

Jesus was transfigured before them and His clothes became dazzling white...” Mark 9:2-3

**Second Sunday of Lent
Year B
February 28, 2021**



**From the
Pastor’s Desk**



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DEAR PARISH FAMILY,

This Sunday’s readings remind us of mountain top experiences. In the first reading, on the mountain in the land of Moriah, Abraham is put to the test by God to see if he would be willing to sacrifice his own son Isaac; and without hesitation he faithfully obeyed. But in a dramatic fashion Isaac’s life is spared, and a substitute is found for the holocaust. Abraham is rewarded for his unstinting faith. In the second reading, St. Paul alludes indirectly to another small mount. The evangelists call it Golgotha. From this mount, the Lord would bring salvation to the human race. And in the Gospel, on an unnamed mountain, Jesus appeared in His glory, transfigured along with Moses and Elijah.

Perhaps, you and I can see clearly that the transfiguration is a foreshadowing of the Resurrection. Yet Peter, James, and John see things differently. At this point in their lives, the disciples had been following Jesus for quite some time. They had already endured many trials, and yet they still weren’t sure where this journey would take them. It is for this reason they were invited by Jesus to see the reason for following Him. This splendid episode offered a hint of where they were headed, heaven. Peter, mesmerized by the sight he saw, did not want to go down the mountain to painful moments. Who would?

Each of us is like Peter at times, wanting a life that is pain-free and trouble-free. However, as He does continually throughout the Gospel, Jesus corrects Peter. He basically says to him: **“You cannot stop on this mountain; we have work to be done down in the community before we can finally taste heaven eternally.”** Lent is a time when we are reminded that our true homeland is to be with God eternally in heaven. In the meantime, like the faithful Abraham, we have work to do.

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
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Sacrament of Baptism and Sacrament of Marriage
Please refer to website for information or call the Parish Office: 808-262-8317
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Sick and Homebound (Communion/ Anointing of the Sick)
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Funerals
Call the Parish Office before making arrangements with the mortuary.
Online Giving Go online to:
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PARISH SCHOOL Website: sjvkailua.org
Phone: 808-261-4651 Fax: 808-263-0505
Principal: Caryn DeMello
Administrative Assistant: Annie Chee
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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 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; ROMANS 8:31-34;
MARK 9:2-10**

While the **First Reading** is a masterpiece of narrative art, for some it can present a troubling image of God. Abraham may display faith and obedience to an admirable degree but what are we to think of a divinity who tests him by letting him believe till the very last moment that he must kill and sacrifice his only son? Traditional theology would probably respond that God is God, unanswerable to human categories of judgment, but many will likely remain rather disturbed. It is probably best to concentrate in first instance on the faith of Abraham, rather than on God. There is an exchange between Isaac and his father as they climb the mountain (vv. 7-8). The boy points out the lack of a lamb for sacrifice. Abraham's enigmatic response, *'My son. God himself will provide'*, serves at one level to keep the boy guessing. But more deeply it reveals the depth of the patriarch's faith. He somewhat believed that somehow his future, which hang entirely on this only, God-given son, remains in the hands of God.

Are there parallels and similarities between the **First Reading** and the **Gospel**? Do you see a tie in between Abraham almost sacrificing Isaac and God sacrificing Jesus? Mark's account of the Transfiguration, also reveals God's only Son who knew pain and suffering in whom a command is given to *'Listen to him!'* Just like Isaac, Abraham's son, the only *'beloved Son'* is not exempt from suffering as part of the divine plan of salvation. Abraham "took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac." Jesus carries his own cross. Isaac asks, "Where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" John refers to Jesus as "the Lamb of God" (see John 1:29). Isaac is obedient to his father; Jesus is obedient to his Father. *Look out for more parallels in the two readings.*

Other references on faithfulness: 2 Timothy 2:13; Psalm 119:90; Proverbs 13:17

UPCOMING Events

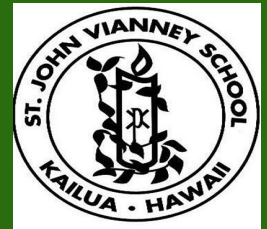
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

