

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

The Courage to Heal

Sts. Peter and Paul Church

February 11, 2018

GOOD NEWS!

Lv. 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor. 10:31-1:-11:1; Mk. 1:40-45

Leprosy was a highly contagious skin disease that led to certain death for anyone who caught it in Jesus' time. For good reason the Jewish law demanded that a leper live set apart and scream out as he walked along to keep everyone at a safe distance. Imagine the pitiful scene of everyone discreetly but purposefully moving away at the sound of someone screaming, "Unclean, unclean!"

Yet the leper doesn't scream to keep Jesus away. He walks right up to our Lord and confesses his faith in Jesus' power to heal him of this incurable bacteria. He humbly admits his contagious illness and places himself before Jesus. And unlike anyone else might do, Jesus doesn't run away, he walks toward him. He does the unthinkable. He touches him!

We need not be ashamed of our deadly sin that eats away at our heart and cripples our ability to love. Go to Jesus, expose it to him, and let his loving touch transform you.

The terrible disease of leprosy was still a major problem well into the nineteenth century when St. Damian, a Belgian missionary, went to the Hawaiian Island of Molokai to serve as parish priest to all the lepers quarantined on that island. Not fearing to touch them, he cared for them for many years until, as expected, he contracted the disease and died of it.

This is what it means to be a Christian! Be like Jesus. Be not afraid of your wounds or those of others, no matter how repellent, and give of yourself to care for them.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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This Sunday's reading reflections:

First Reading - Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

The verses in Leviticus prescribes in great detail how leprosy was to be diagnosed, and made the priest responsible for examining the people with skin problems to determine whether they had the disease. The priest was also responsible for assessing whether a leper was cured of the disease. If so, Leviticus specified a ritual to restore the person to a clean state.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 10:31- 11:1

Our commitment to Jesus Christ should be to undertake all our actions for the greater glory of God. Paul uses himself as an example of seeking the good of all.

Gospel Reading - Mark 1: 40-45

The leper did not fear Jesus and was bold in asking to be healed. It is an example to us to know that Jesus is ready for us to approach him without fear in asking for healing from our sins.



STEWARDSHIP

TIME – TALENT – TREASURE

TREASURE

*Mahalo for your generous contributions
and Faithful Stewardship.*

The Collections for **February 3-4, 2018**

are as follows:

Total: \$12,353.98

Envelopes & Loose Collections	\$8,201.64
Mass Intentions	55.00
Funeral	1,200.00
Electric & Votive Candles	539.95
Total:	\$9,996.59

ENVELOPES

IDENTIFIABLE	36%
UNIDENTIFIABLE	64%

Building Fund	\$82.00
Outreach	52.39
Latin America Mission	52.00
Black & Indian Mission	66.00
Catholic Care Project	2,000.00
Augustine Ed. Fund	10.00
Subtotal	\$2,262.39

Special Collections:

Christmas	\$10.00
AA	40.00
First Offering	45.00
Subtotal:	\$95.00

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Augustine Educational Fund.

Founded in 1984, the mission of the **Augustine Educational Foundation** is to provide tuition assistance to help families with financial needs that count on Hawaii Catholic Schools for their children's education. It is our mission to provide grants to improve the quality of Catholic education without discrimination of race, ethnicity or religion. Your Donations are greatly appreciated. Mahalo.

This Week's Events Feb. 11 – Feb. 17, 2018

*M – Main Church, U–Upstairs Parish Conference Room,
R – Reception room, B - Blue room, G - Green Room,
C – Courtyard*

Sunday February 11

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Day of the Sick, World Marriage Day

6:15 am – Choir Practice (B)

6:15 am – Rosary (M)

10:15 am – RCIA

Monday February 12

6:30 pm – Charismatic Prayer Group (M)

Tuesday February 13

6:10 am – Rosary (M)

11:15 am – Rosary (M)

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm – Mardi Gras (C)

~~7:00 pm – Centering Prayer (U) cancelled~~

Wednesday February 14

Ash Wednesday

6:10 am – Rosary (M)

7:30 am – Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help (M)

11:15 am – Rosary (M)

1:00 pm – Legion of Mary, Queen of Peace (C)

*(See Lenten schedule for opportunities to pray
and grow this season)*

~~6:00 pm – RCIA (B)~~

~~6:30 pm – Scripture Study (R)~~

Thursday February 15

6:10 am – Rosary (M)

11:15 am – Rosary (M)

6:00 pm – Choir Practice (M)

Friday February 16

6:10 am – Rosary (M)

7:40 am – Eucharistic Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion

10:00 – 11:30 am – Confession and Spiritual Direction

10:45 am – Divine Mercy Devotion & Chaplet

11:15 am – Stations of the Cross (M)

5:30 pm – Stations of the Cross (M)

Saturday February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:00 – 11:00 am – Cleaning Church (M)

11:15 am – Rosary

3:30 – 4:30 pm – Confessions (M)

5:00 pm Saturday Vigil Mass

**STEWARDSHIP
TIME-TALENT- TREASURE**



Our Parish Monthly Food Collection will be February 17th – 18th and is sponsored by our Parish Catholic Care Project.

