



St. Michael the Archangel Parish

A Stewardship Parish

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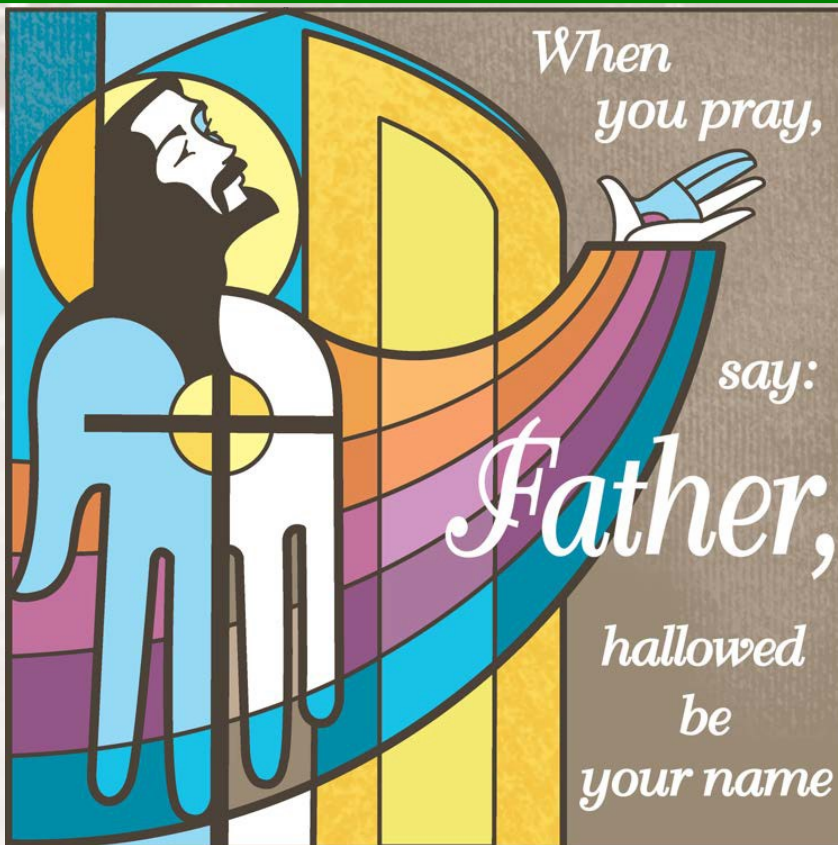
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July 28, 2019

17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Reading I – **Genesis 18:20-32** | Psalm – **138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8**

Reading II – **Colossians 2:12-14** | Gospel – **Luke 11:1-13**



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A Mindset

The Beatitudes praise the poor in spirit. One characteristic of those who are poor in spirit is their ability to ask for help; they know when others can provide what they lack. Today's readings encourage us to practice poverty in spirit by asking God for what we need. What could be more

natural than to ask God for good things? God is, after all, the inventor of goodness and the giver of all good things.

Asking God for help puts us in conversation with God. These conversations take many forms. The reading from Genesis shows Abraham bantering with God like a skilled negotiator, while Saint Paul's letter to the Colossians praises God for answering us even when we don't deserve it. In Saint Luke's Gospel, Jesus not only gives us words to use in our conversations with God (the Our Father), but also promises that God always listens to our prayers.

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Next Week's Readings

Reading I – **Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23** | Psalm – **90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17**

Reading II – **Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11** | Gospel – **Luke 12:13-21**

Life of Stewardship

In our Gospel reading from Luke, some disciples of Jesus ask our Lord to teach them how to pray. Jesus instantly offers them the beautiful prayer which we, of course, know as the *Our Father*.

The *Our Father* truly is the ultimate steward's prayer. In it, we call upon God in an intimate way, as Father. We ask that His will be done (not ours!) and that His kingdom come (not ours!). In other words, we remember that He is our Creator, everything is His, and our focus in life should be on His priorities, not our own. Then we ask Him to supply our needs (to give our daily bread), forgive our sins, and protect us from evil. That is, we proclaim our complete trust in His provision for us and mercy towards us. We, too, commit to extending mercy ourselves (as we forgive those who sin against us).

