



St. Joseph Church

Sharing Our Time, Talent and Treasure...

Diocese of Honolulu Mission Statement:

To give WITNESS TO JESUS! We, who encounter the risen Lord Jesus himself in the Eucharist, are sent out by him, in the power of his Spirit, to give flesh and bone.....

St. Joseph Church Mission Statement:

St. Joseph Church Parish is a faith community in Makawao, Maui. We are dedicated to the call of God, to support the Diocese of Honolulu in its mission, to celebrate the Eucharist, and to commit and make Jesus present in our lives.

Stewardship Mission Statement:

Give Witness to Jesus; Empower Stewardship

Stewardship Committee

- Rev. Jaime Jose
- Rev. Michael Tolentino
- Deacon Pat Constantino
- Arsie Anderson
- Helen Souza
- Patricia Balinbin
- Bernadette Aguirre
- Donna Pico
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Issue II

December 2018

The Call to Stewardship

In the previous article issued last July of 2018, I mentioned the idea of stewardship. That stewardship is a way of life, an expression of Christian discipleship. It is faith rooted in action.

Our parish stewardship leaders have discerned the ways in which we will form parishioners to embrace stewardship as a way of life. We have recognized the need to maintain the vision-mission of the parish faithful living and growing as stewards in community in mind, knowing that we will never fully live this vision. It is a process of life-long conversion in Christ. It needs a thorough and careful discernment.

This discernment process is to hold on to the message with the vision and the current experience of the community: what do we need to do as stewards to grow? In other words, we know where we want to go (our

vision); we know where we are (our mission); now, we begin to consider what steps we may take to move from where we are to where we want to be. What steps will we take to help our fellow stewards, accept the call to discipleship and to grow as good stewards? Therefore, the brochure and sign up form will help us to recognize our individual talents and to give back in gratitude the gifts we received from Him.

It is important at this point to acknowledge that no two people are exactly alike in the ways they live and grow in faith. There is no "one size fits all." Yet, if we listen carefully to our Divine Lord, we will have a sense of how our faith community is growing in gratitude and responding by caring for others and sharing their many gifts, at this time, in this place. We may hear common points of mis-



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understanding; we might become aware of untapped potential within particular parishioners, groups, or ministries; we may become aware of ways in which people are living and growing as stewards beyond the boundaries of parish or diocese. The most important thing is that we move together as community of stewards.



Fr. Joseph Aytona, a priest of the Fathers of Mercy Congregation. As a Mission Director he conducts Parish Missions and Retreats.

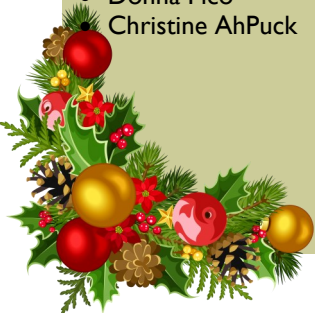


Fr. Mark Wheelan, a member of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity and a Missionary of Mercy. Fr. Mark was commissioned by Pope Francis as a Mission of Mercy. The Pope gave him special authority to absolve sins that are reserved only by the Holy See.

Divine Mercy Ministry

On October 5, the "Divine Mercy Crusade 2018" was hosted by St. Joseph Church. Divine Mercy groups from other Maui parishes also participated. Guest speaker was Fr. Joseph Aytona, accompanied by Fr. Mark Wheelan who heard confessions during the crusade except during Holy Mass.

Thank you Fr. Jaime Jose for hosting the Divine Mercy Parish Mission. To Deacon Pat Constantino who served as coordinator and helped to organize and ensure the event's success. Special acknowledgement to the various Divine Mercy ministries on Maui who helped promote the mission.





Early Learning Center

Celebrated 32 years of quality accredited pre-school education. The annual Christmas Craft Fair was a success. Helen Souza, ELC Director, thanks those who supported this event. The 2018 school year ended with a nativity play and song program held at the school court area on December 20th.

Pictured (left): Cheryl Tabaco, Santa, Zaylee Mano and Leandra Vierra at the annual Christmas Craft Fair

Angel Tree

The Social Outreach Ministry decorated the annual Christmas Angel Tree. Age appropriate gifts were collected from parishioners for the needy children of Haiku, Paia, Makawao and Pukalani schools. Gift tags for boys and girls were hung on the tree by Coordinators Helen Tabaco, Frieda Inciong, and Judy Cambra. Morris Inciong (missing from photo) also provided his time and talent to help out. Fr. Jaime provided his expertise on decorating the angel tree.