FEB 28, MARCH 7,14,21,28 (SUNDAYS)	RELIGIOUS ED PRORAM: 8:00AM—11:45AM BOARDROOM/LOUNGE AND BASEMENT
MARCH 4,11,18,25 (THURSDAYS)	ROSARY MAKING—9AM-11AM BOARDROOM AND LOUNGE
MARCH 6 (SATURDAY)	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 8:30AM AFTER THE 8AM MASS—CHURCH
MARCH 6 (SATURDAY)	MOVIE NIGHT—6:30PM (SEE FLYER)
MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (MONDAYS)	BIBLE STUDY: 9:00AM-10:30AM BOARDROOM/LOUNGE
MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (MONDAYS)	RCIA—7:00PM-8:30PM LOUNGE
MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25 (THURSDAYS)	BIBLE STUDY: 7:00PM-8:30PM LOUNGE
MARCH 5,12, 19, 26 (FRIDAYS)	UPPER ROOM BIBLE SHARING: 6:30PM-8:00PM LOUNGE
MARCH 5, 12, 19, 26 (FRIDAYS)	STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 7:00PM-7:45PM CHURCH
MARCH 24 (WEDNESDAY)	WINDWARD VICARIATE DEACONS AND WIVES MEETING -6:30PM-9:00PM BOARDROOM AND LOUNGE

By: *Earl Walker*

SCHOOL NEWS

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



St. John Vianney School not only provides students an outstanding education, it offers them the technology and skills necessary to be successful in society. Students are also taught to be Christ-centered and to remember the main reason why they exist. Our teachers inspire hearts, minds and lives by taking the best of human wisdom and incorporating it into a life of faith, giving them a life filled with meaning. Our curriculum and environment provide opportunities for students to not only learn about the Catholic faith, but encourages them to live their faith through service to others. Students are given opportunities to participate in community service projects for experience in leadership and service as we strive to develop the future leaders of Hawai'i and our Church.

Applications for the 2021-2022 school year for NEW STUDENTS are now available in the school office or downloaded from our website at: sjvkailua.org. For more information, call 261-4651.



Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory: Our weekly donation for **February 20th to February 26th, 2021** is **\$5,872** and the weekly **budget is \$8,010**.

Therefore, we have a deficit of **\$2,138**.

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.

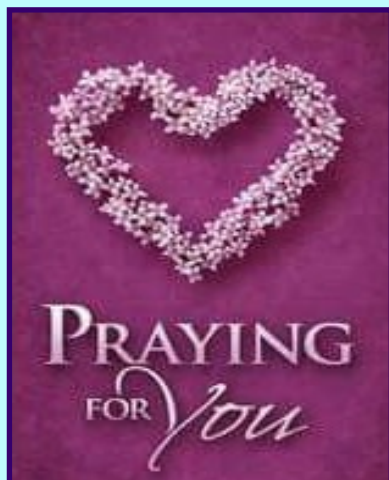


Next Week
Third Sunday of Lent—Year B
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/030721.cfm>

Reading I:
Exodus 20:1-17

Reading II:
1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel:
John 2:13-25



For the Healing of:

*Sylvia Kruse, Barbara Fields, Gabrielle Taylor,
Rev. Sean Code, Buck Marcum,
Keone Johnson, Janis Palafox, Charles Gauthe Jr,
Robert Brown, 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 (Funeral Mass, Tuesday, March 2nd at 11AM
Mass, St. John Vianney Parish)*

Chris Peterson (Funeral Mass at St. Anthony, Saturday, Feb. 27th @ 10am)



