

*First Sunday of Lent
Year B
February 21, 2021*



**From the
Pastor's Desk**



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DEAR PARISH FAMILY,

On this first Sunday of Lent, we all realize how busy our lives can be and have been. We welcome Lent as a time to make our faith fresh! We know it can be difficult at times to resist temptation. So many things require our time and attention. And so many things call us with the voice of persuasion: promising to make life less painful, less onerous or less costly. The struggle to make the right choices can be difficult. In the Book of Genesis, before the flood, Adam and Eve faltered. Given everything in the Garden of Eden, they were tempted with the possibility of more, and so they committed the first sin of pride, which was disobedience.

In the Gospel reading, Jesus did not give in to temptation while in the desert. Instead, He countered that first sin of disobedience with an act of perfect obedience – an obedience that would resist every temptation throughout the whole of his earthly life. We all face our own deserts with their unique temptations. At such moments, we all have a choice; the choice to give in or to resist. But we cannot do it alone. Inasmuch as we share in the life of Christ, we have a model in Jesus and an advocate in the Holy Spirit. We should always ask Jesus to grant us the grace to refuse to let our love be clouded by the empty promises of the devil.

Blessed: This Sunday, we are blessed to have our catechumens begin their intense journey toward becoming full members of the Church at the Easter Vigil. Please remember them in your prayers.

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 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
Year of Reading the Bible*

**Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22;
Mark 1:12-15**

In the book *Preaching the New Lectionary*, Dianne Bergant points out that the Sunday readings in this Lenten liturgical cycle reflect on the *covenants* God has offered humankind throughout the ages. Covenant is the deepest and most unique concept in the Hebrew religious tradition. It is a free promise on God's part. God's covenant offer does not depend on humanity's response. In the First Reading, we find a covenant promise God makes to Noah, not because they deserve this promise but because the chosen people are simply that, chosen by God for His sovereign motives. The essence of the covenant God established at the time of Noah was just that, eternal compassion. Being open to that will give them a rich life. Anytime we think of ourselves as a part of God's chosen people, that very thought should bring us to our knees in gratitude for the gift we could never deserve. May the Sundays of Lent help us reflect on God's covenants and Israel's growing understanding. Let us also reflect on what they say to us today.

Mark 1:12-15: The Gospel gives us the shortest of the three Gospel accounts of Jesus' 40-day sojourn in the desert. In it, Mark reminds us that we ought to follow the path of Jesus in the desert where we learn how to stay on course with God's covenant. The desert is a place of testing where all the usual signs of God's presence seem absent; it is where a person must seek God in the midst of adversity.

Reflection: Lent is a time to remember that God first reached out to us not as a meagre, one-time gesture, but a profound, lasting and healing covenant. We ponder in deep prayer and silence how God has invested everything, including a beloved Son, into this relationship.

Other Readings for Reflection:
Jeremiah 31:31; Isaiah 59:21.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 21, 28 (SUNDAYS)

RELIGIOUS ED PRORAM: 8:00AM—11:45AM
BOARDROOM/LOUNGE AND BASEMENT

FEBRUARY 22 (MONDAYS)

BIBLE STUDY: 9:00AM-10:30AM
BOARDROOM/LOUNGE

FEBRUARY 22 (MONDAYS)

RCIA—7:00PM-8:30PM
LOUNGE

FEBRUARY 25 (THURSDAYS)

BIBLE STUDY: 7:00PM-8:30PM
LOUNGE

FEBRUARY 26 (FRIDAYS)

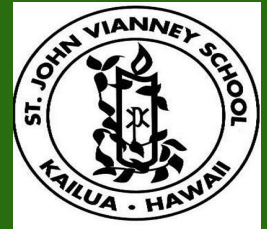
UPPER ROOM BIBLE SHARING: 6:30PM-8:00PM
LOUNGE

FEBRUARY 26—MARCH 5, 12, 19, 26 (FRIDAYS)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7:00PM-7:45PM
CHURCH

By: *Earl Walker*

SCHOOL NEWS



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

As a Catholic school, St. John Vianney School offers so much more than just strong academics. Our curriculum is a challenging one with high standards, strong motivation, effective discipline, and an atmosphere of caring about each student. Students are also exposed to Drama, Literature, Art and Music, as well as being offered scores of extracurricular activities. We also teach love, care, and concern for others as part of our curriculum. We want our students to succeed, but also to relish life, help others, and contribute to society.

