

Catholic Community of Malia Puka O Kalani

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November 29 and 30, 2014

Weekend Mass Schedule
Sat. 5:15 pm Sun, 9:00 am

Weekday Masses 5:15
Monday and Friday
Wednesday at 10:15, Life Care
Center

Confession every Saturday at 4:30 in the Sacristy



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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1st Sunday of Advent

1st Reading-Isaiah 2:1-5: Isaiah, the most prolific writer of all the prophets, lived in Jerusalem and prophesied from 742 to 701 B.C. The name Isaiah means "Yahweh is salvation." A legend in the big apocryphal *Martyrdom of Isaiah* holds that he was martyred by being placed in a hollow log and sawn in half.

Our reading for today talks of Zion in the days to come. This vision of all nations gathering on Mount Zion is found, with few changes, in Micah 4:1-3. It is impossible to say with certainty which of the two books is the original, or whether both authors borrowed from a common source.

2nd Reading-Romans 13:11-14: Our reading today is an exhortation to the Roman Christians to realize that they are already living in the end times. The two ages have met. *"Now these things happened to them as a warning, but they were written down for our instruction, upon whom the end of the ages has come."* (1 Corinthians 10:11)

Gospel-Matthew 24:37-44: In our gospel reading today Jesus is sharing with His disciples a teaching on the end times. He is in Jerusalem for His passion and is preparing the disciples for this event and what is to follow. The eleven verses immediately preceding our reading today help us to establish the context.

News from the Diocese

Winter Cold and Flu Season. As always, we are reminded to use common sense in the reception of Holy Communion from the chalice during the annual cold and flu season. If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from partaking of the Blood of Christ from the communal chalice. In the same way, you should refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace. A smile and heartfelt "Peace be with you" should suffice. Likewise if you are not comfortable sharing the sign of peace or receiving Holy Communion from the communal chalice for fear of infection, you should feel no pressure to do so. All of us must be aware of such sensitive matters in the intimate life of the Christian community and we should expect that some will refrain from the sign of peace and the communal chalice out of care for our well being and not out of unkindness or lack of piety.

LIFE CARE CENTER: Our monthly mass will be on Wednesday, December 3, starting at 10:15. Note the time change. Also, the mass will be held on the 3rd floor dining room, rather than on the 1st floor. Please join your fellow parishioners as we celebrate mass with the residents at Life Care Center.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: This is a holy day of obligation and mass will be held at 5:15 pm. Following mass, at approximately 6 pm, Fr. Oliver and priests from other parishes will hear Advent Confessions.

COMMISSIONINGS

November 30-Parish Council, Liturgy and Worship Commission (and all sub-Commissions), Maintenance Committee and Inculturation Team.

December 7-Finance, Social Outreach, Stewardship and Faith Formation (to include RE) Committees

COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS

Upcoming Committee Meetings:

- Faith Formation, Sunday, December 7, after RE classes (approximately 11:45am) in the parish hall.
- Liturgy and Worship Commission, Sunday, December 7, 10:30am in the parish hall
- Stewardship Committee, Sunday, December 14, 10:30 am in the parish hall

UPCOMING FUND RAISING EVENTS

- *December 5 and 6*, Na Makua Craft Fair, Afook-Chinen Auditorium. We will be selling lavosh, jams and cookies at the fair. Help is needed at the fair on Friday, December 5 from 4:30-9:00pm and on Saturday from 9am-5pm. No experience necessary and manning a booth at the craft fair is a fun way to meet people. Help is also needed to make gift baskets on December 4....meet in the parish pavilion at 2:30. Please call Laverne Costa at 959-9219 with any questions. Mahalo!

- *December 6 and 7*. Malia cookbooks will be sold after both masses . The cookbooks contain recipes from our own parishioners as well as Belgium recipes from Fr. Joe, as taught to him by his mother. If you did not get a cookbook last year now is the time to buy a copy because no more will be printed. The cookbooks are \$8 each and make excellent Christmas gifts!

- *December 13*, Malia's Garage Sale, 7am—2pm. This one day event will feature clothing, toys, and household items, such as blankets and curtains. In addition, parishioners and friends are invited to purchase a table for \$20 to sell their own crafts/garage sale items. A food concession will be offering chili and hot dogs, manapua and a variety of soft drinks/juices for sale. Contact Laverne at 959-9219 for details.

MALASADA DAY! Our dear malasada lady, Luana Leite, is putting out a call for donations of ingredients to make her delicious malasadas for Fat Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday. Evaporated milk, butter, sugar and flour are needed. We will also need help to make these delicious treats...but more on that later. For now, please give your ingredients to Roberta Gacutan. Any questions? Call Luana at 959-7853. Mahalo!

CONFESSION: Confessions will be heard every Saturday at 4:30 in the Sacristy.

STEWARDSHIP	
November 22 and 23, 2014	
KOA OFFERING BOWL: \$1,525.91	
Fundraising	\$529.00
Food Pantry	\$130.00
2nd Collection	\$275.00
TOTAL	\$2,459.91

Malia Puka Okalani

Parish Administrative Structure

11/27/2014

