

# Proud History Bright Future

August 9, 2009

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

## The Transfiguration of The Lord

August 6

From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master “began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things...and be killed, and on the third day be raised.”

Peter and the others do not understand. In this context, the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain before Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking “of his departure, which he is to accomplish at Jerusalem.” A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: **“This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to Him!”**

The **Transfiguration of Jesus** is an event in the Synoptic Gospels in which Jesus undergoes transfiguration upon a mountain (Matthew 17:1-6, Mark 9:1-8, Luke 9:28-36). The original Greek term in the Gospels is *metamorphothe*, describing Jesus as having undergone metamorphosis.

Jesus becomes transfigured, his face shining like the sun, and his clothes a brilliant white. Elijah and Moses suddenly appear with Jesus and talk with him. Luke states they talk about Jesus' future death. Then, a bright cloud appears overhead and a voice from Heaven proclaims, "This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased," which parallels a similar event during the Baptism of Jesus.

Catholic Tradition has it as literally happening on Mount Tabor. Some modern scholars, together with the ancient gnostics, believe the Synoptic Gospels should be understood allegorically. For these scholars, Moses and Elijah represent the Law and the Prophets. Their conversation with Jesus symbolizes how Jesus fulfills "the law and the prophets" (Matthew 5:17-19.)



The Transfiguration – Lodovico Carracci 1594

After the cloud, Elijah and Moses disappear, Jesus and the three Apostles head down the mountain. Jesus tells his Apostles to keep the event a secret until after the *Son of Man* has risen from the dead. The Apostles question Jesus about Elijah, and he responds, “*Elijah has come indeed*” (Mark 9:12-13). Jesus is referring to John the Baptist who has come to prepare for the day of the Lord. The Apostles do not yet clearly understand that one day we will inherit the promise of resurrection and life in the kingdom of heaven.

[www.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transfiguration\\_of\\_Our\\_Lord](http://www.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transfiguration_of_Our_Lord)  
Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1997 United States Catholic Conference

Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary

19<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday  
in  
Ordinary  
Time



*I am the living bread, whoever eats  
this bread will live forever. – John 6:51*

**Today's Reflection:**

**"Be imitators of God, as beloved children and live in love."** Paul tells us we must give up our anger and bitterness and become compassionate and forgiving. Such a task can be daunting, yet we have the capacity, as baptized believers, to face and meet this challenge. It takes time and patience. When we are impatient with each other or with God, anger and bitterness can creep in and take hold of us. But if we practice the virtue of patience, we can transform anger and bitterness into kindness, compassion, and forgiveness.

*What are some ways we can practice the virtue of patience? How can we imitate God's forgiveness & compassion?*

**Next Sunday's Reading – August 16, 2009**

**Proverbs 9:1-6**

**Eph 5:15-20**

**John 6:51-58**

**First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6**

The ancient Hebrew scribes describe wisdom as a wealthy lady who builds her house on seven pillars. While we can but speculate on the precise meaning of the pillars, we do know the number seven denotes fullness. The pillars represent the solid, unassailable foundation of true wisdom. The scribes believe true wisdom is eternal because it comes from God.

While it may take experience to separate wisdom from folly and fad, the first step to wisdom begins with a simple invitation. To accept the invitation to seek wisdom requires humility. It requires a realization that we do not possess that which we seek, indeed, a hunger for the gifts of wisdom. It also requires a mind-set that

recognizes wisdom *can* feed us. Ultimately, it requires a thirst for the source of wisdom: God.

***What degree of thirst do you have for God and his wisdom?***

**Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20**

Paul cautions these early Christians, "Brothers and sisters, be careful how you live" and "do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is." Knowing the will of the Lord and applying it are two different things. It is no different than words without actions. Those who believe in Christ *must* apply their love of Jesus towards God and others through their actions.

God calls us to be his children and to praise Him in all things, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among ourselves and in our hearts, always giving thanks to the Father for everything in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

***What are some ways to apply your love for Jesus in your relationships?***

**Gospel: John 6:51-58**

In this gospel, Jesus cuts to the heart of Christian fellowship (based upon union with its risen Master) and the scandal it causes the Judaism of the Pharisees (based upon adherence to the Torah and its traditions). In a very real sense, Christians gather and become one with the Lord at a meal that celebrates his death. Jesus identifies himself as "the bread that comes down from heaven." When He makes the connection to his flesh as the bread, many Jews reject him. No Jew would ever eat the flesh of another human being.

