



# 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 18, 2010

*Today's Readings:*  
*Genesis 18:1-10a; Colossians 1:24-28*  
*Luke 10:38-42*



## Calendared Events

### **JULY 19-25, 2010**

#### **19<sup>th</sup> - MONDAY**

7:00 AM MASS - Church  
 6:00 PM Women's Hula - Hall  
 7:00 PM Prayer Group - Conference Room 1-2

#### **20<sup>th</sup> - TUESDAY**

7:00 AM MASS - Church  
 6:30 PM Samoan Choir - Conference Room 1-2

#### **21<sup>st</sup> - WEDNESDAY**

7:00 AM MASS - Church  
 8:30 AM Seniors' Knitting - Conference Room 1-2  
 6:00 PM 8am Choir Practice - Church  
 6:30 PM **NO** Tai Chi  
 7:00 PM YCL Prayer Meeting - Hall  
 7:00 PM NFP Seminar - Conference Room 1-2  
 8:00 PM AA Group - 4th Grade Classroom

#### **22<sup>nd</sup> - THURSDAY**

7:00 AM MASS - Church  
 5:00 PM Line Dancing - Hall  
 6:30 PM YCL Choir Practice - Church

#### **23<sup>rd</sup> - FRIDAY**

7:00 AM MASS - Church  
 5:00 PM Adoration / Benediction - Church  
 7:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal - Church

#### **24<sup>th</sup> - SATURDAY**

7:00 AM MASS - Church  
 9:00 AM Summer Hula - Hall  
 2:00 PM Wedding - Church  
 6:00 PM MASS - Church  
 7:30 PM AA - 3rd Grade Classroom  
 8:00 PM Al-Anon - 4th Grade Classroom

#### **25<sup>th</sup> - SUNDAY** (Regular Mass Schedule)

9:30 AM RCIA - Conference Room 1-2

## MISSION STATEMENT

*We, St. Elizabeth Parish in Aiea, a Roman Catholic faith community in the Diocese of Honolulu, live and proclaim the Gospel through the joyful celebration of the Eucharist in the Spirit of Aloha. We are committed to on-going faith formation, engaging in the ministries of charity, and promoting social justice and respect for life.*



### Readings for the Week

Monday, July 19  
*Micah 6:1-4, 6-8*  
*Matthew 12:38-42*

Tuesday, July 20  
*Micah 7:14-15, 18-20*  
*Matthew 12:46-50*

Wednesday, July 21  
*Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10*  
*Matthew 13:1-9*

Thursday, July 22  
*Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13*  
*John 20:1-2, 11-18*

Friday, July 23  
*Jeremiah 3:14-17*  
*Matthew 13:18-23*

Saturday, July 24  
*Jeremiah 7:1-11*  
*Matthew 13:24-30*

Sunday, July 25  
*Genesis 18:20-32*  
*Colossians 2:12-14*  
*Luke 11:1-13*

# Pastor's Corner

## Fr. Thomas Purayidathil

### MAHALO & WELCOME!

**Sr. Delfa Guillen**, after spending 11 years teaching in the school and helping us out with the ministry at the Church, is taking a break. I understand she is moving on to their convent in Waianae. Our heartfelt thanks to her! **Sr. Novie Omictin** is joining our community. Let us extend to her a hearty welcome and we wish her many years of fruitful ministry here.

### NEW ELECTRONIC PIANO

One of our parishioners has donated a new electronic piano and now we have no excuse for poor singing at our liturgies. Thank you for your generosity. May the new piano help us to sing praises to God from the heart.

### BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

I hope you are aware we have a maintenance and building committee fully active under the leadership of **John Braum**. The members of the committee are **Norma Hara, Bill Neiderer and Jerry Angle**. One of the items on the agenda was to re-surface the parking lot. It is now complete. Thanks for putting up with the inconvenience while the work was in progress. The committee is actively engaged in getting the plans ready for the new residence for the priests. I wish to put on record our sincere thanks for all their commitment.

### ELECTRONIC CANDLES

I had mentioned sometime ago about the need to procure electronic candles for our candle room. That would prevent any fire hazards. Our research shows that the initial investment could be high. We could make up for it in the long run. An electronic *candle-stand with forty lights costs \$6500.00*. We might need three of them to meet our average use. If any family or individual would like to donate a candle stand to the Church, let me know. It would be a lasting memorial for a family or even a single person.

### GIFT SHOP

As you can see, the work on the gift shop is proceeding. The re-surfacing of the parking lot delayed the work a little. Now that the latter is over we can concentrate on the project. Jerry is working on it with diligence. We hope to bless and start functioning on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother.

*Please help in keeping our Church facilities and premises clean. The groups using our meeting rooms please take care to clean up after you. We are putting in a lot of effort in this regard and your support is paramount.*

With prayers and blessings!

Fr. Tom

## Sunday Reflection

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church,  
Picayune, MS (www.scborromeo.org)

### 1st Reading - Genesis 18:1-10a

The first book of the Bible derives its name from the Greek rendering of chapter 2, verse 4: "these are the generations (*genesis*) of the heavens and the earth." Tradition has it that Moses is the author - that is, he wrote down the oral traditions which had been passed down through the preceding centuries.

