

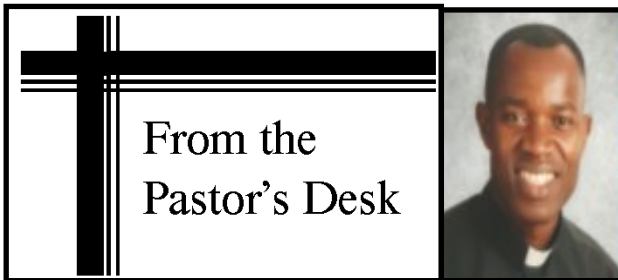
*Twelfth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
June 21, 2020*



**Saint John Vianney Parish
Community**

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Dear Parish Family,

Our Scripture readings for this Sunday challenge us to preach Christ through our words and lives without fear. They show that when God's chosen prophets and Apostles faithfully carry out their mission, they always encounter suffering. This is especially evident in the life of the prophet Jeremiah, in the first reading, who faced fierce opposition. Though in so much distress, Jeremiah shifted to an expression of confidence that God was with him and would see him through the crisis. What a powerful example for us in our own struggles. In the Gospel, Jesus' disciples, whom he sent out, would equally face fierce opposition and he called them to an unshakable courage.

As disciples of the Lord, we too are sent out at times into hostile territories and environments. Fear can easily paralyze us. Sometimes we are afraid that we will make a wrong decision. At other times, we are afraid of what others will think when we speak up for Jesus. We are afraid of what the future may bring to us. At the root of these fears is the fear of loss of dignity. What a release from fear it is to know that God is ever on our side! The next time fear grips our life we need to remember that being faithful to Christ, in whatever circumstance of life, is much more important than our fear of rejection and loss. Let us also take a moment to recall some of the great promises of God reminding us that he cares for each of us: ***"Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."*** The last verse of Psalm 27 sums it up nicely: ***"Trust in the Lord. Have Faith; do not despair. Trust in the Lord."***

May His words of promise be the basis of our courage and hope, in whatever we may face, as we faithfully respond to the mission that is ours.

In Christ,
Fr. Peter

Saint John Vianney Parish, a Christian Community in the Roman Catholic tradition, motivated by the love of God, provides opportunities in worship, education, ministry and outreach for its parishioners and the community at large.

Pastor Fr. Peter Miti
Permanent Deacons
Clarence DeCaires Jerry Tokars Walter Yoshimitsu—Retired
Parish Administrator Interim Gail Browne
Parish Secretary Gail Browne
Music Ministry Robert Mondoy
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Pam Aqui and Kamalani Rodrigues
Religious Education—Steffanie Beissel, Coordinator
Pre-School & Elementary Youth Ministry
Sacrament of Baptism and Sacrament of Marriage
Please refer to website for information or call the Parish Office: 808-262-8317
Annulment Fr. Peter Miti & Deacon Jerry Tokars
Sick and Homebound (Communion/ Anointing of the Sick)
Call the Parish Office: 808-262-8317
Funerals
Call the Parish Office before making arrangements with the mortuary.
Online Giving Go online to:
saintjohnvianneyhawaii.org
PARISH SCHOOL Website: sjvkailua.org
Phone: 808-261-4651 Fax: 808-263-0505
Principal: Caryn DeMello
Administrative Assistant: Annie Chee
Director of Finance: Sheryl Caldeira

Sunday Liturgy of the Eucharist
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Hearing assistance devices available. See ushers.

Weekday Liturgy of the Eucharist
Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8:00 am
Monday: Communion Service 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
After Saturday 8:00am Mass
and by appointment only

Welcome New parishioners:
please register at the parish office.
Aloha Departing parishioners: please
advise the parish office of your
departure date.
AED Available at back of church in
cabinet under Divine Mercy picture

Parish Office Hours
Monday: 8:30 am—12:30 pm
Tuesday—Friday: 8:30 am— 4:00 pm
Saturday: Closed

Know Your Catholic Faith Corner

Apologetics without apology!

Our Belief in Purgatory

When a loved one dies, it is easy to instantly presume he/she is in Heaven and no longer in need of our prayers. But one of the greatest gifts we can offer to those who have gone before us is our prayers. It's true that every person who dies in a state of grace (meaning they do not have un-repentant mortal sin), will enter into the glories of Heaven, eventually. However, what we may often forget is that in order to enter into the full glory of the presence of the Most Holy Trinity, every last sin, no matter how small, must be purged away. This is Purgatory, and Purgatory is a clear and definitive teaching of our faith.