The phrase, "the living bread," is the key in understanding Jesus' meaning. The living bread keeps giving without being exhausted because the divine source of the bread is unending. Jesus offers his followers a source of life so powerful, it can only come from God. He demands involvement so that all other possessions, positions, and relationships are secondary. A relationship with Jesus is the only thing that is real, the only thing that matters. The source of Jesus' life and mission is the "living Father."

***How have you experienced Christ in the Eucharist?***

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

## ***Please pray for:***

**Our deployed Military Personnel:** Joey Adams, Michael Alau, Kevin Blecha, Kale Akui Cabanilla, Daniel Carreiro, Jr., John Carvalho, David Clemons, Brian Patrick Emerson, Christopher Frost, Keoni Halemano, Blake Homer, Michael Hun, Matthew Ingold, Brandon W. Josue, Justin Kaihenui, Clayton Kaneakalau, Kalani Kai Liana, William Lurbe, Jr., Steven P. Middlecamp, Kukea Naber, Patrick Salanoa, 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:** Isaac E. K. Adams, Priscilla Adams, Josanne Arriaga, Nalei Beazley, Annie Calizar, George Calizar, Mary Ann Carvalho, Ella Chai, Dolly Creighton, Emily Donato, Betty Funayama, Deogracias Garcia, Jr., Shiela Garcia, Herberta Gaspar, Alberta Gouveia, Edith Grote, Joseph "Kealoha" Hewett, Tom Hinderleider, Mildred Ishimoto, Norma Ishimoto, Napu & Richard Kong, Sr. Jane Francis Leandro, Theresa Logan, George McCumber Sr., Cleghorn McKee, Moana Medeiros, Regina Meleisea, Charla Jane Reeves, Andres Saplada, Henry Sermersheim, Fred Siders, Vickie Solidum, Judi Spencer, Francis Vasconcellos, Bernard Vierra, Kalani Walser, Marsha Yim

**Our deceased members & friends:** Samuel K. Akiona, Joseph & Margaret Carreira, Patricia Ferreira, Honorato Fuentes, Sarah Kutchko, Carl & Helen Langben, Fr. Jack Niland, Vivian Pickens, Agnes Simao, William & Olive Simao, Adeline Spinola, Sixta Ugale

**Anniversary of Death:** Alice Smith (3<sup>rd</sup>), Adam J. Myers (5<sup>th</sup>), Benigno Peneyra (10<sup>th</sup>), Dr. U'i lani Bermudez (10<sup>th</sup>), Federico Alikpala, Sr. (30<sup>th</sup>)

**Special Intentions:** Kuuipo Chai, Lanny Fong, Kennedy Mello, Francis Mundon, Rosie & Danny Smith, Bill Trammell, Chris Treakle

*Thank You*

### **Cleaners: Week of 8/2/2009**

Don Barton, Marie Blanca, Dennis Chai, Billie Corpuz, Stella Dela Pina, Nancy Fukushima, Ligaya Guzman, Don Hee, Angela Jocson, Barbara Kaina, John & Betty Kaniaupio, Frank & Carmen Kiyabu, Agnes Leong, Kim McDaniel, John Murray, John Quisano, Loren & Judy Rocheford, Bill & Arlene Rodenhurst, Curly Rodrigues, Gary Sakamoto, Debbie Silva, Celia Simon, Robert Tabaniag, Carl Wild, Patrick & Bev Yearian

**Floral Donations:** Mai, Dai & Tina Nguyen

**Floral Arrangement:** Lilian & Jerry McClellan

## **Registration for Religious Education Programs - (Starting August 23!)**

It's time to register your keiki for the Religious Education and Youth Ministry Programs.

**Date: This Sunday, August 9, 2009**

**Time: 8:00A – 12:00N at the Food Court**  
(or online at [www.saintannshawaii.org](http://www.saintannshawaii.org))

Children and teens, ages potty-trained 3 year olds through 18 year olds. RE/YM classes begin August 23rd.

