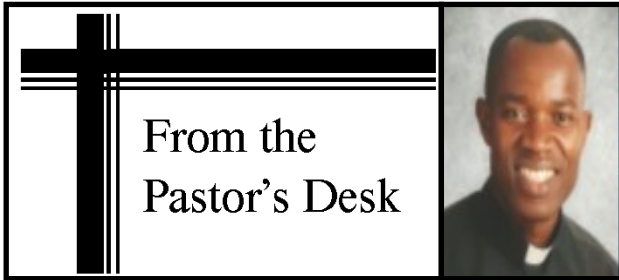
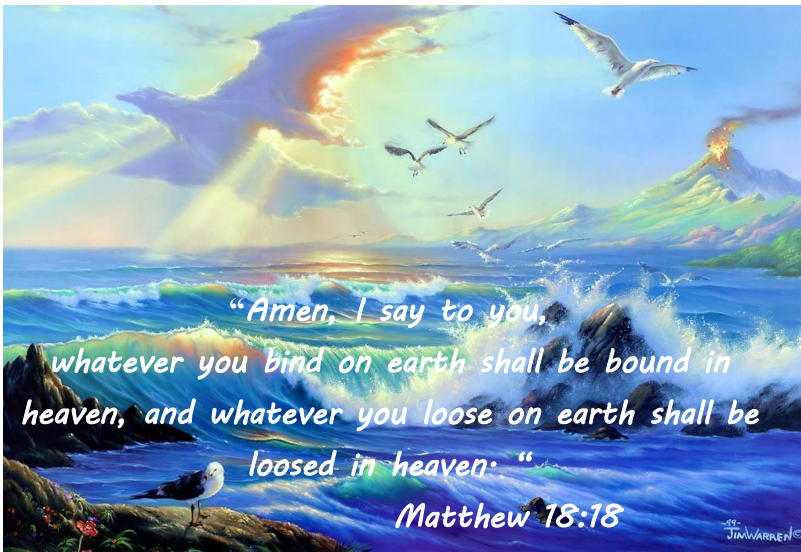


*Twenty-Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time
September 6, 2020*



**Saint John Vianney Parish
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DEAR PARISH FAMILY,

This Sunday we are reminded about our communality: *“Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”* To belong to the Church is to belong to a community of brothers and sisters in Christ. This means that being a Christian is not a private, purely personal affair, although that is the way some people seem to behave. When God asked Cain, *“Where is your brother?”* Cain answered, *“Am I my brother’s keeper?”* (Gen. 4:9).

The teaching of the Gospel tells us that in every Christian Community, divisions will inevitably happen. We are communities of sinners trying to be saints and there are many pitfalls on the way. It is easy to think that being a Catholic means being concerned with the relationship between God and me that my duty is to *“save my soul”*. But, in fact, the only way to *“save my soul”* is by becoming a truly loving and caring person as part of a loving and caring community of people united in Christ. And sometimes that caring may involve bringing the brother/sister face to face with the loving demands of the Gospel. We do not help each other by turning a blind eye to behavior which is clearly unchristian.

As a community we have a responsibility for each other’s wellbeing. We do not further the witness of a loving community when we, in false *“charity”*, ignore social problems such as drug-taking, alcoholism, compulsive gambling, violence in the home, discrimination against the physically and mentally handicapped, racial exploitation and the like in a parish community. It is not enough just to deal with these things in the privacy of *“Confession”* for, ultimately, reconciliation must be at the community level. And, as such, this is the responsibility of the community exercising its calling as the Body of Christ.

In Christ,
Fr. Peter

Saint John Vianney Parish, a Christian Community in the Roman Catholic tradition, motivated by the love of God, provides opportunities in worship, education, ministry and outreach for its parishioners and the community at large.

Pastor Fr. Peter Miti
Permanent Deacons
Clarence DeCaires Jerry Tokars Walter Yoshimitsu—Retired
Parish Administrator Interim Gail Browne
Parish Secretary Gail Browne
Music Ministry Robert Mondoy
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Pam Aqui and Kamalani Rodrigues
Religious Education—Steffanie Beissel, Coordinator
Pre-School & Elementary Youth Ministry
Sacrament of Baptism and Sacrament of Marriage
Please refer to website for information or call the Parish Office: 808-262-8317
Annulment Fr. Peter Miti & Deacon Jerry Tokars
Sick and Homebound (Communion/ Anointing of the Sick)
Call the Parish Office: 808-262-8317
Funerals
Call the Parish Office before making arrangements with the mortuary.
Online Giving Go online to:
saintjohnvianneyhawaii.org
PARISH SCHOOL Website: sjvkailua.org
Phone: 808-261-4651 Fax: 808-263-0505
Principal: Caryn DeMello
Administrative Assistant: Annie Chee
Director of Finance: Sheryl Caldeira

Sunday Liturgy of the Eucharist
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Hearing assistance devices available. See ushers.

