



St. Joseph Church

Christmas 2010 issue

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Joseph Church

Weekdays: Mon. - Fri.

6:00 am & 12:15 pm

Legal Holidays:

7:00 am

Saturday: 7:00 am

Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday:

St. Joseph Church

7:00 am, 9:00 am,

11:45 am & 6:00 pm

Confession:

Saturday:

10:00 am - 11:00 am

St. Joseph Church

or by appointment

*Please note:

confession schedule

does not apply during

some liturgical seasons.

Prayer Times

Adoration:

M-F 4-5:00 pm

Sat 3-3:30 pm

Sun 4-4:30 pm

Evening Prayer &

Benediction

M-F 5:00 pm

Sat 3:30 pm

Sun 4:30 pm



New Year's Mass Schedule (there will be no evening prayer & benediction on these days)

Thurs. 12/30 7 am Mass

Sat. 01/01 9 am Mass

New Year's Day

Fri. 12/31 7 am Mass

Sun. 01/02 7 am Mass

Christmas Eve 7 pm Mass

Epiphany 9 am Mass

11:45 am Mass

6 pm Mass

Reflection

by Father Greg Friedman, O.F.M.



One of my Franciscan confreres, Brother Tim, enjoys celebrating this season so much that we've dubbed him "Father Christmas." Tim credits his love of Christmas to his father. One Christmas Eve in the 1960s when Tim was a youngster, his dad piled all the kids into the car to get them out of the house so Mom could make final holiday preparations. As they drove past Sears, Tim's father suggested a walk through the toy department, to enjoy the sights and sounds.

One display attracted everyone's attention—

a huge auto racing set.

As the kids oohed and aahed over it, Tim's dad suddenly said, "You like it? Let's take it home!" And to the utter amazement of the children, he bought the set, squeezed it and the kids back into the car, and they all drove home. Even today, as Tim recalls his father's extravagant gesture, tears come to his eyes.

The extravagance of Tim's father reminds me of *God's* extravagance in giving us Jesus. Our own Christmas giving is meant to symbolize God's generosity to us. As we give our gifts—large or small—let's be grateful that the Father gave us the greatest gift of all.

"Sunday Soundbite" for St. Anthony Messenger Press, on the Web at FranciscanRadio.org

Mission Statement:

Centered on the Word of God and the Eucharist we gather as a community of disciples of Jesus Christ as we seek fullness of life.

Blessed with many cultures and gifted with the Hawaiian spirit of Aloha we pledge to share our heritage and our faith, and commit ourselves to the full development of our people.

With Saint Joseph as our patron we offer our gift of self for the greater glory of God.

Pastor's Corner Feast of the Holy Family

Dear brothers and sisters,

Merry Christmas to all of you!

As we contemplate the Incarnation of the Son of God, we praise God who created the family of humankind and who, in the fullness of time, sent his Son to be part of our family. May today's feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph teach us to value family life and to live in peace with one another as members of the one family of God.

Let me share with you what the late Pope John Paul II wrote in Ecclesia in Asia, n 46. "The family is the normal place where the young grow to personal and social maturity. It is also the bearer of the heritage of humanity itself, because through the family life is passed on from generation to generation. The family occupies a very important place and family values like filial respect, love and care for the aged and the sick, love of children and harmony are held in high esteem ...

Seen through Christian eyes, the family is the "domestic church". The Christian family, like the Church as a whole, should be a place where the truth of the Gospel is the rule of life and the gift which the family members bring to the wider community. The family is not simply the object of the Church's pastoral care; it is also one of the Church's most effective agents of evangelization. Christian families today are called to witness to the Gospel in difficult times and circumstances, when the family itself is threatened by an array of forces. To be an agent of evangelization in such a time, the Christian family needs to be genuinely "the domestic church," humbly and lovingly living out the Christian vocation. "

Let us pray for all Christian families:

Jesus, our most loving redeemer, you came to enlighten the world with your teaching and example. You willed to spend the greater part of your life in humble obedience to Mary and Joseph in the poor home of Nazareth. In this way, you sanctified that family, which was to be an example for all Christian families.

Graciously accept our family, which we dedicate and consecrate to you this day. Be pleased to protect, guard, and keep it in holy fear, in peace, and in the harmony of Christian charity. By conforming ourselves to the Divine model of your family, may we attain Fullness of life in you.

