



First Sunday of Advent Year B November 29, 2020



Saint John Vianney Parish Community

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DEAR PARISH FAMILY,

We begin a new liturgical year on this First Sunday of Advent. We take a new set of readings; Year B on Sundays and Year 1 on weekdays. The Gospel readings for Sundays will be from St. Mark. Advent is a time in the liturgical calendar, which is composed of 4 Sundays as preparation for Christmas. The color is violet since Advent Season has a penitential character, but has also the element of hope and joy in the expectation of the Lord's joyful coming on Christmas. Any major event in the life of a person needs ample preparation. Advent is a preparation for the time when God-made-man was born into the world. A meaningful Advent season is necessary for a fruitful celebration of Christmas.

"Advent" comes from the Latin word "adventus" (arrival). It means "coming". The one who is coming is no ordinary person, but the Son of God made man, Jesus Christ. There are three "comings" of Jesus. The first coming took place on the first Christmas night in Bethlehem. Jesus came as a small and helpless infant. This is what we recall every time Christmas comes. He lived among us as true God and true man. He offered His life on the cross. And after 33 years in this world, He went back to His Father in heaven. This is Jesus' coming in history. And now, we await His second coming. Nobody knows the exact day or hour. So, with joyful hope and expectation, we await His second coming. He will come, not anymore as a baby, but as the Eternal judge, who will judge the living and the dead. And finally, what many of us do not realize, is that there is another coming of Jesus. It is between His first and the second coming. He is always coming to us at every moment of our lives. He is true to His promise: "I am with you always until the end of time." His Spirit dwells with us always. But in a more concrete way, He comes to us in the sacraments of the Church: most especially, and in a real way, He comes to us in the Eucharist. So, as we begin the season of Advent, may we always be vigilant and watchful for His coming.

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 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: 8:30am to 12:30pm Tuesday—Friday: 8:30 am— 4:00 pm

Saturday: Closed

Church is now open from 8:30am—10:30am for private prayer and devotion, Monday thru Friday

Know your Catholic Faith Corner

Apologetics Without Apology A Year of Reading the Bible

As we read scripture, in a lot of cases, the New Testament reading, which is often the Second Reading, is prefigured in the Old Testament, which is often the First Reading. For instance, when one reads that Jesus' face shone like the sun in Matthew 17, you can flip way back in the Old Testament and see that Moses' face also shone (Exodus 34). The deeper meaning here is that Moses was a biblical "type", or foreshadowing of Jesus - Moses was the lawgiver in the Old Testament; Jesus is the lawgiver of the New Testament. Moses went up the mountain and brought down the Word of God to the people for the Old Covenant in Exodus 34; Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5, which is the Word of God for the New Covenant.

There are numerous examples of Old Testament types of Jesus. For instance, Jesus is called the Son of David in Matthew 1. David was a Jewish King, Jesus is a Jewish King. The Bible says that David was a shepherd (1 Samuel 16) and was 30 years old (2 Samuel 5) when he became the King of the Jews. David was also from Bethlehem (1 Samuel 17). This foreshadows Jesus exactly, who was also the Good Shepherd of us all (John 10), was 30 years old when he began His public ministry (Luke 3), and who was also born in Bethlehem (Matthew 2). The Old Testament, in Genesis 37, tells the story of Joseph, who was stripped of his garments by his own brothers, and sold to the pagan authorities. Later on, Joseph forgave the very people who had sold him into slavery. Jesus was also sold to the pagan authorities by his own people (Matthew 26), and stripped of his garments (Matthew 27). Jesus also forgave the people who killed him.

In other words, the people and events of the Old Testament all point to Jesus as Messiah. There are numerous other examples of typology in the Bible. A Bible with lots of good footnotes will point all of these out.



NOVEMBER 29 (SUNDAYS) RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM—8:00AM—11:45AM

BOARDROOM, LOUNGE AND BASEMENT

NOVEMBER 30 (MONDAYS) RCIA — 7:00PM—8:30PM

LOUNGE

DECEMBER 4, 11, 18 (FRIDAYS) UPPER ROOM BIBLE SHARING 6:30PM—8:00PM

LOUNGE

DECEMBER 5 (SATURDAY) ADORATION SERVICE AFTER THE 8AM MASS

CHURCH

DECEMBER 6, 13, 20 (SUNDAYS) RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM—8:00AM—11:45AM

BOARDROOM, LOUNGE AND BASEMENT

DECEMBER 7,14,21,28(MONDAYS) RCIA—7:00PM—8:30PM—LOUNGE

DECEMBER 8 (TUESDAY) IMMACULATE CONCEPTION 8AM MASS AND 7PM MASS

CHURCH

By: Earl Walker

SCHOOL NEWS

St. John Vianney School, 940 Keolu Drive, Kailua, HI 96734 * 808 261-4651



Santa's visit to our school will be different this year. Because we don't want to expose Santa to any germs, instead we are having his elves visit us on Thursday, December 3rd. Students in ELC3 through Grade 4 will bring new, unwrapped toys or gift cards to give to Santa's helpers, who will in turn give them to our parish **Giving Tree** and Toys for Tots.

Our third-grade class took a photo this past October of their homemade Japanese rice balls and submitted it to the **#OnigiriAction Campaign**. The Campaign is part of World Food Day and is sponsored by TABLE FOR TWO which has roots in Japan. Each photo participants post to social media results in 5 school meals for children in need around the world. We are proud to announce that our third-grade class won the Onigiri 2020 Best Team Award!

For more information, please call the office at 261-4651.



Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory: Our weekly donation for November 21st thru November 27th, 2020 is \$6,951 and the weekly budget is \$8,010.