The first eleven chapters of Genesis recount such events as the creation of the earth, the flood, and the Tower of Babel. It is not until we get to the twelfth chapter that we are able to place a date on the events recounted with any certainty. Abram was called by God to journey to Canaan about 1850 B.C.. At that time Abram was 75 years old and God made him three promises of blessing; promises which were later solemnized by covenants: A nation, made a covenant in Genesis 15, and fulfilled in Moses; A name (dynasty, kingdom), made a covenant in Genesis 17:1-19, and fulfilled in David; and a worldwide blessing, made a covenant in Genesis 22 and fulfilled in Jesus the Christ. It was with Abram becoming Abraham, the father of all nations, at the making of the second covenant, that men and women began to rely upon God in faith and are changed by it. For today's reading we join Abraham shortly after his name change. Abraham is 99 years old and he, along with all male members of his household have just been circumcised.

### 2nd Reading - Colossians 1:24-28

Last week we started our study of the Letter to the Colossians. Recall that Paul was using this occasion to answer the Judaizers and remind them of the absolute supremacy of Jesus the Christ. Today Paul tells us his role in proclaiming the gospel.

### Gospel - Luke 10:38-42

Last week we heard the parable of the good Samaritan. Shocking because the Samaritans were considered by the Jews to be even lesser than the pagans - although the Samaritans also worshiped the same God as did the Jews. Today again we hear of Jesus acting contrary to Jewish cultural norms in three ways: He is alone with women who are not his relatives, He is being served by a woman, and He is teaching a woman in her own house.

## Partners in FAITH™

### Healthy ways to deal with hardship

The troubled economy means that many of us are experiencing unexpected and unwelcome changes in our lives. Such unplanned events can make even the strongest adults feel helpless. Yet, pulling together and relying on our faith can help our families cope and come out stronger in the end. Try these ideas to help:

Let children help. Giving children an additional chore or job may help minimize the powerlessness they feel. Each time they do their job, remind them of the help they are giving to the family by their effort.



Pray the rosary or another favorite prayer every night as a family. There is power in prayer. Lean on it now. Let youngsters offer their concerns in prayer.

Count your blessings. They are all around you. Try going through the alphabet and assigning a blessing to each letter like "Anne's smile" or "Beautiful butterflies."

Look for the silver lining. Look for God's hand in your lives by finding at least one positive outcome of your situation to share each day.

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**



Last Week's Collection .....	\$ 9,375.50
Building Fund .....	\$ 275.00
Initial .....	\$ 102.00
Energy .....	\$ 519.00
Candles .....	\$ 308.00
<b>Total Collection for July 10-11, 2010 .....</b>	<b>\$ 10,579.50</b>
<i>St. Vincent de Paul .....</i>	<i>\$ 293.00</i>

Every year, the Diocese approves a list of second collections and provides envelopes for this purpose. In July, our collection will be for the Seminarian Education Fund (July 24-25). To assist with this, St. Elizabeth's will donate 10% of the 4th Sunday's collection in July.



**"THAT'S REALLY OLD SCHOOL"**

Usually when we hear these words we think that the person is talking about something that is old-fashioned, but has stood the test of time and is still something valuable to believe in. Calendar Rhythm was the natural family planning method that was used by many as an alternative to the pill up until the 1960's, but it is Old School and outdated. Because of the advances in science and technology since the 60's the Rhythm Method is 50 years old and obsolete. If this surprises you as it does most people and you wonder how couples are successful in avoiding or achieving pregnancy, then come to an informational talk on **July 21st at 7 pm in Conference Room 1-2**. Do you have a dream of having children, but your dream hasn't happened yet? Is the fear of getting pregnant ruining your life? And your marriage? Are you using birth control and tired of drugs controlling your body? Come to a 1 hour meeting where couples from our parish will share with you some great New School information and refreshments. Questions? Please call the rectory, 487-2414.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENE-DICTION**

**Fridays, 5 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

We at St. Elizabeth Church have the opportunity to spend an hour with Jesus as a parish community. Each hour you spend with Jesus will deepen His Divine Peace in your heart.

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you"...Matthew 11:28

"My Peace is My Gift to you"...John 14:17

Please Join Us!



**ST. ELIZABETH PARISH**

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Sessions are held every Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Conference Room 1-2.

If you are curious about our Catholic Faith and would like to inquire, please call Deacon Kin Borja, RCIA Director, at 224-0696.

"Come to the Water..."

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, please share this information with him/her.

Health Notes from St. Francis Healthcare System: *Nutrition Myths:* Skipping meals is a good way to lose weight. *Fact:* Studies show that people who skip breakfast and eat fewer times during the day tend to be heavier than people who eat a healthy breakfast and eat four or five times a day.



