

# Catholic Community of Malía Puka O Kalani

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## Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:15 pm

Sun. 9:00 am

Weekday Mass M,W,F.5:15PM

Spanish 7:00PM, Saturday,

Sept. 7

AUG. 31-Sept 1, 2013



### Pastor:

Fr. Joe Hennen

### Parochial Vicar

Fr. Robert Stark, SSS

### Baptisms:

Samantha Naipo-Arsiga  
966-6350

### Building Maintenance:

Moke Moses 937-9783

### Business Manager:

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### Finance: Jeannette Lesko

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### Liturgy: Joe Farias 982-5919

### Faith Formation: Billie Baclig

315-9844

### Social Awareness:

Richard MacKenzie 896-0390

### Spanish Coordinator:

Laura Abad-Huilca 989-4234

### Homebound Ministry "Malía Visitor"

Hale Pekelo 968-1382

### Facility Use:

Laverne Costa 959-9219

### WEBSITE:

www.maliapukaokalani.com

## TWO UNRELATED/RELATED EVENTS

On Monday, September 2, 2013 we celebrate two events which are seemingly totally unrelated: Labor Day and the 175th anniversary of the birth of Queen Lili'uokalani. Yet, both have one thing in common: the pursuit of justice. As such, these holidays are a call to each of us to seek justice in our world. Peace in our ohana, peace in our community, peace in our parish, peace in our world, and most of all, peace in our own hearts can only be achieved when it is based on the solid foundation of justice.

Labor Day had its origin when workers were the helpless victims of greedy and self-serving owners and managers of the industrial complex. The majority of us are the beneficiaries of the "labor movement". Regardless of what political stance we have regarding unions today, we realize that unions were formed at great sacrifice and, often, the death of those seeking justice. The unions have been an important part of our economy and our family life. They have provided for the protection for us workers and, more importantly, a way for the common person to participate in company decisions that affect them. To the credit of the Catholic Church, the official position of the church has always been one of support for the worker even against the rich and powerful.

Queen Lili'uokalani is also a woman who sacrificed herself for the sake of justice. After much turmoil, and in order to avoid bloodshed of her people she relinquished her throne and sacrificed herself by being imprisoned at 'Iolani Palace. That noble act saved the lives of many of our ohana and we are here today because of her sacrifice. Even after the imprisonment, she established a trust which still exists today in benefiting orphan and destitute children with a Hawaiian origin. Her heroic sacrifice in the cause of justice has earned her a position of honor in our parish church. She is a model of peace.

Commemorating the sacrifices performed by the early union workers and by Queen Lili'uokalani is good. But it deserves more than lip service. It deserves our commitment to the cause of justice in our ohana and our community. Our dedication and sacrifice is never going to merit the commemoration of a Labor Day or a 175th Birthday Celebration. However, it might relieve the hurt, pain, and injustice in our little world. We need to commit ourselves again to never turning our eyes away from abuse that happens right under our noses or maybe, even to ourselves. Any type of abuse is a repeat of what happened in the labor movement and in Queen Lili'uokalani's imprisonment. It is the powerful taking advantage of and victimizing the weak. Child abuse, spouse abuse, elder abuse, parental abuse and bullying is something that happens too much in our ohana and our community. It goes unchecked because "we are afraid" to speak up. If there is any member of our parish ohana who is a witness to or victim of abuse, please seek support and help in gaining the strength to stand strong against the perpetrator. If the parish ohana can be of any help, reach out to us. There can be no peace where there is no justice. There is no justice when any person has the power to victimize another. *Fr. Joe*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION:** Registration for Religious Education/Sacramental Preparation will continue this weekend. There will be people at the entrance to the church after both the Saturday and the Sunday Masses where you can return the registration forms you took last Sunday or register for the coming year. The teachers will have a meeting Sunday after the 9:00 Mass. They would like to know the approximate number of students in each age group so that they can plan accordingly. Therefore, registration this weekend is a priority. This year there is 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 start on Sunday, Sept 15.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE:**

Next Sunday, Sept 8, there will be a religious education open house. The social after the 9:00 Mass will be in the parish hall. The parish will supply hot dogs and buns. You are encouraged to bring "kid friendly" food as sides. The religious education rooms will be open with the class-assigned-teachers in the rooms. Parents, grandparents, and in fact, the entire parish is invited and encouraged to take a tour and spend a minute meeting and talking with the teachers of our young and precious. Next Sunday will also be Catechetical Sunday at Malia (regularly celebrated the following Sunday). The religious education teachers will be commissioned at the 9:00 Mass.

**THE LUAU:** Scheduled for this Friday, Sept 6, 6:00-9:00. Please turn in all the ticket money today. There will be an assortment of door prizes. If you wish to donate a door prize (judge the quality of the door prize by something that you would like to receive) bring it to the church with the food items and/or call Frieda Lee at 960-3116. This promises to be great fun with wonderful food, uplifting entertainment, and a great boost to the parish.

**NEEDS FOR THE LUAU:** Some stronger backs and arms (men and youth!) are needed to help set up for the Luau this Wednesday, Sept 4 at 1:00pm. Some people with decorative capabilities and/or willing to help with flowers etc. are needed on Thursday, Sept 5 at 4:00. Individuals with cake baking capabilities are invited to bake a cake (regular or sheet) and deliver it anytime before the Luau so that we can have a great desert.

**FACILITY USE:** The parish hall, the school building behind the hall, and the kitchen are available for use by the parishioners, the people of Keaukaha, and people of Hawaiian origin and those not-for-profit groups and organizations who are of service to these groups of people. The parish of Malia is located on the Hawaiian Homelands. It is part of our mission to be of service to the Hawaiian people and/or the people of Keaukaha. We offer and encourage that our facilities be used to build community, to serve the people, to enhance and strengthen our ohana. Our facilities are not available for political purposes nor for groups who have positions contrary to the parish/the Catholic Church. The people/groups using the facilities are guests of the parish but do not need to belong to the parish. While there is no fee for the use of the facilities, the groups will be asked to cover the cost of utilities, insurance, and wear-and-tear. Anyone interested in the use of the facilities please contact Laverne Costa (her name and number is now permanently on the front of the bulletin). Laverne will be assisted by Roberta Gacutan.

**MALIA VISITORS:** If you are interested in joining the parishioners who have volunteered to take the Eucharist and/or visit with those who are homebound OR know a person who would like a Malia Visitor please call Hale Pekelo at 968-1382. All the Malia Visitors and those interested in being a Malia Visitor will meet this Sun. Sept 1. The commissioning will be at all the Masses Sept. 14 and 15.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:** Baptism class, 9:30 Saturday-Sept. 8. Pastoral Council 10:30 Sun. Sept 15. Religious Education starts at 10:30 Sunday, Sept. 15.

<b>STEWARDSHIP</b> 8/ 24-25	
<b>KOA BOWL</b>	<b>\$1442.00</b>
<b>LUAU FUND RAISER</b>	<b>\$650.00</b>
<b>FUNERAL STIPEND:</b>	<b>\$117.00</b>
<b>OTHER:</b>	<b>\$117.00</b>
<b>TOTAL DEPOSIT</b>	<b>\$2296.00</b>