We thank everyone for their donations to the Augustine Educational Foundation last weekend. Every dollar raised will go toward scholarship distribution in September 2021. The Augustine Educational Foundation Scholarship application is now available on our website at sjvkailua.org. You do not have to be Catholic to qualify. This diocesan scholarship is available to all students entering grades K-12 who are attending a Catholic school.

Stewardship of Treasure



Offertory: Our weekly donation for **February 13th to February 19th, 2021** is **\$7,379** and the weekly **budget is \$8,010**.

Therefore, we have a deficit of **\$631**.

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.

THE CATHOLIC BIBLE'S BOOKS

Gn Genesis	Ex Exodus	Lv Leviticus	Nm Numbers	Dt Deuteronomy	Jos Joshua	Jc Judges	Rt Ruth	1Sm 1 Samuel	2Sm 2 Samuel
1Ki 1 Kings	2Ki 2 Kings	1Ch 1 Chronicles	2Ch 2 Chronicles	Ez Ezra	Ne Nehemiah	Tb Tobit	Jdt Judith	Es Esther	1Mac 1 Maccabees
2Mac 2 Maccabees	Jb Job	Pt Psalms	Pr Proverbs	Ec Ecclesiastes	So Song of Songs	Wis Wisdom	Sir Sirach	Is Isaiah	Je Jeremiah
Lm Lamentations	Ba Baruch	Ek Ezekiel	Dn Daniel	Ho Hosea	Jl Joel	Am Amos	Ob Obadiah	Jh Jonah	Mi Micah
Na Nahum	Hk Habakkuk	Zp Zephaniah	Ha Haggai	Zc Zechariah	Ml Malachi	Mt Matthew	Mk Mark	Lk Luke	Jn John
Ac Acts	Ro Romans	1Co 1 Corinthians	2Co 2 Corinthians	Ga Galatians	Ep Ephesians	Pp Philippians	Ct Colossians	1Th 1 Thessalonians	2Th 2 Thessalonians
1Ti 1 Timothy	2Ti 2 Timothy	Tt Titus	Pm Philemon	Hb Hebrews	Ja James	1Pe 1 Peter	2Pe 2 Peter	1Jn 1 John	2Jn 2 John
3Jn 3 John	Ju Jude	Re Revelation	<p>Number: Symbol</p> <p>NAME: CHRONIS</p>						

KEY: PENTATEUCH (Yellow), HISTORICAL (Orange), WISDOM (Green), MAJOR PROPHETS (Red), MINOR PROPHETS (Purple), GOSPELS (Blue), PAULINE LETTERS (Light Blue), GENERAL LETTERS (Light Green), APOCALYPTIC (Dark Green)

73 books in the Catholic Bible,
46 Old Testament and
27 in the New Testament

Next Week
Second Sunday of Lent—Year B
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022821.cfm>

Reading I:
Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Reading II:
Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel:
Mark 9:2-10

For the Healing of:

*Earl Walker, Rev. Sean Code, Keone Johnson,
John Peru, Janis Palafox, Charles Gauthier Jr,
Robert Brown, John Glorioso,
Frances Yoshimitsu, Milton McAngus,
Jonathan & Malina Lewsczuk,
Kathleen Heirakuji, Myngoc Le, Michael Miti,
Gordon Wong, Sandy Chong,
John Sutton, Jon Blumhardt,
Trish Robertson, Ruth Alves,
And for the Homebound.*



*For the Passing of: Darlaine Anderson, Mark Santos,
Francis Teixeira, Chris Peterson and Rodolfo Salvador*



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B FEBRUARY 21, 2021

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022121.cfm>

Reading I

Gn 9:8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him:

"See, I am now establishing my covenant with you
and your descendants after you

and with every living creature that was with you:
all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals
that were with you and came out of the ark.