Amen.

God bless you,

Fr. Samuel E. Loterte, SSS

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Parish Hall Collection to date	\$ 463,613.83



•Cindy Pavao, Robert, Precious, Brock
& Kalani Kamakahi

Scripture Readings

Sunday, Dec. 26

Sir 3:2-7, 12-14
Ps 128:1-5
Col 3:12-21
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday, Dec. 27

1 Jn 1:1-4
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday, Dec. 28

1 Jn 1:5-2:2
Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8
Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday, Dec. 29

1 Jn 2:3-11
Ps 96:1-3, 5-6
Lk 2:22-35

Thursday, Dec. 30

1 Jn 2:12-17
Ps 96:7-10
Lk 2:36-40

Friday, Dec. 31

1 Jn 2:18-21
Ps 96:1-2, 11-13
Jn 1:1-18

Saturday, Jan. 01

Nm 6:22-17
Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8
Gal 4:4-7
Lk 2:16-21

Sunday, Jan 02

Is 60:1-6
Mt 2:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

*Eternal Rest
Grant unto them
O Lord and
Let perpetual light
shine upon them*

+Mary Dorothy Martin

+Josephine Edwards

`Ahahui Hale O Nā Ali`i O Hawai`i

Each year, on January 1st, the `Ahahui Hale O Na Ali`i O Hawai`i, celebrates the Anniversary of the birth of HRH Princess Abigail Wahiikaahuula Campbell Kawānanakoa on O`ahu, while sister chapters honor her at their respective churches. The Hilo Lodge, Halau O Kalakaua, would like to extend its sincere MAHALO A NUI LOA to St. Joseph's Church for allowing us to celebrate her anniversary on this island of Hawai`i at the 9:00 am Sunday mass on January 2, 2011. The Princess' mother church from birth through her passing on April 12, 1945 was Our Lady of Peace Cathedral in downtown Honolulu.



The `Ahahui Hale O Nā Ali`i O Hawai`i is a benevolent organization where men and women are Hawaiian. The organization was founded by the Princess Abigail Wahiikaahu`ula Kawānanakoa in 1918. Princess Kawānanakoa was the daughter of James Campbell and HRH Abigail Kaihelani Maipinepine of Lahaina, Maui. She married Prince David Kahalepouli Kawānanakoa Pi`ikoi. Princess Kawānanakoa's profound desire was to reach out through the islands and organize a unique society of Hawaiian men and women; to unite and uphold the morale of her people; and to gain deeper respect for each other. Its goals and objectives reflect the Princess' most important desire; "to unite her people into one cause Perpetuality of the Hawaiian Culture", while at the same time helping each other in sickness and in the loss of a loved one.

There are seven [7] lodges in the State Benevolent Society governed by a State Board of Governors of the `Ahahui Hale O Na Ali`i O Hawai`i; on the Big Island we have a chapter in Hilo and Waimea; two chapters on O`ahu and a chapter on each of the islands of Maui, Kaua`i and Moloka`i.

This Week's Calendar

MONDAY, December 27

- 10:00 am •Aloha Choir Rehearsal/Church
- 12:30 pm •Food Pantry/Mtg. Room
- 5:15 pm •Bible Study w/Sr. Marykuty/Conf. Room
- 6:00 pm •RCIA Classes/Library

TUESDAY, December 28

- 7:00 pm •Novena (Rosary 6:30 pm)/Mtg. Room

WEDNESDAY, December 29

- 12:30 pm •Food Pantry/Malia Puka O Kalani Church
- 6:00 pm •Basic Christian Community/Social Ministry Center
- 7:00 pm •Alabare Choir Rehearsal/Church



THURSDAY, December 30

"New Year Holiday"—Rectory office closed

- 7:00 am •Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass or Adoration/Evening Prayers

FRIDAY, December 31 "New Year's Eve" —

Holiday-Rectory office closed

- 7:00 am •Mass/Church—NO 12:15 pm Mass or Adoration/Evening Prayers

7:00 pm •Mass/Church

SATURDAY, January 01 "New Year's Day"

- 9:00 am •Mass/Church

SUNDAY, January 02 "The Epiphany of the Lord"

- 7:00 am •Mass/Church
- 9:00 am •Mass/Church
- 11:45 am •Mass/Church
- 6:00 pm •Mass/Church

(No reconciliation on New Year's Day)



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