Weekday Liturgy of the Eucharist
Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat: 8:00 am
Monday: Communion Service 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation
After Saturday 8:00am Mass
and by appointment only

Welcome New parishioners:
please register at the parish office.

Aloha Departing parishioners: please
advise the parish office of your departure date.

AED Available at back of church in
cabinet under Divine Mercy picture
and on parish lanai at school doors.

Parish Office Hours

Monday: Labor Day, September 7th—Office is Closed
Tuesday—Friday: 8:30 am—4:00 pm
Saturday: Closed

Know your Catholic Faith Corner

Apologetics without apology The Sacrament of Confirmation

Although in most of the West, the Sacrament of Confirmation is usually received by Catholics as teenagers, several years after making their first Holy Communion, the Roman Catholic Church considers confirmation to be the second of the three sacraments of initiation (Baptism being the first and Holy Communion the third). Confirmation is regarded as the perfection of baptism, because, as the introduction to the Rite of Confirmation states: *By the Sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence they are, as true witnesses of Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed.*

The Form of the Sacrament of Confirmation: Many people think of the laying on of hands, which signifies the descent of the Holy Spirit, as the central act in the Sacrament of Confirmation. The essential element, however, is the anointing of the confirmand, the person being confirmed with chrism (an aromatic oil that has been consecrated by a bishop). The anointing is accompanied by the words *"Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit"* This seal is a consecration, representing the safeguarding by the Holy Spirit of the graces conferred on the Christian at baptism.

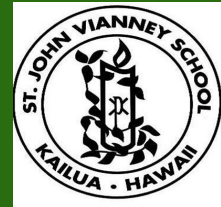
The Minister of the Sacrament: As the Catechism of the Catholic Church points out, "The *original minister* of Confirmation is the bishop." Each bishop is a successor to the apostles, upon whom the Holy Spirit descended at Pentecost—the first confirmation. The Acts of the Apostles mentions the apostles imparting the Holy Spirit to believers by the laying on of hands. (Acts 8:15–17 and 19:6.)

Next Sunday, we will take a look at who is eligible to receive Confirmation and the effects of the Sacrament.

By: *Earl Walker*

SCHOOL NEWS

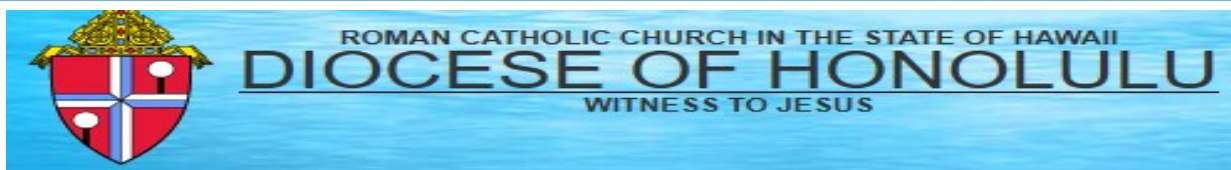
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We thank the many businesses and parishioners for their generosity in donating approximately \$12,000 to our new **Scholarship Fund**. This program has provided tuition assistance this year for several families to keep their child in St. John Vianney School. Funds were given to those families who were financially affected by the Coronavirus pandemic.

Due to its success, this program will continue as a future tuition assistance program so that more students may enroll in our esteemed school. We will also continue to offer **Welcome Grants** to Catholic students who enroll from a non-Catholic school.

Having several tuition assistance programs will surely help us provide an outstanding education to the youth in our community. St. John Vianney School is truly a blessing to our parish, the Diocese and the universal church, and has proven to be a vital institution for its commitment to educate our children in the faith.



Message from the Office of the Bishop:

EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION:

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Larry Silva extends the dispensation of all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass through **October 31, 2020**.

All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection are encouraged to do so, but are not obliged to do so.



Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory: Our weekly donation for August 29th—September 4th, 2020 is \$6,953 and the weekly budget is \$8,010. Therefore, we have a deficit of \$1,057.

MAHALO for your continued **SUPPORT** to **GIVE**.

If you give on line, please keep giving online, and if you give by envelope, you can put it in the collection box in the church or mail or drop off your donation at the Parish Office or place in the Slot Box.



