

Considering The Future By Kathleen Norris

Over the last year, I've been celebrating the parish's 125th year by writing about our past. But to prepare this month's essay, I've been asking several priests in our diocese about the future, and if they believe, as some have said, that lay ministry is the future of the Church. One priest replied that many see it that way, as they look at declining numbers and a looming clergy shortage. But he adds, "the history-minded rightly remind us that it's the foundational past of the Church." Another priest remarked, "Even a cursory reading of the early days of the Church in the Acts of the Apostles shows the communal Christian life to be a team sport. In those days as in our own day, vibrant parish life requires all hands on deck."

One priest says that he sees the role of a priest as "to not only equip layfolk for ministry to the best of their ability, but also to convince the lay person (at least those who haven't already caught on) that they not only CAN do these varied ministries, but that each is CALLED to do ministry in Jesus' name." He says he's "come to believe that [his] chief job as a priest is to not get in the way of the Holy Spirit."

When I joined this parish over 20 years ago, we did not have a Eucharistic Visitors program, or a group dedicated to making daily confidential prayers for people in the parish and their families. The wonderful deacon assigned to our parish, the late Dorothy Nakatsuji, lit a fire under us and helped us understand that these were essential lay ministries. Both have greatly enriched the life of our parish. The prayer chain was able to work throughout COVID but the Eucharistic Visitors program was put on hold, and we're now in the process of reinstating it.

Our diocese has a new program to train lay ministers, under the guidance of Rev. Ha'aheo Guanson. She believes that even with ordained clergy and deacons, the Episcopal church, like many other churches, is recognizing the need for increased participation by lay leaders in worship, preaching, and catechesis.

In Hawaii, eleven people (from the Big Island, Maui, and Oahu) have graduated from the program so far. The course required them to meet once a month online for 10 months, and each 3-hour class session required much reading and preparation. Curriculum for lay leadership in the catechesis, or teaching track, for the spiritual formation of both children and adults, is being developed with the help of the Iona Collaborative (of which our diocese is a member) at the Seminary of the Southwest, an Episcopal seminary in Austin, Texas.

Expect to hear more about this program. Ha'aheo is glad to answer any questions about it and wants people to know that a new cohort will begin studying in January. She hopes that anyone interested in participating will contact her by mid-December. She may be reached at guanson@me.com.

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Church Office Hours

Open Weekdays
8:30AM to 4:00PM

**Closed on Holidays*

MAHALOS

Mahalo to October's faithful Food Distribution
crew:

Holo Stender, Beth Fincke, Ann Ogilvie, Annette
Kirkpatrick, and Chris Haskaylo.

Mahalo to the crew that prepares and delivers chili
and mac salad to RYSE and YO! House: Dane
Anderson, Jane Anderson, Karen Brousseau,
Robert Nakatsuji, and Susan Palmore

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Volunteers are still needed for our weekly
Wednesday Food Distribution for helping to
bag groceries and to distribute the food on
Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to noon.
Please contact the office if you wish to help.

ZOOM SERVICE OUTLINE

SUNDAY:

Worship at 9:30 AM

ID#: 854 4414 6891
Passcode: 1515

Adult Discussion at 8:30 AM

ID#: 854 4414 6891
Passcode: 1515

Bible Study (RBTL) at 8:30 AM

ID#: 853 8655 3153
Passcode: 1515
Also meets in Parish Hall.

You can join any service with
your phone! Just call this
number: 1 (669) 900-6833
Then enter the meeting ID
and passcode when
prompted.

Parish Life

The Reverend Carol Arney blessed our animal friends on Sunday, October 8, 2023.



