

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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Mass Schedule Weekends

Sat. 5:15 pm

Sun. 9:00 am

Spanish 12:15 pm



Weekday: M. W. F. @ 5:15 pm

March 2-3, 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
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Building Maintenance:

Moke Moses 937-9783

Business Manager:

David Watson
935-1465

Finance: Jeannette Lesko

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Faith Formation: Billie Baclig

Social Awareness:

Richard MacKenzie 896-0390

Spanish Coordinator:

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WEBSITE:

www.maliapukaokalani.com

WE MET OUR GOALS

We are all aware that our parish, Malia Puka O Kalani, is not a wealthy parish in regard to money. But our parish is extremely wealthy in regard to commitment, spirituality, and generosity. We attempt to keep our expenses low by prioritizing that on which we will spend money. The priority for our expenses in the annual budget is always the Liturgy, Faith Formation, and Social Awareness. This is the heart of who we are as a church. The only paid staff is the pastor and a business manager who we hire for three to four hours a week. Everything else is done by parish volunteers. To meet our expenses we need an average weekly offering (KOA Bowl) of \$1700.00 plus fund raising income. Year-to-date we are averaging about \$1300.00 in our weekly offering (KOA Bowl).

The good news is that we needed \$12,800 in fundraising to meet our annual budget. The final results of the Malasada fund raiser put us over our goal. The year-to-date amount that we have raised in the various fundraisers (the luau, the bazaar/craft, sweetbread, tote bag, and the malasadas) totals \$15,116.

Another item of good news is the Building Repair/Replacement Appeal. The Maintenance/Facilities Committee has developed an aggressive five year plan to get our facilities back in good repair and keep them to a standard that will allow them to be used for generations to come. There is a special savings account which is for the restricted use of building repair and maintenance. We presently have \$18,000 in that account. Much of this came from parishioners who made pledges and are paying on those pledges to the Diocesan "With Grateful Hearts" Capital Campaign started three years ago. The percentage returned to Malia is regularly deposited in our restricted Building Repair Savings Account. In addition, our recent Building Repair/Replacement Appeal had a goal of \$12,000. Year-to-date we have \$12,175.00 in donations and pledges. We met our goal! Some of this will need to be spent on repairing leaks, constructing a bathroom for the disabled, and replacing the sound system in the church. The amount remaining will be deposited in the restricted building repair savings account.

The question might be asked, "Why do we need so much money in that restricted savings account?" The reality is that in the not-too-distant future we will need to replace the roofs on all the facilities except the church and the patio. Also, we may be required to have a different system of sewage disposal sometime in the near future. Each one of these items will cost a minimum of \$30,000 each. Won't it be wonderful when we have that kind of money available because we saved slowly over the years?

This lengthy report is because you deserve to know what is happening with the money you donate to your church. Generous almsgiving is indicative of love, dedication, and commitment. This report expresses the depth of these qualities in you, the parishioners of Malia Puka O Kalani. Both Fr. Bob and I stand in awe of you. We know that most of you sacrifice greatly in being so generous to your church. Jesus' statement, "Remember, where your treasure is, there your heart is also" (Mt. 6:21) applies to you. Your heart is in the right place! May He bless each and everyone of you. **Fr. Joe**

THE YEAR OF FAITH AT MALIA

Our now Emeritus Pope Benedict declared a Year of Faith beginning Oct 7, 2012 and ending on Nov 24, 2013. The stated purpose was a “summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the One Savior of the world. The door of faith is opened at one’s Baptism, but during this year Catholics are called to open it again, walk through it and rediscover and renew their relationship with Christ and his Church”. Fr. Bob and I had frequent prayerful discussions on how we could apply this to our parish. We made a conscious decision that we would attempt to help individuals in the parish and the parish itself to “open the door” once again in our relationship with Christ and His church. This is being reflected in the updating of the Pastoral Plan now being done by the Parish Council.

During this Lenten Season we take a moment to recall what we have done since the Year of Faith began in an effort to renew our personal and parish commitment to be the Body of Christ. During the Season of Advent we focused our attention on the meaning of Baptism in our life. We concluded Advent with a catechesis on the Sacrament of Reconciliation and followed with a Communal Penance Service. This Sacramental celebration of Reconciliation almost filled our church. **We will have another such celebration at the end of Lent and encourage even greater participation.** We also initiated a Sacramental Preparation and Religious Education program for our young people. With dedicated leaders and teachers, this program has been an enthusiastic success. Parents are brought into this program through our monthly parent meeting. **(Remember, there is a required parent meeting this Sunday at 10:30AM in the parish hall).** The Faith Formation Committee of the parish was re-established and on Saturday, March 2nd began the prayerful discussion on efforts to reach all ages in our parish with the opportunity for deeper faith development. We started a Lenten Bible Study/ Sharing series every Monday evening which focuses on the readings of the following Sunday. Between 20-25 adults from our parish have been participating in this series.

On a larger parish level, we have started Marianne’s Community Garden to grow and give fresh, healthy food to those coming to our Food Bank. We have also been asking how our wonderful parish facilities can be used to promote the ministry of the Church to the local community. This effort is beginning with the use of our Parish Hall this past Tuesday by the East Hawaii Vicariate’s sponsoring Dr. D’Ambrosio’s presentation. We are in discussion with Hope Services regarding regular use of our facilities for their Social Ministry projects. Our goal is to again have the Malia facilities be a center of ministry to God’s people outside our parish. The Year of Faith projects and programs are rich and varied. We pray that they will bear fruit.

Malaki 3 10:30 –11:15	Religious Ed. Parent Meeting
Malaki 4 5:45-6:45	3rd Lenten Bible Study/Sharing
Malaki 17 10:15—11:45	Pastoral Council meeting to update the Pastoral Plan
Malaki 22 Friday	Communal Penance Service
Malaki 24 Sunday	Palm Sunday and beginning of Holy Week

STEWARDSHIP	March 2-3, 2013
KOA BOW	1709.00
Augustine Education Foundation	60.00
FOOD PANTRY DONATION	30.00 50.00
BUILDING APPEAL (RESTRICTED)	475.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT <i>Building Appeal Pledges not yet paid</i>	2324.00 4750.00
Total income and pledges to-date	12,175.00

Prayers For:

Mercy Abeleye
Lawrence Balberde
Kehukai Konanui
Pete Factora
Tim Fitzpatrick
Destry Gacutan
Beverley Oka Chu
Susana Hernandez de Cen
Merasol Ho’opi’i

Vanessa Hulihee
Doreen Johnson
Pauline Keala Lee Loy
Melodee Hulihee La
Kathy McBroom
Richard MacKenzie, Sr.
Carleen Mederios
Ulu Morales
Uncle Moses Moke
Uncle Tony Moniz

David Mosidlak
Vivian Rapoza
Shirley Rizzo
Josefina Santini
Aunty Mabel Silva
Gerard Stuyk
Joe Wahlin
Terry Tardino
Rupert Tripp Jr

Mildred Vereze
Aunty Babes Viverios
Sharon Wagakuwa
Dee Dee Wana
Keala Wong
Julian Quiocho
Graciela Lam
Winona Kekela
Erika Mendoza