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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Times

February 4-5, 2012

Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday: 7:15 AM

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM &
7:00 PM

1st Sunday—Samoan Mass:
@ 2:00 PM

Confessions Saturday:
4:00—4:45 PM
and after daily Masses

First Friday of the Month
Benediction
After 7:15 am Mass

“Our Family”

*“The family that prays
together stays together.”*

By Fr. Patrick Peyton

*“If we ever forget that we
are one nation under
God, then we will be a
nation gone under.”*

By President Ronald Reagan

PASTOR

Fr. Sebastian Chacko

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Jerome Andrade

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HolyFamilyHonolulu.Org

PASTOR'S CORNER

We start the month of February with Readings from the Book of Job. Although we often emphasize, Job's patience, it is mostly his final victory over evil that we need to meditate on.

Life brings us so many joys. More numerous are our trials and failures. We are constantly tested. It is our Faith in God that will help us survive and even thrive in the spiritual struggles that we undergo.

As Catholics, it is very disheartening to hear so many attacks even from the Government these days both openly and in very subtle ways. We are denied our freedom of expression and belief. Our belief and practices that have withstood the test of time for over 2000 years, is on the attack.

Our failures are highlighted. Our successes are not spoken of. They are tarnished by the bad behavior of a few. We have Saints Damien, Blessed Marianne Cope, Mother Theresa and many others who have done much good for the poor and the oppressed. Yet today politicians are questioning our relevance and our wisdom, our motives and our values. We must not be afraid.

It is politicians and ideologues who twist history and the relevance of the Church and Religion. They think that history has no place nor any value. They want to shape the course of history with their radical ideas. Even the concept God is denied by them. The Constitution guarantees separation of Church and State. While they do not want the Church to interfere in the affairs of the State, the Government Officials are constantly interfering and undermining the tenets of the Church.

Like in the case Job, not only our patience but the core of our Catholics beliefs are being attacked and undermined. We pray that like Job, we shall continue to bless the Lord and believe that He will give us the strength to carry on fighting the good fight for the Lord. Saint Paul shows us the way.

Have a wonderful week. God bless us all. Fr Sebastian

ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS

Nagasaki, Japan, is familiar to Americans as the city on which the second atomic bomb was dropped, immediately killing over 37,000 people. Three and a half centuries before, 26 martyrs of Japan were crucified on a hill, now known as the Holy Mountain, overlooking Nagasaki. Among them were priests, brothers and laymen, Franciscans, Jesuits and members of the Secular Franciscan Order; there were catechists, doctors, simple artisans and servants, old men and innocent children—all united in a common faith and love for Jesus and his Church. Brother Paul Miki, a Jesuit and a native of Japan, has become the best known among the martyrs of Japan. While hanging upon a cross, Paul Miki preached to the people gathered for the execution: “The sentence of judgment says these men came to Japan from the Philippines, but I did not come from any other country. I am a true Japanese. The only reason for my being killed is that I have taught the doctrine of Christ. I certainly did teach the doctrine of Christ. I thank God it is for this reason I die. I believe that I am telling only the truth before I die. I know you believe me and I want to say to you all once again: Ask Christ to help you to become happy. I obey Christ. After Christ’s example I forgive my persecutors. I do not hate them. I ask God to have pity on all, and I hope my blood will fall on my fellow men as a fruitful rain.”

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Feb. 6**-Monday-7:00pm-Bible Sharing Hour
- Feb. 8** -Wednesday
 - 6:30 pm-Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
 - 7:00 pm-Bible Study
- Feb. 13**– Monday-7:00 pm-Bible Sharing Hour
- Feb. 15**-Wednesday
 - 6:30 pm-Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
- Feb. 20**-Monday-7:00 pm-Bible Sharing Hour
- Feb. 22**-**ASH WEDNESDAY**
- Feb. 27**– Monday—7:00 pm-Bible Sharing Hour
- Feb. 29**-Wednesday
 - 6:30 pm-Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
- Mar. 2**– **BENEDICTION after morning Mass**
- Mar. 5**– Monday—7:00 pm-Bible Sharing Hour
- Mar. 7**-Wednesday
 - 6:30 pm-Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion

LIFETOUCH PHOTO ALBUM

All those who have volunteered are kindly requested to come to the Church on Monday February 6th at 6.30 PM for a Meeting to discuss how best we can bring this effort to a success.

RCIA/CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES.

The time is approaching for your final months of preparation to receive the various Sacraments. We accompany you with our prayers and encourage you to mediate and absorb as much knowledge as possible. May the Spirit of the Lord continue to guide you in your thoughts and beliefs.

HFCA

The Holy Family Catholic Academy has successfully concluded their talent Contest during the past week. It was fun also watching all the Kids taking part in the School Olympics. Congratulations to the Staff for a job well done.

Our Weekly Offerings	
January 28-29, 2012	
Thank you for your generous contribution for the past weekend.	
5.00 PM	\$1,061.68
8.30 AM	\$2,463.00
11.00 AM	\$1,391.41
7.00 PM	\$1,217.96
Other donations	\$200.00
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 6,334.05



Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Lord Jesus, make our family holy by Your presence.

Bind our family together in love for You and for one another.

Take away our sorrows and worries and grant us Your joy and peace.

Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, 42,
Austin Flannery translation).

“Since Jesus, the Son of God, showed his love by laying down his life for us, no one has greater love than they who lay down their lives for him and for their sisters and brothers (see 1 John 3:16; John 15:13). Some Christians have been called from the beginning, and will always be called, to give this greatest testimony of love to everyone, especially to persecutors. Martyrdom makes disciples like their master, who willingly accepted death for the salvation of the world, and through it they are made like him by the shedding of blood. Therefore, the Church considers it the highest gift and as the supreme test of love. And while it is given to few, all, however, must be prepared to confess Christ before humanity and to follow him along the way of the cross amid the persecutions which the Church never lacks”

Rhythm of life, of Church

The liturgical year follows the natural rhythms of life-- periods of intense concentration and celebration followed by times of quiet reflection and maturation. Ordinary Time - or *tempus annun* in Latin - is those weeks and months of growth when we set aside the major anniversaries and remembrances of our Faith and concentrate on our own intimacy with Christ in order to live out the message of the Gospels. Ordinary Time is the longest season of the liturgical calendar. Its name comes not from the word meaning "common," but from the word "ordinal," meaning numbered. The Sundays of Ordinary Time are numbered consecutively: first, second, third, etc., and mark our steady but sure progress toward the Kingdom of Heaven.



CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY and CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

Holy Family Catholic Academy Administration, Faculty and Staff would like to express our gratitude to all the parishioners, students, families and friends who joined us in celebrating the Feast of the Holy Family and the beginning of Catholic Schools Week at the 8:30 Mass on Sunday, January 29th. It was a wonderful occasion! Thank you for being a part of the festivities.

This past week has been a busy one celebrating not just Holy Family Catholic Academy but all Catholic schools nationwide for their value to our communities. It was a special week emphasizing the theme for this year: **Faith. Academics. Service.** Holy Family students learn in a culture of faith, academics and service that is preparing them for a full life in their families, communities and the Catholic Church. Besides all this, our special week was just plain fun!!



NEW PARISHIONERS: Newcomers are encouraged to register with the parish and are welcome to participate in all parish activities and ministries. Registration Forms are available in the church.