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We, the people of Sacred Heart Parish in Pahoa, Hawaii, strive to be a community of faith. We believe we are called by God to be disciples of Jesus Christ and to be good stewards within the Church and our local communities.

We are called to praise and reverence God, to support one another on our journey of faith, to work for the salvation of our souls, and to labor for peace and justice. By the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, we do this by communal liturgical worship, faith sharing,

**SACRED HEART PARISH – PAHOA**  
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### LIVING the WORD

A Reflection on Ezekiel 18:25-28,  
Philippians 2:1-13, Matthew 21:28-32

*A Simple Choice: Change and Live*

The most difficult challenge we personally face is change. To change ourselves, our mind, attitude, our way of thinking, behavior, our habits, focus, way of living - essentially one's very being, is no easy task. That's why we always ask ourselves what's to gain and what's in it for me to change? To avoid change we often convince ourselves this is who I am, like it or leave it. Simply said, we are often afraid that change will cost us but everything in life costs something.

Whether we change or not, can cost more than we ever realized.

The prophet Ezekiel knows this, that's why he echoes what's in his peoples' hearts and minds when they find it easier to blame God rather than themselves for their sorrowful fate. He tells them that if they turn away from their sin, if they change, they can live. Change is conversion. To sin is to miss the mark, the target. What's the target? To be the daughter or son of God and to be perfect as God is perfect. Not an easy task for us mortals yet, that is the very task set before us each day of our lives. If we are missing the target then we are not aligned with it, so, we have to change our position, better focus our heart, mind and soul so the target is completely in focus. We have to change.

In the gospel, Jesus speaks of two siblings asked to do their father's bidding. One says yes, but does not do it, the other refuses, but on reflection knows it is best to change his attitude and actions and do what is asked by the father. Both siblings change, both face that moment of choice, only they are responsible for the final result of their action. Change, conversion, to be better today than we were yesterday is never easy, that's why Paul in his letter to the Philippians tells us to have "the same attitude that is in Christ Jesus." If we are humble and obedient, if we find solace in love and are open to the Spirit, if we put others first and find joy - we can change and live.

## SACRED HEART CHURCH - PAHOA SCHEDULE OF HOLY MASSES *EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 2020*

### SUNDAY

7:30 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

4:00 P.M. (Traditional Latin Mass)

### MONDAY

11:30 A.M. (MASS OF THE PRECEDING SUNDAY)

5:30 P.M. (MASS OF THE PRECEDING SUNDAY)

### WEDNESDAY

11:30 A.M. (MASS OF THE PRECEDING SUNDAY)

### THURSDAY (*Restored Schedule*)

No reservation needed. Registration upon attendance.

8:00 A.M. (MASS OF THE DAY)

### FRIDAY (*Restored Schedule*)

No reservation needed. Registration upon attendance.

8:00 A.M. (MASS OF THE DAY)

### SATURDAY

8:30 A.M. (Traditional Latin Mass with Holy Rosary at 8:00 A.M.)

4:00 P.M. (VIGIL OF THE SUNDAY)

5:30 P.M. (VIGIL OF THE SUNDAY)

*The Terms and Conditions in attending Holy Mass  
and other Church functions are still in effect.*

*Please wear your masks, frequently sanitize hands  
and observe social distancing.*

### Pray for Healing

- \* Shirley & Steve Torres \*
- \* Ben Beltran \* Alfred Micallef
- \* Jan Malinowski \* Charla Irvine
- \* Billy Kenoi \* Sarah Marie
- \* Anwar Payne \* Tom Kutcher
- \* Fr. Alapaki Kim \* Gifara Alshouri
- \* Alicia Galvan \* Joseph Kealoha
- \* Maile Palacat \*
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- \* Tommie Higgins \* Kathleen Matsuda
- \* Peter Vana, II \* Edward Micallef
- \* Felicia Hanohano \* Tom Sorcy \*
- Gisela McGuire \* Emiliano Francisco \*
- Jaime Florendo \* Damia Burns
- Michael Cunningham \* Suzanne Cole
- Angie Camello

### Holy Land Collection

Due to Covid-19, our Diocese postponed the Holy Land 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection, to held the in the month of September instead of during Lent when our church was in a state of upheaval with Covid. These monies collected support our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land where there is much suffering and strife.

We are asked to give even how little, as our brethren there have even less.

In giving, we will be blessed.

Mahalo

### FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, served 318 individuals. 68 were kupuna, 99 were children under 18 and 151 adults. We distributed the packages by having a drive by pick up. Driving by minimizes personal contact between workers and recipients and it worked out well.

It is our hope that can continue to this ministry as food supply is limited. We hope that our parish can help sustain this ministry with donations of any food item people can donate.

