

April 10, 2022 Palm Sunday Of the Passion of the Lord

Sunday Bulletin

St. John Vianney Catholic Church, Kailua

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, one of the most significant moments of the Church year. During this week, we journey with Christ from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his final meal with his closest friends and ultimately to his death on the cross.

Thursday, April 14th @ 7:30 p.m., Holy Thursday—Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 15th @ 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Good Friday—Passion of the Lord and Veneration of the Cross

Saturday, April 16th @ 7:30 p.m., Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 17th @ 7, 9, 11 a.m. Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Mass

CRS Rice Bowl—Sharing God's Love

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. —John 3:16

As we enter Holy Week, we remember how our Lord suffered and died so that each and every one of us might be saved from sin and have eternal life. Reflect on God's infinite love for you. How have you responded to that love this Lent, and how can you share it with others? Visit <https://crsricebowl.org> to learn more.

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreats

This retreat offers healing and support for anyone who has experienced emotional pain and suffering after abortion. Both women and men are welcomed to this private retreat where the mercy, love and compassion of Jesus Christ will be felt in an environment of safety and trust for healing to take place. The next Rachel's Vineyard Retreats will be held on April 22-24, 2022 and October 14-16, 2022 (Arrival at 5:30 p.m. on Friday/ departure on Sunday at 5:00 p.m.). Registrations are strictly confidential. To register, contact Lisa Shorba at (808) 349-5071 or email: rvinhawaii@gmail.com.

Sign-up for Easter Egg Hunt

St. John Vianney's Easter Egg Hunt is next Sunday. Please be sure to sign up your children online. Please register online before 5 p.m., Friday, April 15th. While you're there, sign up to volunteer to help make the event a success!

Sign-up for Easter Egg Hunt: <https://forms.gle/sKygAq6H4d4jBZam9>

Sign-up to volunteer: <https://forms.gle/fwbwVi38mCprbfC17>

Divine Mercy Sunday —April 24, 2022

The Sunday after Easter is Divine Mercy Sunday. Plan to join us as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet after all Masses. In addition, all are invited to pray the Divine Mercy Novena for nine days starting on Good Friday. Copies of the Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet can be found in the back of the church or on the website or myParish app.

Prayers for Healing

Ruth Alves, Kathy Asing, Edward Balderston, Jim Balderston, Peter Barcia, Sydney Bennett, Chuck Bernales, Robert Bernales, Sheryl Caldeira, Rod Castanha, Sandy Chong, Mollie Chun, Filomena Dalope, Eleanor Dodds, Barbara Fields, Jayla Gomes, Kathleen Heirakuji, Keone & Deborah Johnson, Tony Lambio, Myngoc Le, Bernice Lewis, Kasey Lopes, Lopes Ohana, Jonathan & Malina Leswczuk, Elizabeth Libby, Buck Marcum, Milton McAngus, Michael Miti, Patrick Miyachi, Hope Montalvo, Christian Palacio, Trish Robertson, Herbert Rodrigues, Mary Sauvageau, Souza Ohana, Caroline Soriano, John Sutton, Sharon Sweat, Gabrielle Taylor, David Teves, Paulette Teves, Ken Weir, Gordon Wong

Rest of Soul

+Doug Barbieto,

+Harold "Hal" and +Rowena Okita

Next Sunday's Readings

Easter Sunday

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Schedule

Sun, Apr 10 Palm Sunday

9 a.m.—2 p.m. Religious Education Program

1:30 —3:15 p.m. Youth Band Rehearsal

3—5 p.m. Girls Scouts

Mon, Apr 11

9—10:30 a.m. Bible Study

7—8:30 p.m. RCIA

Tues, Apr 12

5:30—7 p.m. Religious Education Program

7—8:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wed, Apr 13

6:30—9:00 p.m. BSA Troop 311 Committee Mtg.