As we pray the words of the *Our Father*, we recognize this basic truth about ourselves and God: God is our Father and we are beloved and infinitely blessed to be His children. This is the basis of a stewardship way of life.

At the end of the Gospel passage, Jesus encourages us to pursue a relationship with the Father: Ask Him, seek Him, knock on His door!

He can hardly wait to bless us, His children. Remember that this week, then go, be a blessing to others! Stewardship is just that simple.

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Mahalo, Faafetai, Dziekuje, Choukrane, Grazie, Danke, Gracias, Merci, Salammat

A big "Mahalo" to our Rainbow Rosary Makers of St. Francis, **Caryl Hublar, Holy Rosary and Lorraine Loando, and St. Michael's**. Working quietly behind the scenes for many years, they have supplied the gift shop with our locally made rosaries to the delight of our visitors.

Welcome aboard to **Beverly Bahasa and Janice Kerr** who have recently answered their call to stewardship. Mahalo and God bless all our other volunteers, **Ron & Anita Fiori, Pepe Bouchard and Joanne Dunn** who generously offer their time and talent also. Together we make it work!

Catholic Social Justice

Being a believer means that one lives a certain way -- walking with the Lord, doing justice, loving kindness, living peaceably among all people. Christian discipleship means practicing what Jesus preached. Discipleship is found in a relationship with Christ and a commitment to His mission of "bringing good news to the poor, liberty to captives, new sight to the blind and setting the downtrodden free."

For Catholics, this takes on special meaning today. According to the Second Vatican Council, "It is the special vocation of the laity to seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and directing them according to God's will. They live in the world, in each and every one of the world's occupations and callings and in the ordinary circumstances of social and family life which, as it were, form the context of their existence. There they are called by God to contribute to the sanctification of the world within, like leaven, in the spirit of the Gospel, by fulfilling their own particular duties."

We welcome and affirm the growing participation of lay women and men in the internal life of the Church. Service within the Church should form and strengthen believers for their mission in the world. With this pastoral statement we are addressing in a special way the demands of discipleship in the pursuit of justice and peace in everyday activity.

Followers of the Lord Jesus live their discipleship as spouses and parents, single adults and youth, employers and employees, consumers and investors, citizens and neighbors. We renew the warning of the Second Vatican Council that the "split between the faith which many profess and their daily lives deserves to be counted among the more serious errors of our age."⁵ By our Baptism and Confirmation every member of our community is called to live his or her faith in the world.

--USCCB on Catholic Social Justice

Homebound Ministry

...an additional fact to consider about homebound ministry. Most parishioners are happy to receive Communion



Photos: The Altar Servers had a fun time at KBExtreme with Seminarian Ace last May.



—Photos courtesy of Lucia Uganzia

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WEEKDAY MASSES

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Monday thru Saturday – 7am

Mon-Tues-Thurs-Fri – 12noon

CONFESSIONS—Saturday - 9—9:30am
(or by appointment: 326-7771)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saturday – 5pm; Sunday – 7am / 9am / 4pm

12noon -Spanish / 6:00pm -Spanish

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Sunday – 8am

HOLY ROSARY

Sunday – 10am

once or twice a month. Circumstances differ with each person. At this moment, we have 5 ministers and just six homebound parishioners. You may still consider signing up in the event that the numbers increase.

Faith Formation Baptism

The Baptism Preparation for the August 11th Baptism will occur on *Sunday, August 4th at 1:30pm at St. Michael's Church*. Parents and Godparents *must attend* this class unless they have attended at another parish and can present a letter affirming that.

Religious Education

Please register your children for Religious Education **NOW**. You can take the registration forms from the kiosk, register online or come to the office for the forms. If your child has *not been registered by Sunday, August 18th*, they will have to wait until next year to attend. The books are ordered, and it is unfair to disrupt the class by bringing your child when the classes have been organized and are ready to begin. Remember, also, it is a two-year program for those who are seeking Confirmation and first Communion.

