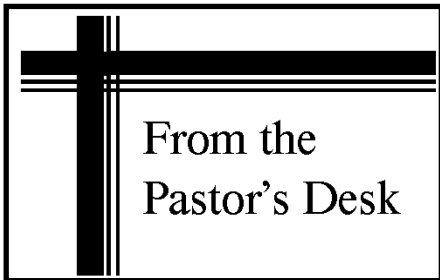


*Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year B
July 11, 2021*



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DEAR PARISH FAMILY,

On this fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, one important theme that is common to all the readings is: *“God’s Choice.”* This simply points to both the missionary nature of the church and of our calling as God’s messengers. The readings remind us that God’s choice of us was not a product of chance, but a deliberate act. Thus, this Sunday, the church provides us a great opportunity to ask ourselves these very pertinent questions: *“What is God’s purpose for choosing me as His messenger and, am I fulfilling this purpose?”*

In the first reading, God chose Amos – a poor farmer, to go and prophesy in the northern kingdom of Israel. God had a purpose for this. Knowing that there were *“professional and paid prophets”* there, they were not his choice because they had compromised their calling. By becoming corrupt and distracted by materialism, they could no longer deliver justice to the oppressed and the weak. Instead of speaking for the poor, weak and the oppressed, they spoke for their pockets, bank accounts, and stomachs. Hence, God felt that the only one who was suitable for his work was Amos, who was detached from the materialism of the kingdom. Of course, in spite of the oppositions and challenges he faced, Amos fulfilled God’s purpose without being corrupted by the materialism of his time. The gospel too, highlights the meaning and purpose of why the disciples were called and sent out. It was to be messengers of God’s love. Through many challenges, their faithfulness to this mission paid off because many were being converted and brought to be part and parcel of God’s flock.

We too, through Baptism, have been called to be God’s messengers. So we must constantly remind ourselves, that God chose us for a purpose and we must strive to achieve it; that of being stewards of his eternal love.

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 Gail Browne

Music Ministry Robert Mondoy

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Kamalani Rodrigues

Religious Education—Steffanie Beissel, Director
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 & Mary Duddy

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:
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PARISH SCHOOL Website: sjvkailua.org
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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
and on parish lanai at school doors.

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

**Church is now open from 8:30am—10:30am for private
prayer and devotion, Monday thru Friday**

Know your Catholic Faith Corner

Apologetics Without Apology



Year of Reading the Bible

Scripture background: The Prophet Amos lived during the period of Old Testament history when the Kingdom of Israel was divided. The northern ten tribes had divided from the southern two tribes. The north kept the name Israel and the south took the name Judah (after its most prominent tribe). This was a dark period for the Israelites. The south had the Davidic line of kings, the Temple in Jerusalem, the Levitical priesthood, and the proper liturgical worship. The north had the problem of lacking all this. Thus, they setup a new line of kings, new places to worship in the cities of Bethel and Dan (complete with golden calves), a new priesthood, and new liturgical practices. This was extremely problematic since all of these things were against God's commands. Amos was a prophet from the southern kingdom who came to the northern kingdom to call them to turn from their sinful ways and turn back to the Lord. His message was not received well.

The sending out of the Apostles by Jesus in the gospel serves as a precursor to the mission of the Church after Pentecost. Jesus sent them out to do what He had been doing: casting out demons, healing the sick, and preaching repentance. They had the power to do this because Jesus gave it to them and His Church would be founded upon these Apostles. The Apostles were not “professional” prophets trying to make money off of their preaching, but like Amos, they were doing this because of a call from God. That is true today too—we are sent out to participate in the mission of the Church to evangelize through our words and actions, whether people accept or reject it.

Reflection: To whom are you being sent this week to proclaim the Good News?

