

Proud History Bright Future

May 17, 2009

St. Ann's Church & Model Schools 46-129 Haiku Road Kaneohe, Hawaii www.saintannshawaii.org

Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Mother & Guide



May Crowning 5/11/2009 – Photo by: Louise Barr.

Mary holds a special place among Catholics. After all, it was her “yes” that brought Jesus into this world. Catholics have honored her role in our faith for quite some time. But it wasn’t always during the month of May. This practice began around medieval times. By the 19th century, the custom of linking the month of May and Marian devotions took hold. Since then, the tradition of honoring Mary has taken on a number of devotions from daily Rosary recitations to crowning statues of Mary with wreaths of flowers.

On Monday, May 11, 2009 St. Ann’s students continue this tradition and celebrated a special Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary with a crown of flowers and a colorful procession of fragrant blossoms and lei.

In the sermon, Fr. Herman Gomes focused on Mary’s obedient and giving response and how she is a model for all Christians to follow. He explained how Mary’s decisions brought her closer to God because of her ability to “give.”

Give In - Mary gives into God’s will. An angel tells this young teenager that God wants her to be the mother of His son, our savior. When she agrees, “May it be done to me according to your word,” she becomes pregnant through the action of the Spirit of God. As events unfold around her, often to her surprise, she needs to continually seek out what God is asking of her. She looks for the word of God in people and events, listens to that word, ponders it and then acts on it. Her response to Elizabeth’s greeting, The Magnificat, is a beautiful song of praise to God and trust in Him.

“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord. My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.” Today, the Church holds Mary up as Mother of the Poor.

Never Give Up - Mary never gives up. She experiences poverty and oppression. She perseveres even through the witnessing of the violent execution of her son, Jesus. She is there at the foot of the cross. Mary’s example of trusting in God and living her life according to His will is our model. She shows great gratitude to God. She helps us to understand that in the spirit of our own gratitude to God we must **give more than we take**.

To some, it may seem as though Catholics “worship” Mary, but that’s not the case. We “venerate” her in a very special way, recognizing the important role she plays in Catholic tradition as Jesus’ mother. By praying to her, we are simply seeking her help to guide us to her son.

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Procession of flowers. – Photo by: Louise Barr, 5/2009

Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

6th Sunday of Easter



Today's Reflection:

How great it is God loves us so much that He sends Jesus to be our redeemer. Jesus tells us He loves us as God the Father loves Him, and reminds us we are to do the same for each other. This kind of love is selfless and unconditional—and involves hard work.

***How has God's love for you touched your life?
How can you share that with others?***

Next Sunday's Reading – May 24, 2009

Acts 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:17-23

Mark 16:15-20

Acts 1:1-11

This reading has an atmosphere of anticipation. Luke summarizes the life of Jesus and adds the promise of the Spirit. The disciples still want to know when Jesus will return as Messiah. Luke seems to say “Do not wait for things to happen. Wait instead for God’s Spirit, so God will give you the power to do it for yourself.”

As Jesus speaks, he disappears from view. The disciples still do not understand. Yes, Jesus will return but we are not to waste our lives in passive anticipation. We must continue the mission Jesus begins with the help of the Spirit who will work through us.

What work are you doing now to prepare for Jesus' return?

Ephesians 1:17-23

These verses describe Paul’s prayer for the community. He prays they will receive a spirit of wisdom and a revelation of divine knowledge. He defines the content of the revelation in three “what is” statements: evangelization, communal life and a personal experience of salvation and divine providence. We lead Christian lives because we receive meaning, balance and direction. The community reinforces the benefits and challenges of the Christian life.

The work of the Spirit, the overwhelming greatness of God’s power in us, becomes the reason to believe in the revealed destiny of Jesus from Nazareth. The Church is the fullness of creation. As Christ’s Body, it is the instrument that will fill everything in every possible way. The unity of Christ with his Father and the faithful to the Father through Christ is a reality we experience only in a partial way now.

How does the Ascension increase your hope in the Lord?

Mark 16:15-20

The author proposes a list of signs for the end of the world. He commissions the disciples to “Go everywhere and preach the Good News to everyone” mirroring Jesus’ mobile ministry on a universal scale. The preaching and accompanying signs reveal the presence of the Risen Lord and the power of God’s Word. The disciples are part of God’s plan for salvation.