On *Sunday, July 28th* there will be a catechist at a table after Mass to help you register.

RCIA

If you are a non-baptized adult or an individual who has been baptized in another denomination but wishes to embrace the Catholic Faith, it is time to think about RCIA for 2019-2020. Catholics who feel the need for more review of the basic information that is a part of the RCIA preparation, also, are welcome.

If you fit any of these groups, please let me know so that I can begin to arrange a time and place for a group like that. Thanks for your interest.

—Cynthia Taylor 808-960-0734.

Parish News Seminarian Education Fund

Mahalo Nui Loa for showing your support of the Seminarian Education Fund. The Office of Vocations would like to say

Parish Calendar

SATURDAY, JULY 27TH

- Church cleaning, SM: 7:30—9am
- Grounds maintenance, SM: 7:30am
- Confessions, St. Michael's: 9—9:30am
- Gift Shop open, SM Lanai: 3:30—6:30pm

SUNDAY, JULY 28TH

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Gift Shop open, SM Lanai: 6:30—11:30am

MONDAY, JULY 29TH

- Church cleaning, St. Michael's: 6pm

TUESDAY, JULY 30TH

- Talk Story, SM Lanai: 7:30am
- Spanish Bible Study, St. Paul's Pav: 6:30pm
- Charismatic Prayer Group, SM: 6:45pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31ST

- Adoration, SM: 7:30am—9pm
- Gift Shop Open, SM Lanai: 8:30am—1:30pm
- Boy Scouts meeting, IC Hall: 5:30—8pm
- Benediction, St. Michael's: 9pm

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1ST

- Franciscans' Council mtg., SM Lanai: 7:30am
- Communion Service, Life Care Center: 9:30am
- Hin & Sally Bible Study, IC Hall: 10—11:30am
- Liturgical Scripture Study, IC Hall: 6:15—7:45pm

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND

- Gift Shop Open, SM: 8:30am—1:30pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD

- Church cleaning, SM: 7:30—9am
- Grounds maintenance, SM: 7:30am
- Confessions, St. Michael's: 9—9:30am
- Wedding Mass-Kaneta-Ogata & Gonzalez, St. Peter's: 3pm
- Gift Shop open, SM Lanai: 3:30—6:30pm

MAHALO for your generous contribution from all the parishioners and parishes throughout the diocese! The 2019 Special S.E.F. Collection helps in covering the cost of our seminarians at different levels of education to be trained for the priesthood, and to serve the faithful in the diocese of Honolulu. Mahalo for your generosity! *"Your reward shall be great in heaven"!* (Luke 6:23)

Faith Formation Conference

The Diocese of Honolulu Faith Formation Conference will be held on *Saturday, August 17th at Annunciation Church in Waimea*. This year's theme is "Nurturing Seeds of Faith." Detailed information regarding sessions and Registration forms are in the kiosks and at the back of our Mission Churches. You will need to register *before August 7th*. Children ages 5 and up are welcome and will

have their own morning workshop.

St. Peter's By-The-Sea Outreach Ministry

Plans are underway to restore and beautify St. Peter's Catholic Church and surrounding grounds in nearby Kahalu'u Bay. Originally built across from La'aloa Beach Park in 1880, St. Peter's Church remained there until 1912 when it was taken down and moved piece by piece to Kahalu'u Bay by donkeys and human back. The present porch and belfry were added to the church in 1938.

St. Peter's Church is a mission church of St. Michael the Archangel. Our plan is to restore the church and beautify the grounds and open the church to the public as an outreach ministry.

We are currently looking for interested parishioners who can volunteer 4 hours one day a week or more days each week if possible, at St. Peter's Church. This is a wonderful way to evangelize by welcoming visitors, answering questions and sharing the good news about the unique beauty and history of this church and our catholic faith. If you are interested in becoming an important member of this exciting new outreach, please contact the parish office to leave your name and phone number or see Don Nelson for more details.