Therefore, we have a **deficit of \$.1,059**.

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
Second Sunday of Advent —Year B
https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/120620.cfm



Reading I: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Reading II: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel:

For the Healing of Robert Brown,



Jenesis, Royos, Thomas Schlemmer,
Frances Yoshimitsu, Milton McAngus, Francis
Teixeira, Jonathan & Malina Lewsczuk,
Kathleen Heirakuji, Edna Horiuchi,
Gordon Wong, Sandy Chong,
John Sutton, Jon Blumhardt,
Trish Robertson, Claudia Konoho,
Kim Gazelle, Christopher Fontanilla,
Maria Gorak And for the Homebound.

For the Passing of

Rosalie Yap



SJV SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



Aloha,

St. John Vianney School has recently registered for the iGive Fundraiser and has been listed as a cause to which shoppers may wish to donate through the iGive shopping rewards.

What is iGive? It's a FREE service where online shopping helps supporters donate funds to the cause of their choice at no additional charge to the supporter or the cause!

How iGive works:

1. Shop online via **<u>iGive.com</u>**

- 2. The stores pay you a rebate that goes to your selected cause
- 3. iGive sends the rebate when your cause has earned at least \$25

In addition to the iGive Button for your desktop/laptop, the iGive App for <u>iPad/iPhone</u> or <u>Android</u> is available to download, free, for on-the-go shopping at 1700+ stores!

Now shop via the iGive App or Button at Expedia, QVC, <u>Walmart.com</u>, <u>Staples.com</u>, JCPenney, PETCO, Pottery Barn and so many more!

Ways to Use iGive:

Clicking on a store link directly from <u>iGive.com</u> or <u>iGive.com/mobile</u> sites. (You must be logged in)

Installing the <u>iGive</u> Button and shopping online as you normally would (for more info: iGive Button - How It Works)

Shopping via the <u>iGive App</u> for iPhone, iPad or <u>Android</u> (visit the App Store and search "iGive" - free)

Shopping through links in the iGive member Newsletters

For faster shopping, create your own list of favorite stores on your iGive member home page under My Stores.

If you are more visual - you may be interested in viewing our **5 minute Shopping Video**

Mahalo, Caryn DeMello, Principal

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 29, 2020

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/112920.cfm

Reading 1

IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you;

and have delivered us up to our guilt.

for you have hidden your face from us

Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.



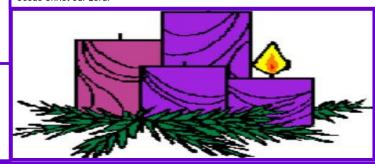
Reading II

1 COR 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.



Gospel

MK 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Be watchful! Be alert!

You do not know when the time will come.

It is like a man traveling abroad.

He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work.

and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch.

Watch, therefore;

you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning.

May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.

What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!"

For more than 40 years, our St. John Vianney parish community has been bringing Christmas joy to families and children in need. This year we hope to grant 300 wishes to kids in the following communities:

- Catholic Charities Hawaii, Oahu Programs and Services clients
 - St. George Parish, Waimanalo
 - Mā'ili Land Transitional Housing
 - St. Roch Parish, Kahuku

Due to the special circumstances of 2020, many families are asking for gift cards so they can do their own Christmas shopping. Most gift cards should be from statewide chains of discount department stores. Each gift card should be \$20-\$25 with the amount clearly seen, but you may give as many cards as you like.

The gifts should be unwrapped but with price tags removed and brought in regular shopping bags.

Each gift should cost approximately \$25 or less, but you may bring as many gifts as you like. Please go to saintjohnvianneyhawaii.org website to get a full list of requested gifts. This year is exceptional and many of you may be avoiding the stores and the malls, and we totally understand. Your donations are gladly accepted and our volunteer coordinators will do all the shopping for you.

Volunteers will also match your gift to the appropriate child because individual tags will not be hung on a tree and physically distributed. Please bring all gifts to the Parish Office by Sunday, December 13th.

We're also looking for 'elves' to help with the festivities.





Yes, I'd love to volunteer this year!

First Name:	Last Name:
Emal:	
Phone Number:	
I CAN HELP!	
	PLEASE SELECT

RECEIVE AND SORT GIFTS

SHOP FOR GIFTS___

WRAP GIFTS

ADORATION SERVICE



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2020 AFTER THE 8AM MASS



A NEW WAY TO GIVE

The world as we knew it has changed dramatically. In these times we look toward our faith to begin to heal. As our spiritual home, our church relies on time, talent, and treasure in order to prosper and fulfill our mission. Online Giving is an easy way to support our continued mission, both while we are away and as we slowly begin to gather together again in worship. It is time to come together to keep our faith, so that we can offer hope and healing to those around us.

Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer to your church.

HOW DOES ONLINE GIVING BENEFIT ME AND MY CHURCH? DONOR BENEFITS

- · Convenient anytime, anywhere access through the internet.
- · Secure and confidential. Adheres to banking security standards.
- . Flexible. Start, stop and change your contributions at any time.
- . Simple. No need to contact your bank or the church office.
- · Contribute using direct withdrawal (ACH) or credit cards.

CHURCH BENEFITS

- Stabilize Contributions. Regularly scheduled gifts occur automatically. Allows church to effectively manage monthly expenses.
- Secure and Confidential. No need to store member account information.
- Efficient. Participation saves time and expense in bookkeeping.
- Current. A tool for people who prefer to use electronic services.

Visit our church website today to sign up and get started.



Mahalo to the Scouts and their Ohana for clearing the shrubbery and weeds and other greenery on the St. John Vianney Parish and School grounds.