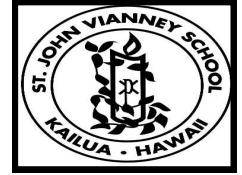
But Purgatory, itself, is so easily misunderstood. It's not a place we go to be punished as a result of God's anger. Rather, it's a state in which we enter our final purification on account of God's love. It is His burning love that has the effect of purifying us of every last attachment we have to sin. Every bad habit, every omission of charity, every foul thought, everything that cannot enter into Heaven with us.

Purgatory is an act of God's Mercy and we are called to help pour forth that Mercy on others through our prayers, sacrifices, and indulgences offered on their behalf after they pass from this Earth.

Think about your loved ones who have gone before you. Let your love for them compel you to pray for them, especially today. Trust that the prayers, sacrifices and indulgences you offer for them are the greatest gift of Mercy you can give.

Lord, I pray for (mention a loved one who has passed) and pray for Your Divine Mercy to flood his/her soul. Purify every sin away and grant entrance into the glories of Your Heavenly Kingdom. I pray also for all holy souls in most need of Your Mercy. Jesus, I trust in You.

School News *by Earl Walker*

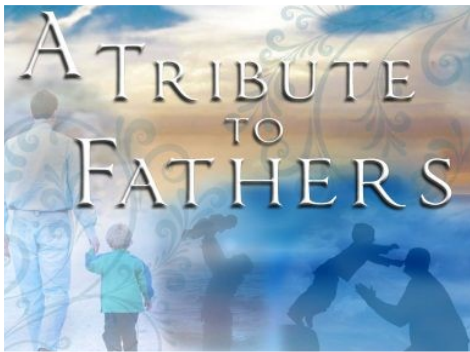


The reputation of St. John Vianney School is well known for its success in educating children. This is because we nurture the whole child, thereby fulfilling their potential as contributing members of society. Our students graduate with a formation in self-discipline, personal integrity and moral values that come out of the faith-based environment of our school.

We have worked very hard to use resources wisely and to keep our school affordable during these difficult times. However, for some families suffering from the coronavirus pandemic, affording tuition is difficult. To assist these parents who are financially struggling to keep their child in our school next year, we have created the **SJV Scholarship Fund** and need your support. Please donate to this vital fund by sending your check to:

SJV Scholarship Fund
940 Keolu Drive
Kailua, HI 96734

Mahalo for your generosity.



Happy Father's Day to fathers, grandfathers, and stepfathers! Five weeks ago, we offered Mass for our Moms. On this third Sunday in June, as we do each year, we observe Father's Day, offering Mass for our dads, living or dead, and invoking our Heavenly Father to impart his blessing on them. The origin of this national event is not clear. Whatever the case, the impulse to honor fathers is a worthy one and it comes with the biblical admonition. We have in the Bible many examples of men who were true to their calling to be fathers. Let us take a look at two scenarios.

Joseph of Galilee is an exemplary father in the Bible who acted both as a protector and defender. He married Mary, despite the unusual circumstances of her pregnancy. He dared to be unconventional because he trusted that God was working through Mary and him. He was a righteous man who dared to take on the roles of husband and foster father. And as refugees from danger, after the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem, it is clear that he protected his family by going beyond what was familiar, to find a safe haven. We can learn much about fatherhood from Joseph.

Another father from the Bible that is impressive is the one who had two sons, one of whom went astray. This is, of course, the story told by Jesus of the prodigal son. The father in the parable teaches his two sons powerful lessons of love: the one who went astray who discovered that his father's care came to him even when he had run away from it, and the other who struggled to understand such extravagant love in the face of his brother's failures and his own fidelity. The father in the story, like God, never gave up on either of his children.

On this Fathers' Day, there is one dad, however, who doesn't always get a lot of honor. That is the "*World's Greatest Dad*," **Our heavenly Father** (Rom. 8:15, Gal. 4:6). Many of us pray the "*Our Father*" day after day, without paying attention to, or experiencing, the love and providence of our Heavenly Father. May all earthly fathers draw strength from their Heavenly Father on this Father's Day and become role models. **Happy Father's Day!**

Stewardship of Treasure



Offertory: Our weekly donation for **June 13-Jun 19, 2020** is \$ **8,380** and the weekly budget is \$ **9,288**. Therefore, we have a **deficit** of \$ **908**.