November 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM SCS Chapel (CH) 10:00 AM Food Distribution 5:00 PM Na 'Ohana Meeting (SL) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day of the Dead 4:30 PM Farmers Market 6:00 PM Choir Practice (CH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Tourist Wedding (CH) 7:00 PM Tongan Bible Study (CH) 8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Altar Guild (CH) 10:00 AM Compassionate Friends (MR) 6:30 PM Tongan Choir Rehearsal (PH) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daylight Saving Time End 8:30 AM Adult Discussion (PH 1) 8:30 AM RBTL (PH) 9:30 AM All Saints' Day Slide Show 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Flower Dedication 10:15 AM Family Sunday (Sunday) 10:30 AM Social Time - PH 1:00 PM Tongan Church (CH) 7:00 PM Daily Reflections (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM SCS Chapel (CH) 5:30 PM Hula Class (PH) 7:30 PM AI-Anon (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election Day 5:00 PM Labyrinth Open 5:15 PM Interment - CoP (Bella Bell's Son) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM SCS Chapel (CH) 10:00 AM Food Distribution 5:30 PM NAMI WOW (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Tourist Wedding (CH) 4:30 PM Farmers Market 6:00 PM Choir Practice (CH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Office Closed - Veteran's Day Veterans Day (observed) 8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veterans Day 8:30 AM RYSE Meeting (PH) 9:00 AM Altar Guild (CH) 6:30 PM Tongan Choir Rehearsal (PH) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diwali 8:30 AM Adult Discussion (PH 1) 8:30 AM RBTL (PH) 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Flower Dedication 10:30 AM Social Time - PH 1:00 PM Prayer Chain Mtg. 1:00 PM Tongan Church (CH) 7:00 PM Daily Reflections (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM SCS Chapel (CH) 1:00 PM Parish Staff Mtg. 5:30 PM Hula Class (PH) 7:30 PM AI-Anon (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Property Committee Mtg. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM SCS Chapel (CH) 10:00 AM Food Distribution | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Interment - James Lum (CoP) 4:30 PM Farmers Market 6:00 PM Choir Practice (CH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00 PM Kūpuna Box 7:00 PM Tongan Bible Study (CH) 8:00 PM Strivers for Sobriety (PH) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Altar Guild (CH) 6:30 PM Tongan Choir Rehearsal (PH) |
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MONTHLY PARISH BRIEF

News from St. Clement's School

The School is fully enrolled for this school year 2023-2024. School teachers and assistants to help with after-school care are still being sought. The new COVID policy has been finalized.



Parish Happenings

Volunteers Needed to Help with Coffee Hour - There will be a social time each Sunday from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for the congregation to connect as a parish, in front of the church.

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming Sunday coffee hours. If you can bring food and help set up and/or clean up for specific upcoming weeks, please contact Tau'eva Lino directly as soon as possible. Your help would be most appreciated. There is also a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

Sunday School in Session! - Sunday School is in session and accepting keiki from preschool through high school, and we welcome anyone who is interested to come on by!

Audiovisual System Upgrade - The Vestry has approved a bid from ITS Hawai'i to update and enhance the audio visual system in the church. The appropriate equipment has been ordered and when it arrives ITS will install it, in a process that should take about two weeks. ITS will work with the parish to minimize disruptions during the installation, and will also follow up with a 30-day period after installation is completed to ensure that the system operates smoothly.

Landscaping Update - With regard to our landscaping, the Sexton, Emilio, and Sexton Emeritus Stan are working with Pacific Island Landscaping to repair our irrigation system and will seek renewed bids three landscaping firms to complete the landscaping around on the wall. The project will include soil remediation, identification of appropriate species for planting, and soil retention.



Birthdays of the Month



November 3 - Richard Lowe
November 5 - Ediza Tamura
November 11 - Betty Suzuki
November 13 - Elizabeth
McCutcheon
November 13 - John Marlowe
November 15 - Sandy Souza
November 16 - Glenn Moir
November 17 - Daniel Kali
November 22 - Gayle Chang
November 22 - Bill Markevitch
November 26 - Michelle Comeau
November 26 - Ben Schoen





SCHOOL SNAPSHOTS

A view into the school days at St. Clement's



Find the Food! - Students in B2 work to sort out foods into different food groups.



Parents Reading - With COVID restrictions easing up, the School is welcoming parent volunteers back on campus.



Theater Fun - On Monday, October 23, the Honolulu Theatre for Youth visited campus and performed "Under the Blue."



Through the Woods ... - On Saturday, October 21, the School hosted a "Enchanted Forest - Halloween Walk" for all students and their families.



Fun with Claytime - A student in C2 shows off her ceramic pieces she made during their weekly ceramics class with Claytime Hawaii.



Sink or Float? - Students in C3 were challenged with hypothesizing if a pumpkin will sink or float when placed in water.



🌻 Join Our Family Ministries Team as St. Clement's Church Nursery Attendant! 🌻

Passionate about nurturing young minds? Join us every Sunday at St. Clement's Church Nursery!

😊 **Playful Learning:** Create a vibrant space where children grow through play and discovery.