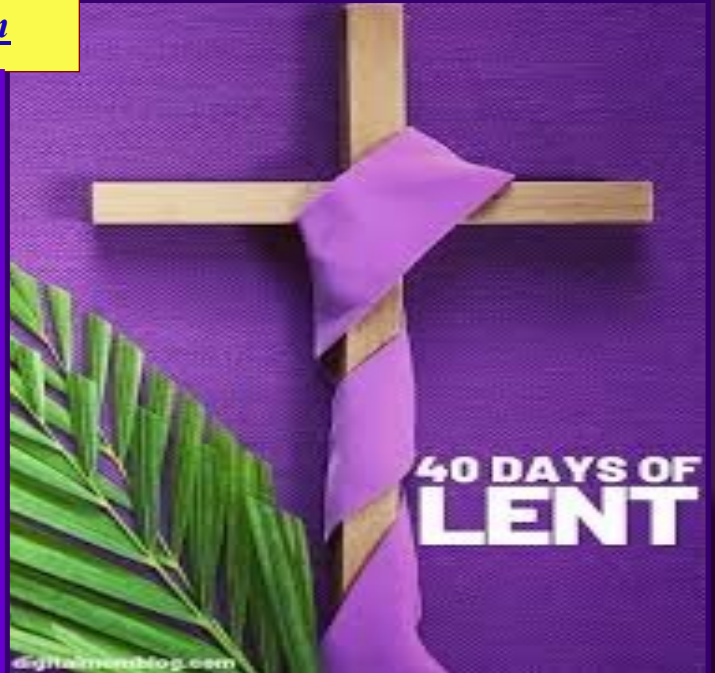
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B FEBRUARY 28, 2021

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022821.cfm>

Reading I

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test.
He called to him, "Abraham!"
"Here I am!" he replied.
Then God said:
"Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love,
and go to the land of Moriah.
There you shall offer him up as a holocaust
on a height that I will point out to you."
When they came to the place of which God had told him,
Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it.
Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son.
But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven,
"Abraham, Abraham!"
"Here I am!" he answered.
"Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger.
"Do not do the least thing to him.



I know now how devoted you are to God,
since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son."
As Abraham looked about,
he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket.
So he went and took the ram
and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.
Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and
said:
"I swear by myself, declares the LORD,
that because you acted as you did
in not withholding from me your beloved son,
I will bless you abundantly
and make your descendants as countless
as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore;
your descendants shall take possession
of the gates of their enemies,
and in your descendants all the nations of the earth
shall find blessing—
all this because you obeyed my command."

Reading II

Rom 8:31b-34

Brothers and sisters:
If God is for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare his own Son
but handed him over for us all,
how will he not also give us everything else along with him?
Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones?
It is God who acquits us, who will condemn?
Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised—
who also is at the right hand of God,
who indeed intercedes for us.

Gospel

Mk 9:2-10

Jesus took Peter, James, and John
and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves.
And he was transfigured before them,
and his clothes became dazzling white,
such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.
Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses,
and they were conversing with Jesus.
Then Peter said to Jesus in reply,
"Rabbi, it is good that we are here!
Let us make three tents:
one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."
He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified.
Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them;
from the cloud came a voice,
"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."
Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone
but Jesus alone with them.
As they were coming down from the mountain,
he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone,
except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead.
So they kept the matter to themselves,
questioning what rising from the dead meant.

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: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021— 5:00PM 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, 2021 — 11:00AM 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 “Lord” (John 9:38) in whom he believed.

THIRD SCRUTINY: 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021 — 9AM 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.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH DRIVE-THRU CANNED

FOOD DRIVE



**IN HONOR OF "THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH"
PLEASE HELP 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.



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*Flowers and
decoration items 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 Nui Loa!*



**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



Saint John Vianney Church

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SATURDAY

MARCH 6, 2021

8:30AM

(AFTER THE 8AM MASS)

"The best time you will spend on earth" St. Theresa of Calcutta

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH
AND ST. JOHN VIANNEY PTSH
present

DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT

showing...



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**SATURDAY
MARCH 6
6:30PM**

LOT OPENS AT 6:00PM

***** PURCHASE POPCORN FROM KAILUA CINEMAS TO BE DELIVERED TO YOU CAR*****

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

FAITH ACTION ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE

The Environmental Justice Task Force was created early last year because of the interest expressed by Faith Action members in environmental issues; in particular, climate change. We are committed to increasing public awareness of environmental issues and establishing more effective public policy to help control climate change.

