

## Annunciation Parish – November 11, 2018

Church of the Annunciation Waimea – Ascension Mission Puako

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### Mass Times

Annunciation Church Waimea: Saturday 5:00PM Sunday 8:00AM

Ascension Mission Puako: Sunday 10:00AM

Tuesday – Friday: Mass 7:00AM – Waimea

First Friday: Mass 12:00 Noon – Waimea

Adoration: Fridays after morning Mass until Noon, and from 6-9PM on First Fridays

Confession: Saturdays 4:00 – 4:30PM or by appointment

Religious Education Classes: Grades 1-5: Sundays, 8:15AM in Puako; 9:15AM in Waimea

Youth Grades 6-8 & 9-12: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays in Annunciation Parish Hall

Marriage Allow six months for preparation.

Baptism of Children Parents attend class, held quarterly.

Hospital Visits / Anointing of the Sick Please call parish office.

My Brothers and Sisters,

Today's First Reading from the First Book of Kings, as well as the Gospel passage from Mark, both center on the actions of two seemingly poor and helpless widows who show themselves to be faith-filled and generous stewards.

In the eyes of the world, particularly in biblical times when there was no life insurance or Social Security, these widows were weak and dependent on others to take care of them. They each found themselves in desperate situations — one in the midst of famine with a child for which to care, and the other clearly impoverished. Yet, each demonstrated strength and generosity that distinguished them from those around them. From where did this strength come?

It came from knowing who they are, and Whose they are. These women must have known their security would not come from a good life insurance policy or connections to someone with a hidden storehouse of flour.

No, their security came from knowing they were daughters of the Most High God and from putting their faith in Him. They had no need to panic in the midst of natural disaster or cling desperately to their menial resources. Their faith in God set them free to trust Him when all seemed hopeless. Their faith kept them detached from material possessions. Their faith allowed them to be brave and generous, to think of others despite their own trials.

These women saw themselves as stewards, not owners, of the resources God gave them, regardless of how much or how little they had. And acting as stewards made them gracious, generous and mighty indeed.

Yours in Christ,

*Fr Stephen*

### A Stewardship Note on this 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Both widows in today's readings gave all they had to the work of the Lord, one using all her remaining food to feed Elijah and the other offering her two copper coins to the temple treasury. Faithful stewards give all that is asked and trust the Lord to be faithful to His promises.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Young Adult Gathering

This Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> – 4:30 – 8:30 pm in the parish hall: Music – Fellowship – Games – Fun for young adult Catholics (and non-Catholics). See flyer on kiosk. Call Bridget at 885-6649 or Cecily at 238-8954 for more information; or just come, bring your favorite dish to share and ENJOY!

### Veterans Day

Let us remember and pray for our veterans who have served, and are serving our Country.

(Office will be closed Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.)

### Stewardship Dates to Remember

- Ministry Fair after all Masses – November 17 & 18, 2018
- Stewardship Commitment Weekend - November 24 & 25, 2018
- Parish Leadership Gathering for Ministry & Parish Leaders – November 29, 2018 7-8pm in Waimea

### Thanksgiving Mass

November 22<sup>nd</sup> – 8am – Waimea

Parish Giving Tree Angel Tags will be available November 24 and 25. More info in next week's bulletin.

### Hunger-Free Keiki packing

Moved back to November 29 (not 28<sup>th</sup>)

### Change in Mass Time on Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>

Please mark your calendars: Due to the Waimea Christmas parade, Mass will be held at 4:30PM on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. (No confessions that day)

### RED KETTLE BELL RINGING Saturdays in

December at KTA.....

Please sign up at the kiosk, bring a friend and enjoy ringing the bell for Salvation Army on Annunciation's day at KTA (Saturday's in December).

### KTA Points for the Food Pantry ~ Mahalo

for saving the points portion of your KTA receipts for our food pantry. May be placed in collection basket.

## By Water and the Spirit

We joyfully welcome **Sophia Rose Croix** to our parish family. Sophia, daughter of Lance and Mary Croix, was baptized Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, at Ascension Mission Church in Puako.

## Stewardship Renewal Begins Today

This week, we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal. Soon you will receive a package of beautiful materials in the mail. They explain what stewardship means at Annunciation Parish. Over the next few weeks, please pray about where God is calling you to grow in the coming year!

BEST **Advent** EVER

## 'TIS (almost) THE SEASON

Join our parish for BEST ADVENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season. Each day of Advent, you'll receive an email with...

- Short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt, Matthew Kelly, and the Dynamic Catholic team.
- Practical tips for your everyday life
- Real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey



## Adult parish family needs a home

If you, or someone you know, has an ohana available to rent to this wonderful family in our parish (3 adults), please contact the parish office at 887-1220.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Next Weekend: Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Your donation will support programs to help the vulnerable overcome persistent poverty.

### Nov. 3/4 Sunday Mass Count and Your Gift of Treasure

5PM	152 people	\$1,370.00
8AM	179 people	\$1,481.00
10AM	256 people	\$2,390.00

Mahalo for your gifts of treasure!