UPCOMING EVENTS

- JULY 12 (MONDAY) FOCUS: HUNTER HAAS—7:00 PM-8:30 PM
- JULY 13 (TUESDAY) DONALD SECOR—FUNERAL MASS—10:00 AM
- JULY 13 (TUESDAY) MARRIAGE IN CHRIST: 6:45 PM-9:15 PM
BOARD ROOM/FELLOWSHIP LANAI
- JULY 14 (WEDNESDAY) RICHARD CAMACHO: 9:30 AM—BURIAL SERVICE
HAWAIIAN MEMORIAL PARK & MORTUARY
- JULY 14 (WEDNESDAY) BLDG & GROUND MEETING: 11:00 AM-12:30 PM
BOARD ROOM
- JULY 14, 21 & 28 (WEDNESDAY) eXTRA HOUR: 6:00 PM—7:00 PM
LOUNGE
- JULY 15 & 29 (THURSDAY) ROSARY MAKING: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM
BRD RM/LOUNGE
- JULY 17 & 18 (SAT/SUN) 2ND COLLECTION-DIOCESE OF HNL SEMINARIAN
EDUCATION FUND
- JULY 18 (SUNDAY) YOUTH MUSIC MINISTERS: 9:00 AM
CHURCH
- JULY 21 (WEDNESDAY) DOROTHY SMITH—FUNERAL MASS—11:00 AM
CHURCH
- JULY 22 (THURSDAY) ROSARY MAKING: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM
BASEMENT
- JULY 25 (SUNDAY) YOUTH PRAISE & WORSHIP—1:30 PM-3:30 PM
CHURCH
- JULY 27 (TUESDAY) FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING: 4:00 PM-5:30 PM
VIA ZOOM
- JULY 28 (WEDNESDAY) BENJAMIN LUM—FUNERAL MASS—11:00 AM
CHURCH
- JULY 29 (THURSDAY) JEROME (JERRY) COMCOWICH-FUNERAL MASS-
11:00 AM
CHURCH

By: *Earl Walker*

SCHOOL NEWS

**St. John Vianney School, 940 Keolu Drive, Kailua, HI 96734 *
808 261-4651**

For over 55 years, St. John Vianney School has focused on the values that parents seek in a quality education: superior academic results; faith formation and the building of character; and a safe, caring community where each child is accepted and respected.

Our teachers and staff partner with parents to support the formation of the whole child - academically, emotionally, spiritually and socially. Students learn that God is present and active in their lives and in the world and are challenged to be Christ-like in word and action.

In today's world, there is a real benefit to learning and understanding the value of respect, love, forgiveness, reconciliation, tolerance, service and compassion. This is the Catholic school difference.

Fall classes will begin on Monday, July 26th, but it is not too late to enroll your child. To learn about our curriculum, scholarships and financial assistance programs, see our website sjvkailua.org or call the school office at 261-4651.

4th of July Article Correction

It has come to our attention that last week's bulletin misidentified the author of the Declaration of Independence as John Adams. The primary authorship of the Declaration of Independence is attributed to Thomas Jefferson.





Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory: Our weekly donation for July 3rd thru July 9th, 2021 is \$ 6,876 and the weekly budget is \$ 8,010.

Therefore, we have a **deficit of \$ 1,134.**

MAHALO for your continued **SUPPORT** to **GIVE.**

If you give on line, please 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

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/071821.cfm>

Reading I:
Jeremiah 23:1-6

Reading II:
Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel:
Mark 6:30-34



For the Healing of

Krissie Mattis, Eleanor Dodds, Sharon Sweat, Keone Johnson, Melia Meier, Joe Alves, Elizabeth Libby, Melinda Zisko, Bob Badham, David Teves, David Thomas, Edward Balderston, Jim Balderston, Andrew Montalvo, Sydney Bennett, Marie Durante, Stacy Carnes, Barbara Fields, Gabrielle Taylor, Buck Marcum, Milton McAngus, Jonathan & Malina Lewsczuk, Kathleen Heirakuji, Myngoc Le, Michael Miti, Gordon Wong, Sandy Chong, John Sutton, Trish Robertson, Ruth Alves, Doug Barbieto, for the Homebound and for other special intentions.

Rest In Peace: Benjamin Lum

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR B

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/071121cfm>

Reading I

Amos 7:12-15

To Amos, Amaziah said: "Off with you, seer, flee to the land of Judah and there earn your bread by prophesying! But never again prophesy in Bethel; for it is the king's sanctuary and a royal temple."

Amos answered Amaziah, "I am not a prophet, nor do I belong to a company of prophets. I am a herdsman and a dresser of sycamores, but the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

Gospel

Mark 6:7-13

The Mission of the Twelve.