See our bulletin insert for a list of our most needed food items. Please bring your food donations next weekend

Our Catholic Care Project asks you to give generously to our parish food collection. 100% of your donation goes directly to feeding those in our parish and community who struggle with hunger.

Do you know someone in our parish who would benefit from receiving a food bag to help them make ends meet?

Please tell them to contact our Catholic Care Helpline (808) 941-0675

All information we receive remains confidential.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
FOR THE FOLLOWING DAYS**

February 19, 2018 – Bagging 9:00 a.m.
February 20 & 21, 2018 – Distribution

**HAWAII FOOD BANK
SENIOR 321b Food box Distribution
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH (1:15 – 2:45 p.m.)**

Our Lenten season begins with opportunities to serve those in our community

Mahalo to those who come out every month to help us be light to those who might not otherwise enter a church or go to Mass.

Volunteers are needed to check people in, pass out water and snacks, help fill out applications, help seniors to load the boxes into their cars, or just put a smile on someone's face. Volunteer sign-in begins at 11:00 a.m.



Dear Families,

During Lent our community will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-in-action program that invites us to encounter our neighbor, as companions on the journey, through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

We will reflect on how an encounter with our neighbor can be transformative. We will see how our prayers, fasting and alms can support those worldwide who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities.

As we prepare for this holy season, it is especially meaningful to come together in prayer as a family. Reflecting on the crosses of hunger, poverty and war carried by our brothers and sisters forced to flee their homes, we have an opportunity to also reflect on our roles in caring for them as members of our human family.

Please consider these suggestions in your family's Lenten plan:

- Use your CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar daily to guide your prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
- Read the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey— and guide your Lenten almsgiving.
- Prepare simple, meatless meals on the Fridays of Lent to eat in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world.
- Visit crsricebowl.org/stories to watch videos of the people and communities you support through your Lenten gifts to CRS Rice Bowl.

We will collect your CRS Rice Bowls at the end of Lent, so stay tuned to learn more. Thank you for participating in CRS Rice Bowl with your family. ***Check out crsricebowl.org/families for activities that will help your family grow this Lent.***

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE MARDI GRAS?

Maria Augusta Trapp explains the origin of the time of feasting and revelry between Epiphany and Ash Wednesday, as well as the traditions associated with this time in her book: Around the Year with the Trapp Family by Maria Augusta Trapp, Pantheon Books Inc., New York, New York, 1955

In Latin countries they are known by the name of Carnevale. The Latin name is usually translated as "Meat — farewell!" ("Carne — Vale!"). As we know, one main feature of fasting is usually abstinence from meat.

Nobody could stand a Thanksgiving Day dinner every day of the year. There can only be mountains if there are also valleys.

One more feature of Carnival time is the food and drink, the specialties of the season. Lent was really the time of fast and abstinence, when it was forbidden not only to eat meat, but also milk and cream and everything made thereof, such as butter and cheese. The closer Ash Wednesday came, the more housewives tried to clear the kitchen and pantry of the forbidden goods. As these included any kind of lard and fat, they were used in these last days to make those delicious *donuts or pancakes*.

These last days before Ash Wednesday are the climax of Carnival. The last day of Carnival is "Mardi Gras" or "Fat Tuesday." This should be a big celebration, if possible of the whole parish together. When the clock strikes twelve, in the middle of the dance, according to the good old tradition, one should stop and the whole group should kneel down and say one "Our Father" together and then, rising up, say, "I wish you a blessed season of Lent" and go home.

To have spent a good Carnival will finally prove to the greater honor and glory of God, in enabling us to spend a good Lent!