Thu, Apr 14 Holy Thursday

9—11 a.m. Sodality Rosary Making

7:30—9:30 p.m. Mass and Adoration

Fri, Apr 15 Good Friday

8 a.m. There will be no morning Mass

*Parish Office Closed in Observance of Good Friday

3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Passion of the Lord and

Veneration of the Cross

Sat, Apr 16 Holy Saturday

8 a.m. There will be no morning Mass

9—11 a.m. Sodality Meeting

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Sun, Apr 17 Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord

7, 9 & 11 a.m. Easter Mass

10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

SCHOOL NEWS

Submitted by Earl Walker

St. John Vianney School is proud to announce that seventh graders Lily Lukianowicz, Gabriel Brooks, and Airi Chang under the direction of Mr. Gordon Horiuchi created and produced the school's PSA video "Why Do I Wear My Mask?" featuring three SJV first graders. The video was entered into an 'ōlelo video competition and selected as a finalist. Mrs. DeMello and Mr. Horiuchi will accompany the three seventh graders to the awards ceremony at the Hawai'i Convention Center on April 20th. The video may be viewed by entering the following link in your browser: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1fOU8Zwzry5DiDZlohd29x1tQi7t46dTI/view?usp=sharing>

Your parish school is now accepting applications for NEW STUDENTS for the 2022-2023 school year. We offer a superior education with an emphasis on academics and faith. An investment in a Catholic education for your child will provide lifelong, priceless benefits. Financial aid and scholarships are available to help with tuition. For more information, contact the school office at 808-262-4651.



FAITH ACTION FOR COMMUNITY EQUITY

Submitted by Kathy Jaycox

Event Recap: Prayers for Kapukaki by Faith Action Organizer Kiki Mills — In the early morning hours of March 22nd, Faith Action began its observance of World Water Day with "Prayers for Kapukaki," a 20-hour prayer service for the permanent shut down and safe defueling of the tanks at Kapūkākī (Red Hill). The event was held virtually and ran continuously from 4 am – 12 midnight.

Over 20 faith leaders from diverse spiritual traditions volunteered to lead attendees in a time of intention and prayer centered on the sacredness of water. Despite the ranging styles of prayer and worship, salient universal themes persisted throughout the day. First, water is essential to life. Second, protecting water is a sacred act. Finally, as people of faith, it is our sacred duty to protect our most precious resource for present and future generations. These three themes converged to create a beautiful rendering of the power of prayer, evidenced by the notable increase in rain every day since the event!

CATHOLIC FAITH CORNER



Apologetics without Apology

A Year of the Holy Spirit (The Gift of Wisdom)

Last Sunday, we saw how the mysteries of God are vast, wide, deep, and transforming. But so often we fail to understand. We even fail to want to understand. Think about those things in your life now, or maybe in your past, that have left you confused. You need that special gift of the Holy Spirit to make sense of them. And you need this gift to make sense of the many good things of God found in the Scriptures. This is the Gift of *Understanding*. It's a spiritual gift that unlocks the many mysteries of life for us.

Without the Gift of Understanding, we are left on our own to try to make sense of life. This is especially true when we are faced with hardship and suffering. How is it, for example, that an all-powerful and all-loving God can allow the good and the innocent to suffer? How is it that God can seem absent at times when there is human tragedy? The truth is, God is not absent. He is centrally involved in all things. What we need is an understanding of the profound and mysterious ways of God. We need to understand the Scriptures, human suffering, human relationships, and divine action in our lives. But this will never happen unless we allow Jesus to open our minds.

Allowing Jesus to open our minds takes faith and surrender. It means we believe first, and understand later. It means we trust Him even though we do not see. St. Augustine once said, "Faith is to believe what you do not see. The reward of faith is to see what you believe." Are you willing to believe without seeing? Are you willing to believe in the goodness and love of God even though life, or a particular situation in life, does not make sense? Reflect, today, upon the Gift of Understanding.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Submitted by Melodie Sasaki

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life. As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Envelopes for the Poor, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who carry their cross of suffering and pain.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week of Mar 26—Apr 1, 2022	<u>Envelopes/Loose</u>	<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Goal</u>
Sunday Offertory	\$3,282.15	\$3,734.00	\$7,016.15	\$8,010.00
Repair and Maintenance	\$180.00	\$745.00	\$925.00	\$769.23
Debt/Major Repair	\$0	\$490.00	\$490.00	\$769.23
Appeal	\$250.00	\$1,050.00	\$1,300.00	\$2,307.69





SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE

ALVIN AND MARY TSUKAYAMA

Mary Tsukayama recently accepted a lead ministry position to chair the parish's Stewardship Committee after serving as a member of the committee since 2020. This is just one of the latest of many volunteer undertakings for Mary.