He went around to the villages in the vicinity teaching.

He summoned the Twelve* and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits.

He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts.

They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic.

He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave from there.

Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them."

So they went off and preached repentance.

Reading II

Ephesians 1:3-14

The Father's Plan of Salvation.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved.

Fulfillment through Christ.

In him we have redemption by his blood, the forgiveness of transgressions, in accord with the riches of his grace that he lavished upon us. In all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will in accord with his favor that he set forth in him as a plan for the fullness of times, to sum up all things in Christ, in heaven and on earth.

Inheritance through the Spirit.

In him we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ. In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised holy Spirit, which is the first installment of our inheritance toward redemption as God's possession, to the praise of his glory.

ART OF ACCOMPANIMENT

OUR CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP & EVANGELIZATION



PARISH EVENT:
GUEST SPEAKER HUNTER HAAS
MONDAY JULY 12TH,
7:00 PM
ST. JOHN VIANNEY
SEE BULLETIN FOR DETAILS



This is an opportunity for interested parishioners to hear an in-depth walk-through of FOCUS' approach to evangelization and discipleship. I share stories and insights from my time as a Catholic missionary and share what missionary discipleship could look like in the parish. This is a great way to share hope, especially with the older generation of parishioners.



Sent by: Kathleen Jaycox, FACE Representative for St. John Vianney Parish

Want housing to be more affordable? It starts with subsidies

This essay is the second of a six-part series which explains concepts of the May 2021 housing opinion survey the HousingNOW! Task Force gave to members. This series is intended to equip members with more knowledge before the next legislative session.

Ninety-eight percent of Faith Action members agreed that housing subsidized by the state should be restricted to Hawai'i residents. This essay explains "SUBSIDY" as it pertains to financing affordable housing.

There are two broad categories of subsidies used regularly. *Development subsidies* are available to developers to build housing at a lower cost. *User subsidies* are available to people to help them pay for housing. Both involve a transfer of cash, tax deduction, or tax credit to offset housing costs.

A less used approach is *land subsidy* which reduces or eliminates the land cost.- A *community land trust* (CLT) and *government land* are two possible sources for land. Having a CLT or government electing to not pass the cost of the land to its residents would reduce housing costs tremendously,

Whether using land or cash assets, we should advocate for the most efficient mix of subsidies that increase affordable housing. to ensure an equitable and sustainable community.

The complete version of this essay is available on the Faith Action website at:

<https://www.faithactionhawaii.org/post/want-housing-to-be-more-affordable-it-starts-with-subsidies>

This essay was authored by Faith Action HousingNOW! member and Chair, Foo Pham. If you are interested in being more involved with the HousingNOW! Task Force, please e-mail housing@faithactionhawaii.org.

LEARN THE COMPELLING STORY
OF THE **FIRST CHRISTIANS** IN

Acts

A 20-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING
JEFF CAVINS



Dates - Times - Location

Our new study, Acts of the Apostles begins the week of Sept. 20th on Mon. morning at 9:30 am, or on Thur. evenings at 7pm. This is a 20 week study which will end the last week of Feb. 2022.

We will meet weekly at St John Vianney Parish in the upstairs lounge.

Cost - Registration

Forms are available in the Parish Office. Registration will close on Aug. 9th. The cost for study materials and shipping is \$40. Checks should be made payable to Fran Vierra

For More Information

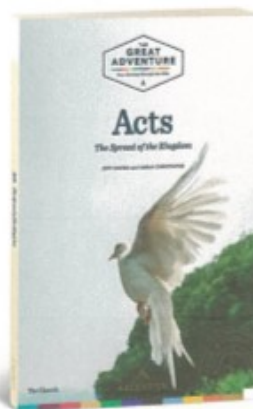
Contact Fran Vierra at 206 225-1414 or email Fran at embers11@me.com. Or contact Holly Bowers at Holly.dagostino@gmail.com

Acts is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men.

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

“Once you start learning, he makes you hunger for more. Jeff pulls everything you need to know out of the Bible, and it all starts to make sense like it never did before.”

—Margaret T.



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