Next Week
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/091320.cfm>

Reading I:
Sirach 27:30-28:7

Reading II:
Romans 14:7-9

Gospel:
Matthew 18:21-35



For the Healing of

*Thomas Schlemmer, Jonathan Lewsczuk,
Bernie Kahahawai, Gloria Medeiros,
Kathleen Heirakujū, Edna Horiuchi,
Gordon Wong, Sandy Chong
John Sutton, Jon Blumhardt,
Trish Robertson
And for the Homebound*

*Rest in Peace: Jerry Comcowich
and Gwendolyn Law*



St. John Vianney Parish
Presents a year of
APOLOGETICS

How to Explain and Defend your Catholic faith



Upon this Rock I will Build my Church
and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation completes the process of initiation
into the Catholic community . (see back side)

Focus is on the Holy Spirit, who confirmed the apostles on Pentecost
and gave them courage to practice their faith.

APOLOGETICS

DEFENDING THE FAITH

The Sacrament of Confirmation

- Confirmation, a true sacrament instituted by Christ and different from baptism, is administered by laying-on of hands and anointing with chrism oil and prayer.
- Catholics believe that the soul also needs to grow in the life of grace and the sacrament of Confirmation establishes one as a full-fledged member of the faith.
- The sacrament is called Confirmation because the faith given in Baptism is now confirmed and made strong as one renews the promises made by their parents and godparents at their baptism
- The essential component is the anointing of the confirmand (the person being confirmed) with chrism oil and accompanied by the words "Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit"
- The seven *gifts* of the Holy Spirit given received at Confirmation are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude (courage), knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord.
- Confirmation is an anointing that completes baptismal graces and gives someone the grace necessary to live out the mission given to all believers
- The specific oil that is used is called chrism and is only used in two sacraments: Confirmation and Holy Orders; both are sacraments in which the person is anointed for ministry.
- The ceremony may take place at Mass or outside of Mass, and the presider wears red vestments to symbolize the red tongues of fire seen hovering over the heads of the apostles at Pentecost .
- Confirmation gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ. It is not graduation from church.
- A candidate must be in a state of grace before receiving the sacrament of confirmation, and today is given immediately following one's first Eucharist.



Our Parish Faith Formation Committee encourages
all parishioners to learn more
about this specific topic during September

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

Reading 1

EZ 33:7-9

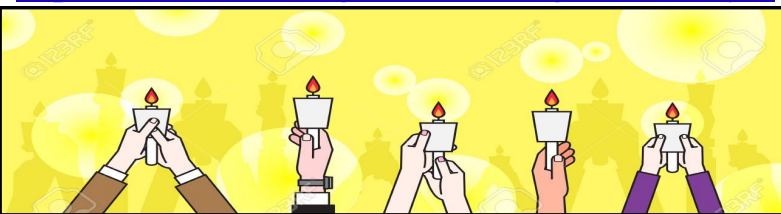
Thus says the LORD:

You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me.

If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death.

But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt, but you shall save yourself.

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090620.cfm>



Gospel

MT 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples:

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.

If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.'

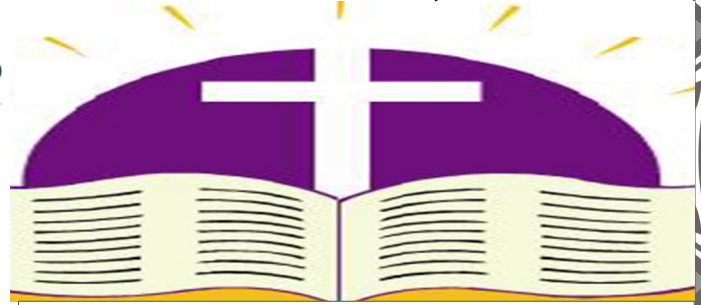
If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church.

If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector.

Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



Reading 2

ROM 13:8-10

Brothers and sisters:

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely,

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

The *power* to
save lives is
in *your veins*.



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All registered donors for the month of September will receive a coupon good for a **FREE** taco from Taco Bell!

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FLU SHOT REGISTRATION via CVS website:

<https://bit.ly/353sBh7>



Need the flu vaccine this year?
We've got you covered!

A Longs Drugs pharmacist will be coming to administer flu shots to anyone who is interested.



JOIN US!

Date:
September 27th, 2020

Time:
8-11am

Location:
920 Keolu Dr. Kailua, HI

St. John Vianney Parish



Flu Clinic Facts

- One less trip to the pharmacy
- No need to stand in long lines
- Will be vaccinated by CVS/Longs pharmacists certified in intramuscular vaccination protocol.
- Social distancing and sanitizing protocols enforced
- In addition to the flu shot, there are other vaccines available to help protect us from illness.
- In most cases, the vaccinations are free through insurance (all except Kaiser/TriCare)!
- A \$5 off \$20 coupon will be provided for every flu shot administered.

