



St. Michael the Archangel Parish

A Stewardship Parish

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July 7, 2019

14th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Reading I – **Isaiah 66:10-14c** | Psalm – **66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16,20**

Reading II – **Galatians 6:14-18** | Gospel – **Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9**



*The Lord
appointed seventy-two,
whom he sent in pairs to every town*

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God's Providence

Today's readings celebrate God's providence. No matter how wonderful (or heartbreaking) our relationships are, God always provides for us. No one cares for us the way God does.

Isaiah delights us with a deeply intimate image of God caring for us "as a mother comforts her child." The prophet describes us not as the usual

"children of God," but as "babies." We should not resist this image but rejoice in it. Trusting in God's care, we can all let down our guard and rest like infants in the lap of our mother.

Saint Paul's trust in God allows him to be at peace like this. He boldly declares that no one can "make troubles" for him, because he has given himself completely to Jesus. And when Jesus sends His disciples out to preach and heal, He challenges them not to provide for themselves, but to let faith be their guide.

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Next Week's Readings

Reading I – **Deuteronomy 30:10-14** | Psalm – **69:14,17, 30-31, 33-34,36,37**

Reading II – **Colossians 1:15-20** | Gospel – **Luke 10:25-37**

Life of Stewardship

In today's Gospel passage from Luke, we find our Lord appointing disciples to go out and prepare others to receive His invitation into the Kingdom of God. Every verse has something to say about the way a Christian steward should approach others. Let's look at least one of the coaching tips Christ gives.

"The Lord appointed seventy-two others whom He sent out ahead of Him in pairs to every town and place He intended to visit." In His wisdom, Christ sent His disciples out not as individuals but in pairs, as teams. This approach to evangelization certainly provided practical advantages. The disciples could lean on each other for mutual support and encouragement, helping each other to stay on task and to put their heads together to pray and problem-solve. This teamwork approach is just as relevant to us modern-day Christian stewards. It takes courage and commitment to go out and invite others into the Christian life. We need to work together to do it well.

But there is also symbolic importance to working in teams. It points to the reality that when we invite others to embrace the Good News of the Gospel, we are not merely inviting them into a belief system, but into a relationship with Christ and through that relationship, into Christ's family — our fellow Christian disciples near and far.

Our parish is our immediate spiritual family in this extended worldwide fold. We are not meant to live as isolated individuals within the parish any more than we are meant to live in isolation within our families. We are meant to be a community. That is why it is so important for us to foster a vibrant, supportive, welcoming parish life. This is why we emphasize hospitality as one of the pillars of stewardship. It is not enough just to point others to Christ, we must invite them to join us in community with Him; we must offer a place and mission for them in the Church and within our parish family.

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

Mahalo to everyone who helped make Fr. Diego's farewell party a success. The Farewell Committee included Rene Lemus, Aniceto & Rosalia Ramirez, Maria Lemus, Angelica, Fr. Lio and Susan Bender. Carmina Machuca and her daughters danced the ballet folklorico, and several ladies from the Hispanic Community made all the food, plus salsas, plus Maria Lemus made the sheet cake and other cakes. Diego Campos and his wife Laura Hernandez took care of the set-up, clean-up and break-down. And to Susan Bender for making the bookmarks.

Catholic Social Justice

Featured Quote from Pope Francis

"What is needed is precisely a conversion, a 'turning around,' that is, a transformation of hearts and minds. Striving to overcome problems such as hunger and food insecurity, persistent social and economic distress, the degradation of ecosystems, and a 'culture of waste' calls for a renewed ethical vision, one that places persons at the center, desiring to leave no one on the margins of life. A vision which unites rather than divides, includes rather than excludes."

—Pope Francis, Address, June 8, 2019

Eucharist to the Homebound

I hope that there are a few parishioners who are still considering ministry to a homebound person. The need and/or desire comes to the parish office through a phone call from the individual or the family. Sometimes just a visit keeps the homebound in contact with the church. Please call **Cynthia at 960-0734 or cytaylor@rcchawaii.org**.

Sharing Garden

We harvested 1169 pounds of fruits and vegetables that were distributed to the St. Michael and Annunciation Parish Food Pantries, and to the residents of Ulu Wini. This brings our total harvest for the first half of the year to 7264 pounds, which is on track for us to meet our goal of 15,000 pounds for the year. We anticipate good harvest of pineapple and squash this summer which will add significantly to our normal production and bring us closer to our goal.

