

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:15 pm

Sun. 9:00 am

Weekday Masses 5:15

Monday and Wednesday

STATIONS: Fri 6:00

April 5-6, 2014



HOPE

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

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Patty Grube 747-6273

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“There are in the end three things that last: faith, hope, and love, and the greatest of these is love” (I Cor 13:13). When we speak about God and religion the more frequent subject is faith and love. “HOPE” seems to get the briefest mention in our reflections. Yet, a life lived without hope is a life of depression. If we have nothing to work toward, no chance of things getting better, we sink into a depression which will often lead to inactivity, alcoholism, violence, and/or suicide. The very core of religion is HOPE. We strive for something that we cannot see; something in the future which we believe is achievable. Today, the Gospel reminds us that the resurrection from the dead is an achievable reality. Our very presence in this church this weekend says that we hope to achieve this reality. We can’t see it; we can’t touch it; but, we firmly believe that it will happen if we have faith and love. **THIS IS CALLED HOPE!**

Hope is also an essential component of our everyday life. When we are sick, we hope we get better; when we get married, we hope that it will be permanent; when we go surfing, we hope that we can ride the waves; when we send our kids to school, we hope they will be safe. But this hope is not just an idle and passing fantasy of our mind. This hope leads us to actions which will help bring about the reality we want.

Charles Snyder, the developer of positive psychology, stated that REAL HOPE has three components: 1) a goal 2) willpower and 3) waypower. By this, he means that we need something concrete to work toward—something we passionately desire, a “goal”. Secondly we need the “willpower” to work toward that goal. This means discipline. A person hoping to be a surfer will never achieve the goal if he/she just sits on the beach—he/she needs to get into the water and work. Thirdly, we need “waypower”, a plan, a way of achieving what we want. For this, we often rely on others, Others help us and teach us. Others are the mentors, the way, the ones who give us the tools to achieve our goal.

As we begin the fifth week of Lent, we take up the transforming project of helping women who were prisoners adjust to society as productive and happy citizens. I am sure that nearly every woman who leaves prison has a goal to be a good mother, to be in a stable relationship, and to remain free in society. This is her goal. Whether she can achieve this goal will depend on her willpower. She needs to stay off drugs, get a job, avoid abusive relationships. She also needs waypower. She needs someone to help her, support her, be a mentor to her. This is at the very heart of HOPE SERVICES, INC. This wonderful part of the Office of Social Ministry (of which Fr. Bob is the Diocesan Director) is active in Hilo and locally directed by our Malia parishioner, Brandee Menino. The Malia parish is honored to be given the opportunity during this Lenten Season to join hands with Hope Services, Inc. With the care and concern of us, the Malia parishioners, this “waypower” partnership will continue beyond Lent.

We especially pray that this project, like the other Lenten projects, will transform each of us into a stronger and more Christian person. **Fr. Joe**

THE CATHOLIC HERALD: Beginning next weekend, the parish will make available the Diocesan paper, The Catholic Herald. The Catholic Herald has good articles on various subject matter regarding the Church. It is an excellent resource for continuing education and enrichment. There are also articles regarding happenings in the various diocese departments and other parishes which are informative and may be a resource for projects by our standing committees. A good side benefit of having a Catholic paper in the house is that some of our non-churched ohana may just pick it up and read it! You are free to take a copy of the paper. If we need more, we'll order more. However, if you find the paper beneficial and interesting, you may wish to order your own copy and leave the free ones for those who either can't afford to buy their own copy or who are still "testing the waters". The Catholic Herald is published every two weeks.

FUNERAL NOTICE: Quentin Aiona funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 10. Visitation will be 3:30PM to 4:30PM, followed by a funeral Mass at 5:00.

MALIA LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT – FEEDING THE HUNGRY AT MOOHEAU BANDSTAND: It is with grateful hearts that we were able to provide nourishment to those who needed a meal. Over 170 men and women were provided a hot meal. Mahalo nui loa to all who participated in this project.



FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE MEETING: The Faith Formation Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 9, at 5:45PM in the Rectory meeting room.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: This Sunday, April 6, is the last RE Teacher's meeting for the year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE VACANCY: Due to term expirations, the Finance Committee will have two vacancies in June 2014. Some finance background for one position, and the ability to take notes for the second position, is desired. Please contact Jeannette Lesko at 778-8058 if you are interested/want more information. Thank you.

LITURGY COMMITTEE: The Liturgy Committee met on Sunday, March 30. All parish Lenten activities and events were discussed in detail. In addition, the committee welcomed Herman Moke as a new member.

MASS AT LIFE CARE CENTER: "You will live forever if you have faith". This was Fr. Joe's homily message to the bedridden and wheelchair bound when he celebrated Mass in the dining hall at the Life Care Center. It was a beautiful celebration. Thank you to all parishioners who came to lift their voices to our Lord.

<i>STEWARDSHIP</i>	
March 29-30	
KOA OFFERING BOWL: \$1536.00	
Food Pantry	\$50.00
Catholic Relief	\$85.00
TOTAL	\$1671.00