After organizing, we settled on the carbon fee and dividend idea because it would substantially reduce carbon admissions while also being consistent with Faith Action's spirit of socioeconomic equity. For more details, please go to:

<https://www.faithactionhawaii.org/post/environmental-justice-task-force>

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE



FROM KAILUA TO CROATIA

Is Our Lady calling YOU to Medjugorje?

Info Session on Saturday,
WHEN: March 13th at 10:00am
WHER: SJV Lanai to learn more!

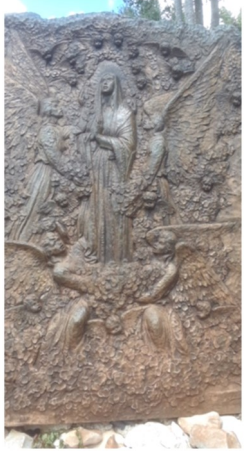
Info Session about the upcoming pilgrimage:
April 15-22, 2021

Heard about Medjugorje but want to know more? Don't know what it is but interested in learning what it's all about (or just how to pronounce it?) Then please join us!

On June 24, 1981, in a small village in Bosnia-Herzegovina named Medjugorje, the Blessed Virgin Mary began appearing to six youth - Ivan, Jakov, Marija, Mirjana, Vicka, and Ivanka - giving them messages to share with the world. Blessed Mother told them that God has sent Her to our world, and these years She is spending with us are a time of Grace granted by God.

Because the apparitions are ongoing (Marija receives daily visits from Our Lady while the other visionaries receive messages on designated dates) and other factors, the Catholic Church has not yet officially approved these apparitions but in May 2019, Pope Francis authorized pilgrimages to Medjugorje moving them from a private/personal capacity to one which can now be officially organized by dioceses and parishes.

2021 marks the 40th year of Our Lady's apparitions in Medjugorje and some feel this significant time marker (40 years) may mean Our Lady's visitations to earth may end this year. This no-obligation info session will provide logistics and answers to the many questions involving such a long trip for us from Kailua to Croatia *as well as personal accounts from those who have already visited this holy place. For more Immediate background information or to see other pilgrimage dates/options, visit: <https://medjugorje.org>*



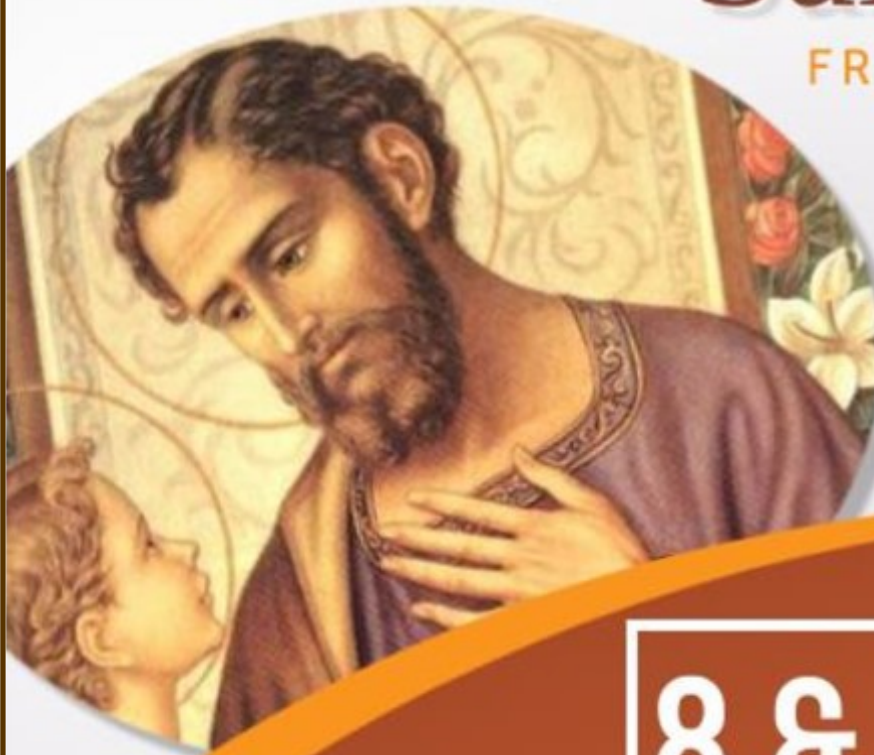
ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH PRESENTS

