

# 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.5:15PM

Spanish: Sat. 7:00PM, Nov 2

October 26-27, 2013



## FAITH AND STRUCTURE

### 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

### 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

778-8058

### Liturgy: Joe Farias 982-5919

### Faith Formation: Billie Baclig

315-9844

### Social Awareness:

Richard MacKenzie 896-0390  
Roberta Gacutan 339-1295

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This past weekend we had a retreat at Malia. There was a good number in attendance at the Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday sessions. Our retreat facilitator, Sister CC, also spoke at our weekend Masses. All the way through, she had one theme: the person who lives his/her life with a faith in Jesus Christ is a person of hope. There are so many of us who do not wear our religion on our shirt-sleeves but, we remain people of deep faith. This is like the apostles. They were far from “pious” people. They were rough and, I’m sure, crude individuals. What distinguished them from their fellow workers is not a religious garb, a crucifix around their neck, or even a rosary in their hands. What distinguished them is their faith that, no matter what happens in their lives, the Lord Jesus will care for them, support them, energize them, lift them up, and give them hope. Someone, much wiser than me, once said, “There is no such thing as a hopeless situation; there are only situations which cause us to lose hope”. Our faith is deep and strong only if it fortifies us when situations in our lives become dark and depressing. If, in the midst of this darkness and depression we can still be confident that the Lord Jesus is walking with us, holding us up, and leading us to a situation which is filled with light and peace, then, we are people of faith.

But, our faith in the Lord Jesus is not an individual, isolated event. We are all weak—just like the apostles. When things got tough, they too were prone to lose hope. One denied, another looked to human status, another doubted. But they were supported by their brothers and sisters. In the midst of what seemed to be a “hopeless situation” they were able to rediscover their faith through the support of those around them. There was only one who decided to isolate himself. He never rediscovered his faith. He sank into darkness.

This teaches us a lesson as we go forward as people of faith in a community of faith. Our parish, Malia Puka O Kalani, is the structure in which our faith is supported and thrives. None of us likes to live in a world of uncertainty. That can get old really quick. Our Malia community of faith is again entering a period of uncertainty. Just like a father and a mother are important and significant in an ohana, so a pastor is important in a parish ohana. Whether or not you like the guy, he gives stability and predictability to the parish—just like a parent gives stability and predictability to your ohana.

I don’t know what the Lord has in mind for me. But, He has something in mind. We do not know what the Lord has in mind for our community of faith. I do know that as we enter into this uncertain situation there will be a number of emotions that come to the forefront (Personally, I have enough inside me to cover everyone!!). The apostles also were filled with a multitude of emotions. They found solace, support, and comfort as they gathered together in the upper room. That’s the structure they had and they used. Our upper room is our wonderful parish. Let’s remind each other, support each other, and care for each other. We are a community of faith fortified in the structure of the parish of Malia. If we stay people of faith, the Lord will break through and bring us hope.

*Fr. Joe*

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:** It has become apparent that the time between the end of the 9:00AM Mass and the beginning of Religious Education wasn't sufficient to train new altar servers. Instead, we will have two trainings the first two Saturdays of November from 9:00-10:00AM. All who are interested in becoming an altar server are asked to attend BOTH training (Saturday, November 2 and November 9). Please be on time so that we can end promptly at 10:00.

**THE BOOK OF LIFE:** The month of November is All Souls Month. It is a special time for us to remember all our ohana and other loved ones who have gone before us. There is a BOOK OF LIFE at our church entrance. Please write the names of your loved ones in the book. There are also offering envelopes in the pews. You can write the names of your loved ones on those envelopes and place them in our Parish's koa calabash for offerings. All the names written on the envelopes will also be transcribed into the BOOK OF LIFE. Every Mass celebrated in the church (weekends and weekdays) will be for those inscribed in the BOOK OF LIFE. The writing of the names and the offering envelopes will be available throughout the month of November.

**ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS DAY MASS:** The Feast of All Saints (Friday, November 1) and the Feast of All Souls (Saturday, November 2) fall on the weekend. We will celebrate both together on Friday evening, November 1, with a 6:30PM Mass. We will remember our deceased loved ones in a special candle ceremony during the Mass. Please consider celebrating and remembering our deceased ohana in this special Mass.

**SPANISH MASS:** The Bishop has appointed Fr. Pablo Bustamante Chaplain for Hispanic Ministry on the Big Island. He will celebrate Mass in Spanish the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. This will start on November 9 and 23 at Holy Rosary Church in Keaau. The final Spanish Mass at Malia will be Saturday, November 2. To our Spanish speaking brothers and sisters we say "Gracias por el tiempo connostrostromos. Estamos hios y hias in Jesu Christo."

**YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MASS:** The Faith Formation and Liturgy Committees are cooperating to involve our youth and young adults in our Liturgies more. The 9:00AM Mass on the first Sunday of every month will involve our youth and young adults in all the ministries. We welcome them and applaud them! This begins on Sunday, November 3.

**OUR FUNDRAISERS:** We have two on-going fundraisers at the present. The sweetbreads for Thanksgiving and the Malia Cookbooks. We know that people are going to eat sweetbread at Thanksgiving. They may as well get it from Malia. Tickets are available for selling and/or for purchase. The Cookbooks will make wonderful Christmas gifts. Now, free envelopes for mailing are available when purchasing/selling a Cookbook.

**CHRISTMAS WREATHS:** The cub scouts are selling Christmas wreaths as a project. If you are expecting to buy a Christmas wreath anyway, please consider supporting the Cub Scouts. Wreaths are \$25.00 each and will be available the first weekend in December. John Farias is a Cub Scout and he tells me that you can order them by emailing memenglish@hotmail.com.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** What's the most important thing to include with your shoe box gift? PRAYER! Pray that God will touch the heart of every child who receives a shoe box gift, and that many children and families will come to know Jesus, the true reason for the season, through the love and concern you demonstrate in sending that child a gift. In the last several years, shoe box gifts from Hawaii have gone to Mongolia, Nepal, and Indonesia.

**PARISH BULLETIN:** Kehau Kuewa did the Parish Bulletin while Fr. Joe was away for his medical check-up. She has offered to continue and Fr. Joe has accepted the offer. However, she can't (or shouldn't) make up things!! This is OUR means of communicating as a Parish ohana. Please take responsibility to notify her of any and all events and goings-on that affect or might interest the parish. Her email is jkkuewa@gmail.com and her phone number is 808-258-0041.

<b>Stewardship Report October 19 &amp; 20, 2013</b>	
Koa Bowl	\$1,275.00
Cook Book	\$198.00
Sweetbread	\$12.00
Retreat	\$315.00
Donations	\$50.00
Total Deposit	\$1850.00