Eucharistic Homebound Ministers

At all of the masses on the Solemnity of the Feast of Christ the King, Fr. Jaime commissioned ministers who were trained to share the Good News and serve Holy Communion to homebound parishioners who are not able to attend mass. Anyone homebound who wish to receive Holy Communion, please call Eucharistic Ministry coordinator Madeleine Pruse or the church office at 572-7652.

Blessing of the Children

In September 2018, Fr. Jaime & Fr. Michael began blessing the children of the parish after Sunday Masses.





Block Rosary & Daily Novenas

A Block Rosary was held on October 26. It was coordinated by Daisy and Bob Muego of the Divine Mercy Ministry. Priests, deacon, parishioners, and various ministries participated and sponsored the service.

The daily Novenas for the entire month of October was coordinated by Earl and Tricia Lamadora. The daily novenas were sponsored and participated by our clergy, ministries and parishioners. Both activities were held at St. Joseph Church, Makawao.

(Pictured: Legion of Mary and the Divine Mercy prayer group)



Healing Ministry

Alda St. James, Sylvia Perreira, James St. James and others pray over a parishioner for healing.

Healing Prayer Time is held on Mondays, 5 p.m. at the Church.



Fr. Michael Tolentino

On October 02, 2018 the parish held a welcoming potluck dinner for Fr. Michael Tolentino who also celebrated his 14th Ordination Anniversary as a Priest.



New Altar Servers

On November 25, new altar servers received training and instructions from Fr. Jaime, Fr. Mike and Deacon Pat Constantino. Dan Canavera III, Kalya Tavares and Halia Garcia learned about the vessels, books and vestments used in the mass. All three were commissioned into the Ministry of Altar Server on December 2 at the 9:00 am Sunday Mass.

(Picture below: Fr. Jaime, Dan Canavera III, Kalya Tavares, Halia Garcia and Deacon Pat)



LORD, Teach us to be your Steward

Almighty Father, teach us to be your steward with a joyful heart.

Teach us to celebrate our gifts for the growth of God's kingdom.

Teach us to be dedicated to your call and to support our Diocese in its mission.

Bless us when we celebrate the Eucharist and show us how to make Jesus present in our lives. By following your son, Jesus Christ, empower us to share our time, talents and treasures as stewards of this parish, St. Joseph Church.

We humbly ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



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All Souls Day & Candle Lighting Ceremony

On All Saints Day, November 1st. Fr. Jaime Jose, Fr. Michael Tolentino and Deacon Pat Constantino blessed the graves and prayed over our beloved ones.

On November 2nd, we celebrated All Souls Day, in remembrance of our deceased brothers and sisters in faith. The Youth Ministry prepared and placed lit candles on over a thousand graves at St. Joseph Church Cemetery. It was a consoling moment for everyone present at the gravesite.

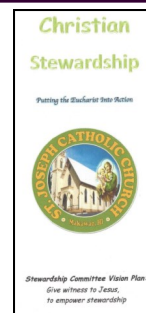


Art & Environment

Ministry Coordinator, Bernadette Gentry, created two new Christmas manger scenes for our church, inspired by parishioner James St. James. She thanks the following donors who bought supplies for the project: James St. James, Donna and Eric Pico, Helen Tabaco, Shonie Abreu, Terry Haole, Maxine and Mike Balderas, Arsie and Bruce Anderson

Stewardship Committee Brochure

Vision Statement: "Give Witness to Jesus, to Empower Stewardship." A Stewardship brochure is available for information. It gives brief descriptions on fourteen ministries at St. Joseph Church. Should you consider volunteering for a ministry, please sign up by completing the Commitment Card in the brochure. It can be found in the pew racks or at the back of the church or call the church office at 572-7652. As an expression of gratitude to God, sign up today to volunteer.



Mele Kalikimaka... Hauoli Makahiki Hou

The Stewardship Committee extends greetings and best wishes to you during this blessed Christmas season. May our good Lord continue to bless you into the 2019 new year. Our parish has been busy and bustling with church activities and events. To name a few: training for new ministers, novenas, crusade, fundraisers, food pantry distribution to the needy, craft fair, youth retreats, preschool play and song program, Holy Hour, commissions, gravesite candle service, Angel Tree gift-giving and more. This newsletter covers July to December activities powered by parishioners who put their faith into action. We hope in 2019 that you will be inspired and empowered to become a steward of St. Joseph Church parish. Together we can do great things for God.