Saint Joseph

FROM A FATHER'S HEART

Encountering Saint Joseph
through Scripture and Prayer

VIRTUAL
LENTEN MISSION



8 & 10

MARCH 2021

MONDAY | 8:30AM & 7PM
WEDNESDAY | 8:30AM & 7PM



FATHER PHILLIP GANIR, S.J

PRE-REGISTRATION
REQUIRED

Visit our Parish website at
www.saintjohnvianneyparish.org

Jesuit Father Phillip Ganir was born in Seattle and raised on Oahu. He is a graduate of St. Elizabeth Elementary School in Aiea and Damien Memorial School.

He joined the U.S. West Province of the Jesuits in 1999 after earning degrees in UH political science and Asian studies from the University of Hawaii at Manoa where he worked at the Newman Center. In addition to the spiritual, pastoral, and academic training required of Jesuits, he completed music degrees at the Manhattan School of Music and the University of Notre Dame. He also worked as an associate pastor at St. Ignatius Parish, Sacramento, California. He is currently a doctoral candidate in catechetics at The Catholic University of America, where he taught undergraduate theology and is currently writing his dissertation on music and catechesis

PARISH

SPOTLIGHT

Meet
Kathy
Jaycox



**St. John Vianney Parish
Representative to Faith Action for
Community Equity**



Kathy Jaycox has been a parishioner at St John Vianney since moving here from Chicago 1992. She serves as our parish representative to Faith Action for Community Equity, an interdenominational coalition focused on issues of social justice.

Our parish joined Faith Action in 1998, two years after its founding. Kathy's involvement began in the early 2000's. When asked why she chose to commit her time to Faith Action, Kathy responded that it provides a structure through which she can put her faith into action. She said, "I was moved by the covenant statement, the agreement signed by every church, temple or organization that joins Faith Action." This covenant states, in part, that Faith Action member organizations will "examine core issues and the root causes of problems, and [will] be a vehicle through which our people can act to improve quality of life."

Kathy uses this analogy to explain the work of Faith Action. We are all familiar with the story of the Good Samaritan, who helped the Jewish robbery victim by binding his wounds and providing for his follow-up care. Well, Faith Action is NOT like the Good Samaritan. It does not provide direct help, such as feeding the hungry or building homes. But Faith Action is a coalition of caring neighbors who ask the Good Samaritan and all others in the Bible story, "How did this happen to the victim and what can we do to insure that no one else gets abused in this way?"

So Faith Action looks at the social justice challenges facing our community (e.g., costs of long-term care, access to affordable workforce housing, environmental climate concerns) and says, in essence, here are two things we can do. First, we can voice our concerns and suggest solutions to those who shape public policy at the local, state and federal level. And second, through our issues-based task forces, we can develop leaders from within our churches and temples who will help others to find and develop their own voices in support of justice and compassion.

Learn more about this work at:
<https://www.faithactionhawaii.org>, including a historic video made by SJV religious education students in 2011.

LET THE SPIRIT GUIDE YOU

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DEACON FORMATION

ABOUT US

The Permanent Deacon Formation Program is directed at preparing men spiritually, intellectually, and pastorally for ordination and to assist the Church in its mission of salvation of souls. Men who are called will be formed and sent to teach, to guard and to bear witness to, and to serve Holy Mother Church through the example of their lives and their ministries of Word, service and charity.

INQUIRY WEEKENDS

Applicants for the next cohort will be accepted only after attendance at one of the mandatory Inquiry Weekends, along with your wives, if married.

- March 12 -14, 2021
Registration Deadline March 5
- April 9 - 11, 2021
Registration Deadline April 2
- May 14 - 16, 2021
Registration Deadline May 7
- June 11 - 13, 2021
Registration Deadline June 4

CONTACT US

We invite you to reserve a space online at our website:

www.catholichawaii.org/formation

For questions and concerns:
deaconformation2@rcchawaii.org

Or call us at:
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