

February 2022

19-20 - Bring in your old palms for Ash Wed (March 2)
 26-27 - Voluntary Emergency 2nd Collection for Tonga.
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 23—Rosary for Life, 6pm, Holy Ghost Church
 27 - HG Feast 2019 Booth Chairs, meeting 10:30 at HG hall

**New update: 7am Weekday Mass on Wednesdays
 only will be celebrated at Holy Ghost Church.**

Stewardship of Treasure, Feb. 12 & 13, 2022

Weekly Offertory	\$2,215.00
Building & Maint Fund	\$165.00
Ohana in Christ	\$1,250.00
Augustine Foundation	\$678.00
Mass Intention	\$55.00
Prayer Quilt donation	\$50.00
HG Gift Shop Sales	13.28
HG Credit card sales	\$53.65
TOTAL DEPOSIT	\$4,479.93

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



The month of February is the special collection for the Building & Maintenance Fund. Please kokua and help us rebuild this important fund so we can continue the repairs to the interiors of our cherished churches and buildings. Mahalo for your support!

Prayer Quilt Ministry: The recipient of the 170th quilt is Marie Robello who is in need of our prayers. May God's healing blessings be with her. The power of prayer is what this ministry is founded on to bring comfort in times of illness and distress. The only criteria to be gifted a prayer quilt is that the person is experiencing serious life challenges. Please call the office, and I'll forward the request to the Ladies.

Holy Ghost Gift Shop: The Gift Shop is open on Wednesdays & Fridays from 11am to 3pm. In addition they will continue to open after the 5pm Mass & on Sundays from 9am to 10:45am. Phone 878-1091 during shop hours. Holy Ghost Church will be opened when Gift Shop is open. **Homebound Parishioners:** If you would like to have an E.M. come to your home and administer Communion to you, please call the Office 878-1261. **Affected by COVID-19 CRISIS:** Please call the Catholic Charities Maui at 873-4673, press 1 and leave a message for rental, mortgage and utilities help. Federal funds available for back rent & utilities! **Non-Perishable Food donations:** Please continue to bring in a food item when you can and leave it at the front entrance on the floor or counter. MAHALO! **Church Bulletin Announcements:** due by Wednesday at noon prior to weekend. **Office will be closed: Thursday, February 24th**



A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

How have we experienced God's mercy in our lives? How might our thinking, attitudes, words and actions reflect God's mercy on someone else today?

RCIA Classes

If you are an adult and have not received all of your sacraments of initiation (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation) and are interested in becoming fully initiated please contact the office for more information.

CANNOT MARRY IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH DUE TO A PRIOR MARRIAGE?

Pope Francis streamlined the process to petition for a declaration of nullity to make the process shorter. He also eliminated the mandatory fee. If a person is able to prove in this process that their prior marital bond was invalid for some reason, then he or she can marry in the Catholic Church or validate a current civil marriage. For assistance in petitioning, please contact the Parish Office who can assist you as an advocate.

Liturgical Ministers: Weekly Mass Schedule: Feb. 26 & 27

Holy Ghost Mission Church 5:00pm (Open Seating)
 (L) J. & C. White

Our Lady Queen of Angels 7:00am (Open Seating)
 (L) P. Kaialilii, C. Sylva

Holy Ghost Mission Church 9:30am (Open Seating)
 (L) J. & L. Ritchie

Holy Ghost Mission Church 11:00am (Reservations required)
 (L) MJ Bega

On-Line Giving: Online donations may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online donations are credited to your Year End Tax Statement (except when made anonymously). You can change your account preferences and or donation amounts at any time. Please visit our website

www.kulacatholiccommunity.org

Electronic Gate at Our Lady Queen of Angels: Monday to Friday, gate opens at 6am, closes at 7pm; Saturday-gate opens at 6am to noon; Sunday, gate opens at 6am—9:30am only.

Kula Roman Catholic Community Bulletin

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Kula Catholic Community Mission Statement

The Kula Catholic Community, blessed by God, inspired by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, seeks to worship God with sincerity of heart, witness the Gospel by our words and actions, share Christian values in our personal and community lives, and offer service to all people.



Pastor, Rev. Anton Nyo, M.S.
 Secretary: Donna Ventura
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Livestreaming of 7am Mass continues
 Facebook site: Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, icon: Mary's Grotto

Henrietta Chong and attorney Peter Horovitz were named Volunteers of the Year at the 36th Maui Economic Opportunity Volunteer Celebration on Monday, Feb. 14th

Sandy Baz, County Managing Director presented award



Nominated by the Early childhood Services department, Henrietta has led the parishioners of the three churches of Kula Catholic Community in providing Thanksgiving meals and Christmas gifts to Head Start families in need for the last 15 years. Debbi Amaral (pic left), Early Childhood Services Director, Congratulated Henrietta again for being recognized as their Volunteer of the Year and



and extends their MAHALO to all the parishioners for their generous contributions supporting the MEO Head Start Keiki and Families!! Henrietta shared, she has been attending the MEO's Volunteer Luncheon regularly and never dreamed of being selected as Volunteer of the Year among corporations and companies. "We are small potatoes, but God likes small potatoes," Henrietta told the gathering. "The important message would be...you don't have to belong to a corporation or a company to do good things, to make a difference in people's lives. It starts with you. It starts from here (your heart), a desire to help others." Henrietta wants to tell our Parishioners; we are a small Parish but BIG IN HEART. We are the little Parish that could and did! This award is for all of us!

