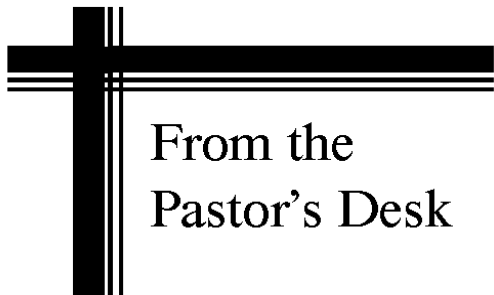




First Sunday of Advent
Year C
November 28, 2021



From the
Pastor's Desk



**Saint John Vianney Parish
Community**

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School Website: sjvkailua.org
myparishapp.com

Dear Parish Family,

Happy New Year to all! Perhaps you think I am getting confused. This is not January 1 nor is it the Lunar New Year. Yet it is the beginning of a New Year, the beginning of another Liturgical Church Year.

We ended the last year with the Feast of Christ the King and today we begin once more with the First Sunday of Advent. It is also the beginning of a new cycle of prayers and Scripture readings, Cycle C. Why are these four weeks before Christmas called Advent? The term comes from a Latin word (adventus) meaning 'coming of arrival'. We immediately think it refers to the coming of Jesus at Christmastime, and that is correct. But it is not the whole story. In fact, we can speak of three comings of the Lord and all are referred to in the Scripture readings this Sunday.

The prophet Jeremiah refers prophetically to the coming of Jesus, our King and Savior, that is, the coming of the Child Jesus in Bethlehem which we anticipate and prepare for in these four weeks. The Gospel speaks in ominous terms of the end of the world and what we refer to as the Second Coming of Jesus at the end of time. However, there is still a third coming which forms an important and indispensable link between the First and Second Comings. That is what is spoken about in the Second Reading. It is the welcoming of Jesus into our lives in the here and now. It takes place every day.

As we look forward to meeting the Lord, whether it be in the very near future or many years away, we are challenged to be attentive, ready and prepared. May you all have a blessed prayerful Advent.

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

Music Ministry Robert Mondoy

Maintenance Glenn Chong

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Kamalani Rodrigues

Religious Education for Pre-School and Elementary, Youth Ministry

Steffanie Beissel, Coordinator

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 & Mary Duddy

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

Business Coordinator: Therese Campos

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



A Year of the Holy Spirit

As we begin a new liturgical year, our *Faith Corner* will pick up a new focus: the *Holy Spirit*. How might we celebrate that?

What might we do to make this a year of the Holy Spirit meaningful and fruitful? Without a doubt, more emphasis has often been put on God the Father and God the Son and less on God the Holy Spirit. And yet, it is the Spirit who guides and strengthens us each day to pray, to forgive, to love and to serve. Wouldn't you then want to have a much deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit?

The Bible records Jesus promising a gift to all who obey His commandments. (Jn 14:15-17, 26) That gift is the Holy Spirit! Biblically, the Holy Spirit is more described than defined. There are various ways in which the Spirit is described in both the Old as well as the New Testaments. (Ex 19:18; Ex 24:16; Num 11:25; 1 Jn 5:6; Jn 14:26; Heb 9:14)

The Holy Spirit is a Person. He is the third member of the trinity with distinct personality traits. Every believer, should know the reality and power of the Holy Spirit and allow Him to take over their lives. If He is not in us, it will be very difficult for us to live victorious Christian lives, know God's strength and presence as well as understand God's word in depth and revelations.

Let us also learn about the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Though we may not be able to tangibly perceive where the Holy Spirit comes from, we will be able to see the effects of the Spirit. When we perceive a new strength within us, or an increase in virtue, or an ability to forgive, etc., we are aware of the fact that the Holy Spirit is present, leading us, transforming us and guiding us to be true witnesses.

With joy, let us each make this, a year of openness to the Holy Spirit!