As a child growing up in Kailua, she and her siblings helped in their parents' maintenance business which serviced St. John Vianney Church and School. As a young mother, she volunteered at St. John Vianney School where her son was enrolled. When her son grew older, Mary, and her husband Alvin, helped Bill Ing with the SJV youth group in the late 1980's. In recent years while she and Alvin cared for their ailing parents, she served as a hospitality minister for Sunday Mass, a ministry she is still active in today. The couple is also a part of the bereavement team, a ministry that is actively recruiting help for funeral services now that restrictions are lifted.

After both sets of their parents passed away, Mary and Alvin found themselves cutting back on their careers, she as a medical software business owner, he as a carpenter, to reflect on their forty-two years of marriage and their future. Their plans were helped along by new additions to their growing family. A nephew and first grandchild presented them with opportunities to help with childcare and all-important grandparent duties.

In discussing her current ministries at SJV, Mary reflected on the fact that there have always been volunteer opportunities that fit the phases of her life - as a mom, a caregiver, and a retired businessperson. She shares, "I always feel that I gain more than I give when I volunteer." She is happy to utilize her software management skills and experience to help our parish maximize the capabilities of our database software, maintain efficiency, and plan for growth. For many years, Alvin offered his carpentry skills for the repair of the campus buildings and furnishings and is still first on call for projects needing a skilled carpenter.

Where is God calling you to serve the church and community? What aspects of your life experience might make you an effective volunteer? Please ponder these questions and contact the Parish Office when you are ready to explore the possibilities.

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THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 14

7:30 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper with Adoration

Good Friday, April 15

3:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Passion of the Lord and Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 16

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Full Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist) of Elect

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord, April 17

Masses at 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

Full Communion (Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist) of Candidates at the 11 a.m. Mass

10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt for children

THE GREAT 50 DAYS OF EASTER

Sunday of Divine Mercy, April 24

Masses at 7, 9 and 11 a.m., Vigil on Sat., Apr. 23 at 5 p.m.

Sixth Sunday of Easter, Sunday, May 22

Masses at 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

Full Communion of Candidates (Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Eucharist) at the Vigil Mass on Sat., May 21st at 5 p.m.

Pentecost Sunday, June 5

Masses at 7, 9 and 11 a.m., Vigil on Sat., June 4th at 5 p.m.

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EASTER EGG HUNT



Please register online before 5pm on Friday,
April 15, 2022 (one registration per child):

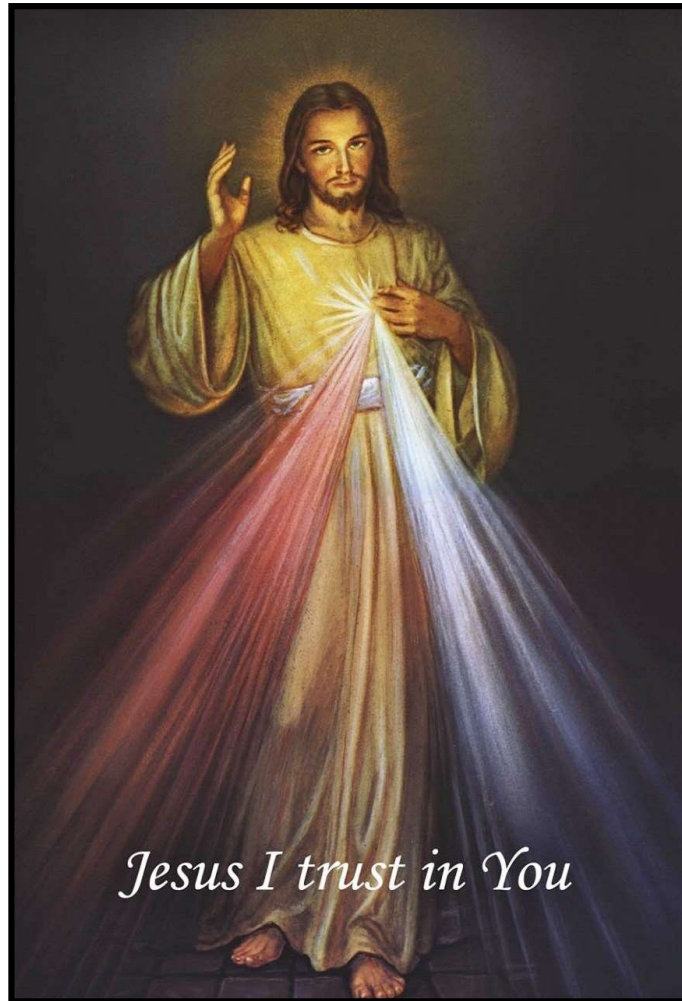
PREREGISTRATION REQUIRED

SUNDAY APRIL 17 | CHILDREN AGE 10 & BELOW
AFTER 9AM MASS | *DON'T FORGET YOUR BASKET*

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Divine Mercy Sunday

April 23 & 24, 2022



Come pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
immediately following all Masses
On Divine Mercy Sunday.

