

THE SHEPHERD STAFF

Dear Good Shepherd Ohana:

2021 has gotten off to an interesting start and I wish to thank each and everyone of you for your support of the very difficult decision that we made to suspend in-person worship due to the number of COVID-19 cases in the Kahului/Wailuku area. We have the goal of going back to in person services on Ash Wednesday, which falls on February 17th this year. We can and will reevaluate when we have more information about the number of cases in our area. As I said, my primary concern is for our safety and I'm grateful for the way we have rallied together to be safe and that we can continue to worship together virtually.



The events that occurred in Washington DC on the Feast of the Epiphany, particularly the storming of the US Capitol building have, I know, generated concern, anxiety, and trauma. That afternoon I was invited to the County Building to attend the Mayor Victorino's press conference. At that press conference, he asked clergy to join him in prayer and he also affirmed a commitment to peace and nonviolent protest. The clergy of the diocese have also gathered together and a statement from Bishop Fitzpatrick can be found on the diocesan website.

As we look to Lent and Holy Week, I would like to re-vamp our centering prayer sessions at 4 PM on Tuesdays, beginning the first Tuesday after Ash Wednesday (February 23rd). I also plan to provide you with a virtual Stations of the Cross which you can pray on Fridays. We do hope to have in person worship at 7 PM on Ash Wednesday and during the day we will provide ashes on the go for those of you who would like to drive by for the imposition of ashes. We also have plans to walk around Wailuku town and offer ashes to those who would like them.

Please continue to join me in prayer for a quick and speedy end to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please also pray for our country and the integrity of our democracy.

Peace & Blessings,

Moki

Dear Fellow Good Shepherds,

It may be a new year and we are sorely looking forward for it to be a better one but much of 2020 still hangs on. February sees the celebration of Mardi Gras and the solemnity of Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. However, I cannot tell you how we will be doing any of that. We have currently suspended in person gatherings and are not sure when we can resume... prayerfully by Easter. To get there we must continue to be diligent and practice all the healthy protocols we are doing now. We can add getting vaccinated to our arsenal against this dreaded pandemic. We will need to and must continue masking, distancing and sanitizing at least through the next several months until we are sure that Covid 19 is under control. Getting back to some sort of normalcy depends on what we do now and continue to do.



Looking forward we can at least know that the Church calendar is set and we know what and when will be observed...how, will be determined as we get there. We will continue to celebrate virtually and will be adding Lenten sessions and will keep you informed as they become available.

I gratefully thank all of you for your patience as we navigate these uncharted waters ahead. We will endure and the day will soon be here when we can gather again and celebrate together.

Stay healthy and stay safe.

K. Peter Lee

Senior Warden

GOOD SHEPHERD WOMEN'S

BIBLE STUDY



PLEASE JOIN US!

12Noon on Thursdays on Zoom!

Over the last year our Women's Bible Study has found it helpful to read and discuss, study and pray the following Sunday's readings. We have found it particularly interesting to read some of the passages from different versions of the Bible and to listen and share our own experiences as they relate to what we read. Often there is a word or phrase that catches our heart and/or study guide that explains a particular passage. All are welcome to join us at any time.

Please contact Mary Lou Mellinger at marylou.mauui@gmail.com.

ACCW STATS December 2020

Our faithful supply team lead by the stout leadership of Marilyn Hirashima, with Susie Davis, Toni Paul, Kit Hart and others "behind the scenes" (thank you thank you, we know we forgot some of u!) along with our own Jean Fiddes, bookkeeper Lea Voss, our small band of run leaders and run riders, all of YOU who have contributed both financial support, elbow grease and many donations..... have keep ACCW up and running in a limited mode throughout most of the Pandemic..... all of this through your the efforts of your grace filled hearts (the only real green renewable energy!) And this very humble, quiet, low key and under the radar mission..... continues to serve thousands, and hold fast a very basic goal of never using any government funding of any sort..... instead relying on the endless abundance of the greater body of Christ and other faithful friends (Buddhist compassion and generosity)



Mahalo! from the ACCW Board of Directors

Specials:

Cases of water for Ka Ohana Kitchen ongoing (weekly) 8-10 cases
 Deb Lynch: Supply room service (homeless coming around GSC on Wed's) served 20
 Deb Lynch Salvation Army food bag/hygiene run: served 25+
 Susie Davis: Food bag/hygiene bag drops: served 30+
 Keku Akana Salvation Army dog food drop: 40 large baggies Dog food

