

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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Mass Schedule

Sat. 5:15 pm

Sun. 9:00 am

Weekday Masses Mon, Wed,
at 5:15 ; Stations of the Cross
Friday at 6:00PM

March 29-30, 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”

Pastor:

Fr. Joe Hennen

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Robert Stark, SSS

Baptisms:

Patty Grube 747-6273

Building Maintenance:

Moke Moses 937-9783

Business Manager:

David Watson 935-1465

Finance: Jeannette Lesko

778-8058

Liturgy: Kip Kauka 968-8890

Faith Formation: Billie Baclig

315-9844

Social Awareness:

Richard MacKenzie 896-0390

Roberta Gacutan 339-1295

Homebound Ministry “Malia

Visitor”: Hale Pekelo 968-1382

Facility Use: Laverne Costa 959-9219

Pastoral Council & Bulletin:

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LENTEN MODELS OF TRANSFORMATION

Our Lenten program of Prayer, Formation, and Service has at its goal our personal transformation. It is not about what we do for someone else; it is about the change inside ourselves. We strive to change from looking at the world and other people as to what they can do for ME. Our Lenten goal is to change this self-centered mentality to focus on the OTHER. The vast majority of us strive to protect the status quo so that we can feel safe and secure. We don’t like to rattle the cages. We find our little niche and become blind to our fellow human beings who are suffering and struggling. They can be suffering in our ohana, our community, and in our parish. And we remain blind.

This past week we were brought face to face with two outstanding examples of personal transformation. None of us will ever be as great as these two individuals but they can be our mentors. The first example is Dorothy Day. Some of you took advantage of the presentation this past Monday by her granddaughter. As a young woman, Dorothy Day lead a care-free life. Life, for her was about pleasure and that which would satisfy her. As she lead the care-free life, she refused the consequences of her style of life. She had an abortion so that she would not be tied down in her care for someone other than herself. She was far from the church. Then, something happened. As her granddaughter stated, “It is very difficult to pin-point the process of her transformation, her conversión. It was personal and it was total.” Dorothy Day went from a self-centered person to a strong advocate of social justice for all people, especially the homeless and the powerless.

This past Monday was also the 34th anniversary of the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero. He was the bishop of San Salvador who was assassinated by a bullet while celebrating Mass. When he was appointed Archbishop of San Salvador there were protests by many priests working with the poor. He was known to be identified with the repressive government that supported the wealthy and showed no concern for the poor. After he was made archbishop, Oscar Romero opened his eyes and his heart. He saw, for the first time, the cruelty inflicted on the poor by the blindness and arrogance of the government and the church establishment. A total transformation took place. He became the strongest advocate of the poor, the hungry, the naked.

Both Dorothy Day and Oscar Romero are now in a process which will lead to canonization in the Catholic Church. The process has been revitalized by the actions of Pope Francis. They are models and mentors of personal transformation.

We will never be as great as these two giants. However, the same process of transformation that took place in them will also take place in us if we are open. It is our prayer that our lenten journey will lead all of us to a transformation which puts more concern of the OTHER than on SELF. **Fr. Joe**

BUSINESS MANAGER: David Watson has been Business Manager for Malia the past five years. It was his responsibility to account for the money, give year-to-date reports to the Finance Committee, recommend financial matters to the pastor, assist in developing the annual budget and give the pastor and the Finance Committee the necessary information to make decisions regarding budget modifications. David worked approximately three to four hours per week. His full-time job is financial administrator of St. Joseph's parish. The diocese has now requested David to assume business manager responsibilities for St. Joseph School in addition to his regular duties. This makes his work load too heavy to continue working at Malia. He will step away as Malia Business Manager at the end of April. Andrew Langtry has accepted the position of Business Manager of Malia. Andrew is a Certified Public Accountant and a Malia parishioner. We are grateful to David for his five years of service to Malia. We are grateful to Andrew for accepting this most important responsibility. Andrew will begin on April 1st so that there will be a smooth one month transition between David and Andrew.