Food Pantry & Friendly Place Lunches

We don't know why, but the number of hungry people in Kona seems to have increased in June. More people asked for help from the food pantry (108 households representing 558 people) and asked for lunch at The Friendly Place than any other month this year. Fortunately, our volunteers were able to meet the demand and see that no one was denied the food they needed. Thank you for providing the support these ministries require.



Left to right: Seminarian Paul Park, Rose Fowler, Seminarian Ace Tui, Caroline Smith, Georgiana Tsubota and Seminarian John Hwang at Life Care Center. —Photo courtesy of Georgiana Tsubota

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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

Faith Formation

Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism will be offered for infants and children *under the age of 7* on **Sunday, August 11th**. The preparation class will take place on **Sunday, August 4th at 1:30pm at St. Michael's Church**. Please pick up the *Baptism Intake form* and submit it. It can be obtained on the website, in the Parish Office or in the kiosks.

Please prepare as soon as possible. There are always questions about godparents that are a challenge to resolve. We will do everything possible to help you make this a blessed day for your family.

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Registration for Religious Education

In preparation for Religious Education, we are asking for substitutes for Religious Education when they are needed. The catechists have volunteered and committed their time to building a love for the faith in our children. Like the rest of us, however, they are entitled to take a vacation or stay at home when they are ill. Our responsibility for coverage continues. All I ask is probably for a single Sunday or two throughout the year. If the catechist will be on vacation, she will provide a plan for the lesson. Please consider helping us. An organized approach to this problem will provide a seamless class day. We will keep a list of names, phone numbers and email addresses. Please contact *Cynthia Taylor at 960-0734*.

Baptism Ministry

Three people have volunteered their help. I am grateful for their generosity. Each one has something to offer.

RCIA

Since the Preparation for the Sacraments to be administered in 2019 has been successfully completed, it is now time to begin gathering those who adults who are interested in professing their faith as Catholics:

- 1) Individuals who have never been baptized (anyone over the age of 7).
- 2) Individuals who have been baptized in another denomination.
- 3) Individuals who were baptized in the Catholic Church but who have never

Parish Calendar

SATURDAY, JULY 6TH

- 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 7TH

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- Gift Shop open, SM Lanai: 6:30—11:30am
- Youth Mass, SM: 9am

MONDAY, JULY 8TH

- Church cleaning, St. Michael's: 6pm
- Knights of Columbus mtg., SM Lanai: 6pm
- Franciscans' gathering, SM Lanai: 6—9pm

TUESDAY, JULY 9TH

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

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH

- Adoration, SM: 7:30am—9pm
- Gift Shop Open, SM Lanai: 8:30am—1:30pm
- Food Pantry Open, IC parking lot: 9—9:45am
- Boy Scouts meeting, IC Hall: 5:30—8pm
- Spanish Couples mtg., St. Paul's: 6:30pm
- Benediction, St. Michael's: 9pm

THURSDAY, JULY 11TH

- Communion Service, Life Care Center: 9:30am
- No Hin & Sally Bible Study
- Liturgical Scripture Study, IC Hall: 6:15—7:45pm

FRIDAY, JULY 12TH

- Gift Shop Open, SM: 8:30am—1:30pm

SATURDAY, JULY 13TH

- Church cleaning, SM: 7:30—9am
- Grounds maintenance, SM: 7:30am
- Confessions, St. Michael's: 9—9:30am
- Funeral Svc-*Clifton Laina DeGuair*, SM; 9:30am: Eulogy: 9:15am
- Gift Shop open, SM Lanai: 3:30—6:30pm

practiced their faith in the Catholic Church.

If you feel you would like to explore, ask questions or consider joining a group of other seekers, call *Cynthia at 960-0734*.

Parish News

Healing Mass

"Do you want to be healed?" (John 5:6). There will be a Healing Mass on **Tuesday, July 16th at 6pm at St. Michael's**. All are invited to worship and celebrate the Holy Mass, receive Anointing of the Sick and prayers or healing. Confession will be available. Our celebrant will be Fr. Jun Bobier.

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

Time Together!! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a weekend full of fresh love, rebirth and new beginnings. All married couples deserve a richer, fuller life together.