The end times begin with the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. The logical conclusion is the Risen Lord now reigns with the Father in heaven. While Christ now reigns with the Father, He still dwells in his Body, the Church which, imperfect as an assembly of sinners, still dares to declare the Kingdom. At Christ’s second coming, all God has promised will happen. We will live forever in justice, love and peace.

Slowly pray and reflect on the “Our Father” as a prayer for the coming of the last day. How does your recitation change your outlook on the prayer?

www.word-sunday.com -Larry Broding, 1999 - 2009
World Library Publications, Jerry Galipeau, APR – AUG 2009

Please pray for:

Our deployed Military Personnel: Joey Adams, Kevin Blecha, Kale Akui Cabanilla, Daniel Carreiro, Jr., John Carvalho, David Clemons, Brian Patrick Emerson, Christopher Frost, Keoni Halemano, Manlee Herrington, Blake Homer, Michael Hun, Matthew Ingold, Brandon W. Josue, Justin Kaihenui, Clayton Kaneakalau, Kalani Kai Liana, William Lurbe, Jr., Steven P. Middlecamp, Chad Muller, Kukea Naber, Patrick Salanoa, Michael Scarborough, Shawn Robinson, Isaiah Somera, Benedict Tesoro, Jacob A. Wruck

Please continue to pray for all our military and their families and help us be current in our listing by letting us know when they return.

Our sick members and friends: Alma Ahuna, Aunty Sophie Akui, Boo-D Alapag, Jeanette Anderson, Josanne Arriaga, Nalei Beazley, Mary Cerny, Ella Chai, Dolly Creighton, Stella Dela Pina, Betty Funayama, Tom Hinderleider, Mildred Ishimoto, Norma Ishimoto, Mary A. Kaiwi, Kapua Kauwale, George McCumber Sr., Moana Medeiros, Candice Muneoka, Shirley Nakamura, Chris Pablo, Charla Jane Reeves, Daryl Jean & Lei Salima, Andres Saplada, Fred Siders, Judi Spencer, Patricia Tagupa, Jeannette Taylor, Kawika Tom, Francis Vasconcellos, Bernard Vierra, Kalani Walser, Zion Whitfield, Smitty & Diane Wong, Isabelle Young

Our deceased members & friends: Marjorie Ahloy, Erin E. Bryan, Joseph & Margaret Carreira, Ilima Cook, Brian Costa, Eva Elderts, Myrna Landgraf, Helen & Carl Langben, Erlinda Mercado, Victor Ordoñez, Joseph Popish, Agnes Simao, William & Olive Simao, Adeline Spinola, Robert Strekow, Adeline Wenska,

Anniversary of Death: Emily Makakoa (4th), George S. Pereira (4th), John P. Souza (6th), Kenneth Tai (8th), Lucio "Larry" Larrua (9th), Ronald Kam (25th)

Special Intentions: Kaipo Cayetano, Kuuipo Chai, Derek De Lima, Tilly & Manny De Mello, Lanny Fong, Emily Halas, Carmen Kiyabu, Pam Lotko, Kennidy Mello, Francis Mundon, Geraldine Nichols, Bill Trammell, Chris Treacle, Sr. Rose Henry Reeves, Unknown Souls



Cleaners: Week of 5/10/2009

Don Barton, Dennis Chai, Bill Clark, Billie Corpuz, Andrew Dau, Nancy Fukushima, Don Hee, John & Betty Kaniaupio, Frank & Carmen Kiyabu, Raynette Lum, Aileen & Judy Ma, John Quisano, Bill & Arlene Rodenhurst, Curly Rodrigues, Gary Sakamoto, Charles Shumaker, Celia Simon, Steven Vidinha, Carl Wild, Patrick & Bev Yearian

Floral Donations: Mai, Dai & Tina Nguyen

Floral Arrangement: Mervin & Renae Chun

St. Ann's Model Schools

***"Given the right conditions,
all children can learn."***



**Now Accepting Applications for
Grades 6, 7 & 8
for 2009 - 2010 School Year**

**A Model School for Direct Instruction
and Cooperative Learning**

For more information, call 247-3092, ext. 222

Accepting Summer Applications

St. Ann's Summer Program is from **June 8 - July 17, 2009**. All sessions are available for boys and girls ages 6-13 years. Summer brochures are available at the school office. To pick up a copy or register for classes, please call 247-3092, ext. 221.

