

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 Friday

Wednesday at Life Care Center, 11:00 am

August 30 and 31, 2014



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"

Administrator

Fr. Oliver J. Ortega

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Fr. Robert Stark, SSS

Baptisms:

Patty Grube 747-6273

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Walter Leite 938-4056

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION THIS WEEK-END IN THE PATIO AFTER BOTH MASSES. OPEN HOUSE SEPTEMBER 7TH; CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 14TH

Sunday Reflection

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time-Cycle A

1st Reading-Jeremiah 20:7-9 Jeremiah lived through one of the most troubled periods of the ancient near east. He witnessed the fall of a great empire (Assyria) and the rising of one even greater (Babylon). In the midst of this turmoil, the kingdom of Judah, then in the hands of deplorable kings, came to its downfall by resisting this overwhelming force of history.

Yahweh called Jeremiah to be a prophet to Judah and to the nations in the midst of these political convolutions. His ministry lasted about forty years (627-587 B.C.) and his book testifies that his interventions were numerous. In fact, the last decades of Judah's history required a continual flow of light from Yahweh's messengers; besides Jeremiah, Zephaniah, Habakkuk, Nahum, and Ezekiel delivered the word of God. Of all these inspired men, no one reached the stature of Jeremiah in his great sensitivity to Yahweh's love for His people and in his profound understanding of this very people's duty toward Yahweh through the covenant. Thus, Jeremiah's prophetic word is noted for its directness and acuity in stating the true nature of Yahwehism and in denouncing the different religious deviations. The two predominant themes of his message are precisely to define true Yahwehism and to proclaim the imminent wars as punishments of Judah's aberrations.

In 586 B.C. Jerusalem was sacked and the Judean population deported to Babylon. A number of Judeans fled to Egypt, taking Jeremiah along with them where, according to Jewish legend, he was stoned to death.

2nd Reading-Romans 12:1-2 Today we again continue our study of the book of Romans from where we left off the previous week. Saint Paul writes from the point of view of a Pharisee who is well schooled in the scriptures and in covenant theology. He has been lamenting how the Jews have failed to recognize Jesus at the Messiah, but at the same time rejoicing that the Gentiles serve as the means to bring the whole world to salvation. After all, the Jews are descended from the southern kingdom (Judah) while the ten tribes of the northern kingdom (Israel) were sent into exile in 722 B.C. and never returned; having been scattered among "the nations." The Gentiles are from "the nations" and will serve as the example to bring about the reunification of the descendants of Jacob/Israel, the twelve tribes.

Gospel-Matthew 16:21-27 Having heard last week Peter's declaration that Jesus is the Messiah and his (Peter's) subsequent commissioning as the leader of the Church, Jesus now proceeds to begin to instruct His apostles about what is to happen to Him (His passion and death).



PARISH CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF OUR PATRONESS, MALIA PUKA O KALANI
(August 17, 2014)

LIFE CARE CENTER MASS: Join Fr. Teddy as he celebrates Mass at the Life Care Center this Wednesday, September 3rd, at 11:00 am.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. JOE: “Dear Malia Ohana, I am nearly finished with my treatments. One more session of chemo and then, it’s done. We won’t know the results, however, until the end of September. Even if the leukemia is in remission now, they need to determine that my own body can keep it in remission without steroids and chemo. I truly deeply appreciate your prayers. Mahalo. My heart is with you. *Fr. Joe*”

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: The Maintenance Committee met on Sunday, August 24, 2014. Tom Hoots and Kenny Becktel were welcomed as new members on the Committee. Mahalo to both gentlemen for volunteering their time and talent to help maintain our parish facilities. Our kitchen is temporarily closed until a grease trap is installed and all plumbing is connected to the County sewer line located at Lauae Wung Avenue. The Committee is currently acquiring plans from the Dept. of Health and the Dept. of Hawaiian Homes. In the Rectory, the lower half of the walls have been cut out to check for mold, mildew and leaks. Fortunately no mold or mildew has been found, but leaks were detected on the exterior portion of the Rectory. Work is ongoing to correct the problem.

HELP IS NEEDED: The work necessary to maintain our facilities is not just for those on the Maintenance Committee. All who are able are encouraged to help in this effort. As described in the article above, Walter is currently working in the Rectory, but there are other areas that need attention, such as yard maintenance and general clean-up. If you are able to help this coming Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday (September 2, 3, 4 5) from 10:30 to 2:30, or any portion of that time, please come to the church to lend a hand. For more information, call Walter at 938-4056. Mahalo.

<i>STEWARDSHIP</i>	
August 23 and 24, 2014	
KOA OFFERING BOWL:	\$1,779.10
Fundraising	N/A
Food Pantry	150.00
Misc.	N/A
TOTAL	\$1,929.10