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| SERVICE CONTACTS: | 163 |
| Regular Wednesday MISSION RUNS | 1 |
| MILES DRIVEN | 21 |

Distributed the following:

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| CHILLED WATER | 163+ |
| HYGIENE | 652 |
| BASIC FIRST AID | 326 |
| FOOD | 1,141 various items |
| CLOTHING | 166 |
| BIBLES/DAILY BREAD | None reported |
| P&J SANDWICHES: | John & Rev. Linda Decker 50+ (1st & 2nd Wed. of each month) |
| | Wailuku Hongwanji (3rd Wed of the month) cancelled |
| | Kahului Hongwanji (4th Wed of the month) cancelled |

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12/2/2020 Mission Outreach Team: George Brown, Deb Lynch, Joel H.

As directed by the ACCW Board of Directors, the remainder of the December 2020 mission runs were cancelled due to the spike (double digit) Pandemic infection numbers on Maui. January 2021 will be

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assessed week, by week to determine when the mission runs shall resume. Meanwhile, the Supply Team and a few outreach workers shall continue to assist and supply the Salvation Army and other Outreach Programs as requested or needed.

May you all have a grace filled, safe and servant-full New Year!

"The man of impure intentions may not clearly realize that he is deceiving himself (or herself). Blinded by his own *selfishness*, he cannot even see that he is blinded. If he had enough interior peace to listen to his own conscience, he would hear it telling him that he does not really know what he is doing. He realizes obscurely that if he knew himself better, he would be less likely to deceive himself. He knows that he is blindly following his own selfish ideas, under cover of motives he has not taken time to examine. **But he does not really want to examine them, because if he did so he might find out that his will and the will of God were directly opposed to one another. He discovers that there is no alternative but to do the will of God.....which he does not really want to do.Thomas Merton "No man is an Island"**

Everyone who breaths.....has a mission, has a work. We are not sent into this world for nothing; we are not born at random....God sees every one of us; He creates every soul...for a purpose...As Christ has his work... we too have ours..as he rejoiced to do his work... we must rejoice in ours also*St. John Neumann*

Congratulations! BIRTHDAYS

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| Brigida Domingo | 02/.01 |
| Nestor Rondal | 02/03 |
| Roque Agpoon | 02/05 |
| Zeny Cabading | 02/08 |
| Dolores Garcia | 02/09 |
| Catherine Yago | 02/09 |
| Gaige Decker | 02/09 |
| Lovely Agtagma | 02/10 |
| Riley Manuel | 02/11 |
| Lyn Alpuro | 02/12 |
| Megan-Lynsey Alpuro | 02/16 |
| Andrew Yagin | 02/18 |
| Gavina Dadis | 02/19 |
| Larry Adzuara | 02/26 |

ANNIVERSARIES

02/10 Manny & Juanita Adzuara
02/24 Melchor & Purification Adzuara



| December 2020 Finance Report | Actual for month | Budget for month | Actual Year to Date | Budget Year to Date |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Plate Offerings | \$7202.00 | \$2666.00 | \$30,449.00 | \$32,000.00 |
| Pledge Offerings | \$14,725.00 | \$9583.00 | \$105,622.00 | \$115,000.00 |
| Total Income | \$53,661.00 | \$36,148.00 | \$410,000.00 | \$443,997.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$38,710.00 | \$45,467.00 | \$306,040.00 | \$443,997.00 |

THOSE WHO SERVE CHRIST IN HIS CHURCH

In-person worship has been suspended, until further notice.

7:00am Sunday Virtual Liturgy of the Word

Zoom, Facebook or Youtube

| | February 7 Epiphany 5 | February 14 Last Epiphany | February 21 1 Lent | February 28 2 Lent |
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| Celebrant | Moki Hino | Moki Hino | Moki Hino | Moki Hino |
| Lectors (Virtual) | John Decker Chancellor Brown | Marie Paul Estrelita Lampitoc | Les Totah Maureen Vandenburg | Jordan Akana Shandi Agpoon |
| Intercessor (Virtual) | Eugenia Sitts | Sannah Evangelista | Cora Brown | Jeanne Abe |
| Responder (Virtual) | Marie Paul | Marie Paul | Marie Paul | Marie Paul |
| Ohana Kitchen | Team 6 Brown's | Team 7 Bayer Co. | Team 8 Sannah Evangelista | Agpoon Ohana Rose Agpoon |

