

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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Saturday Masses:

5:15 pm
Spanish Mass 7:00 pm

Sunday Mass:

9:00 am

Rosary:

M. W. & F
5:15 pm



December 9, 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.

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"Do not be afraid, Mary for you have found favor with God"

A voice of one crying out in the desert, "Prepare the way of the Lord"

These words from the Gospel readings this weekend help us focus on three key characters in the Advent season: an Angel, Mary, and John the Baptist. The message from God heard from Angels always comes with the beginning words, *"Be not Afraid."* This was the message not only to the young expectant mother, Mary, but to all as we wait in expectation of Emmanuel, *God with us.* Mary in return responds with the confidence that comes from grounded faith, *"Be it done to me according to your word."* What an model example of faith! Then building on our reflections last week on Baptism bringing us all into one *'Ohana of Faith*, the image of John the Baptist making straight the paths of all.

As Catholics we are very blessed in our basic faith story (the infancy narrative) with strong images of faith without fear, angels, Mary our Mother and John the Baptist. We are called to reflect on how these characters and this basic story of our faith can help us become better a *'Ohana*, family, community. Are we brothers and sisters who help each other be less fearful, more trusting in God's presence and seeking forgiveness? How do we embody this story today?

Hopefully this weekend we will take the opportunity to talk story with each other and discover how we can deepen our understanding and living of our faith. Sharing simple ways to express our faith this season in our families, and in our community where we live, work and play. At the Sunday morning Mass we will hear how HOPE Services Hawaii can help us all recognize God in the vulnerable infant Jesus all around us (e.g. homeless and ex-incarcerated etc).

Next week we will celebrate all together the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Mother of the Americas, who in appearing to the poor indigenous farmer, Juan Diego, revealed how much God values us all and does not want us to fear. This week we also welcome back Fr. Joe Hennen, a very special blessing in our lives who will be accompanying us this holiday season as we deepen our faith together. Fr. Joe will be leading us in a special path of Reconciliation and celebration of the Christmas story. All part of Advent GOOD NEWS today.

We are grateful for the recent good news of healing and health among us and we continue to pray for all those in need of healing and health all around us. There is much for which we give thanks during our Eucharistic celebrations this weekend, and we pray we may follow the examples we are given in our Gospel readings and in the blessings of our *Emmanuel's coming, God with us!*

"Ma Ka Inoa O Ka Makua, Ke Keiki, A Me Ka 'Uhane Hemolele. 'Amene."

Fr. Bob Stark sss

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Kekemapa 9	Advent Learning
Kekemapa 16	Advent Learning
Kekemapa 19	Food Pantry 12:30-2:30 pm
Kekemapa 23	Advent Learning
Kekemapa 24	Christmas Eve Mass 5:15 pm
Kekemapa 25	Christmas Day Mass 9:00 am
Kekemapa 26	Food Pantry 12:30-2:30 pm
Kekemapa 30	Advent Learning
Kekemapa 31	New Year's Eve Mass 5:15 pm
Ianuali 1, 2013	New Year's Day **No Mass**

SAVE THESE DATES:
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Jan. 5: Marriage Enrichment Day
For couples who wish to strengthen their relationship in the sacrament of Marriage that places God at the center of their lives.
 9 to 3 at St. Joseph Church. There is no cost to attend but registration is required. Please call 935-1465 by January 2nd to reserve your seats.
Feb. 23-24: Engaged Encounter will be having a weekend retreat on February 23-24, 2013 in Hilo. The Diocesan guidelines strongly advocates it preferably six months before marriage. Please register at hawaiiicee.org. For more information, contact 961-2442. or frdbasilio@aol.com

You are all invited to join us for Christmas caroling to be followed by a potluck soup and refreshments!
 We plan to gather at Malia at 3 pm on Sunday, December 16th...hope to see you there!
 Kip & Luana



STEWARDSHIP REPORT	Dec. 3, 2012
KOA BOWL	1,925.00
OTHER	25.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	1,950.00

"The Synod of Bishops and the United States Conference of U.S. Bishops have asked each parish to stress the education and the celebration of the Sacraments during this Year of Faith. We have taken this very seriously at Malia. The seasons of Advent and Lent are opportune times for us to focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation (formerly called "confession"). Both Advent and Lent are seasons of preparation. In our everyday world, when we prepare for something significant, we ask ourselves "Am I ready?" as the significant event gets closer. We do the same as we prepare for significant spiritual/religious events such as the birth and the resurrection of Our Lord. Malia will have a **Communal Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 5:15PM on Friday, December 21**. During this celebration we will educate ourselves about the role of this sacrament in our spiritual life. We will also celebrate the sacrament as we communally reflect on our sinfulness, ask for forgiveness, and have the opportunity for individual confession, and receive absolution. For those scheduling your time during this busy season, the length of the service will be 30-45 minutes".

Please Keep in your Prayers:

Roger Fritts
Mercy Abeleye
Quintin Aiona
Jimmy Ainoa
William Birney
Robin Bob
Fr. Wilson Buitrago
Grace Carter
Charlene Carvalho
Sandi Claveria
Aunty Dora Costa
Else DeMello
Aunty Elizabeth Dulartre
Ulalei Eaglin
Paul Etchverry
Pete Factora
Aunty Linda Farias
Douglas Ferreira
Tim Fitzpatrick
Roger Fritts
Destry Gacutan
Patty Grube
Fr. Joseph Hennen
Merasol Hoopii
Kyron Horman
Kahuwila Ioane
Benjeman Joaquin
Dorren Johnson
Dwynn Kamai
Ellen Kashiwabara
Kehukai Knoanui
Aunty Nita Kua
Melodee Hulihee Lani
Nalani Longakit
Janet Luiz
Arlene Macanas
Jean Maderos
Ernest Matsumoto

Aunty Malie Mauhili
Kathy McBroom
Bernice McCartin
Carleen Haunani Mederios
Uncle Moses Moke
Uncle Tony Moniz
Ulu Morales
Beverly Oka Chu
Julian Quiocho
Laverne Rapoza
Daniel Richards
Shirley Rizzo
Aunty Mabel Silva
Addie Strunck
Aunty Susan
Donald Swain
Terry Tardino
Rupert Tripp Jr.
Keanu Velez

Mildred Vereze
Aunty Babes Viverios
Sharon Wagakuwa
Naeda Pearl Wardwell
Keala Wong
Kathleen Yamamoto
And for all who are sick

