

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 Thursday**



May 1, 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

### **Some Thoughts.....**

Lent, Holy Week and Easter is the busiest time for any Catholic parish. The liturgies starting from Ash Wednesday and going through Holy Week and Easter Sunday are formatted and structured so that they are, by and large, the same in every church, cathedral and basilica around the world. Yet, the liturgies have a distinct character and flavor depending on the country, the ethnic background, and the personality of each parish. This was never more true than at Malia. We walked through the Forty Days and then commemorated and celebrated the death and resurrection of Our Lord "enriched by the Hawaiian Culture" (from our mission statement). The Hapu'u was our constant companion throughout Lent becoming the full fern tree at Easter; the expression of solemn meditation, sadness, and joy was found in the ukele, the beat of the ipu, the haunting chant of Good Friday, and the music so familiar to our Hawaiian ancestors. The art work, most especially, the original hand painted Easter banners depicting the transformation of the hapu'u and the presence of the Kamehameha butterfly was uniquely Hawaiian. The brilliance of the Hawaiian floral bouquets filling the hall and the church left no one in doubt that we are in Hawaii. The Easter candle handmade especially for Malia is unique to all the world. And, of course, the plethora of food following each liturgical event welcomed everyone, parishioner and guest alike, with an aloha spirit so familiar at Malia. And our parish 'ohana again showed our love of children in the Easter liturgy followed by the Easter egg hunt.

I mention all this because this could not happen without the creative volunteer hands and hearts of so many people. Holy Week and Easter were "magical" at Malia. Ever so many people mentioned how deeply spiritual and meaningful were the liturgies. This was true because so many volunteers blended their gifts and talents. This is the real meaning of a parish community. We all "pitch in" with our unique gifts. No one person shines. Christ shines through a parish "dedicated to building a church community filled with the Holy Spirit, guided by God's word" (Malia Mission Statement). We can only say, "Mahalo" to each other as we continue to witness to the presence of our Lord in today's world. *Fr. Joe*

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**MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY:**

Malia celebrates our Feast Day on the Sunday closest to the Feast of the Assumption on August 15th. It is then that we have the crowning of Mary. We have no special Marian devotions during May. If any individual and/or group of people wish to gather in the church for the rosary during the month of May, you are welcome to do so. The only limitation on this is not to have a public rosary immediately before Mass. The rosary is a private prayer. People gathering for the liturgy (the public prayer) should not be compelled to participate in any specific private prayer.

**NO WEEKDAY MASSES THE REST OF MAY:**

Fr. Joe will be gone to a mandatory Priest Convocation in O’ahu this next week. He will return for the weekend Masses next weekend. Then, he leaves for a medical checkup on the mainland...returning May 26. Fr. Joe Carroll will be here for the two weekends but there will be no one here during the week—no weekday Masses.

**CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST.DAMIEN:**

The Feast of St. Damien is Tuesday, May 10. We will celebrate his Feast on the weekend of May 7-8. On May 10th (the Feast of St. Damien) the travelling relic of Mother Marianne Cope will be at St. Joseph’s parish, Hilo. There will be a special Mass and veneration of the relic at 7:00PM. All are encouraged to participate in this special event.

**MEETINGS:**

*Social Awareness (an open brainstorming meeting):* 10:30AM Sunday, May 1

*Liturgy:* 10:00AM Saturday, May 7

*Maintenance/Repair:* 10:30AM, May 8

Each committee will consider at least the following agenda items at their meeting:

1. Budget items for 2011-12
2. Recommendation regarding staying clustered or requesting to be declustered.

All meetings are open meetings (but only members can speak and vote except during the “open forum”)

**FUND RAISING FORMS:**

As stated many times before, our parish is dependent on multiple sources of income in order to provide the necessary liturgical, social, and educational services while repairing and maintaining our facilities. This past fiscal year, we accomplished outstanding feats. Due to the generosity and hard work of so many parishioners, we were able to secure all the needed supplies to start our own Religious Education Program; we purchased a wonderful portable sound system; we put a new roof on the church; we fixed up the religious education rooms; we replaced the shelter-roof in the back of the patio. And we will have our kitchen renovated and recertified. We did all this while supporting our various ministries and paying all our bills in a timely manner. The “Financial Report” below is the cumulative report of the Easter collection, the most recent sweet bread fundraiser and the “Lenten Almsgiving”/kitchen project. We exceeded our goal in each of these areas. Now we begin to look forward to the next fiscal year. We are looking for creative Fundraising Projects for the next fiscal year. When considering

projects, please remember that the kitchen will be in working order by July.

Easter	\$ 2880.00
Sweet Bd. Fundraiser:	\$ 2250.00
Lenten Project	10215.00
Holy Lands:	\$395.00
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***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.*
- Daniel Richards*
- Uncle Warren Curtis*
- Aunty Babes Viverios*
- Terry Tardino*
- Donald Swain*
- Samson Wana Sr.*
- Else DeMello*
- Paul Etchverry*
- Sandi Claveria*
- Nellie O’Neill*
- Andrea Alaniz*
- Jerry Moniz*
- Merasol Hoopii*
- Douglas Ferreira*
- Doreen Johnson*
- Janice Shimizu*
- Roger Fritts*
- Wayne Anderson*
- Bernice McCartin*
- David Watson*
- Quintin Aiona*
- Addie Strunck*
- Ken Yamamoto*
- Robert Blomme*
- Janet Luiz*
- The people of Japan*
- And for all who are sick*