Adoration Time Change

Starting *Wednesday, August 7th* Adoration will start at 7:30am and end with prayers and Benediction by **8pm**. Please make a note of the time change.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend (September 20-22) - WH Vicariate

"When some friends suggested that we make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend we were shocked and more than a little hurt. We were very happily married and frankly it surprised us that they thought we needed "marriage counseling". When we finally told them how we felt, they laughed and said that they had suggested the Weekend because it's designed to make good marriages even better. Now, I'm glad we made our weekend. We got a lot out of it because we brought a lot to it!"

—Randy and Gail, married 17 years

The next weekend in West Hawaii is *September 20-22, 2109* at Annunciation Catholic Church in Waimea. For more information or to apply, go to hawaiiwme.org or call 808-268-1578.

Sign up for Parish Updates

St. Michael's wants to communicate more effectively with you so you control what announcements you get from us and how you are notified. We now have a **simple FREE parish information service** using text messages and emails to reduce the risk of scams and spam messages.

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Upcoming Events

- ♦ **The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation:** Thursdays from 10—11:30am till August 22nd at IC Hall.
- ♦ **Faith Formation Conference:** Saturday, August 17th from 8am—2:30pm at Annunciation Parish.
- ♦ **Liturgy Ministry Training for EM's, Lectors, Users & Altar Servers:** Saturday, September 14th at St. Michael's.
- ♦ **Liturgy Ministry Training for EM's, Lectors, Users & Altar Servers:** Saturday, September 22nd at IC & HR
- ♦ **Worldwide Marriage Encounter:** September 20—22nd at Annunciation Parish.

Youth Corner

This was proposed to our Youth, of the 7 Sacraments choose one and say why it's your favorite. Here are two of the favorite comments:

Knowledge is my favorite Gift of the Holy Spirit because it helps a person embrace the truths of faith. —Maria C

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JULY 27TH

- 5pm—Don & Brenda Nelson, 23rd Wedding Anniversary blessings!

SUNDAY, JULY 28TH

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7am—Angie Marie Bodet Haena, deceased
- 8am (IC)—
- 9am—For the Souls in Purgatory
- 10am (HR)—Mika Yandall, deceased
- 12noon (Spanish)—Por las necesidades de la familia de Marcelino Magaña
- 4pm—Helen Manning, special intentions
- 6pm (Spanish)—

MONDAY, JULY 29TH

- 7am—Helen Manning, special intentions
- 12noon—Manning Family, for conversion

TUESDAY, JULY 30TH

- 7am—Manning Family, for conversion
- 12noon—Mika Yandall, deceased

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31ST

- 7am—Mike Sotomayor, deceased, birthday anniversary remembrance

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1ST

- 7am—Dominic Lorico, birthday blessings!
- 12noon—Reed & Susan Bender, 34th Wedding Anniversary blessings!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND

- 7am—Lufkin Moses, birthday blessings!
- 12noon—John M. Jr., & Virginia Gouveia, deceased

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3RD

- 7am—Mika Yandall, deceased

Requesting a Mass

A Mass intention can be scheduled by calling the Office at **326-7771**. If you'd like to request a specific day and Mass time, **call well in advance of the date to secure it.** Mass cards available.

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HeleOn Bus: 961-8744
HOPE Services: 933-6013
Human Trafficking: Suzanna Tiapula,
Big Island Prosecuting Atty: 961-0466
The Salvation Army: (808) 326-2330
Office of Veterans' Services: (808) 933-0315
Neighborhood Place of Kona: 808-331-8777

Out of the 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit my favorite is counsel. I chose this because it means to do the good in something bad. For example, if your friends want to do something bad, you will do the good and know that you are following the solution that most matches the glory of God.

—Fernanda Cancino Magana

Follow us weekly throughout the summer to see if your comment gets published. Thank you and God bless you!