LITURGY COMMITTEE: The Liturgy Committee will meet this Sunday, March 30, in the Rectory meeting room at 10:30AM. This will be a planning/progress meeting for Holy Week Triduum, Easter, and beyond.

VISITING THE SICK: We will celebrate Mass in the dining room of the Life Care Center on Wednesday, April 2 at 11:00AM. All parishioners are invited to participate. The Mass at Life Care Center will replace the usual 5:15PM Wednesday Mass.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Please note the following important dates for the RE program.

Sunday, April 6 is the last RE Teacher's meeting for the year.

Sunday, May 4, is the last RE class.

Sunday, May 18, First Communion.

STANDING COMMITTEE VACANCIES: Malia's five Standing Committees provide the structure which has led to Malia becoming the strong parish it is today. Active lay leadership is key to maintaining our structure; when parishioners become involved the better our parish is able to keep our structure and organization. This is especially true in times of pastor transition, which we will be experiencing in several weeks. Please consider volunteering your time and experience in filling one of the following vacancies.

Liturgy Committee. Contact Kip Kauka at 968-8890 if you are interested in joining the Liturgy Committee.

Finance Committee: Jeannette Lesko, Chair of this committee announces that in June 2014, there will be TWO vacancies. She is recruiting for someone with a finance background, and someone able to take minutes. It would be greatly appreciated if people will step forward and accept these positions. It is extremely rewarding and fun to be a part of this committee. Call Jeannette at 778-8058. Thank you.

APRIL MEETINGS: The Standing Committee meetings are open to all parishioners and provide a good opportunity to learn what is happening and being planned for your parish.

Saturday, April 5, the Finance Committee will meet at 9:00AM in the Rectory meeting room.

Saturday, April 12 (this is a date change from April 5), Laverne Costa will meet with all who are interested in Malia's fund raising program. The Fund Raising Subcommittee advises and makes recommendations regarding all Malia fund raisers. (Remember, we need \$16,000 per year in fund raising to balance our budget). Come share your ideas for fund raising. The meeting will be at 1:00PM in the Rectory meeting room.

Sunday, April 13, Pastoral Council will meet at 10:45AM in the Rectory meeting room. The Council will hear presentations from Chairs of the Liturgy, Finance, Faith Formation as well as from the Enculturation Team Leader. This will conclude the standing committees presentations of their 2014-2015 Pastoral Plan goals and objectives.

STEWARDSHIP	
March 15-16 March 22-23	
KOA OFFERING BOWL:	\$3,180.15
Food Pantry	\$580.00
Malasadas	\$50.00
Mass Intention	\$30.00
TOTAL	\$3840.15

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT: MALIA LENTEN PROGRAM; VISITING THE SICK

Weekend of March 25-26: ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Anointing of the Sick is for any individual who is facing serious physical, emotional, or psychological illness or is elderly. The illness or age should be such that it puts the individual in touch with the reality that life, as we know it, is fragile.

SERVICE PROJECT: VISITING THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Our regular Wednesday Mass at 5:15PM will be replaced with an 11:00AM Mass at Life Care Center of Hilo, 944 West Kawaihāni St in the 2nd Floor Dining Room.

All who are able to participate are encouraged to be present and help sing some of our familiar hymns.

In addition, each of us is encouraged, on our own, to visit someone in our ohana who is sick, homebound, or elderly.

FAITH FORMATION SERIES: THE SEVEN PILLARS OF CATHOLICISM

We continue our Monday evening series from 6:00PM-7:00PM in the Church Hall. The title of the series is: "Rediscovering Catholicism". While this is the fourth in a series of five seminars, it is not necessary to have been at the previous sessions to understand this one.

PRAYER: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This will be our last Stations of the Cross. The following Friday we will celebrate Communal Penance/Reconciliation