Source: catholicculture.org

February Prayer from Pope Francis

Universal: Say "No" to Corruption

That, those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick especially

<i>Charita Abelgas-Mabon</i>	<i>Pat Low</i>
<i>Vanessa Alcova</i>	<i>Bona Macabre</i>
<i>Loranzo Alota</i>	<i>John M. Masunaga</i>
<i>Becky Alota</i>	<i>Thomas Mistysyn</i>
<i>Darlene Amarosa</i>	<i>Robert Mistysyn</i>
<i>Tony Bacani</i>	<i>Betty Ann Nault</i>
<i>Michael Bartolome</i>	<i>Patrice Nielsen</i>
<i>Ho Lun Big</i>	<i>Felicitas R. Noland</i>
<i>Olivia Mia Blake</i>	<i>Ray M. Olis</i>
<i>Maniko Brady</i>	<i>Lourdes Olis</i>
<i>Arthur Cababa</i>	<i>Berry Oloday</i>
<i>Mwejo Capelle</i>	<i>Maria Oloday</i>
<i>Wini Chow</i>	<i>Judy Orlando</i>
<i>Matilda Correa</i>	<i>Nancy Pang</i>
<i>Teresita M. Custodio</i>	<i>Joannita Pangelinan</i>
<i>Avon Czerwinski</i>	<i>Yvonne S. Pangelinan</i>
<i>Regina Czerwinski</i>	<i>Ephrem Perez</i>
<i>Blanche DeConte</i>	<i>Josefina Perez</i>
<i>George DeConte</i>	<i>Anella Rabauliman</i>
<i>Odetta Doublet</i>	<i>Bregida R. Reyes</i>
<i>Shirley Dungo</i>	<i>Oliver Shilling</i>
<i>Tessie Dungo</i>	<i>Myong Soon Sim</i>
<i>Blanche Hansen</i>	<i>Joseph Anthony</i>
<i>Joe Hansen</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Florence Henson</i>	<i>Dolores Suredam</i>
<i>Stanley Ho</i>	<i>Lolita A. Sutton</i>
<i>Robert K. F. Ho</i>	<i>Edwin Tagura</i>
<i>Shirlene Iwai</i>	<i>Yolanda Trejo</i>
<i>Maria Elena Jencks</i>	<i>Myrna Vallespin</i>
<i>Jack Jucewicz</i>	<i>Ho Chun Wah</i>
<i>Christoph Jucewicz</i>	<i>Ho Shiu Yan</i>
<i>Charlene Lau</i>	<i>Theresa Yu</i>

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS!

Gilmore Donayri
Piper Donayri

February 10th
February 16th

FAITH FORMATION

Youth Ministry Update

Youth Ministry continues to meet every 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. This past month we had a bible study focusing on the Psalms where we gained insight on how the Psalms can be helpful to us in our relationship with God. A couple weeks ago we also had a movie night. We watched the film "Facing the Giants" and were reminded that our Faith is bigger than our fears and that we must praise God whether we win or lose and never stop praying.

With Lent also approaching, our most recent gathering was spent reflecting on where we are in our Faith journey and reviewing Lenten practices and the purpose of Lent. To help us grow in holiness this Lent season, we also made our own personal Lenten commitments by journaling what we will consider "giving up" during Lent and things we want to do more of for God and for others.

If you are Confirmed and between the ages of 13-18 and would like to join the youth ministry, our next gathering is on Friday, February 23 6:00pm.

If you would like to volunteer as a youth leader, please contact the Parish or email

sspeterpaul.youthministry@gmail.com

God Bless!!!

Submitted Jonahlyn & Genevieve Sabado &

OHANA MASS

Our next Mass for persons with disabilities and their families will be on March 11 **at 11:00 a.m.** They will meet after in the Reception room for Sacramental Preparation.

Young Adults

‘Ano‘ai Kākou,

First off, I'd like to echo Nichelle, from Mary, Star of the Sea: A big thanks to those of you who joined us for our Makapu‘u Lighthouse Trail Hike. It was a lot of fun, and a great time to grow in fellowship. We hope more of you will be able to join us next time. :)

Personally, I think it's really nice that our groups can combine for activities, so we can have fellowship (especially at this stage, where every single person makes an especially big difference).

Actually now we have a lot of activities lined up and in the works:

1. On the last Sunday of the month, Feb. 25th, we'll have a meeting at noon, inside or around the church for fellowship and discuss plans for the future.
2. We continue to provide free tutoring to those trying to learn English or get their GED.
3. Last year we had several educational sessions on human trafficking. This year more training will be available, and we're going to start volunteering to help victims (of course, all volunteers must first undergo a background check, and all related information must be kept discreet).

Don't forget, every other week we also go over to Mary, Star of the Sea for a weekend activity, alternating Bible study and an outdoor activity. For example, this Sunday afternoon (11 Feb 2018), we'll have Bible Study in their social hall from 2-4. If you're more the type that would rather appreciate fellowship and nature, then keep the 24th open on your calendar, and let us know your suggestions for the next hike! Also, this month we have a bonus volunteer opportunity on the 18th: help serve food at the Next Step shelter.