**New/Returning youth must be registered to attend.**



***No child will be refused because of costs.***

***Scholarships are available upon request.*** For more information call the RE Office at 247-3092 ext. 225.

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## **If You're A "Techie" – We Need You!**

The AV/Tech support ministry needs more helpers for ALL Masses. Especially for the Saturday 6:00P Mass, Sunday 8:45A and 5:00P Masses. Technical savvy teens or adults are welcome. Experience is not required as we will provide training.

For more information or to volunteer, please call the Rectory at 247-3092, ext. 231.

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## **Next Spiritual Retreat (BCC)**

Strengthen your faith and deepen your relationship with God. Take this opportunity to open your heart and renew your spirit, so that you can grow as a faithful witness to Jesus.

**Dates: September 25-27, 2009**

**Time: 5:00P Friday - Mid-afternoon Sunday**

**Place: St. Anthony's Retreat Center**

Information fliers are available at the back of the Church or visit their website: [www.bcchi.com](http://www.bcchi.com)

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Hunger Walk 2009

Hawaii Foodbank is holding their annual Hunger Walk on:

**Date: Saturday, August 29, 2009**

**Place: Honolulu Civic Center**

**Time: 8:00A (registration) Walk: 9:00A**

An information table will be at the back of the vestibule after the weekend Masses beginning **August 8 & 9 and 15 & 16**. Also, you can bring your donations to the Church Rectory or to the Project Share Office M-F from 8:00A – 5:00P.

Your support helps to purchase products from the Hawaii Foodbank to supplement our St. Ann's food pantry. *Mahalo for your kokua!*

## Christmas Festival – 4 Months Away!

**This year's Christmas Festival will be on Saturday, December 5, 2009.** Please keep us in mind for any donated items to help support our various booths. (We will need baked goods, jams and jellies, potted plants and flowers, handmade arts and crafts, quilts, any new household items, and Christmas greenery.)

Also, a favorite booth **Hey, Mr. Postman** returns again. **Here's what you can do:**

- *When you are on vacation, look for something unique or interesting and pack it for mailing.*
- *Write or email your family and friends in far-off places and ask them to send a package.*
- *All donated items should have a \$5.00 minimum value.*
- *Mark your parcel with General, Adult or Child.*
- **Mail to:** St. Ann Church  
Hey Mr. Postman  
46-129 Haiku Road  
Kaneohe, HI 96744

*(See Church bulletin board for complete details.)*

### **Crafters' Workshops will be on:**

**Wednesdays, AUG 12, 19 & 26 @ 9A – 12N**

**Thursdays, AUG 13, 20 & 27 @ 6:30P-9:00P**

**Place: 46-280 Hoana Street, Kaneohe**

Donations can be dropped off at the Business office: M-F 7:30A – 4:30P. For more information call Daniel Pires at 247-0868, Phyllis Pires at 247-3092, ext. 248 or Sharon Mattos at 247-3092, ext. 244.

## Happy Birthday Bishop Larry Silva!

August 6

*Thank you for your leadership and vision for the Church in Hawaii. We have our Road Map and we are on the journey together.*

*May the Good God continue to bless you with good health, happiness and length of days.*

*United with you in the Sacred Hearts,  
St. Ann's Parish*



## RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

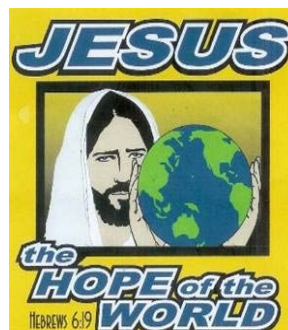
Please join us if you or someone you care about is thinking of joining the Catholic Church or is an Adult Catholic but has not been confirmed or has not received first Eucharist.

**Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2009**

**Time: 7:30P in the Parish Center**

For more information, call Tom and Gloria Huber at 235-1437.

## Hawaii Catholic Charismatic



### Renewal Services

You're invited to the Annual Conference on:

**Dates: August 14 - 16, 2009**

- **Friday, August 14 @ 5:00P-10:00P**
  - **Saturday, August 15 @ 8:00A – 10:00P**
  - **Sunday, August 16 @ 1:00P – 4:00P**
- Place: St. John Apostle and Evangelist**  
95-370 Kuahelani Avenue  
Mililani, Hawaii 96789

**Keynote Speaker:** Fr. Daniel Balizan is an enthusiastic speaker with a special gift for encouragement. He currently is the pastor of St. Patrick/St. Joseph Parish in Raton, NM. He serves as the Archbishop's Liaison to the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe.