MAHALO for you continued **SUPPORT** to **GIVE**. If you give online, keep giving online, and if you give by envelope, you can put it in the collection box in the church or mail or drop off your donation at the Parish Office or place in the Slot Box.



Next Week Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I:
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

Reading II:
Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Gospel:
Matthew 10:37-42



*Healing of
Gordon Wong
Sandy Chong
And for the Homebound*

REST IN PEACE Al Tagab



To A Special Deacon

Happy 33rd Anniversary on your Diaconate Ordination!!!

With prayers of gratitude for your dedicated service, Deacon Clarence DeCaires, and for sharing so generously the gifts you have received from God. We, at St. John Vianney are blessed to have you as our deacon. And with your wife, Mrs. Vi DeCaires, on your side, there with you to support and help you in every way,



a big Mahalo and

**Congratulations to both of you for
the many years of serving the
people of God.**

(Ordained June 14, 1987)





DISPENSATION

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Larry Silva extends the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Masses to all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu through August 31, 2020.

All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection, are encouraged to do so, but are not obliged to do so.

Aloha, Good Stewards,

Thank you very much for supporting your parish, your diocese and other good causes during these challenging time.

As this year's appeal ends on June 30—and if you haven't already done so—please consider supporting Bishop Larry and the vital ministries of the Catholic Church in Hawaii.

For more information, please refer below or make a gift online at:

<https://www.catholichawaii.org/bishopcircle/> *All gifts are needed, important and appreciated.*

MAHALO, Office of Stewardship & Development, Mark Clark—Diocesan Director

2019/2020 Bishop's Circle Appeal

For the Diocese of Honolulu and the Catholic Church in Hawaii



The Bishop's Circle Appeal is a special invitation to join Bishop Larry Silva as a fellow Steward of the Gospel in support of diocesan ministries.

Please consider joining one of the Donor Societies. Members as of June 30 will be recognized in the Hawaii Catholic Herald and invited to a special gathering with Bishop Larry.



A Mass will be said for all contributors to this year's appeal.

Bishop's Circle Donor Societies

Stewards of the Gospel Society: \$20,000+

Our Lady of Peace Society: \$10,000+

St. Damien/St. Marianne Society: \$5,000+

Joseph Dutton Society: \$2,500+

Witness to Jesus Society: \$1,250+

Catholic Ohana Society: \$625+

Give online at **CatholicHawaii.org** or by check payable to **The Bishop's Circle**, 1184 Bishop St., Honolulu, HI 96813.

MAHALO for your generous stewardship of treasure!

AARP Summer Service Days

Virtual Volunteer Bingo

June 15-30, 2020

Have fun • Help the Community •
Connect • Learn new things

• Help Your Family and Yourself

<https://aarp.cvent.com/bingo2020>



Even while social distancing, YOU can be a powerful force for good and have some fun. Play our Virtual Volunteer Bingo to connect to meaningful activities that can shape our community and our world. Enter our Summer Sweepstakes and Photo Contest, and join us for online discussions and a virtual dinner party. Let's have some fun!

BINGO - Complete five bingo squares in any order. Each one represents an activity to help the community or yourself. Click the square for project ideas, activities and resources. Bingo Card: www.volunteerweekbingo.org

SWEEPSTAKE - Enter to win a \$50 grocery store gift card by June 18. Participation in Bingo is not required. Rules and entry form: <https://bit.ly/3cDDOFc>

PHOTO CONTEST - Submit a photo representing one of the Bingo activities by June 30 for your chance to win one of five \$50 grocery store gift cards. Participation in Bingo is not required. Rules and entry form: <https://aarp.cvent.com/Hlphoto>

DISCUSSION GROUPS & TRAVEL TRIVIA - Connect with AARP volunteers. Discuss what's for dinner (<https://bit.ly/2UbKHXy>) Enjoy travel trivia based on virtual trips featured on the Bingo Square (<https://bit.ly/2UcYldp>). Experience "To Space and Back" (<https://bit.ly/2BfGnAb>).

VIRTUAL DINNER PARTY Celebrate service while eating dinner with others on Zoom. Vote on photo contest finalists. Chance to win door prizes. Sign up: <https://bit.ly/30cMSye>