*Together we join those throughout the world
in prayer and adoration
seeking God's mercy for ourselves
and for the whole world.*

***Pray the nine day Novena starting on Good Friday.
Novena pamphlets are available in the back of the church.***

Divine Mercy Explained

Pope Francis called St. Faustina Kowalska the apostle of mercy. "May she, who was called to enter the depths of divine mercy, intercede for us and obtain for us the grace of living and walking always according to the mercy of God and with an unwavering trust in his love" (The Face of Mercy, 24).

Introduce your students to a saint who made divine mercy the mission of her life.

Story of St. Faustina

On a February night in 1931, a simple nun in Poland received a mystical vision of Jesus in a white robe with red-and-white rays radiating from his heart. Sister Faustina Kowalska remembered the words Jesus said to her: "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You.' I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and then throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish." In obedience to her vision, three years later she managed to get an artist to produce the now-famous Divine Mercy image.

Jesus had also instructed her that the image was to be venerated publicly on the first Sunday after Easter and that this was to be for the whole Church; even the pope would venerate the image. How could the lowly Polish nun ever hope to accomplish such a task? She had no contacts with people in power, and many doubted her supposed visions and conversations with Jesus.

She found support with one priest, Blessed Father Michael Sopocko, and over the next few decades the Divine Mercy devotion began to spread and gain approval. Then, in 1958 Church theologians detected potential errors in Sister Faustina's writings and both the devotion and her writings were suppressed. The ban on the Divine Mercy devotion lasted for 20 years.

Divine Mercy Devotion

Meanwhile, in 1965 the archbishop of Krakow—a certain Karol Wojtyla—got permission for a more extensive investigation into Sister Faustina and the Divine Mercy devotion. In 1978 Wojtyla was elected Pope John Paul II, and the Church lifted the ban on Sister Faustina's teachings and the Divine Mercy devotion. Pope John Paul II beatified Sister Faustina in 1993 and declared her a saint in the jubilee year 2000. At that time John Paul II also declared the Sunday after Easter to be Divine Mercy Sunday for the universal Church. Thus, through divine providence, a Polish pope fulfilled the seemingly impossible prophecies given to the simple Polish nun.

As a sign of divine blessing on St. John Paul II's mission of mercy, he died on the vigil of the Divine Mercy in April 2005. On Divine Mercy Sunday 2011,

he was beatified by Pope Benedict XVI, and on Divine Mercy Sunday 2014, Karol Wojtyla joined his little sister Faustina in the roll of saints, thus continuing in heaven together their mission of mercy to the world.

Divine Mercy Image

The red-and-white beams represent the sacraments of baptism and Communion. We must participate fully in the sacramental life of the Church. Through regular confession and Communion we plug into the powerhouse of Divine Mercy. As Jesus was the Divine Mercy incarnate, our ordinary lives can become the Divine Mercy incarnate.

It is no coincidence that Divine Mercy Sunday is the Sunday after Easter. This is because the Divine Mercy is essentially a Resurrection image. Jesus steps out of the darkness of death, bringing new life and power to the world. As we contemplate this image and yield ourselves to Christ, the rays that emanate from his heart touch us and make the Resurrection life real in our lives.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

The *Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska* chronicles God's message of mercy given through St. Faustina. In a revelation, Jesus encouraged the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Encourage souls to say the Chaplet which I have given you (*Diary*, 1541). Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death (687). I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy (687). Through the Chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will. (1731)

Prayed on ordinary rosary beads, the Divine Mercy chaplet is an intercessory prayer that extends the offering of the Eucharist, so it is especially appropriate to teach first Holy Communicants. It may be said at any time, but our Lord specifically told St. Faustina to recite it during the nine days before the Feast of Mercy (the first Sunday after Easter).

For more information and for instructions on how to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet, visit TheDivineMercy.org/Message/Devotions/PrayTheChaplet.php

—Fr. Dwight Longenecker