| | March 7 3 Lent | March 14 4 Lent | March 21 5 Lent | March 28 Palm Sunday |
|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Celebrant | Moki Hino | Mokin Hino | Moki Hino | Moki Hino |
| Lectors (Virtual) | Louise Aloy Isaiah Lampitoc | Maysie Tam Meren Kuzara | Gil Keith-Agaran Alyza Sitts-Leyva | Mark Sitts Paxton Sitts-Leyva |
| Intercessor (Virtual) | K. Peter Lee | Maggie Evangelista | John Decker | Chancellor Brown |
| Responder (Virtual) | Marie Paul | Marie Paul | Marie Paul | Marie Paul |
| Ohana Kitchen | Akana's | Team 9 GSEC Youth | Ka Ohana O Kamai | 4ever Family & Friends |

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|--|--|---|---|----------------------------|
| | 1 | 2 9:00am Pastoral Care | 3 | 4 9:00am Staff Mtg 12:00pm Women's Bible Study (Zoom) | 5 | 6 9:00am Worship Mtg |
| 7 7:00am Virtual Liturgy of the Word (Zoom, Facebook, YouTube) | 8 | 9 | 10 3:00pm Property Management | 11 9:00am Staff Mtg 4:00pm Finance | 12 | 13 |
| 14 VALENTINES DAY 7:00am Virtual Liturgy of the Word (Zoom, Facebook, YouTube) | 15 PRESIDENTS DAY Parish office closed | 16 | 17 ASH WEDNESDAY 12:00pm Ashes to Go 7:00pm Holy Eucharist (TBD) | 18 9:00am Staff Mtg | 19 12:00pm Stations of the Cross (Virtual) | 20 |
| 21 7:00am Virtual Liturgy of the Word (Zoom, Facebook, YouTube) | 22 | 23 4:00pm Centering Prayer (Zoom) | 24 | 25 9:00am Staff Mtg | 26 12:00pm Stations of the Cross (Virtual) | 27 |

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7:00am Virtual
Liturgy of the
Word (Zoom,
Facebook,
YouTube)

FEBRUARY

MAKING ASH WEDNESDAY MORE ACCESSIBLE TO NON-CHURCH MEMBERS



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The Good Shepherd Church Women in Ministry will be holding a donation drive to benefit A Cup of Cold Water. For the month of February, we will be collecting your donations of bottled water.



You may drop your donations off at the parish office during business hours (Monday and Thursday: 9:00am – 4:00pm).....monetary donations are also welcome: Please write checks payable to: **A Cup of Cold Water.**

"Whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward." - Matthew 10:42

THERE IS NO MEDICARE PLAN THAT IS THE BEST, BUT THERE IS ONE THAT IS BEST FOR YOU.

Medicare is confusing.
We're here to help you find the best plan to fit your health insurance needs.

Are you or someone you know enrolling in Medicare this year?

- Did you lose your job due to COVID-19?
- Are you thinking about retiring?
- Are you considering retiring early due to COVID-19?
- Are you unhappy with your current health care coverage and considering Medicare?

No matter your circumstances, I can help.

When it comes to Medicare, there's a lot to consider. I'm here to help you get answers to all of your Medicare questions, such as:

- What is covered under "Original Medicare" and are there other options available?
- What is Medicare Part A, B, C and D? Do I need all of them?
- What will change when I move from my employer-paid Health Insurance plan to a Medicare plan?
- Are my prescriptions covered? Are my doctors in network?
- How much will it cost me?
- Are there deadlines to enroll?

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| Part A | Hospital Stays |
| Part B | Doctor Visits |
| Part C | Medicare Advantage |
| Part D | Prescription Drugs |

Let's Chat!

We represent more Medicare Advantage plans than anyone else in Hawaii which means you're guaranteed to get unbiased advice on the best plan for you.

Contact me and start your Medicare journey today.

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MEDICARE ADVICE YOU NEED. SERVICE YOU DESERVE.

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February Bible Memory Verse

*Jesus told him,
“I am the the way, the truth, and the life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.”
- John 14:16*

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