UPCOMING Events

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

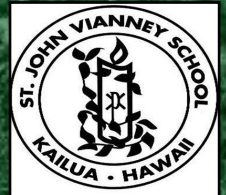
NOV 28 (SUN)	RE ED PROGRAM 1:30PM-3:15PM (Church)
NOV 29 (MON)	BIBLE STUDY 9:00AM—10:30AM (Brdrm/Lounge) RCIA 7:00PM—8:30PM (Brdrm/Lounge)
NOV 30 (TUES)	BSA—GIRLS METTING 6:30PM-8:30PM (Parish Hall– Outside Circle of Peace)
DEC 1 (WED)	BOYS SCOUT TROOP 311 6:00PM-9:00PM (Parish Hall-Parking Lot) TROOP 311 COMMITTEE MTG. 6:30PM-9:00PM (Basement) FAITH FORMATION MTG 7:00PM-8:30PM (Boardroom/Lounge)
DEC 2 (THURS)	ROSARY MAKING 9:00AM-11:00AM (Boardroom/Lounge) BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM– 8:30 PM (Boardroom/Lounge)
Dec 3 (FRI)	LADIES SODALITY SET UP 10:00 AM—3:00PM (Parish Hall)
DEC 4 (SAT)	FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT (BR/L/FL) 8AM—1:00 PM WHITE ELEPHANT SALE 10:00 AM-4:00 PM (Parish Hall) YPW BAND REHEARSAL 1:30PM-3:15PM (Church)

**ANNOINTING
OF THE SICK
EVERY LAST
SATURDAY OF
THE MONTH
AFTER THE
8AM MASS**

This coming week, November 29 – December 3, all priests of the Diocese of Honolulu will be attending a Priest Convocation. There will be communion service instead of daily Mass, led by our deacons, at 8 a.m. Monday through Friday.

By: *Earl Walker*

SCHOOL NEWS



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

American Savings Bank 2021 KeikiCo Contest has selected our sixth graders, Kaile Chang and Kelia Whitworth, for their plan and marketing video for their small business, Kama'aina Hand Goods. This contest is a business plan competition where students create and market their own service or product. The contest is a fantastic opportunity for our students to learn entrepreneurial skills and develop communication skills and financial literacy. In addition, it helps build connections to the community and a chance to work with professionals. We can also win monetary prizes and develop a partnership with ASB allowing us to apply for grants and request service projects.

Cash prizes for schools range from \$5,000 to \$25,000. Prizes are awarded based on Best Business Plan & video pitch and the highest student participation. Please show your support for our school by going to the ASBKeikiCo website at www.asbhawaii.com/keikico and vote for their project before December 1, 2021.



Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory: Our weekly donation for November 13th to November 19th was \$7,324 our weekly budget is \$8,010. Therefore, we have a deficit of \$686.

MAHALO for your continued SUPPORT to GIVE.

If you give online, 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 C
December 5, 2021*

*Reading I:
Baruch 5:1-9*

*Reading II:
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11*

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/120521.cfm>



For the Healing of
Ruth Alves
Doug Barbiato
Ralph Barney
Edward Balderston
Jim Balderston
Sydney Bennett
Clark Bernales
Robert Bernales
Rod Castanha

Sandy Chong
Mollie Chun
Eleanor Dodds
Barbara Fields
Jayla Gomes
Jacci Hagen
Kathleen Heirakuji
Keone & Deborah
Johnson
Myngoc Le
Kasey Lopes
Lopes Ohana
Jonathan & Malina
Lewsczuk
Elizabeth Libby
Buck Marcum
Milton McAngus
Michael Miti
Patrick Miyachi
Hope Montalvo
Christian Palacio
Trish Robertson

Herbert Rodrigues
Souza Ohana
John Sutton
Sharon Sweat
Gabrielle Taylor
David Teves
Gordon Wong
The homebound
and for the repose
of soul of
+Bernice Brissette
+Susan Briggs
+Romulo Caday
+Blanche Hansen
+Francisco Pedrina
+Roselani Yap



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
WITNESS TO JESUS

MEMORANDUM

To: All Clergy of the Diocese of Honolulu

From: Bishop Larry Silva

Date: November 19, 2021

Re.: Prayers for the U.S. Supreme Court and a pending pro-life decision

Dear Priests and Deacons of the Diocese,

Peace be with you!