If there is fresh vegetables and fruits, it is also welcomed on the Wednesday, day before the distribution, or morning of the distribution. Please call the office if you have questions.

Mahalo for your hard work, participation and donations.

### POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### SEPTEMBER

Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

### FINANCIAL REPORT September 23, 2020

Offertory	\$1,836.00
Candles	23.00
Face Mask	140.00
Latin Mass	113.00
Mass Intention	20.00
Dumpster Donation	15.00
Utilities Donation	1,000.00
Catholic University	15.00
Copier Donation	254.70
Donation	765.00
Special Intention	15.00
Repair & Maintenance	95.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,291.70</b>

### Bake Sale Fundraiser

Our Bake Sale Fundraiser of September 13, 2020 netted us a 100% profit of \$498.50. We mahalo the tireless dedication of our parish ohana, who give from the heart for their parish. Money is very tight for everyone and these donations of baked goods speak volumes of the kindness and care, giving from the depths of pockets and hearts of our parishioners. Our Humble Mahalo to you.

*All things are possible with God in your heart.*

### SCRIPTURE READING

**Sunday, September 27th**

Ezekiel 18:25-28  
Psalm 25:4-9  
Philippians 2:1-11  
Matthew 21:28-32

**Monday, September 28th**

Job 1:6-22  
Psalm 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7  
Luke 9:46-50

**Tuesday, September 29th**

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14  
Psalm 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5  
John 1:47-51

**Wednesday, September 30th**

Job 9:1-12, 14-16  
Psalm 88:10bc-11, 12-15  
Luke 9:57-62

**Thursday, October 1st**

Job 19:21-27  
Psalm 27:7-8ab-9abc, 13-14  
Luke 10:1-12

**Friday, October 2nd**

Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5  
Psalm 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab  
Matthew 18:1-5, 10 (650)

**Saturday, October 3rd**

Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17  
Psalm 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130  
Luke 10:17-24

### STEWARDSHIP

The first son in today's gospel said he would do his father's bidding, but did not. The second son balked at first, but then repented and did as he was asked. What service is God calling me to do? Which son am I more like?

### OPEN LETTER TO PARISHIONERS

Dear Member of our Parish O'hana

We would like to express our gratitude for your continued participation in our parish fund raisers. Prior to the "Pandemic" we had began our "Good Firday Fish Dinner Sale. Many of you purchased tickets.

At our recent Finance Committee Meeting it was decided to offer those who purchased tickets a REFUND. During the entire month of Septmeber, 2020, you will be able to receive such. Simply bring your ticket to the CHURCH OFFICE during open hours and we will process your refund.

We trust this will be most satisfactory and is long overdue.

Mahalo and thank you again for supporting our fund raising activities.

Sincerely yours,

Richard J. Robbins,

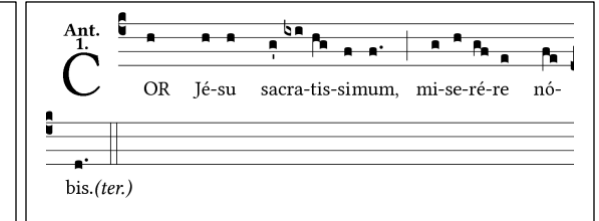
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*Cor ad cor loquitur.*

September 7, 2020

Aloha to all!

**(Caveat: Due to many scamming strategies, please respond to this appeal only directly to Fr John Molina or to the parish office. Thank you.)**

**We need your help.** The global Covid-19 crisis and its effect to economy is affecting our Parish 'Ohana too. In order to boost our financial resources, we are now cutting expenses. However, there are just expenses that we cannot do away with. You so always loved our village church and still you do. We humbly knock at your door to help us once more to move on ... *at least at the duration of this crisis.*

As for the moment, our Holy Mass collections/offerings are amounting to an average of \$3,400 a month (thanks be to God and to our generous parishioners!). But that is about 55% less than the usual collection before the Covid-19 crisis.

### How can you help?

Aside from the many parish based fundraisers: **Masks for sale, Bake sales ...** You may have **Holy Masses offered** (*contact our parish office*) or **donate through our on-line giving** (*see our parish website or contact the parish office*); or **wholly or partially adopt any of our church's monthly expenses** (*please contact me directly or the parish office*):

- a. Rectory expenses
- b. Office expenses
- c. Ground maintenance expenses
- d. Water and Electricity expenses
- e. Communication and media expenses
- f. Liturgy and worship expenses

**All donations are tax-deductible!**

Mahalo for your love and concerns! We pray for each other and please keep safe and healthy.

May God ever bless you and your loved ones.

Fr John T Molina