I will establish my covenant with you,
that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed
by the waters of a flood;
there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth."

God added:

"This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come,
of the covenant between me and you
and every living creature with you:

I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign
of the covenant between me and the earth.

When I bring clouds over the earth,
and the bow appears in the clouds,

I will recall the covenant I have made
between me and you and all living beings,
so that the waters shall never again become a flood
to destroy all mortal beings."

LENT

A SEASON OF REFLECTION,
RENEWAL, AND PREPARATION

Reading II

1 Pt 3:18-22

Beloved:

Christ suffered for sins once,
the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous,
that he might lead you to God.

Put to death in the flesh,
he was brought to life in the Spirit.

In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison,
who had once been disobedient
while God patiently waited in the days of Noah
during the building of the ark,
in which a few persons, eight in all,
were saved through water.

This prefigured baptism, which saves you now.

It is not a removal of dirt from the body
but an appeal to God for a clear conscience,
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,
who has gone into heaven
and is at the right hand of God,
with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

Gospel

Mk 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,
and he remained in the desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan.

He was among wild beasts,
and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested,
Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God:

"This is the time of fulfillment.

The kingdom of God is at hand.

Repent, and believe in the gospel."



Aloha, Parish Family!

During this Lenten Season, we are focusing on the Women's Community Correctional Center (WCCC) in Kailua. We want the women to know that they are not forgotten. We plan to collect toiletry items to fill 250 Easter baskets. The Easter baskets will be delivered to WCCC on March 31st and given to the women on Sunday, Easter morning.

(Please see the items below)



SJV WOMENS' PRISION MINISTRY

EASTER BASKET TOILETRIES DRIVE

WE NEED 250 OF EACH

- Suave Shampoo (15 oz)**
- Suave Conditioner (15 oz)**
- Wrapped Bar Soap (4 oz)**
- Any Brand Toothpaste (5.5 oz)**
- Individually Wrapped Toothbrush (Soft)**
- Any Brand Deodorant (2.6 oz)**

IN-KIND OR MONETARY DONATIONS ACCEPTED
Attn: SJV Prison Ministry

DROP OFF NO LATER THAN MARCH 7, 2021

920 KEOLU DRIVE
KAILUA, HI 96734
(808) 262-8317
saintjohnvianneykailua.org

It is the request of the WCCC Facility, that each basket must include the same number of items and identical size. "Suave" products usually are the most inexpensive. For those who choose not to shop for the items, we welcome monetary donations. Checks are written payable to "St. John Vianney, Attention Prison Ministry". Please deliver the hygiene items or monetary donation to our church office by March 7th.

I appreciate everyone's efforts and generosity toward giving to those in need.

Peace, Joy and Aloha,
Jackie

FASTING

In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 17, 2021) and Good Friday (April 2, 2021). To fast means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (except water and medicine) is not permitted on fast days.

ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, Good Friday. To abstain means refraining from eating beef, veal, pork, or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

LENTEN PRACTICES

The faithful are encouraged during Lent to attend daily Mass, receive Holy Communion, participate in penance services, and receive sacramental absolution; to take part in public and private exercises of piety, give generously to works of religion and charity, perform acts of kindness toward the sick, aged, and the poor; to practice voluntary self-denial, especially regarding food, drink, and worldly amusements; and to pray more fervently, particularly for the intentions of the Holy Father.

LENTEN PRAYER SERVICES, STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Walk the Way of the Cross in this 1000+ year old tradition of marking the journey of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Every Friday during Lent at 7 p.m.

St. John Vianney Parish celebrates

The Great Ninety Days of Lent and Easter 2021

The Paschal Triduum



Holy Thursday
April 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday
April 2 at 3:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil
April 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday
April 4 Masses at
7:00, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.