In the early days of December, the U.S. Supreme Court will deliberate on *Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health*, a ruling that could possibly lead to the reversal of *Roe vs. Wade*, which has allowed the abortion of over 60 million girls and boys in our country. While the Supreme Court should not be influenced by public opinion, its wisdom can certainly be guided by fervent prayer. Therefore, **I am asking that each parish urge its parishioners to pray that the Supreme Court be guided by the Holy Spirit in this decision.**

Moreover, I am asking each parish to conduct Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament the evening of Saturday, November 27 through the morning of Sunday, November 28, to pray for this very important pro-life intention. Adoration could begin immediately after the Saturday evening Mass and continue all night, ending just before the first Mass on Sunday morning. For those parishes that are simply not able to hold the all-night Adoration, we urge you to at least conduct Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for at least one hour on Saturday evening, November 27.

I apologize for the very short notice on this initiative, but I hope that every parish will be able to organize this communal prayer for the sake of all the unborn babies and their mothers and families.

Blessings to you all, and Happy Thanksgiving!

First Sunday of Advent—Year C

November 28, 2021

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/112821.cfm>

First Sunday of Advent

Lectionary: 3

Reading I

Jer 33:14-16

The days are coming, says the LORD,
when I will fulfill the promise
I made to the house of Israel and Judah.
In those days, in that time,
I will raise up for David a just shoot;
he shall do what is right and just in the land.
In those days Judah shall be safe
and Jerusalem shall dwell secure;
this is what they shall call her:
"The LORD our justice."

Gospel

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples:
"There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars,
and on earth nations will be in dismay,
perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves.
People will die of fright
in anticipation of what is coming upon the world,
for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.
And then they will see the Son of Man
coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
But when these signs begin to happen,
stand erect and raise your heads
because your redemption is at hand.
"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy
from carousing and drunkenness
and the anxieties of daily life,
and that day catch you by surprise like a trap.
For that day will assault everyone
who lives on the face of the earth.
Be vigilant at all times
and pray that you have the strength
to escape the tribulations that are imminent
and to stand before the Son of Man."

Reading II

1 Thes 3:12-4:2

Brothers and sisters:
May the Lord make you increase and abound in love
for one another and for all,
just as we have for you,
so as to strengthen your hearts,
to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen.
Finally, brothers and sisters,
we earnestly ask and exhort you in the Lord Jesus that,
as you received from us
how you should conduct yourselves to please God
and as you are conducting yourselves
you do so even more.
For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.



O God,
as light comes from this candle,
may the blessing of Jesus Christ
come to us,
warming our hearts
and brightening our way.
May Christ our Saviour bring life
into the darkness of this world,
and to us,
as we wait for his coming.
Amen.

First Sunday of
Advent

MAHALO FR. PETER

**LET US THANK OUR PASTOR
FOR SERVING US THE PAST SIX YEARS**



Come show your appreciation on:

Saturday, December 4, 2021

Refreshments after 5:00 PM Mass

Served by parishioners on the Fellowship Lanai

Sunday, December 5, 2021

A Breakfast after all Masses

Served by students from St. John Vianney School
on the Fellowship Lanai



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

St. John Vianney Parish School
is pleased and excited to announce
it is able to conduct its
11th annual

"Breakfast with the Bishop"

on Sunday, January 16, 2022.

Plan to enjoy a delicious buffet
served by our teachers and parents
along with delightful entertainment
by students in our hula halau
and our music department.

This event supports the tuition assistance program in your parish school.

Tickets go on sale Dec 11-12, 2021



As we begin Advent we are called to "wait" in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives. Wherever you live in our parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your door bell.

