

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.



February 12, 2012

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

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935-1465 x20

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896-7224

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896-0390

Spanish Coordinator:
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UNDER ATTACK: YOUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY:

A Special Letter from the Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I write to you concerning an alarming and serious matter that negatively impacts the Church in the United States directly, and that strikes at the fundamental right to religious liberty for all citizens of any faith. The federal government, which claims to be "of, by, and for the people," has just dealt a heavy blow to almost a quarter of those people—the Catholic population—and to the millions more who are served by the Catholic faithful.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced last week that almost all employers, *including Catholic employers*, will be *forced* to offer their employees' health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Almost all health insurers will be *forced* to include those "services" in the health policies they write. And almost all individuals will be *forced* to buy that coverage as a part of their policies.

In so ruling, the Administration has cast aside the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, denying to Catholics our Nation's first and most fundamental freedom, that of religious liberty. And as a result, unless the rule is overturned, we Catholics will be compelled either to violate our consciences, or to drop health coverage for our employees (and suffer the penalties for doing so). The Administration's sole concession was to give our institutions one year to comply.

People of faith cannot be made second class citizens. We are already joined by our brothers and sisters of all faiths and many others of good will in this important effort to regain our religious freedom. In generations past, the Church has always been able to count on the faithful to stand up and protect her sacred rights and duties. I hope and trust she can count on this generation of Catholics to do the same. Our children and grandchildren deserve nothing less.

And therefore, I would ask of you two things. First, as a community of faith we must commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail, and religious liberty may be restored. Without God, we can do nothing; with God, nothing is impossible.

Second, I would also recommend visiting www.usccb.org/conscience, to learn more about this severe assault on religious liberty, and how to contact Congress in support of legislation that would reverse the Administration's decision.

+ Larry Silva

VOCATIONS DINNER WITH BISHOP IN OUR PARISH!

Calling all young men considering and discerning the call to the priesthood. There will be a get together for all Vocation Prospects, 18 years old and above. Come along to "talk story" with our Bishop.

March 23, 5-8 pm, East Hawaii, Malia Puka O Kalani

For more information, please contact the Vocations Office at (808) 585-3343, or send an email at manao@rcchawaii.org and pabaya@rcchawaii.org, Assistant Director of Vocations.

NEW EAST HAWAII VICARIATE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE DIOCESAN VOCATIONS BOARD:

I have been named the new representative of the Vicariate of East Hawaii before the Diocesan Vocations Board, for that reason I have the great responsibility of promoting and supporting vocations to the priesthood in our vicariate. I want to start this mission in our own parish of Malia Puka O Kalani by inviting you to pray more intensely so that the Lord arouses some vocations in our parish and that in the future we may joyfully celebrate the priestly ordinations of some of our parishioners. Which ones will be the first young men to respond to the Lord's calling into priesthood?

I want to also invite you to prepare ourselves with great love and dedication for the breakfast in our parish with our bishop and the young vocation prospects applicants of the parishes of East Hawaii on March 23rd. **MAHALO!**

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE AUGUSTINE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION:

Our Catholic schools provide a quality education to students from all ethnic, religious and financial backgrounds. The Augustine Educational Foundation provides scholarships to financially needy students in our schools. Please take a time today and help make the difference in a student's life. Your gift goes directly to support tuition scholarships on our island/vicariate. MAHALO for helping the Foundation reach its goal of raising \$ 100,000!

MAHALO, THANK YOU, MUCHAS GRACIAS:

Mahalo to all those that joined us and brought food and desserts for the breakfast after Sunday's Mass to celebrate Deacon Jerry's Fifth Anniversary. These are very good occasions to build our community and to share socially with our Ohana the spirit of Aloha that always has characterized us. It is time for us to go back to the issue of sharing soup after Masses... later I will inform you more about this.

THE MALASADAS ARE COMING:

The day of the delicious malasadas is almost here. We are receiving money from the tickets and also help in preparing the malasadas, aside from your financial support. Who is coming at 3:00AM?

MEETINGS:

Liturgy Committee, Sunday, Fe. 12 at 10:30 am.
 Finance Committee, Saturday Feb. 18 at 9:30 am.
 Maintenance/Repair Committee, Sunday, Feb. 19 at 10:30 am.
 Enculturation, Sunday, Feb. 19 at 10:30 am.
 Social Awareness Committee, Feb. 26 at 10:30 am.
 All Meetings are open meetings

R.E. SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY:

12 NO R.E. CLASS; 19 NO R.E. CLASS; 26 R.E. CLASS



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 Echeverry*
- Sandi Claveria*
- 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 Staszko*
- Melodee Hulihee Lani*
- Salcido Family*
- Carleen Haunani Mederios*
- Kyron Horman*
- Robin Bob*
- Shirley Rizzo*
- Beverly Oka Chu*
- William Farias Victorino*
- Billie Baclig*
- Destry Gacutan*
- Dannick Gacutan*
- Kathleen Yamamoto*
- Anslyn Royston*
- Shannon Quevedo*
- Hale Pekelo Jr.*
- And for all who are sick*

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
KOA BOWL	2059.00
MALASADAS	1080.00
BALANCE OF SWEET BREAD	130.00
KAAHUMANU RENTAL	25.00
MASS INTENTION	20.00
2nd. COLLETION	10.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	3324.00