Passion (Palm)
Sunday March 28



Chrism Mass March 30, Tuesday,
7:00 p.m. Co-Cathedral St. Theresa



Parish Lenten Penance Service
Tuesday, March 16 7:00 PM

Anointing of the Sick
(By appointment with the pastor)



Adoration

Saturday, March 6
following the 8 am Mass



Stations of the Cross

Friday Nights at 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 19, 26 | Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26



Operation Ricebowl



Ash Wednesday

February 17
Scripture Service: 6:00 a.m.
Mass: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.



The Scrutinies
The Scrutinies are rites of conversion and repentance. They include prayers of intercession and exorcism and are intended to deliver the elect from sin, protect them from temptation and invite them closer to Christ.
First Scrutiny: 2nd Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 6... 5:00 p.m. Mass
The prayers for the Elect at the 1st Scrutiny are for recognizing their thirst, a thirst we all share—a thirst that only Jesus can satisfy. At the well, the Samaritan woman hears Jesus then goes and tells the villagers what she has heard, causing them to seek him out for themselves.
Second Scrutiny: 4th Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 14... 11:00 am Mass
The prayers for the Elect at the 2nd Scrutiny are prayers for spiritual sight. The man healed of his blindness gradually grows to see as Christ sees. By the end of the story, the one who healed him was "Lazarus" (John 9:38) in whom he believed.
Third Scrutiny: 5th Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 21... 9 am Mass
The prayers for the Elect at the 3rd Scrutiny are for a new life in Christ. In the story of the raising of Lazarus, we come to the final days before the elect must stand before the font and profess their faith.



Easter Season

Second Sunday, April 11
Third Sunday, April 18
Fourth Sunday, April 25
Fifth Sunday, May 2
Sixth Sunday, May 9

Ascension of the Lord
Sunday, May 16



Pentecost Sunday
May 23



Confirmation & First Eucharist
May 23 11 a.m. Mass



Most Holy Trinity
May 30



Body & Blood of Christ
June 6



Season of Lent

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH DRIVE-THRU CANNED

FOOD DRIVE



**TO SUPPORT OUR COVID-19 COMMUNITY
OUTREACH FOOD DRIVE-THRU, BENEFITTING
ST. ROCH, ST. GEORGE, ST. ANTHONY AND
ANY OF OUR PARISHIONERS IN NEED**

MAR 13TH

10:30AM THRU 12:30PM

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH

920 KEOLU DRIVE

KAILUA, HI 96734

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED :

MARCH 13TH, 8:30AM TO 12:30PM—TO COLLECT CANNED FOOD ITEMS

MARCH 19TH, 9:00AM TO 11:00AM —TO DELIVER CANNED FOOD ITEMS

EMAIL: corinda.wong@locationshawaii.com or mtaylor@fhb.com if you're able to volunteer

NEEDS: nonperishables foods items,
canned pork & beans, canned tuna, cup of
Noodles, peanut butter, jelly, canned
spaghetti, canned Vienna sausage,

canned corn, canned vegetables and soups,
etc. and supplies -toilet paper, paper plates,
plastic utensils,
paper towels, hand sanitizers, etc.



**Make a student smile,
donate online:
AugustineFoundation.org/donation**

SUPPORT CATHOLIC

Learn about the three easy ways to donate

Flowers will be ordered to beautify our church for this coming Easter Season. If you would like to help cover the cost, please make a donation to St. John Vianney Parish. Mahalo!

