm  
(Children / Family Mass) Super Potluck.

Sunday, Dec. 25, 2011 - 9:00 am Mass

New Years Eve Mass - 5:15 pm (Mass for Peace)

Sunday, January First, 2012 - 9:00 am Mass

**Monday, Dec. 12, No Mass at 5:15 pm, but 7:00 pm. Feast Our Lady of Guadalupe**

***Please Keep in Prayer***

- Fr. Joseph Hennen*
- Ernest Matsumoto*
- Aunty Patty Grube*
- Uncle Tony Moniz*
- Aunty Dora Costa*
- Aunty Nita Kua*
- Aunty Elizabeth Dulatre*
- Aunty Mabel Silva*
- Aunty Irene Kondo*
- Aunty Linda Farias*
- Grace Carter*
- Rupert Tripp Jr.*
- Daniel Richards*
- Uncle Warren Curtis*
- Aunty Babes Viverios*
- Terry Tardino*
- Donald Swain*
- Samson Wana Sr.*
- Else DeMello*
- Paul Etchverry*
- Sandi Claveria*
- Andrea Alaniz*
- Jerry Moniz*
- Merasol Hoopii*
- Douglas Ferreira*
- Doreen Johnson*
- Roger Fritts*
- Wayne Anderson*
- Bernice McCartin*
- Quintin Aiona*
- Addie Strunck*
- Janet Luiz*
- Naeda Pearl Wardwell*
- William Birney*
- Kathy McBroon*
- Ellen Kashiwabara*
- Mercy Abeleye*
- Jimmy Aiona*
- Christian Staszkow*
- Melodee Hulihee Lani*
- Salcido Family*
- Carleen Haunani Mederios*
- Kyron Horman*
- Robin Bob*
- Shirley Rizzo*
- Beverly Oka Chu*
- William Farias Victorino*
- Billie Baclig*
- And for all who are sick*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
KOA BOWL	1736.00
SPANISH MASS	98.00
CRAFT FAIR	197.00
KAAHUMANU RENTAL	25.00
OTHER	
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT</b>	<b>2056.00</b>