The next weekend in West Hawaii is **September 20-22, 2019 at Annunciation Catholic Church in Waimea**. For more information or to apply, go to hawaiiwwme.org or call 808-268-1578.

Welcome!

We extend a warm Aloha to all who attend our church. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith will be nourished. If you haven't registered as a member of our parish, we encourage you to register today. You can register on our website, in the office or complete the form in the kiosks.

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.
- ◆ **Liturgical Scripture Study:** Thursday evenings, from 6:15—7:45pm at Immaculate Conception Hall.

Youth Corner

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

Marriage is my favorite because it means you have to be committed to one person for the rest of your life and you get to do everything with your specific other. —Brenda Cisneros

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

It's high summer now, school is out, the pace of work slows, and some people drift away. There are visitors in the churches every summer, and familiar faces are "among the missing." Some find

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JULY 6TH

- 5pm—Mika Yandall, deceased

SUNDAY, JULY 7TH

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 7am—Neil L. O'Brien & Gerry Maynihan, deceased
- 8am (IC)—Jean Lai, deceased
- 9am—
- 10am (HR)—
- 12noon (Spanish)—
- 4pm—John & Mary Ellen Everett, 50th wedding anniversary blessings!
- 6pm (Spanish)—

MONDAY, JULY 8TH

- 7am—Jerome Pinto, deceased
- 12noon—Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, JULY 9TH

- 7am—Warren Lorica, dec, birthday anniversary remembrance
- 12noon—Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH

- 7am—Al & Linda Rimkus, 56th wedding anniversary blessings!

THURSDAY, JULY 11TH

- 7am—Emmanuel Conty, Jr., for the external repose of his soul
- 12noon—Rosita Arnold, 3rd anniversary of her death

FRIDAY, JULY 12TH

- 7am—Emmanuel Conty, Jr., for the external repose of his soul
- 12noon—Tranquilino Llantero, 40th day deceased

SATURDAY, JULY 13TH

- 7am—Emmanuel Conty, Jr., for the external repose of his soul

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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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

the summer's call more appealing than the summons of the church bells. Many, however, would not dream of missing a Sunday, and so they make their way to Mass in unfamiliar places, watching the locals for clues as to when to sit or stand, where the Communion stations are. In answering the call, they keep the "sabbatical" rhythm of the Christian life: every seventh day, the Body of Christ assembles for worship.

For centuries, there was no obligation to Sunday Mass in the sense of a written law, but Christians have always yearned to be together on Sunday. In the city of Abitina, during a persecution by the Emperor Diocletian, a group of Christians were urged to stop worshipping together on Sundays. They responded, "Then take our lives, for without the Sunday we cannot live." By a curious coincidence, the appointed readings today center us on thoughts of peace. On our Independence Day, the experience of worship situated us in community, and evoked a commitment from us to be advocates of peace in all aspects of our society's life.

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Saint Columba of Iona (ca. 521—97)

**Books and souls*

A wandering Scot-Irish monk who started life as the child of a royal family, Columba was a church leader with an unfortunately short temper. A large man with a loud voice, Columba was a striking person who combined his powerful physique with the soul of a poet. He devoted fifteen years of his life to preaching and founding monasteries. An avid scholar, he had a passion for collecting manuscripts.

Columba copied a rare psalter by Jerome (September 30) that a fellow monk, Finnian, had brought back from Rome. When Finnian discovered this, he accused Columba of taking advantage of his generosity and claimed the copy as his own property. The dispute went to King Diarmaid of Ireland who agreed with Finnian. The judgment handed down by the king is famous: "To every cow her calf, and to every book its son-book."

By nature, Columba did not accept the ruling quietly, and his relationship with King Diarmaid grew poorer with each passing experience. Diarmaid sent soldiers looking for a man, accused of killing one of the king's men during a hurling match, who had now run to Columba for protective asylum. Bursting into Columba's sanctuary, they grabbed the accused man and killed him immediately without trial. Fighting then broke out between Columba's clan and supporters of Diarmaid. Three thousand died in bloody hand-to-hand combat. Whether or not Columba encouraged this combat is an issue that has never been settled, but he accepted responsibility for the bloodshed, saying, "Men lie dead through the pride of a man of peace. I will not rest until I win for God the souls of as many men as have fallen this battle."

