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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Sacred Heart Parish in Pahoehoe, 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, ongoing faith formation, stewardship, outreach ministries, and by selflessly giving of our time, talent and treasure.

SACRED HEART PARISH – PAHOEHOE

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LIVING THE WORD *

A Reflection on Jeremiah 20:7-9, Romans 12:1-2, Matthew 16:21-27

The Cost of Transformation

Last Sunday, Simon Peter confessed Jesus to be the Messiah, the Son of the Living God. His sure and firm faith earned him the new name Peter, or Rock. This week Jesus finds this rock to be a stumbling stone rather than a firm foundation. Today, Peter wants Jesus to abandon his mission and to forgo God's plan of salvation. When all is going well it's easy to believe, but when things start to turn bad, or the future looks grim, we usually want to backpedal to our old secure life.

In the first reading the prophet Jeremiah tells us how his calling has only brought him scorn and mockery. We hear his internal anguish. Jeremiah hates being the messenger of God and what he must say to his people, yet he is compelled to say it. God's ways are not our ways. We see this when Jeremiah accepts his calling as prophet just like he was taking up the cross. Doing God's will is not always easy or glorious, sometimes it's hard, painful, and dangerous. Jesus knows this and accepts it because he knows that he will rise again. Peter can't see beyond the immediate struggle and anguish to the glorious future God wants everyone to have a share in.

In the second reading, Paul tells the Romans to offer themselves as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. He urges them not to conform themselves to the world but to be transformed by the renewal of their mind, heart, and spirit. That is how they can discern the will of God. If we take up our cross, we have the chance to stand at the threshold of the sacred. If we take up the burden, if we say the difficult "yes, Lord," if we face what we'd rather never have to see or deal with, if we become a living sacrifice, then we stand side and side with Jesus. It is only at his side sharing a cross that we can be transformed from fearful, worried, faith lacking persons into what God truly wants us to be, the daughters and sons who do God's will and gain a higher life.



The primary source of support for our church and parish facilities is you, our parishioners. The weekly offertory is the major source of funding for the parish. In normal times your generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure made it possible to sustain the operational expenses of our parish as well as provide for the programs and activities so important to our community.

We have re-opened our church but there is only a small number of parishioners able to attend the weekday and Sunday Masses and we continue to see a sharp decline in the offertory collection. We need the help and generosity of each and every parishioner to pay for the general upkeep of the Church, electricity, water, trash, phones, the building, property and liability insurances, health insurance, staff salaries, and the assessment payable to the Diocese. Please give us your support.

Here are several options for you to continue to give your weekly offering.

1. Mail your offering to:

Sacred Heart Church 15-3003 Pahoia Village Rd., Pahoia Hawaii 96778

2. Stop by the church and drop your offering in the donation box located on the portico near the entrance to the church.

3. Online Giving is a safe, secure, and convenient way to give. To learn more about this, please visit <https://pahoasacredheart.org/online-giving>

4. Give your weekly offering when you come to Mass.

Together, as one faith-filled 'ohana, let us continue the work of the past, attend to the needs of the present, and build for the future. Mahalo nui loa for your generosity in these most difficult times. God bless and keep all of you and your families healthy and safe.

Pray for Healing

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COVID-19 FACE COVERINGS

Our mask fundraiser which is ongoing to offer everyone protective facial covering continues. There are sizes for children in preparation for school as well as all other sizes. If you have fabric, no synthetics please, and would like to donate for mask making, please drop off at mass or at the church office. Your donations will be very much appreciated. A big **Mahalo to all** who put so much time, effort and supplies to help bring income into Sacred Heart Paho.

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTIONS

AUGUST

The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

FINANCIAL REPORT August 26, 2020

Offertory	\$1,163.00
Candles	22.75
Catholic Charities	460.00
Building & Maintenance	10.00
Face Mask	55.00
Latin Mass	185.00
Mass Intention	150.00
ADA Signs	300.00
TOTAL	\$2,345.75

Grandparents Day & Catechetical Sunday

Feast Day Bake Sale

September 13th

To all who wish to bake and donate for this occasion, please speak to Nancy Robbins or call the church office.

We will need every kind of homemade goodies you can make for us to sell on Saturday and Sunday at the masses on September 12th and 13th. This is a continued effort to raise money for our parish.

Mahalo

MASS SCHEDULE

There are still seats available at the following Masses.

Saturday: 4:00pm & 6:00pm

Monday: 11:30am & 5:30pm

Wednesday: 11:30am

Please contact Liz Morgan at shpahoasocialmedia@gmail.com or call 965.1694 to inquire about availability and reservations about Sunday Masses. Please note that no one will be turned away without a reservation.

Sunday: 7:30am & 10:30AM

SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, August 30th

Jeremiah 20:7-9
Psalm 63:2-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27

Monday, August 31st

1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Psalm 119:97-102
Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 1st

1 Corinthians 2:10b-16
Psalm 145:8-12, 13abcd-14
Luke 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 2nd

1 Corinthians 3:1-9
Psalm 33:12-15, 20-21
Luke 4:38-44

Thursday, September 3rd

1 Corinthians 3:18-23
Psalm 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6
Luke 5:1-11

Friday, September 4th

1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Psalm 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40
Luke 5:33-39

Saturday, September 5th

1 Corinthians 4:6b-15
Psalm 145:17-21
Luke 6:1-5

STEWARDSHIP

In today’s second reading, St. Paul exhorts the Romans to total stewardship. Brothers and sister, he urges, “... offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God.

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,

Finance Committee Chair

Why is offering a Mass Intention important to our Parish ‘Ohana?

by Fr John Molina

What are *Mass Intentions*?



Offering the Holy Mass for a special intention has always been practiced in our Catholic life. When the priest offers the Holy Mass, he puts an intention to it and applies to this intention (to a particular person or persons, living or dead, or for any occurrence) the *graces* which flow from the Holy Eucharist, the *source and summit* of the Christian life. Throughout all centuries, the practice of offering Holy Mass has been done.

Why we have to pay the Mass Intentions? Why is it different from giving donations?

The practice of giving an amount in applying for Mass Intentions is also a long-time practice of Catholics. It is not “*buying graces*” of the Holy Mass as many misunderstand it. It is the symbolical “*sacrificial*” participation of the one asking the intention and, at the same time, one helps for the needs of the church and personal needs of the priest.

While “*donations*” are a generous gift we freely give for the needs of the parish, Mass Intention “*offering*” carries with it an obligation of a Holy Mass being celebrated by the priest for the particular intention.

The law of the Church set up rules on the practice :*In accord with the approved practice of the Church, and priest celebrating or concelebration is permitted to receive an offering to apply the Mass for a specific intention”(Can . 945.81)*. Furthermore, it continues by saying, “*The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass of their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works.*” (945.82).

Why are Mass Intentions important to Sacred Heart Church-Pahoa?

The material up-keeping of our village church depends so much on the financial support of our generous parishioners and benefactors. Holy Mass is offered daily at our Parish Church. During these troubled moments, every Mass intention offering counts! While the “*graces*” from the Holy Mass are poured upon the intentions, the one who offers the intention is helping our village church too!

In my first year, \$3,000 from offered Mass Intentions was all devolved to the parish needs. Last Fiscal Year, out of \$2,000 from Mass Intentions, \$1,000 was donated to the parish needs and \$500 was given to the building maintenance of the parish. The remaining \$500, I used for parish charity.

Every Mass Intention brings with it the two-fold spiritual and material benefits. Please consider offering the Holy Mass for you or for your loved ones. You may contact the parish office for details. Thank you for your generosity.