—Edwina Fujimoto, Youth Coordinator, St. Michael the Archangel

Catholic Update

Treasures From Our Tradition

The pilgrim experience of going by foot to Santiago de Compostella, the shrine of St. James, reached its high point this week at the feast of the Apostle, with tens of thousands of pilgrims on the road. Typically, they cover twelve to twenty miles a day through rough territory. The difficult journey and the often-primitive lodging facilities are made bearable by the joy of the pilgrims, their songs and prayers. When their journey is documented properly, they receive the scallop shell, a reminder not only of James the fisherman, but also his call to fish for human beings and to baptize the nations. In the Middle Ages, those who wore this badge on their hats were granted lodging and hospitality wherever they went. Next to the palm, the sign of a Jerusalem pilgrim, the scallop shell was most highly prized.

In the Middle Ages, some people so enjoyed the pilgrim road, although it was filled with discomfort and danger, that they spent most of their lives on the road. Today, some people take up the route for exercise, but are drawn gradually into the spirituality of the journey. As you make your summer travels, always fold in an element of pilgrimage: a long walk through beautiful countryside, a visit to a church, a prayer of gratitude for your journey through life's hills and valleys.

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Did the Catholic Church add books to the Bible?

Yes, it did! We call those books...the New Testament!

The Bible, as we have it today, did not exist for more than 350 years after the death of Jesus. Each of the individual books existed, but they were not all put together in the collection of books that we now refer to as "The Bible," until late in the 4th century A.D.

For more than 350 years after the death of Christ, there were disputes - among Christians - as to which books should be considered inspired Scripture. These disputes were about Old Testament and New Testament books. Revelation was a disputed book. As was Hebrews. As were 2 John and 3 John. As were James, Jude, and 2 Peter. Plus, there were many other books not in the New Testament as we have it now, which were considered inspired Scripture by various Christian communities around the world. These included the Letter of Clement to the Corinthians, the Didache, the Letter of Barnabas, the Acts of Peter, the Acts of Paul, the Acts of John, the Apocalypse of Peter, the Apocalypse of Paul, and several others.

So, if Christians were disputing over which books should and

Stewardship of Treasure

July 20th—21st, 2019

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WEEKLY COLLECTIONS NEEDED FOR OPERATIONS	\$14,730.60
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Sacraments

ANointing OF THE SICK AND HOSPITAL & HOME

COMMUNION - Call the parish office at 326-7771 to make arrangements.

INFANT BAPTISM DATES AT ST. MICHAEL'S-

Sunday—Next Baptisms will be on *August 11th at 9am; Class on Sunday, August 4th at 1:30pm.* Register online. Both parents and both godparents **must** attend.

MARRIAGE - Preparation begins six months before the wedding date. Call the parish office for an information packet and to make arrangements for an initial interview with the priest. Please do not lock in a wedding date until you have spoken to the priest first.

FUNERALS - Call the parish office before consulting with a funeral director/mortuary.

HOME, CAR OR BUILDING BLESSINGS - Please contact the office to schedule a blessing of your *Home, Car or Building.*

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shouldn't be considered the inspired Word of God, for more than 350 years after the death of Christ, then how did we end up with the Bible as we have it today? Who finally decided which books were and which books were not the inspired Word of God? Did Christians consult the Bible for the answer? Of course not! They went to the Church. But which church? The Catholic Church.

The Council of Rome, in 382 A.D., gave us the first list from the Church of which books should be considered inspired Scripture. That list had exactly the same 73 books of the Bible that are in the Catholic Bible today - including the 7 books of the Old Testament that Protestants refer to as the Apocrypha. That list of 73 books was affirmed by the Council of Hippo in 393 A.D., the Council of Carthage in 397 A.D., and in a letter from Pope Innocent I in 404 A.D.

All Christians, everywhere, considered the books of the "Apocrypha" to be inspired Scripture - as part of their Bible - until the 1500's, when Martin Luther removed them from the Bible. The Gutenberg Bible - the first book ever made with a printing press, had those 7 books in it. The Bible Martin Luther used as a Catholic priest, had those books in it. All Bibles everywhere had those books in them - no Bible had only 66 books - until the 1500's.