# CCD NEWS



## 2010-11 Registration Dates

Registration for ALL students is scheduled for:

- Sunday, August 8, in Meeting Room 8, after all masses; and
- Sunday, August 29, in the hall., after all masses.
- New students are required to provide a copy of their baptismal certificate at registration.
- Please remember that children who are to receive Holy Communion should be enrolled in our CCD 1st grade class the previous year.
- Our registration fees remain the same: \$25 for the first student, \$20 for the second student and \$15 for every student thereafter. Non-registered parishioners will be assessed an additional fee. *Please note: No child will be turned away due to an inability to pay the registration fee.*

Questions? Please call Manette Kokubun, CRE, at 487-7994.



**ALOHA SUNDAY is July 25 . . .** please join us for light refreshments & fellowship in the hall. Our Hosts:

**6am: Select Members**  
**8am & 10am: Extraordinary Ministers**

Hope to see you there!



## Young Christian Life

Ever thought of using your talents for God?? The YCL Choir is looking for musicians ... in particular, someone who plays piano, our very own pianist! We are looking for someone, who is willing to dedicate their time and talents for the weekly meetings/practices and mass. The YCL Choir serves mass on Sundays at 6 p.m. The perks are that you will be serving YOUR church, helping with a vibrant ministry, and get to know a great bunch of youth and adults. Get involved, we could use the help! Contact Dino Javier at [rdjavier@yahoo.com](mailto:rdjavier@yahoo.com) or at 781-4700.

YCL is for our youth, ages 14 to 18 years old who want to grow in their faith and relationship with God. Come, see what we are all about, join us for:

*Basketball Freeplay, Wed., 5:30 pm*  
*Prayer Meetings, Wed., 7-8:30 pm, Hall*  
*Youth Mass, Sundays, 6pm*

God's blessings to all!



## Aloha Married Couples...

Summer is going strong and the kids are out of school. Treat yourselves to a midsummer weekend get away to get closer, just the two of you. Attend a **Marriage Encounter Weekend** and make

a good marriage a great one. Don't wait, the next Marriage Encounter weekend is **Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010** at the beautiful Aston Waikiki Beach Hotel. Please contact Jose and Mary Elizabeth Alvior at 808-391-2045 for any details, questions and registration... Early registration is encouraged... Also check out the AWESOME ME website... [www.lovemoredeeply.org](http://www.lovemoredeeply.org).



## A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

St. Elizabeth Health Ministry

### 7 TIPS TO IMPROVE YOUR MEMORY

- No. 1: Stay mentally active** - Just as physical activity helps keep your body in shape, mentally stimulating activities help keep your brain in shape.
- No. 2: Socialize regularly** - Social interaction helps ward off depression and stress.
- No. 3: Get organized** - You're more likely to forget things if your home is cluttered and your notes are in disarray.
- No. 4: Focus** - Limit distractions, and don't try to do too many things at once.
- No. 5: Eat a healthy diet** - A heart-healthy diet is as good for your brain as it is for your heart.
- No. 6: Include physical activity in your daily routine** - Physical activity increases blood flow to your whole body, including your brain.
- No. 7: Manage chronic conditions** - Follow your doctor's treatment recommendations for any chronic conditions.

<http://www.mayoclinic.com>

## **A N N O U N C E M E N T S**

**HCCRS - 32ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** Hawaii Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services invites you to celebrate God's Word through praise & worship. This year's theme, "Got Spirit? Go!" Date: August 13 - 15, 2010; Keynote Speaker: Fr. Tom DiLorenzo; Place: Catholic Charities, Clarence T.C. Ching Campus - 1822 Ke'eaumoku St., Honolulu. For more information, call Flo Andrade 455-3224 or visit the website: <http://www.hccrs.net>

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE** a peer ministry support group for the widowed, divorced and permanently separated. We have an on going Monday evening support group. Call Arlene 949-3387 or Linda 294-8571 for more information.

**Marriage Help – RETROUVAILLE** (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information call 625-7430 or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

**FREE MINISTRY** For nationwide Mass times & locations, call: 1-800-Mass-Times (1-800-627-7846) or check on-line at [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org).

**NEWS FROM THE VATICAN OBSERVATORY FOUNDATION...99¢ FROM NOW UNTIL LABOR DAY!** In the spirit of Summer, the Vatican Observatory Foundation has dropped the price of its new App *Daily Sermonettes with Father Mike Manning* to just **99¢** until Labor Day. The App offers insightful reflections of faith, hope and inspiration with practical application to daily life. To buy the App for iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch, visit [www.dailysermonettes.com](http://www.dailysermonettes.com). Proceeds from the App support the humanitarian work of the Vatican Observatory in discovery, research and education.

**LANAKILA MULTI-PURPOSE SENIOR CENTER** provides education, health promotion, recreation, and cultural activities for seniors, 60 and older. The Center is a program of Catholic Charities Hawai'i and is partially funded by the State. For additional information, please contact the Center at (808)847-1322.



Resealing of Church / School Parking Lot  
The resealing of the lot is complete....next will be the re-lining.

Mon & Tue  
**July 19 & 20**  
Lot closed from 8am - 4pm

We apologize for the inconvenience. Questions? Please call the rectory.