Available Summer Session Positions

Early Learning Center Summer Teachers (3-5 year olds) Must meet Child Development Associate and Dept. of Human Services requirements. For application and information, call 247-3092, ext. 250

The Pearson Foundation of Hawaii

Do you have a heart for women in need? For unborn babies? If you can afford 2 hours a week, the Pearson Foundation of Hawaii, Inc., Pregnancy Problem Centers could really use your help. This is your opportunity to reach out to others with compassion and love. For more information, please call Ruth at 235-2610.



Unborn at 16 weeks old.



**(CCC) The Catholic
Communication Campaign
This Sunday - May 16 & 17**

The Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) develops media programming, projects and resources that promote Gospel values.

Fifty percent of the collection supports local communications efforts, such as televised Masses and diocesan newspapers. The other fifty percent supports the development and production of a wide range of national media programming: for example, Catholic Radio Weekly, television specials for the broadcast networks, radio and television public service announcements in both English and Spanish, and streaming video programming that offers a slice of Catholic life in this country.

The CCC collection is taken up in most parishes on the third weekend in May. Please visit www.usccb.org/cc for more information.

Windward Community Blood Drive

Date: Saturday, May 23, 2009

Time: 7:00A - 1:00P

Place: Windward Mall, Kaneohe

Requirements are simple, you need to be:

- *18 years of age or older (17 with parental consent)*
- *In good health (free of cold or flu symptoms for 72 hours)*
- *Have a valid picture ID with birth date*

Please call the Blood Bank of Hawaii to schedule your next life saving donation at 848-4721.



Special Events Reminder

**Sunday, May 24 @ 11:30A Mass
Graduation (Grade 8)**

**Friday, May 29 @ 9:00A
Graduation (Kindergarten)**

All events will be held in the Church, our sacred worship space. Please be respectful and take care of our Church. As a reminder, *balloons, banners, signs, and confetti are not allowed* in our Church.

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser

The Windward Knights of Columbus Council are selling Luau tickets to support the Pregnancy Problem Center.

Date: Saturday, May 23, 2009

Times: 6:00P Take-out, 6:15P Dinner

Cost: \$20.00 per ticket

(Tickets are redeemable for take-out or indoor serving at St. Anthony Parish, Kailua)

For more information, please call Bill Clark 235-0256, Dorman Lum 247-4644, Chuck Lehmann 239-8504, cell, 258-8335 or Deacon Billy Whitfield 343-5557. **Your support is appreciated.**

**Coming Soon to St. Ann's!
Praise & Scripture Sharing**

Date: Friday, June 5, 2009

Time: 7:00P – 9:00P at the Food Court

Join us in fellowship as we praise God singing songs and sharing His Word. All Young Adults (18 to 36) are invited to an evening of praise and scripture sharing. For more information, please call 343-5557 Deacon Billy Whitfield.

**Faith Formation Conference 2009
"Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us"**

By Lisa Gomes, Associate Director

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the U.S. Bishop's Pastoral Plan for Adult Faith Formation. Bishop Larry Silva will keynote this year's O'ahu conference.

It is open to ALL who wish to celebrate our Catholic faith and deepen our communion with Christ. Come nurture your spirit and be re-energized!

Date: Wednesday, June 24 –27, 2009

**Place: Damien Memorial School
1401 Houghtailing Street, Honolulu**

Sponsored by the Office of Religious Education
Phone: (808) 203-6747 Toll Free: (877) 263-8855
Visit www.hi-care.org for more information.

Stewardship

Return God's Blessings

Christian Stewardship is based on the fact that *all that we have* and *all that we are* comes from God. We commit ourselves to stewardship as a way of thanking God for all his blessings: returning to him a portion of the time, talent, and treasure he has allotted to us:

1. Each week, we choose what will be done with the 168 hours we have available to us. Good **stewardship of time** means we will share some of that time with God in prayer, praise and thanksgiving, and some time caring for the needs of others.
2. Every person has a flair for something. Good **stewardship of talent** means we identify our talents and use them to glorify God and to help other people.
3. Although the amounts vary significantly, we all bring some kind of revenue into our households. Good **stewardship of treasure** means we intentionally plan to donate a set percentage of our income to the church and other charities. As a final act of stewardship, we should prayerfully consider leaving a portion of our assets to the Church in our wills.