🤝 **Community:** Be part of a welcoming church family that values respect and inclusivity.

👩‍🎓 **Qualities:** Patience, teamwork, and a heart for childcare.

🌟 **Impact:** Inspire and shape the next generation.

Ready to make a difference? Apply now at info@stclem.org and help us care for the next generation!



Sunday, November 5, 2023, All Saints' Day

We will celebrate All Saints' Day on Sunday, November 5. During the worship service, lost loved ones will be remembered and recognized in a special slide show.

Q4 2023 Volunteer Schedules

2023 Q4 VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

| | 1st Sunday | 2nd Sunday | 3rd Sunday | 4th Sunday | 5th Sunday |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Altar Guild | | | | | |
| 9:30 am | Sandy Souza* | Sandy Souza* | Pam Fern* | | |
| Flowers | Beth Fincke | Beth Fincke | Beth Fincke | Beth Fincke | Beth Fincke |
| Ushers | | | | | |
| 9:30 am | Sandy Souza | Sandy Souza | Liz Baldin | Arthur Buto | Will alternate between the two services - 10:15 am ushers then 8:00 AM ushers, etc.) |
| | Joni Wong | Bridget Dung | Terry Ledford | Terry Ledford | |
| Counters | | | | | |
| | Liz Baldwin Brian Crow | Terry Ledford Soane Lino | Liz Baldwin Terry Ledford | Mary Carpenter Tau'eva Lino | Joni Wong Sandy Souza |



Q4 2023 Volunteer Schedules

Notes for Altar Guild Schedule, Q4, 2023:

11/5 - Pam Fern
 11/12 - Pam Fern
 11/19 - Pam Fern
 11/26 -

12/3 - Pam Fern
 12/10 - Pam Fern
 12/17 - Pam Fern
 12/24 - Sandy Souza
 12/25 - Sandy Souza
 12/31 - Sandy Souza

(Sandy Souza is covering for Cecelia in December.)

Notes for Ushers' Schedule, Q4, 2023:

11/5 - Joni Wong and Terry Ledford
 11/12 - Bridget Dung and Terry
 11/19 - Liz Baldwin and Terry
 11/26 - Arthur Buto and Terry

12/3 - Joni and Terry
 12/10 - Bridget and Terry
 12/17 - Liz and Terry
 12/24 - Arthur and Terry
 12/25 - Bridget and Sandy
 12/31 - Joni and Sandy

| Readers | | | | | |
|---------|---|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | Carol Taylor Kim | Susan Palmore | Martha Morgan | Sandy Souza | |
| 9:30 AM | Family Sunday | Soane Lino | Mary Carpenter | Kathleen Norris | Kathleen Norris |
| | 1st Sunday (11/5) All Saints' Sunday | 2nd Sunday (11/12) | 3rd Sunday (11/19) | 4th Sunday (11/26) | 5th Sunday X |
| | Carol Taylor Kim | Susan Palmore | | Susan Palmore | Sandy Souza |
| 9:30 AM | | Soane Lino | Mary Carpenter | Kathleen Norris | Kathleen Norris |
| | 1st Sunday (12/3) | 2nd Sunday (12/10) | 3rd Sunday (12/17) | 4th Sunday (12/24) | 5th Sunday (12/31) |
| | Carol Taylor Kim | Susan Palmore | | Martha Morgan | Sandy Souza |
| 9:30 AM | | Soane Lino | Mary Carpenter | Kathleen Norris | Kathleen Norris |

Thank you to all our volunteers that help the Parish. It is very much appreciated.

All volunteers are responsible for finding someone to fill in for them if they are going to be unavailable for a day/time that they are scheduled to volunteer. Once you find someone to fill in, please let the church office know.

The schedule is subject to adjustments for special holiday services on Christmas Eve at 5:00 p.m. and Christmas Day at 9:00 a.m.



NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE

| SUNDAY | MONDAY |
|---|--|
| Holy Eucharist 9:30AM Adult Discussion 8:30AM Bible Study 8:30AM | Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM |
| TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY |
| Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM | Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM Assistance Available 10AM to 12PM |
| THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM Farmers Market 4:30PM to 7PM | Office Open 8:30AM to 4PM Kūpuna Box (11/17) 12PM to 1PM |
| SATURDAY | SPECIAL EVENTS |
| | Office Closed: Friday, Nov. 10 Veterans' Day Thursday & Friday, Nov. 23 & 24 |