

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, Wednesday and
Friday



September 13 and 14, 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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315-9844

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Roberta Gacutan 339-1295

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SUNDAY REFLECTION

Triumph of the Cross-Cycle A

1st Reading-Numbers 21:4-9

The book of Numbers is the 4th book of the Law (Torah). This title in our English Bibles is a direct translation of the Vulgate Numeri which in turn is derived from the Septuagint Arithmoi. It is so called because this book concerns itself with a census of God’s people and shows concern for arithmetical precision in the matter of sacrificial offerings, the spoils of war, the days required for purification, and the division of territory around the Levitical cities. Our reading for today however, doesn’t deal with numbers but instead again deals with the grumbling of the people during their wanderings in the desert; specifically, their journey to Moab which began about 11 months after the Israelites had arrived at Mount Sinai.

2nd Reading-Philippians 2:6-11

Imprisoned for his apostolic activity, St. Paul knew that the local Christians were continuing his work; the gospel was being preached. St. Paul wrote from prison to thank the Philippians for their generosity and because he had learned that Judaisers were in the area, to warn them against falling under their influence. We hear today from his exhortation to humility.

Gospel-John 3:13-17

Have you been born again? Our reading today comes from the conversations which Jesus had with Nicodemus, a Pharisee and member of the Sanhedrin. Nicodemus had asked how he could be born again; enter into his mother’s womb a second time. Jesus has told him that he must be born of water and the Spirit-at Jesus’ baptism in the first chapter of this gospel, at his water baptism, the Holy Spirit appeared in the form of a dove and came down upon him (John 1:32). Nicodemus still doesn’t understand so Jesus says “You are Israel’s teacher and you do not understand these things? We (Jesus and John the Baptist) speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of Heavenly things?”

CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14. Please welcome our guest speakers representing Catholic Charities Hawaii at our Masses this weekend. Collection envelopes for donations to support the many services provided by this organization are available at each Mass. Mahalo for your valuable contribution.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Although RE classes will begin this Sunday, registration is ongoing throughout the month of September. Please see Karen Gerkey to sign-up for classes. The \$15.00 charge per child is to help defray the cost of materials. If any family finds the charge burdensome, please just tell Karen that “we are exempt”; no questions will be asked. Any family with more than two children pays only for the first two. Karen can be reached at 345-1222.

To all RE Students and Teachers: please meet in the church at 10:45 for music with Norman. From there we will proceed to our classrooms for instruction. Classes will end at noon.

YOUTH MASS: We will once again celebrate Mass with our youth and young adults on the first Sunday of every month. Youth Mass will resume on October 5, 2014.

FOOD PANTRY: We have a great Food Pantry Ministry! Food is distributed on the last two Wednesdays of each month to provide support to those in need at Malia or in the Keaukaha community. We are always seeking donations of canned and dried food. All food items are welcome, but these are especially desired:



Vienna Sausage
Spam
Canned Tuna
Canned Fruits
Pasta Sauces
Canned Soups

Pork and Beans
Canned Vegetables
Corned Beef
Ramen Noodles
Corned Beef Hash
Jell-o

Monetary donations marked for the Food Pantry or gift certificates are also welcome. Please contact Roberta Gacutan at 339-1295 if you have any questions. Mahalo!

STEWARDSHIP	
September 6 & 7, 2014	
KOA OFFERING BOWL:	\$2,074.00
Fundraising	N/A
Food Pantry	N/A
Misc. (Catholic University)	158.48
TOTAL	\$2,232.48