In 593, Columba and twelve monks who were his relatives climbed into a flimsy boat and set out to sea. Unsure of their destination, they landed on the barren island of Iona off the coast of Scotland. Columba founded a monastery on Iona that would become the virtual center of Celtic spirituality. Faithful to his

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June 29th—30th, 2019

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MONTHLY PAYMENT	\$23,383.60
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MORTGAGE BALANCE 5/31/2019	\$896,021.66

Sacraments

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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.*

Online Giving

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Food Pantry

Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month at Immaculate Conception parking lot from 9—9:45am. Bring your bag.

oath, Columba made many missionary journeys across the sea to Scotland, evangelizing many, including King Brude of Inverness.

Columba remained on Iona for more than thirty years, copying manuscripts (some of which are the earliest existing examples of Irish handwriting) and working diligently for his Lord. Life on the island mellowed him and replaced his fiery temper with a calm and gentle spirit.

—*Taken from Butler's Lives of Saints*

Why Do Catholics Venerate Relics?

Although more than a common part of Catholic culture and practice, the veneration of relics has been practiced less during the last 50 years or so. But that seems to be changing in recent years, as a number of saintly relics have been traversing the United States, attracting large numbers of the faithful. Relics seem to be making a comeback, and in a big way.

And yet the veneration of relics in the Catholic tradition can be misunderstood easily. At first glance it can appear to be displaced praise. Critics would falsely claim that praise or worship is accorded to the relic or saint rather than God Himself, who, of course, is rightly the only subject of all worship.

A proper understanding of relic veneration, however, is best achieved with an appropriate approach. It would simply be incoherent to think that a Catholic or Christian would offer praise and worship to anyone other than God. And yet, honoring the saints — and their relics — is also an important part of what we do.

In order to develop a proper understanding of the place of relics in the Christian tradition, it might be helpful to consider them within a different context — that of family. It's not uncommon for many people to honor the memory of their loved ones by keeping pictures of family around the house. Nor is it uncommon to keep cherished belongings of our deceased loved ones, like grandma's jewelry or grandpa's Bible. These belongings likely are treasured, and treated with honor and reverence. They're kept in safe and honorable places. They're well-packaged when we move. They're often handed on from one generation to the next. These secular "relics" assist us in recalling the person and his or her life, and the memories that remind us of who they were and what they were about.

It is not rare to honor remnants of relatives' bodies, or those of notable people. Often parents will keep first teeth that are lost or save clippings of their child's first haircut. We build monuments to great men and women, and set up grave markers to memorialize them. And so it seems almost second nature for us to honor members of our family and those dear to us as well as the objects that belonged to them.

And so why wouldn't a similar reverence translate into our family of the Church? The saints are those men and women from our family who are deserving of our honor for their life of spiritual greatness. Moreover, they have put on Christ in baptism and become members of His body.

Catholics see the members of the Church as members of a family. Of course, as human beings — composites of body and soul — the Church honors their bodies after death. We, of

course, do this as well in our families when we visit and decorate graves on birthdays, death dates or holidays. Made in God's image and likeness, we recognize the dignity of the human person by honoring their earthly remains — that is why the Church demands of proper disposal of a person's remains (burial of body or cremains).

—*Michael R. Heinlein*

Consecration

Consecration is derived from Latin verb 'CONSECRARE' — meaning to make or declare sacred or holy. When a blessing sets apart a particular person or object exclusively for God, it is commonly called "CONSECRATION". Consecration is that act whereby a person, place or object is made holy, sacred, and set aside for the service of God. Consecration is usually ritual prayer or rather blessings accompanied by holy gestures. These blessings withdraw certain persons or more commonly, certain objects (e.g. Church, altar, sacred vessels-chalice, ciborium; holy oils, vestments, church bells, Thurible, tabernacle, etc.), from the everyday world and dedicate them totally to God and His service. The prayer offered asks that the objects, be the bearers of a blessing for those who use them and occasions for encountering God.

Consecration at mass is short but very important part of the Mass in which the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ by the power of God acting (in persona Christi) through the validly ordained priest. This change is known as 'TRANSUBSTANTIATION' the words of the Consecration are those of Christ (Ipsissima verba Christi):
"TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU."

These are Consecration words over Bread. Consecration at mass is the most solemn moment of the mass. Therefore, every movement is restricted or discouraged. All eyes and attention should be on the altar.

—*smcrgc@dor.org*

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

— *Galatians 6:14*

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