This Sunday's Gospel
Thoughts for the Week
February 20, 2022



1st Reading 1 Sm 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23
David Spares Saul

This Old Testament tradition shows us a beautiful feature of David's character—his magnanimity. He spares his enemy when he could easily kill him with impunity! Note that David's reason for letting Saul live is that he does not dare to lay hands on the Lord's anointed king out of the fear that he might be punished.

With reference to today's Gospel, the point of this reading for us is mainly David's compassion to be followed. Though his motive is good and laudable, we could not expect David (1000 B.C.) already to possess the insight and motivation that the Gospel gives for moral behavior. The Responsorial Psalm's accent on the mercy of God introduces the Gospel exhortation to be compassionate.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

2nd Reading 1 Cor 15:45-49
Grace Builds on Nature

Paul compares our risen Lord Jesus with the Adam of the Book of Genesis. Adam is our origin and model as plain human beings. Jesus Christ is our origin and model as baptized Christians who are reborn from water and the Spirit. As such, we are now already like "the heavenly one," Jesus Christ, to a certain extent. Our likeness to Christ will be realized more perfectly in the resurrection.

During our lifetime we should constantly grow into the likeness of the risen Lord, and in him into the likeness of the heavenly Father!

Gospel Lk 6:27-38
Love for Enemies

This reading continues Jesus' sermon in which he challenges his followers to attain perfection. Throughout the ages countless men and women have tried to follow the recommendations set forth in this sermon and those who have succeeded have become great saints. We also should try to do so.

The exhortation to "lend expecting nothing back" should cause us no wonder if we remember that in Biblical times money did not yet have the commercial function it has now. Moreover, there is a vast difference between a bank granting a business loan and an individual helping a friend as well as possible under the circumstances.

We might also compare the motivation for showing mercy to others found in the words "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful" with that of David (First Reading). Both motives are good, but the one of the Gospel is the more perfect. The Gospels offer many reasons for us to be generous.

Mass Intentions



February 19, 2022

◆ 5:00pm: Gary Souza (Healing); Roselle Armitage (Healing); Lawrence Shim (Heavenly Birthday)

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◆ 7:00am: Ginny Gonsalves (Healing); Amy Silva (Deceased)

◆ 9:30am: Pro-Populo (For the People); Catherine Quill (Deceased)

◆ 11:00am: Ken Ono (Thanksgiving Blessings)

Pray for the Sick : *Hayden Gonsalves-Hernandez, Rosa Maria Santos, Kainoa Spenser, Rowland Lee, Jason Allencastre, Charles "Bala" Spencer, Father Adondee, Cru Silva, Jennifer McMahon, Mary B. Oliveira, Ben Kikuyama, Tasha Ham-DePonte, Dwight & Milagros Joan, Sr., Larry Pascual, Dolores Saki, Lucie Marie Cochran, James Gonzalez-Wesley, Chiree Souza, John Otto, Kevin O'Brien, Colin Yoshida, Frances Garcia, George Poteet, Judith Wagner, Kameryn Rylee Blackburn, Aeris Joseph, Canaska Gonzales, Shantel Kapoi, Maggi Fleming, Reagen Olivares, Ginny Gonsalves, Eleanor Martin, Yvonne Fukumoto, Kehau May, Tammy Jardine, Gary Souza, Marie Robello and Roselle Armitage.*

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility"

As part of our Pro-Life Ministry, we say the Rosary for Life on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6pm at Holy Ghost Church. Our next Rosary will be on **February 23rd. Please come and join us as we pray for our Blessed Mother's intercession. Any questions please call Cathy White at 269-5449.**

Bereavement Committee: *Lorraine & Damien Pires, Maggie Flinn, Jeanne Ono and Wayne & Dotty Purdy. Mahalo!*

PASTOR'S CORNER

My Dear Brothers and Sisters/ Parishioners / Co-sojourners as Kula Catholic Community,

To love and forgive our friends is "human" but to love and forgive our enemies is "Divine."

In the gospel, Jesus asks us to love our enemies and pray for those who hate us and to go extra miles for those who take advantage of us. There is no way by our human standard and capacity that we can apply this in our lives but only by the power of God.

We also heard from the first reading that David did not take advantage on the weakness of his enemy, King Saul. Instead, David proved to King Saul that he was not his enemy; and the result is peace and reconciliation. Even though Jesus as human is the son of David, but as Divine, He is the father of David because Jesus exists from the beginning and the loving and forgiving heart of Jesus reflected in David.

Sometimes in our real life, the victim is the one, who initiates forgiveness and reconciliation. Let us now call on the Lord, to grant us His mighty power and strength to forgive those who wronged us and pray for those who hate us for the Lord loves and forgives us all our sins.

Father Anton Nyo, M.S.

Pic: Father Anton with Arthur & Betty Ventura celebrating Kula Catholic Community's Longest Married Couple, February 12, 2022! Congratulations!



Congratulations L J!



L J Morikawa was selected by League Coaches as the MIL Defensive Player of the Year!



L J is the son of Lance & Sandra Morikawa. Serving the Church runs in this family. Pic above, Lance & Sandra has adopted Mary's grove to clean. Even with L J's crazy school schedule, you can usually find L J assisting with Social Ministry projects, particularly with the Angel Tree and Thanksgiving Basket project and any other service when he is available. Per his Mom, "L J has shared that his love of God and hard work has gotten him to where he is today." Amen

Aloha and Mahalo Mary!



Mary Covey will be moving back home to Michigan on February 22 to take care of her mom. She's very active in church and serves in various ministries. She's a lector and former PPC Secretary. Although you will be dearly missed, we are inspired by your decision to take on one of God's greatest ministries, being a caregiver to a parent. Take care and God Bless you on your next journey. A Hui Hou Mary!