

Catholic Community of  
**Malia Puka O  
Kalani**

326 Desha Ave  
Hilo, HI 96720

**Weekend Masses:**  
5:15 pm Saturday  
9:00 am Sunday  
Spanish Mass 4:00 pm  
Sunday

**Weekday Masses:**  
5:15 pm Mon, Wed, Fri  
**Office Hours: 9:00-- 5:00 daily  
except Thurs.**



March 6, 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

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### **SOME THOUGHTS ON FUNDING OUR PARISH:**

Malia is a small, vibrant parish. The history of the generosity of the Malia parishioners is legendary. Long before I even stepped foot in Keaukaha both the Bishop and the Pastor of St. Joe (Fr. Tom, at that time) told me that the Malia parishioners were far above average in the diocese in per capita giving. This has remained true. As parish priest, I can only say, "Mahalo!"

Yet, we are small and many of the bills of being a small parish are the same as the bills of a larger parish. Additionally, there were years of maintenance and building neglect. The result is that our monthly bills exceed what we receive in the KOA Offering Bowl. Given the present generosity of our parishioners, it would be unconscionable to keep saying, "Give more; Give more". So, what to do?

Fund raising is the only alternative I can see. We already have a good income from the rental of our facilities. We do have the enviable commodity of our facilities. Once we get them up to code, we will be able to not only use them for more parish activities but also rent them to community groups and not-for-profits. When that happens, we will be able to support a lot more parish programs. But, we need to get from now to then!

There will be (are) frequent fundraisers. Some may think, "All we do is fund raising!" For example, we are just finishing a very successful Malasada Fund Raiser. Very soon we will start the Sweet Bread Fund Raiser. They will be back-to-back. At the same time, in the Lenten Flier attached to this bulletin, we are announcing a Lenten Almsgiving Project. The trick to all the fund raisers is to sell the tickets and the products to our non-Malia friends and acquaintances. And when special Almsgiving Projects are conducted, give only what you can afford. And if you can afford no more than what you are generously giving in the weekly KOA Bowl, give nothing more. Just say a prayer that all these fund raisers and the Almsgiving Project will help Malia be an even more vibrant parish in the future. We are re-establishing our identity so that we can continue long into the future. *Fr. Joe*

**MALASADA TICKETS ARE GONE; MAHALO!**

If you still have ticket money or unsold tickets please get them in today. The Malasadas can be picked up on Tuesday, Mardi Gras, starting at 6:30AM. MAHALO!

**LENT:**

The Season of Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving starts on this Wednesday, Ash Wednesday. We will have a Mass at 8:30AM with the distribution of Ashes and Stations of the Cross at 5:15PM, also with distribution of Ashes. There will be 5:15PM Mass every day (except Sunday) during Lent. On Wednesdays at 5:15 we will have Stations of the Cross followed by a Communion Service.

**OUR LENTEN ALMSGIVING PROJECT:**

Last year we put a new roof on our church. This year we want to fix up our kitchen so that we can use it for parish events and rent it out for community and social events. The total cost will be about \$20,000. It would cost much more but our wonderful Maintenance/Repair Committee will be doing much of the work. They may be asking for volunteers as the project proceeds. We hope that we can raise \$10,000.00 of the needed \$20,000 through our Lenten Almsgiving Project. We will have fliers and envelopes next week.

**WALK-IN REFRIGERATOR FOR SALE:**

Our walk-in refrigerator in the patio costs too much to operate. The Maintenance Committee decided to stop using it. The Finance Committee decided to sell it to the highest bidder. The bid starts at \$1000.00 plus the cost of taking it off property. All bids must be on paper and delivered to the parish office by April 1. Please make this known to anyone who might be interested. It is in operating condition but will be sold AS IS with no guarantees. If no one in the parish or contacts through parishioners is interested, we will advertize it to the public. The proceeds go to the Lenten Project.

**CHILD CARE:**

There was no interest indicated in child care. The sign will be changed!

**RITE OF ELECTION:**

The Church has a ceremony called “The Rite of Election”. This always happens on the first Sunday of Lent. It is a ceremony in which the Bishop welcomes the adults and young people who have been preparing for baptism at the Easter Vigil. For the first time in many, many years, Malia has 4 adults/young people who have been preparing and will be baptized on Holy Saturday evening. Bishop Larry has designated our Vicar, Fr. Mike Scully, to welcome “the Elect” of all the parishes in East Hawaii. This will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Papaikou at 1:00PM on Sunday, March 13. Wendy Cortez, Chairperson of the Faith Formation Committee, will be the official Malia representative because I will have a 1:00 Mass at the Military Training Camp. Our four “Elect” and their sponsors will join the “Elect” of other parishes. Everyone is welcome to participate. There is a social afterwards.

**R.E. SCHEDULE:**

March 6, 13, 20, 27 CLASS

**RCIA/ADULT ED. LECTURE:**

The first Lenten Lecture is entitled, “Back to the Basics, The Profession of Faith” is Sunday, March 13 10:30—11:30. This is required for all candidates for Confirmation. There is teacher certification credit for Religious Ed teachers. All are welcome.



***Please Keep in Prayer***

- Fr. Joseph Hennen*
- Ernest Matsumoto*
- Aunty Patty Grube*
- Uncle Tony Moniz*
- Aunty Dora Costa*
- Aunty Mamo Otineru*
- Aunty Nita Kua*
- Aunty Elizabeth Dulatre*
- Aunty Mabel Silva*
- Aunty Irene Kondo*
- Shirley Rizzo*
- Grace Carter*
- Rupert Tripp Jr.*
- Shirley Tripp*
- Daniel Richards*
- Uncle Warren Curtis*
- Aunty Babes Viverios*
- Terry Tardino*
- Patricia Rigg*
- Donald Swain*
- Samson Wana Sr.*
- Steve Densmore*
- Joey Lee*
- Kathleen Yamamoto*
- Pearl Wong*
- Susie Anguay*
- Shannon Quevedo*
- Else DeMello*
- Paul Etchverry*
- Frank DeLuz*
- Sandi Claveria*
- Benny Rosete*
- Nellie O’Neill*
- Raylynn Alaniz*
- Quintin Aiona*
- Jerry Moniz*
- Kookie DeMello*
- Dave Davis*
- Merafol Hoopii*
- Douglas Ferreira*
- Hogan Rosehill*
- Doreen Johnson*
- Katie Hyde*
- Janice Shimizu*
- Aunty Laurie*
- Roger Fritts*
- Geraldine Cullen*
- And for all who are sick*

MALIA COLLECTIONS	
KOA BOWL	\$ 909.90
MALASADA FUND RAISER	\$ 890.00
TOTAL:	\$1799.90

**MEETINGS:**

Maintenance/Repair Committee Meeting is Sunday, March 6, 10:30—All Meetings are open meetings  
Liturgy Committee Meeting is Saturday, March 26 at 9:30

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