

# 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



**No weekday Masses in April**

**April 27-28, 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

*“I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”*

How we are known and identified is important. The first scripture reading for this weekend speaks about Antioch where the early followers of Christ were first identified as Christians. Then in the Gospel today which is part the Last Supper discourse, Jesus says that his followers are to be identified by the way they love one another as he loved them. These lines are paraphrased in the verses of the well known liturgical song *“They will know we are Christians by our love.”* This is the **“new commandment”** Jesus left us not only in the first Eucharist at the Last Supper, it is the challenge in each Eucharist we celebrate.

To get some sense of how significant a challenge this is, imagine that someone from another planet was told to go to earth to find the Christians—and the main way to identify Christians would be by the way they loved one another just as Jesus loved others. *How many of us who call ourselves Christians would be easily identified by someone looking for the people who loved the way Jesus loved, selflessly, with the vulnerable, willing to sacrifice all for others?* If this stranger found us with our family in our home, or out in the community at work would we be identified as Christians using this **“new commandment”** of love as the litmus test? How we treat one another in our household, in our parish, on our islands, on our planet is the true test of who is following Jesus and can truly be called a Christian.

That is why we come together to celebrate the Eucharist, to be nourished so we can become better people, better Christians who love one another as Jesus loved us. That is the support and challenge of the Gospel Good News not just today but everyday. After each Mass we leave not with a Christian ID card, but with the challenge to be identified by the way we really treat one another. And we are reminded of that challenge every time we identify ourselves as Christians with the sign of the cross, because that gesture commits us to love others the way we are loved by God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The sign of the cross identifies us as someone who prays as a Christian, but our actions are what really identify whether we not only pray, but also try to live as Christians.

***Ma Ka Inoa O Ka Makua, Ke Keiki, A Me Ka “Uhane Hemolele. ‘Amene.***

Fr. Bob

**UPCOMING**

**MEETINGS:** The Maintenance Committee will meet Sunday, May 5 following the 9:00 Mass

The Faith Formation Committee will meet Tuesday, May 21

**CONFIRMATION:** Our Malia youth will be confirmed at St. Joseph's on Sunday, May 19 at the 6:00PM Mass. We thank all the adults who have guided these youth to this important plateau in their spiritual life.



**FOOD PANTRY:** We are reminded again to please bring non perishable food to Give to our ohana who are in need. Nourishing foods are especially welcome.



Again we thank the Farmers Market for their weekly donations of fresh fruit and vegetables. This contribution of healthy food is appreciated by the Social Awareness Committee which sponsors and staffs the distribution of the food. We are also grateful to those who work in Mother Marianne's Garden supplying fresh vegetables to our Ohana in need..

**MAHALO:** Fr. Joe extends his gratitude to Fr. Bob for coming to Malia each weekend to celebrate the liturgy and share his deep awareness of the social Gospel with us. He is a gift from God. His presence has also allowed Fr. Joe to continue to share the pastoring of Malia even though he has limitations due to health. Fr. Joe also extends his gratitude to all who remembered him in prayer. As a result of your prayers he is able to return to Malia this week armed with an excellent health report. The leukemia continues in total remission. There are some side effects of the medication and chemo which can be addressed in Hawaii while he continues to share the pastoring of Malia with Fr. Bob.

| <b>STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR WEEKEND OF APRIL 20-21, 2013</b> |            |
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| KOA BOWL   | \$1,237.00 |
| BIG ISLAND YOUTH DAY (exchange)                            | \$50.00    |
| BUILDING APPEAL (RESTRICTED)                               | \$350.00   |
| MASS INTENTION   | \$10.00    |
| TOTAL DEPOSIT  | \$1,647.00 |