

August 23, 2020

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!

The phrase "Jesus Christ is Lord!" comes off the tongue easily enough, but have we stopped to examine the many implications inside it, the truly radical nature of that claim?

READINGS

Isaiah 22:19 – 23

Thus says the Lord to Shebna, master of the palace:
"I will thrust you from your office
and pull you down from your station.
On that day I will summon my servant
Eliakim, son of Hilkiah;
I will clothe him with your robe,
and gird him with your sash,
and give over to him your authority.
He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem,
and to the house of Judah,
I will place the key of the House of David on Eliakim's
shoulder;
when he opens, no one shall shut
when he shuts, no one shall open.
I will fix him like a peg in a sure spot,
to be a place of honor for his family."

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 138:8
Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Romans 11:33 – 36

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways!

*For who has known the mind of the Lord
or who has been his counselor?
Or who has given the Lord anything
that he may be repaid?*

For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Matthew 16: 13 – 20

Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi and he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon



son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Then he strictly ordered his disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

REFLECTING ON THE WORD

If we, with Peter, profess that Jesus is the Son of the living God, then our lives must change. If we truly believe that God has sacrificed everything, even life, out of love for us, then we who are made in the image and likeness of God are called to do the same. That radical love can hurt, it will upset our lives and make us less comfortable. But when we love as Christ loves, we build up his Church. In daring to proclaim who Jesus is we also profess our own selves. Who am I? Who am I called to be?

Living and Praying with the Word

God of the Church, unless we see things from your perspective, we don't always know the difference between wisdom and foolishness, especially in institutions. You see our brokenness. You know the times when we have used the things of faith only for our own advantage. Forgive us for that. Purify us so that your Spirit can flow through us more virtuously. We pray for the Church. Holy Spirit, unite what is fragmented and bring us together. Thank you for that hope of a new day when all will be one.

Sunday Collection

Collection: \$5,826.00
Building Fund: 946.00
Poor Fund: 350.00

Mahalo for your generous donations!

Welcome our Newly Baptized

Koa Julian Saulog Rivera
Bradlee Kahekilini'ahumanu Watanabe

Congratulations!!!

This Sunday 5pm Mass we have two adult candidates who are completing their Sacraments of Initiation. Father Roland Bunda, confirmed into full membership of the Church:

VENUS CO

DANIEL OUIMETTE, Jr

Welcome Venus and Daniel!!!

Mass Intentions

Deacon Stephen Maglente
Iris Kaluakini

Richard Caldito, Jr+ - 1 year Anniversary
Presentacion "Cion" Igarta+ - Anniversary

Guillermo Igarta * Florito Igarta *

Romulo "Boy" Inez * Alejandro Foronda * Librada
Foronda * Leonila Yadao *

Constancia Censer *

Cheryl Santos – Birthday

Leonora Calibuso – Birthday

Lorna Bediamol+ - Birthday

Maria Calibuso+ - 14th Anniversary

Pedro Calibuso+ - 21st Anniversary

Patrick Fevella+ - 1st Anniversary

Edward Sera+ 22nd Anniversary

Ruth Jones+ Anniversary

Donations Needed

Our community is in need of our help. With the outbreak of Covid-19 at OCCC, the Maui Reentry Group is asking for donations for the prisoners and staff at MCCC. With the permission of Warden Taylor the following items are accepted :

Bar Soap * Hand soap * Hand sanitizers * Cleaning & Disinfecting wipes and supplies * Masks (no metal pieces allowed) * Feminine hygiene products * Food (non-perishable items – beef jerky, chips, crackers, granola bars, popcorn, applesauce, candy bars, nuts, etc * Paper, envelopes, stamps. Drop off at MEO only.

CANDIDATES

for Full Membership

Next Sunday at our 5pm Mass Fr. Roland will be Confirming the following adults:

**Marra Ah Nee, Josiah Maglente-Tonu,
Adree Sakamoto, Mary Grace Simon,
Paul Christian Paranada**

Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers

FORMED.ORG

Are you looking for something to help you share your faith with your child(ren). There are many great videos and bible study material that are available on the Formed.org. There are so many ways to we learn – watching bible stories come alive, role-playing What Would Jesus Do? – reading the bible and sharing your stories of faith. Formed.org has a variety of ways that could assist you and your family in learning more about Jesus, Mary, his mother, etc. This is free...please note, there may be some cost for certain materials. Be sure to read the fine print. Take a look and experience for yourself all that Jesus has to offer.

BIBLE STUDY on the PROPHETS

Our Bible study leaders are gearing up for the upcoming Study on the PROPHETS, which will start on Wednesday. September 30th at 8:30am and 6:00pm in the Deacon Borges Meeting Room. This will be the last week to order your book. Cost is \$30 – Checks payable to St. Anthony Church. This will allow the books to get here before the first session. Call the church office at 244-4148 or drop by the office Monday through Friday 7:30am to 3:30pm

Thank You

Fr. Syl's pleas for donation of gardening tools had such an overwhelming response. We have received all of the tools he requested. Many thanks to all of you that have donated tools – Danny & Maricel & Rain Blando, Art Fillazar, Ron & Leola Muromoto, James & Susanne Takamiya, Mike Williams. Thank you also, to Stanley Ching, Frankie & Angie Inoke & family, Molden & Charlene Ioanis for coming out to help clean the grounds.