For information call Florence Andrade at 455-3224 or visit their website at <http://www.hccrs.net>

# Stewardship

## POSSIBLE *Making The Impossible*

In January 2008 St. Ann's began a capital campaign to raise funds to address repairs and deferred maintenance needs of the parish. Six months later, the Diocese came forward with a statewide campaign to address the near and long term needs identified in the Diocesan Road Map.

Instead of conducting two simultaneous campaigns, St. Ann's has chosen to do a **combined campaign**. The funds raised in this effort will go toward the renovation of the parish center and fulfill our role in the Diocesan effort. This approach gives us a number of advantages:

1. We have the benefit of helping the neediest in our Diocese while helping ourselves.
2. By conducting a formal **combined campaign** we receive experienced professional help in organizing and implementing the campaign plan.
3. The pledge redemption will be handled by the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation.
4. The Diocese lowered our original diocesan target to help us reach our St. Ann's goal.



This effort is important to St Ann's and the needs of our Diocese. Please welcome the volunteer when they call. They are fellow parishioners working out of love for our parish towards helping us reach our goal.

**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.

Please visit the campaign website at: [www.withgratefulhearts.org](http://www.withgratefulhearts.org)

### FINANCIAL PROFILE FOR WEEK OF August 2, 2009

Regular Collection	14,826.96	BUILDING CAMPAIGN	
Special Collection		Loan Amount	70,306.71
Children's Weekly	23.54	Week of 8/2/2009	6,963.00
Building Fund and Pledges	6,963.00	Interest	
<b>TOTAL COLLECTION</b>	<b>21,813.50</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>63,343.71</b>

*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?

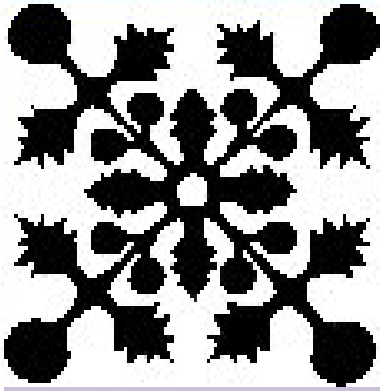
I made a poster for my friends that said, "welcome back!" – Keila M.

I helped my Mom take stuff out of the car from camping. – Ilima M.

I did my chores for the week without being asked. – Taylor S.

I helped fold Grandma's laundry without being asked. – Laynee S.

I helped to clean the fish tank. – Sarah



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual BILAC on `Oahu - 2009

**Big Island Learning & Arts Center** Conference will be held at Chaminade University/Saint Louis School/Marianist Center of Hawaii. The conference offers various workshops on topics involving liturgical and musical ministries, community building, personal spirituality and wellbeing. One highlight of the conference is the evening concerts that combine performances by well-known liturgical musicians and composers from across the nation.

**Dates: November 5 – 7, 2009**

**Place: Chaminade University/St. Louis School /Marianist Center of Hawaii**

**Phone: (808) 967-7788**

**Mail to: P.O. Box 706, Volcano, Hawaii, 96785**

**or email Joe Camacho at [Kano35712@aol.com](mailto:Kano35712@aol.com)**

*Complete workshop listing and registration forms are available online at <http://www.marianisthawaii.org>  
Early registration is encouraged.*

## St. Ann's 5th Annual Scholarship Dinner

### Planners & Volunteers Needed!

Our 5th Annual "An Affair of the Heart" Scholarship Dinner, Dance & Silent Auction will be held on **Saturday, February 6, 2010 at the beautiful Koolau Golf Club Grand Ballroom.**

This worthwhile and elegant evening is put on by St. Ann's Education Council Members, a Council made up of parents from the ELC, School, Religious Education & Youth Ministry Programs and members of the school administration. Last year we raised over \$45,000 in scholarship funds due to the generous hearts of our parishioners, parents and local businesses.

As we begin planning for our 5th Annual Event, we are looking for volunteers who want to share their time and talent for this worthy cause. We are seeking help with planning the event, mailouts (clerical) and marketing, silent auction solicitations, flowers & decor (centerpieces/favors) and entertainment. **If you or anyone you know may be interested, please call our Education Offices at 247-3092, ext. 221.**

***Thank you for your continued support!***