Christian Stewardship is an expression of gratitude to God. It reminds us that we are the administrators, not the owners, of our assets. It fills a need deep within each of us to worship God and to thank Him for the abundant blessings He has showered upon us.

www.catholiclubbock.org/stewardship/stewardship.asp

FINANCIAL PROFILE FOR WEEK OF May 10, 2009

Regular Collection	16,022.75	BUILDING CAMPAIGN	
Special Collection		Loan Amount	126,951.75
Children's Weekly	23.50	Week of 5/10/2009	2,708.75
Building Fund and Pledges	2,708.75	Interest	
TOTAL COLLECTION	18,755.00	BALANCE	124,243.00

For the needed renovations of the Parish Center and on-going maintenance, thanks to you we have a great start!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (Total to Date): \$276,716.70

Gift-wrap your Sunday donation by using the church numbered envelopes. Call the Rectory, 247-3092, ext.244

How Do I Share God's Gifts With Others?

I forgave my friends when they made me sad. – Keila

I cleaned my room without a fuss. – Alissa U.

I help my Mom & Dad everyday. – Agnes B.



Welcome To The Lord's Table

On Saturday and Sunday, May 16 & 17 we welcome these children to the Lord's Table to receive the **Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist for the first time**. Along with their parents, catechists, and the Community of St. Ann's, they will come to understand that each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we receive the mission to share the love of Jesus with everyone we meet and to make our world a better place to live.

The children have been preparing to receive their First Communion for the past year and participated in retreats, prayer services & parent/child sessions.

Amber	Abara	Addie	Fisette	Gabriel	Paekukui
Kealana	Almeida	Carlos	Furukawa	Damien	Pakele
Gabrielle	Barker	Tiffany	Gatanis	Zane	Pink
Jannellie	Basilio	Kala'i	Guitguiten	Santino	Ramirez
Shantel	Basilio	Riley	Hata	Derek	Repollo
Giancarlo	Batungbacal	Jacob	Hinderleider	Levanna	Rosen
Alissa	Bautista	Connor	Hummell	James IV	Sanders
Keiana	Bonawitz	Kacie	Karimoto	Cayli-Rose	Santana
Agnes	Brown	Kolby	Kirby	Andrea	Santos
Kaiser	Cambra-Cho	Chandler	Law	Ryan	Schenk
Tyna-Jean	Caniete	Bailey	Lee	Briann	Silva
Shaelo	Dalire-Na'auao	Dylan	Leming	Ashli	Sordillia
Shane	Dalire-Na'auao	Andrew	Lo	Tehlor	Takahata
Shayden	Dalire-Na'auao	Micah	Malina	Jenna	Takano
Alayna	DeLauro	Melia	Manu	Kristina	Tanoura
Christian	Dover	Maecee	Meyers	Jessica	Terry
Frank IV	Felix	Micah	Miyashiro	Sean	Voloch
				Cassidy	Yim

Summer Scripture Sharing – Join Us!

Prepare your hearts and minds to receive the Word of God as we **explore the Sunday Liturgy readings**.

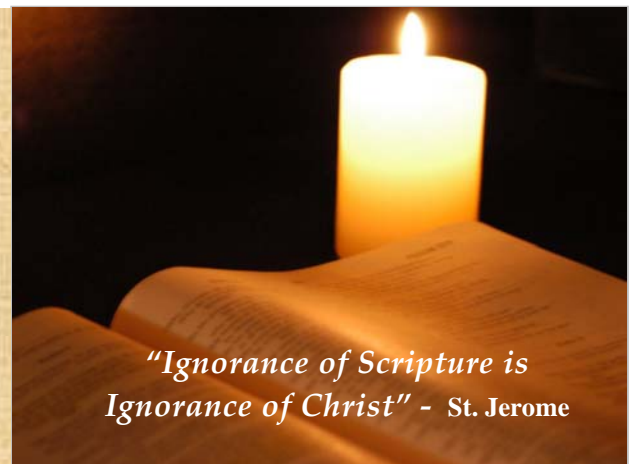
Date: June 8 – August 18, 2009 (Tuesdays)

Time: 7:00P – 8:30P

Place: St. Ann's Parish Center, 2nd floor

No registration. No homework. No fees.

For information contact Trudy 255-4131



"Ignorance of Scripture is Ignorance of Christ" - St. Jerome