* Bring your ID and insurance card



Sent in by: Kathleen Jaycox, Representative of FACE for St. John Vianney Parish

Hello Supporters of Faith Action for Community Equity!

Faith Action has been busier than ever so far in 2020. Despite the pandemic, the Faith Action staff, interns and volunteers have been "zooming" like crazy, giving testimony online and just generally doing great things. Some of Faith Action's efforts this year have been focused on:

- Hosting a Mayoral Assembly
- Raising the minimum wage
 - Affordable housing
- Kupuna Caregivers Program
- Reforming Real Estate Tax requirements
 - The 2020 Census
- Directing Federal CARE funding
- Assembling PPE for healthcare workers

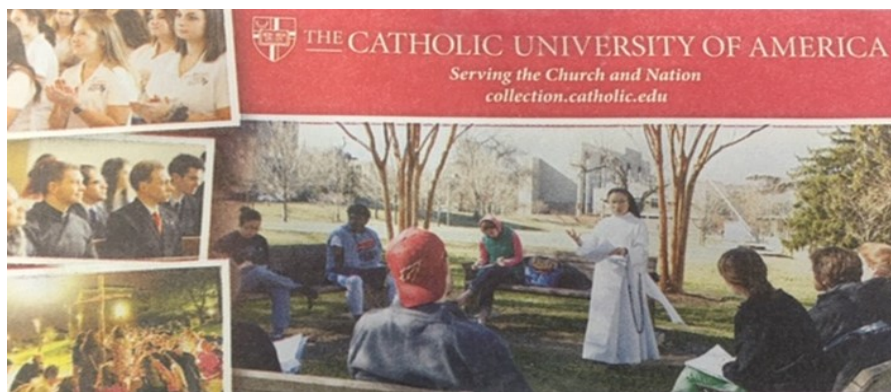
Initiating an Environmental Justice task force

Right now, we are preparing to launch our Faith Action Unit Investment Drive. While these are economically difficult times for many, the work that Faith Action is doing is more important than ever to make sure that our Community comes through these hard times with improved priorities, more clearly defined and relevant goals and a more just, peaceful and verdant Hawaii.

We call it an "Investment Drive" because, while we are a 501c organization (i.e., tax-deductible), funds given to Faith Action are in investment in a better future.

The Unit Investment Drive will formally begin on September 19th and run up to Halloween. You will receive more information, including how to make investments, as the Investment Drive gears up.

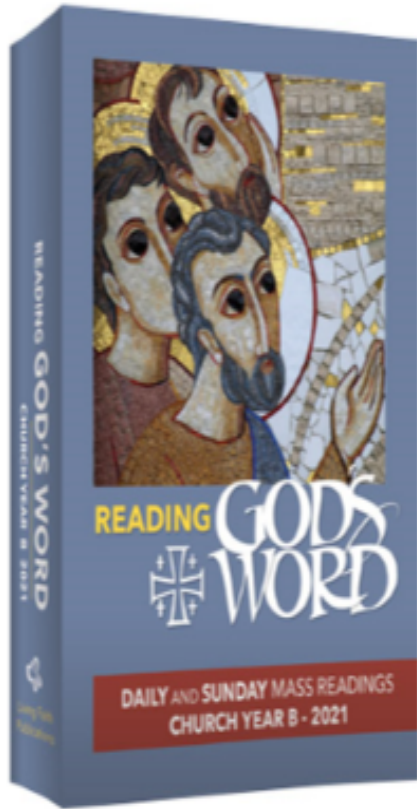
We hope you will join us in investing in Faith Action to support our efforts to improve the quality of life here on Hawaii for ourselves and to be a voice for those who have a hard time being heard.



Next weekend, September 12th and 13th, 2020, we will have a second collection for The Catholic University of America. Donation envelopes will be in the back of the church and in the parish office.

Website: <https://www.catholic.edu/index.html>

Last Day to order is Friday, September 11th.



Parish Family, Our parish normally does a bulk order for Reading God's Word—Daily and Sunday Mass Readings Church Year B—2021.

Please let us know if you are interested in purchasing one and we will do a bulk order. The more orders the cheaper the book is, for example:

3-9 people, cost per book is \$14.99
plus shipping \$9.10 = \$24.09

10-14 people, cost per book is \$13.99
plus shipping \$6.10 = \$20.09.

If you wish to order—please come into the office or send an email request to Gail Browne at gbrowne@rcchawaii.org.



**LABOR DAY HOLIDAY,
MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 7, 2020**

**PARISH OFFICE AND SCHOOL
WILL BE
CLOSED**