Check out our facebook page

www.facebook.com/YoungAdultsMinistry.Honolulu

Aloha,
Sunu & Amala

AROUND THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR THE DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

FASTING

❖ In the dioceses in the United States, Catholics aged 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (February 14th) and Good Friday (March 30th).

❖ 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 (excepting 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, and 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.

EASTER DUTY

❖ All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year (before attending Mass should make a good confession). This precept is to be fulfilled during the Easter Season unless it is fulfilled, for a just cause, at some other time during the year. This period is extended to include all the weeks of Lent and the Easter Season up to Trinity Sunday (May 27th).

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.

❖ Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, falls this year on February 14th. Ashes are to be blessed as a sign of our entry into a season of conversion, repentance, and reconciliation. Ashes are to be blessed by a bishop, priest, or deacon.

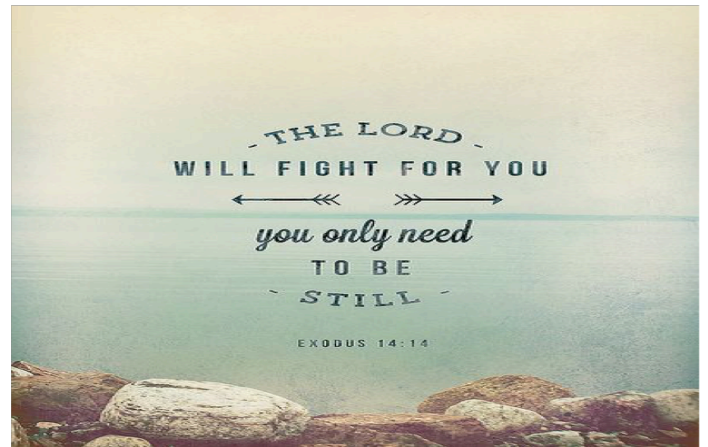
Ash Wednesday February 14th

We will collect blessed palms from Palm Sunday 2017 until February 12th.



The palms will be burned at our Mardi Gras Celebration. Place these in the baskets located in the courtyard and the entrance of the church. Remember that blessed items should not be thrown in the trash but burned or buried in the ground.

Masses are 7:00 a.m., Noon and 6 p.m.
(with distribution of Ashes)



ACTS

Adoration, Community, Theology, Service
(All Women's Retreat)
March 1st – 4th

ACTS retreats have enriched the lives of hundreds of thousands of people; men and women, teens and retirees, rich and poor, Catholic and non-Catholic, in the United States as well as other countries. It has reinvigorated the spiritual lives of individuals, of families, of entire parishes.

If you are interested in attending the retreat, please fill out a registration form or call for information

Sts Peter & Paul:

Ana Campos Lopez at 799-4741 or
Bernadette Lopez at 808-386-3024

CENTERING PRAYER RETREAT

All are welcome to join in this silent retreat February 23-25, 2018 at St. Anthony's Retreat Center in Kalihi. Call Jean at (628)400-2644 or see ww.cohawaii.org



Connect these Lenten words to the pictures.

Fasting

(Give up something that you like)

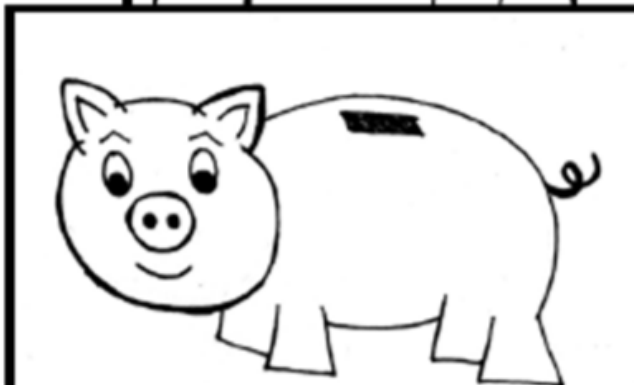
Righteous Deeds

(Be kind to others)

Alms Giving

(Give money or toys to others)

Pray



Today is the beginning of Lent. During Lent, we try to get our hearts and minds ready for Jesus to rise on Easter morning! Today's Gospel reminds us of four ways to get ready. Listen for these words during the Gospel. **Doing righteous deeds** (doing nice things for others), **giving alms** (donating money or toys), **praying**, and **fasting** (giving up something that you like).

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