—biblechristiansociety.com

Saint of the Week—Ignatius of Loyola (1491—1556)

**Enduring influence*

We read the lives of saints because they are a source of inspiration and encouragement. It was reading about them that completely changed Ignatius of Loyola's life. He became one of the greatest saints of the sixteenth century.

Ignatius had received a serious leg wound and back injury from cannon fire in battle, and spent time recovering from repeated surgeries in his family's castle. To fill the time, he read a Spanish translation by Goberto Vagad of *The Golden Legend*. These stories of great saints caught his attention, possibly because the saints' action based on faith resonated with the code of honor and chivalry that he had learned as a young knight. During his long convalescence, Íñigo López de Loyola began to think it would be a great honor to be a knight for the glory of God. He made up his mind to improve his behavior and to follow the example of the saints.

The cannon ball that broke his leg left him deformed and limping for the rest of his life. The first physician to set his broken leg did a poor job. It had to be broken again and reset. When he was able to walk again, he went to the Catalanian shrine of Our Lady at Montserrat. In the manner of knights in romantic talks, Ignatius spent the night there in a vigil. The next morning he exchanged his fine clothes for the sackcloth of a nearby pilgrim and placed his sword and dagger on the altar. The next day he began several months of solitude and meditation, experiencing mystical religious episodes.

The Gospel narratives of Christ fascinated Ignatius, inspiring him to make a pilgrimage to the sites mentioned in them. His desire to become a priest grew steadily, but he did not have the

necessary education, so he began to study Latin and became a student at the University of Paris. He gathered a group of six friends on that campus into a new religious order, the beginnings of the Society of Jesus, or Jesuits. In 1540, the Jesuits received official recognition from Rome.

Ignatius of Loyola placed himself and his men at the service of the Church, declaring that they were ready to travel even to dangerous territory in order to promote Christianity. The list of martyrs becomes densely populated with Jesuits from this point on.

The Society of Jesus is but one of Ignatius of Loyola's great contributions to the world. Another is his *Spiritual Exercises*, a brilliant and inspired guide to spiritual formation. Countless Christians have used it to deepen their meditation and prayer. Four-week-long retreats continue to be offered following the design Ignatius conceived in 1533. Those who do not have a month available for such a retreat still profit from reading through his book. Thomas Merton said, "*The Spiritual Exercises* are very pedestrian and practical—their chief purpose being to enable all the busy Jesuits to get their minds off their work and back to God with a minimum of wasted time." Merton went on to say that he wished he had been able to go through the *Exercises* under Jesuit supervision, but did it on his own. He studied the rules that were in the book and followed them the best he could. "I never even breathed a word about what I was doing to any priest."

Ignatius writes, "In the same way that strolling, walking, and running exercise the body, spiritual exercise prepare the soul to become free of extravagant attachments and to discover what God wants to accomplish in one's life."

Ignatius of Loyola died suddenly on July 31, 1556. At the time of his death, there were about one thousand Jesuits. At the end of the twentieth century there were twenty-five thousand. Jesuits see their function as complementing rather than replacing the work of parish priests.

—Taken from *Butler's Lives of Saints*

Prayer of St. Ignatius of Loyola-Dedication To Jesus

Lord Jesus Christ,
take all my freedom,
my memory,
my understanding,
and my will.

All that I have and cherish You have given me.

I surrender it all to be guided by Your Will.

*Your grace and Your love
and wealth are enough for me.*

*Give me these, Lord Jesus,
and I ask for nothing more.*

Amen.

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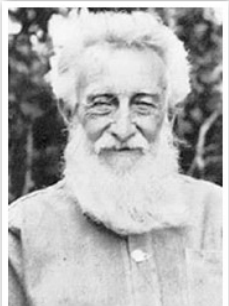
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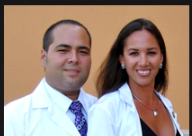
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