

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:15 pm

Sun. 9:00 am

Weekday Mass M,W,F 5:15

Spanish 7:00PM, 1st Sat. of
of the month



AUG. 3-4, 2013

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.

PASTOR:

Fr. Joe Hennen

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Robert Stark, SSS

Baptisms:

Samantha Naipo-Arsiga
966-6350

Building Maintenance:

Moke Moses 937-9783

Business Manager:

David Watson
935-1465

Finance: Jeannette Lesko

808-778-8058

Liturgy: Joe Farias 982-5919

Faith Formation: Billie Baclig

315-9844

Social Awareness:

Richard MacKenzie 896-0390

Spanish Coordinator:

Laura Abad-Huilca 989-4234

WEBSITE:

www.maliapukaokalani.com

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP PASTORAL PLAN SUMMARY

We continue with the final Standing Committee summary contained in the 2013-2014 Malia Pastoral Plan which can be viewed in its entirety on our web page:

maliapukaokalani.com The Finance/Stewardship Committee is the only committee in a parish that is required by church law. While a pastor can cancel every other committee (he would be a fool to do so!), he cannot cancel the Finance/Stewardship Committee. This committee MUST meet at least four times a year with the pastor present. It is the responsibility of the members to notify the bishop if this is not happening and/or if there are perceived irregularities in the accounting of the parish finances. This indicates the importance that the church places on an open accounting of parish finances with all the checks-and-balances in order. The members of the Finance/Stewardship Committee not only have a right but have a DUTY to assure that the finances of the parish are safe and secure. (God knows, and the majority of us know, that there have been scandals in parishes involving embezzlement, two or three sets of books, misappropriation of funds etc). The principal role of the Finance/Stewardship Committee is to keep everyone honest, including the pastor! Parishioners have the right to question the members of the Finance Committee and verbalize any concerns they may have regarding the proper use of and the security of the parish finances.

Malia has grown. A history of the financial income is a barometer:

2006-2007: \$50,325	2010-2011: \$129,986
2007-2008: \$63,610	2011-2012: \$121,842
2008-2009: \$93,837	2012-2013 \$129,103
2009-2010: \$106,797	

For our present fiscal year 2013-14, the Finance Committee has a projected income of \$139,199 to meet our ever expanding needs and expenses. To support a fulltime, non-retired pastor the parish would need an annual income of \$155,899.00 The Finance Committee has established a goal of being able to finance a fulltime non-retired priest within one year. This is an increase of \$16,900.00 over our present budget. Obviously this will entail increased income or decreased expenses or a combination of both.

One very bright note is that Fr. Bob was able to show the diocese that our diocesan assessment was too high. They lowered it from \$8384.00 which we paid this past year to \$4,593.00 for this present year. MAHALO to Fr. Bob for his financial insight and persistence.

Other goals of the Finance/Stewardship Committee for Year 2013-14 are:

1. Establish a Fund Raising Sub-Committee. This goal has been met with Laverne Costa as the Chair. The first committee meeting will be on Saturday, (over)

Aug 17 at 9:30AM in the parish hall. It is obvious from the report that this committee is of critical importance. We are not wealthy people and this parish will never be able to exist as an independent parish without an active fundraising program. We are looking for new and fresh ideas. Please step forward. Please come to the meeting and/or call Lavern Costa (959-9219) or Jeannette Lesko (969-3013).

2. Another goal of the Finance/Stewardship Committee is to monitor the handling of all parish funds to assure that there is a proper check-and-balance system in order, as directed and mandated by the diocese.

The other committees assure that the Worship, Religious Education, Social Activity, and Building Maintenance happen. It is the awesome responsibility of the Finance/Stewardship Committee to assure that the proper funds are in place so that their mission (and the mission of the parish) is able to be accomplished. So much of their work is done behind the scenes. Yet, the parish is no less grateful to the members of this committee. MAHALO to them for their wonderful and dedicated work. *Fr. Joe*

SCHOOL SUPPLIES MAHALO: The Social Awareness Committee of the parish and Brandee Menino of Hope Services extend their Mahalo to the parishioners for the generous contributions to the school supply drive. A total of 47 bags were prepared. 35 were gifted to Hope Services Hawaii’s shelter programs. An additional 12 were given to keiki from our parish. What a great expression of care for our keiki! Mahalo!

PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION: The Sunday closest to the Feast of the Assumption (Aug 15th) is the annual Feast of the parish. This year it is Sunday, August 18th. The 9:00 Mass will be the celebration with the crowning of Mary immediately after Mass. All the young people who made their First Communion this spring are invited to be the procession leaders to Mary’s statue. Please wear your kihei. There will be a 5 star pot luck following the crowning. There are sign up sheets in the room in the rectory basement to indicate what you will bring. Please sign up.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION: There will be registration for Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation during the Pot-Luck after Mass on August 18th. This year there will be a \$15.00 charge per student to defray part of the cost for materials. If any family finds the charge burdensome, please just tell the person registering, “We are exempt”. No questions asked! Any family with more than two children, pays only for the first two. Classes begin Sunday, Sept 15 from 10:30-11:30AM. This is a priority!

CALENDAR:

Sun., Aug. 4: after Mass, Faith Formation Committee Meeting in the parish hall

Sat., Aug 10: 10:00 Theology of the Body. Register: 935-1465 or hilo-nfp@hotmail.com

Sat., Aug 17: 9:30 Fund Raising Sub-Committee; to join call Lavern (959-9219 or Jeannette (969-3031)

Sun., Aug 19: Parish Feast Celebration, Crowning of Mary, Religious Ed. Registration

Fri., Sept 6: 6:00-9:00 Luau —only 10 tickets left—get the last tickets this weekend

Sat., Sept. 7: 9:30AM Baptism Class; call Samantha to register 966-6350

Sun., Sept 8: 10:30AM Pastoral Council Meeting

VOCATION DISCERNMENT DINNER:

A dinner with the bishop will be on Friday, August 30 from 5:00PM –8:00PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Papaikou for single men 18 years and older who might have a slight idea of becoming a priest. (Sorry, no married & no women, YET—ed. comment) If interested, call Fr. Joe 935-9338.

IMMIGRATION REFORM: The US Bishops, including Bishop Larry, are urging us to let our voice be heard by the House of Representatives regarding a just and comprehensive reform legislation that reflects our Catholic values. Please consider sending an electronic postcard to Washington DC urging our representatives to act in a just and compassionate manner. The post cards and more information is found at: www.justiceforimmigrants.org

STEWARDSHIP	July 27-28, 2013
KOA BOWL	\$986.00
LUAU FUND RAISER	\$430.00
FUNERAL STIPEND	\$200.00
BUILDING APPEAL	\$100.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$1716.00