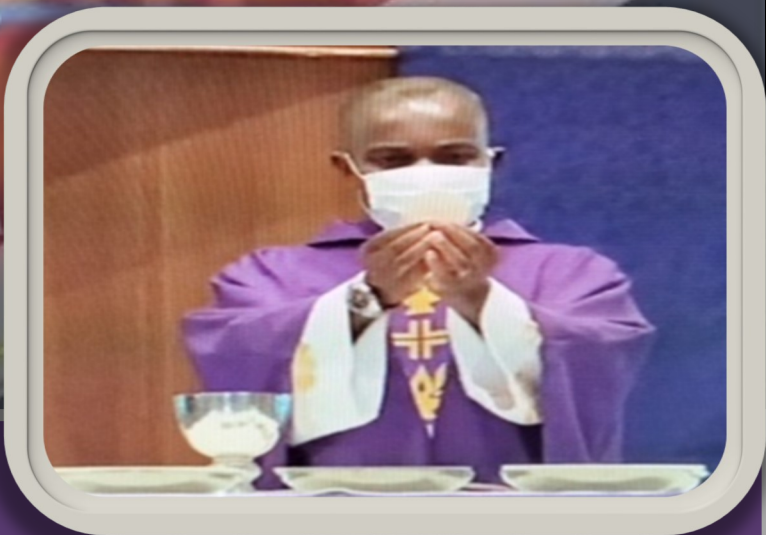


Our church is in need of disinfectant aerosol sprays. If you have Lysol or any other disinfectant products to donate to the church, please bring them to the church office.

Mahalo

WELCOME BACK

Home



**FR. PETER IS BACK FROM VISITING
HIS FAMILY IN ZAMBIA!**

We missed you, Fr. Peter! We hope you enjoyed your time with your family and friends, and we continue to pray for your father. Welcome home!

Thank
You
very much!



**THIS IS FR. ED POPISH'S
LAST WEEKEND MASS WITH US.
MAHALO NUI LOA!**

Father Ed, thank you for being the replacement priest for Fr. Peter during his absence. You are "down to earth"! We hope you come back to our parish to say Mass or just stop by to visit. We wish you the best and again, thank you for being with us and sharing your incredible homilies!



If you've had the virus, your blood can save lives.

Pacific Islanders have been the hardest hit by COVID-19

Nearly one third, or 27%, of all the people in Hawaii who have or had COVID-19 are Pacific Islanders, and more are getting sick every day. If you've recovered from COVID-19, your blood contains lifesaving antibodies that can be used by doctors to help our parents, grandparents, neighbors and friends who are suffering from the virus.

Who can donate?

If you've previously tested positive for COVID-19 and are now healthy and have been symptom-free for more than 28 days, your community needs your blood.

How do I schedule an appointment?

Call (808) 848-4706 or email COVIDplasma@bbh.org and say that you recovered from COVID-19 and you want to help. You can also learn more at bbh.org/FightCovid.

What is the donation process like?

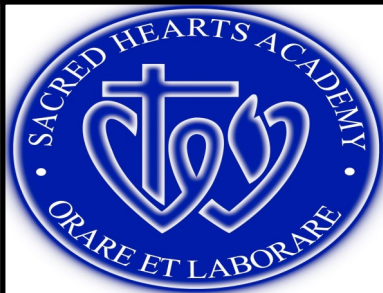
It's a simple process and it will take place at Blood Bank of Hawaii's Dillingham Donor Center, Young Street Donor Center, Waikele Bloodmobile or possibly at a blood drive near you. First, you'll answer some health questions. Next, you'll sit back in a comfortable chair and relax or watch a movie for about an hour while they draw the plasma from your blood. When it's done, you'll enjoy some light refreshments.



In appreciation of your time, each person who donates their COVID plasma will receive a \$25 non-transferable certificate good at Foodland and Sack N Save.



Donations by appointment only.
Online: bbh.org/FightCovid
Email: COVIDplasma@bbh.org
Phone: (808) 848-4706



Sacred Hearts Academy's virtual Admissions Open House will be held on Sunday, February 28, 2021 at 11:00am via Zoom. We are very excited to share our exciting academic and learning programs! Please contact 808 734-5058 or email at dpadilla@sacredhearts.org.



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

Faith Action Task Force Update -- Housing

HousingNOW! is the Faith Action Task Force to address housing issues. Its five Steering Committee-approved issues include: 1) an empty homes fee; 2) a community-led housing mandate; and 3) the affordable, locally owned homes for all (A.L.O.H.A.) Homes proposal. Taxation of real estate investment trusts (REITs), corporations profiting off revenue-generating real estate investments, has returned as a fourth issue for Faith Action. The fifth issue is the redevelopment of Aloha Stadium into the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District (NASED).

More information about these five issues is available at:

<https://www.faithactionhawaii.org/post/faith-action-task-force-update-housing>

Foo Pham, Chair