

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:15 pm

Sun. 9:00 am

No Weekday Masses from

Nov. 29—Feb. 10

DEC 14-15, 2013



“I AM DYING OF HUNGER”

MISSION STATEMENT

“Malia Puka O Kalani is a Roman Catholic parish on Hawaiian Home Lands 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

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Fr. Robert Stark, SSS

Baptisms:

Patty Grube 747-6273

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Moke Moses 937-9783

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Faith Formation: Billie Baclig

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Very few of us have ever said these words. And if we have said them, we pretty well know where to get food. We can go to the refrigerator, the cupboard, and, if we have nothing there, we can use our food stamps, or the local Food Pantry, or find someplace that serves a meal. The reality is totally different for millions of people who witness their children and their elders actually die of starvation.

This past Tuesday Pope Francis asked the world to join him in a global wave of prayer to end world hunger. The pope’s spokesperson stated, “There is enough food to feed the planet. We believe that with your help and with the help of governments and the UN, we can end hunger by 2025”.

The politically and financially powerful do not belong to the Malia parish. What difference can we make to achieve this goal? The answer: PRAY

Prayer achieves two purposes. 1. Prayer is the key to unlock the power of God. “For a human being it is impossible but not with God. With God all things are possible.” (Mk. 10:27) It is not a matter of producing more food. It is a matter of changing hearts and minds. That’s the business of God. 2. Prayer forms the conscience and the awareness of our entire ohana. When we pray together, our minds and our hearts become shaped by the words of our prayers. Slowly, our actions change to conform to the content of our prayers.

The power of God can change hearts and systems, ensuring that all who are hungry find nourishment, strength, and peace. Pope Francis has requested that especially during this holiday season we support our parish food ministries and use the following prayer in our churches and our families:

O God, you entrusted to us the fruits of all creation so that we might care for the earth and be nourished with it’s bounty.

You sent us your Son to share our very flesh and blood and to teach us your law of love. Through His death and resurrection, we have been formed into one human family.

Jesus showed great concern for those who had no food—even transforming five loaves and two fish into a banquet that served five thousand and many more.

We come before you, O God, conscious of our faults and failures, but full of hope, to share food with all members in this global family.

Through your wisdom, inspire leaders of government and of business, as well as all the world’s citizens, to find just and charitable solutions to end hunger by assuring that all people enjoy the right to food.

Thus we pray, O God, that when we present ourselves for Divine Judgement, we can proclaim ourselves as ‘One Human Family’ with ‘Food for All’

We will say this prayer whenever we gather as a parish ohana between now and the Feast of the Epiphany. **Fr. Joe**

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE: Please note that the Christmas Eve Mass is at 5:00PM, not 5:15. The Christmas Day Mass is at 9:00AM.

MALIA’S CRAFT FAIR: Come to the Church Hall where the Malia Craft Fair & Garage Sale is happening after both the Saturday evening Mass and the Sunday Mass. Please stop by, look and support.

CHRISTMAS EVE SOUP AND BREAD SUPPER: As the bells ring out on Christmas Eve on the birth of Jesus we invite all in the community to share with Mass at 5:00PM followed by a supper of soup and bread. We need your wonderful talents to share in Na`Ohana (Family Mass) with pots of all types of soup and all types of bread. Please let Natalie know (937-7264) if you can help! Reminder to those who have already said “yes”, please come by 4:30PM so we can plug in your wonderful soup and cut your bread. Mahalo! We will also have hot beverages for all!

CHRISTMAS GIFT CERTIFICATES: In place of the annual Christmas giving tree, the Social Awareness & Community Development Committee is collecting food gift certificates to give out to those in need at Christmas. Please put your donation, and on a piece of paper the name and address of the person/family that will receive your gift certificate, in an envelope marked for “Fr. Joe” and put the envelope in the Koa Offering Bowl. Fr. Joe will send a card to the family/individual with the donation and a note saying “The people of Malia Puka O Kalani Church wish you and your ohana a Joy-Filled Christmas. May our common God bless and care for you”.

BAPTISM CLASS: Malia’s requirement is that the parent/guardian/grandparent of a child six years old or younger needs to attend one class before the Baptism. The next Baptism class will be held on Saturday, January 11, at 11:00AM, and will be no longer than an hour and a half. If you expect to present a child for Baptism in the months of January, February, March or April you need to register by calling Patty Grube to notify her of your participation. Her number is on the front of the bulletin.

SURVEY: You may have read that Pope Francis has requested that a survey be taken of all clergy and lay people to get input for a Universal Family synod to be held next year. The survey is concerning opinions on marriage, marriage and divorce, annulments, same sex marriage. Unfortunately, it was sent to us this past week and must be back by this Sunday, December 15. You can get the survey by going to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RCCH-FamSynod>

2014 OFFERING ENVELOPES: Some of you have already received offering envelopes in the mail for the next year. These were automatically sent to everyone who has been using offering envelopes this year. You will continue to receive them every quarter in the mail. Anyone desiring to use offering envelopes who did not receive them in the mail, please write your name and address on a paper and place it in the Koa Offering Bowl. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP	
<u>DEC 7-8</u>	
KOA OFFERING BOWL:	\$1466.00
CHRISTMAS:	\$1140.00
Luau	\$25.00
Cook Book	\$727.00
Philippines	\$50.00
Malia Bags	\$25.00
Other	\$22.00
TOTAL	\$3455.00