Your gift to the St. Vincent de Paul Society will help the poor celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Table 1

INCOME TO SERVE THE POOR			
2020 Ending & 2021 Beg. Balance			7333
Vincentian Members	9485		
Church parishioners	2225		
Fund raising/other	8000		
FOP Grant	5000		
Total Receipts		24,710	
			32043
SERVING THE POOR EXPENSES			
Financial aid to neighbors	7977		
Housing aid/eviction prevention	16560		
Housing aid for Fire Victims	1000		
Aid to poor due to Covid	1000		
subtotal		26537	
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Helpline -Hi Tel	360		
Insurance	250		
National Council Dues	167		
Annual HI State Bus. filing			
USPS	1		
Member training booklets	25		
Bank charge	30		
subtotal		836	
Total Expenses			27373
2021 ENDING BALANCE 9/30/21			4670

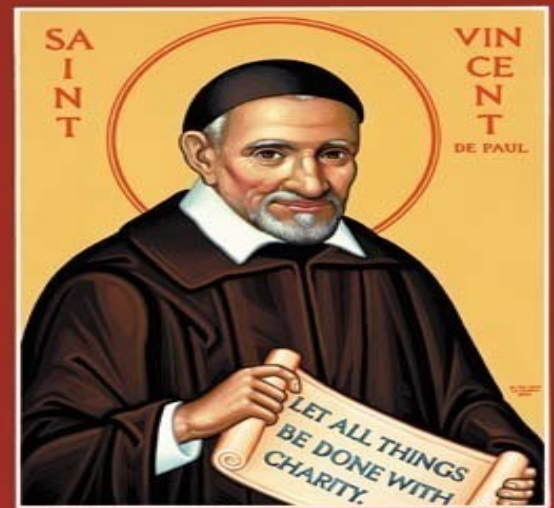


Table 2

# of Vincentian Members = 10	Total hours of Service 711
# of in person visits via phone or outside = 64	# of people helped = 71
Members meet bi-monthly on	2nd and 4th Saturdays
1. Milton McAngus	
2. Jim Severson	
3. Mark Clark	
4. Al Sasaki	
5. Dairo Moody /Star of the Sea	
6. Stephanie Pahia	
7. Patty Lee	
8. Kealoha Caldera	
9. Melodie Sasaki	
10. Fran Tannen	

ADVENT ADORATION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021



ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

AFTER THE 8:00 AM MASS

Continue your advent journey by spending time with the Lord during our monthly Adoration. Our Advent Adoration meditations will be led by our young adult Liturgical Ministers of the Word.

A WHITE ELEPHANT SALE



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St. John Vianney Parish

When

Saturday, December 4, 2021

10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Place

SJV Parish Hall

If you have any salable items to help with this fundraiser, please drop off at the Parish Hall on Friday, December 3rd between 4:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. Mahalo!

St. John Vianney Parish
Presents
A Year of The Holy Spirit
"The Lord and giver of life"



**When the Holy Spirit has come upon you,
you will be Christ's witnesses to the end of the earth.**

From December 2021 through November 2022
Our parish will encourage us to learn more
about the third person of the Trinity
and the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit

*"The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name,
He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance
all I said to you." John 14:26*

“A Year of The Holy Spirit

“the Lord and giver of life”



A year long focus to further educate our parish community and the Kailua community about the Holy Spirit

What the focus will be by month:

- Nov: Introduction on the Year of the Holy Spirit
- Dec: Who is the Holy Spirit-references from Scripture and the Church
- Jan: The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament
- Feb: Receiving the Holy Spirit in Baptism and Confirmation
- Mar: The Gift of Wisdom
- Apr: The Gift of Understanding
- May: The Gift of Counsel
- Jun: The Gift of Fortitude
- Jul: The Gift of Knowledge
- Aug: The Gift of Piety
- Sep: The Gift of the Fear of the Lord
- Oct: Inviting the Holy Spirit to take over your life
is strength for the journey of the rest of your life.

**Our Parish Faith Formation Committee
encourages everyone in our parish family
to learn more about the Holy Spirit**



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

This year 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.**

Some families are asking for certain type of gift/s (this is actually very helpful in choosing what to give). The gift/s should be wrapped with price tag/s removed. Each gift tag you selected from the Giving Tree should be taped on the wrapped gift. This will be very helpful when the gifts are being separated for each communities. **Each gift should cost approximately \$25 or less.**

Please go to the parish office after each Mass this weekend and choose a gift tag or two OR go to the parish office during the week from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Mahalo for your giving heart. May God bless you.



The Girl Scouts made about 300 ornaments. As a thank you, each person who takes a gift tag or two gets to keep the ornament.

We thank the Girl Scouts and their team leaders for making the ornaments and attaching them to the gift tags to place on the tree. We are grateful for their time and talent. Mahalo from the heart!

"You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous in every way. Such generosity produces thanksgiving to God through us." 2 Corinthians 9:11





Blood Bank of Hawaii

Hawaii needs more than 200 blood donors *every day.*



Did you know that all 18 of Hawaii's civilian hospitals rely on our donors to provide blood for everything ranging from cancer and burn treatments to surgeries and transplants. Your neighbors on every island need your support.

Young Street Donor Center	1907 Young St Honolulu	MON – THU 6:30 AM – 6:30 PM	FRI – SUN 6:30 AM – 4:30 PM	
Dillingham Donor Center	2043 Dillingham Blvd Honolulu	TUES/FRI/SAT 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	WED/THURS 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM	
Waikele Center (Bloodmobile)	94-849 Lumiaina St. Waipahu	MON/TUES 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM	WED/THURS 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM	FRI – SUN 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Windward Mall (Bloodmobile)	45-056 Kamehameha Hwy Kaneohe	MON/TUES 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	WED/THURS 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM	FRI – SUN 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

operations subject to change; please visit the web/call us for most up-to-date info

Please provide your Lifesaver Club group name/code to the BBH staff when you arrive for your appointment at any location:

St. John Vianney Parish (1793)

Donations by appointment only.

Visit bbh.org or call (808) 848-4770





Cash Bail Panel 1 of 2: Talk Story with Formerly Incarcerated Folks

On Wednesday October 27th, 2021 the Transformative Justice Taskforce hosted a panel discussion on cash bail. This panel was moderated by Kat Brady, a long time community justice advocate and coordinator of the Community Alliance on Prisons (CAP). The four panelists: Sara Gaspar, Michael Gaspar, Kano'eauna'inoa "Na'i" Awo, and Candy Matautia shared their personal stories about how cash bail laws impacted them and their communities when they were previously incarcerated. If you missed the panel you can view a recording here: fb.watch/91EzYql3qK/

Below are a few remarks from the panelists:

“Studies have shown that the inequities of the cash bail system in Hawai'i fall disproportionately on Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders who are more likely to be arrested, detained, and unable to afford bail. Therefore these types of things target Native Hawaiian communities, low income families who are less likely to afford bail therefore will be in the jail system longer.. and we know us in jail are no use to anybody. We belong out here in our communities” - Na'i Awo

“We come from an economically depressed community. We need more people like you folks to stand up for us.” - Sara Gaspar

“If we could get more people empowered [to] show compassion. . . it would be aloha, it would be mahalo. . . . It would be[good] for us to work together as a community, as an ohana, just to uplift, to praise, to hear those good things; it would make a difference.” - Candy Matautia

“In our communities the cost of living just adds. I mean look how hard it is to just to keep a roof over your head. We need more resources, more resources with treatment centers, more resources with affordable housing. When they say affordable housing, there is nothing I can afford!.. We need our politicians and our people in higher places to do more things that's going to give more instead of taking.” - Michael Gaspar

Cash Bail Panel 2 of 2 -- Legislators

December 1st, 2021 , 6:00pm–7:30pm HST

Register: tinyurl.com/bailreformHI

Join Faith Action for the second panel to discuss cash bail in Hawai'i. This time we will talk story with some legislators who are proposing bail reform bills. Come listen in, ask your questions, and find out how to get involved in the next session.

Panelists: Senator Karl Rhoads, Representative Sonny Ganadan, Representative Scot Matayoshi, and Moderator TBD.

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY PARISH



CHILDREN'S

MUSIC MINISTRY

FOR ALL CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN AND ABOVE

ALL ARE WELCOME

PRACTICE - DESIGNATED SUNDAYS @ 12:00PM

MEET IN THE CHURCH AFTER MASS

PARENTS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND



FOR MORE INFO CONTACT ROBERT MONDOY

(808) 745-8450

OR

RMONDOY@HAWAII.RR.COM