



Parents – please pick up a Children's Newsletter from the back table this morning. It's a fun way for your child to learn a bit about the lessons for the day.

Join Skip Morgan as he leads the **Adult Ed class on The Lenten Series** today at 8:30am in the Parish Hall and every Sunday until March 25.

St. C's Youth Group Bake Sale Results: Thank you to everyone who helped make the youth group bake sale last Sunday at church such a wonderful success! **The Youth raised \$257.50 to support their Compassion International child, Jorge Picon, from Nicaragua!** That is so amazing! Thank you for your support.

Reminder: Mo. Giovan will be in Los Angeles until March 26. For pastoral emergencies, please contact the Rev. Hollis Maxson: (h) 247.9050 or (c) 479.4515. Rev. Hollis Maxson will be the celebrant today, March 18 and Rev. Peter Besenbruch will be the celebrant and preacher next week, March 25. Note: NO afternoon tea while Giovan is away (March 23).

A note from Meg Takahama, early childhood special education teacher @ Waimanalo School:

My class could really use help with supplies in order to finish off the school year strong. So I've created a classroom project request on a 501(c)3 charity website called DonorsChoose.org.

I'm writing to ask for any donations possible for my students - no matter the size, it will help my kids. This week only, any donation you make to my project will be doubled! If you know anyone who is passionate about education, please pass this along. Your tax-deductible donation will have a direct impact on my students (and many more in the future), and you'll hear back from our class about your impact on our learning!

What you need to know:

1. **Donors must enter a special code BLOOM during payment to be matched.** It's valid 3/12/12 through [11:59pm EST on 3/19/12](http://www.donorschoose.org/we-teach/669978). Only donations made during this time using the code are eligible for the match.
2. **Not all donations are created equal.** Only credit card donations will activate the match code. (Check payments won't be eligible for matching.). During check-out, enter the word **BLOOM** where it says "Match or gift code", and your donation will be matched dollar for dollar.
3. **Here's the link to my Teacher Page.** This link goes straight to a list of your current projects: <http://www.donorschoose.org/we-teach/669978>

If you have any questions you can call me @233-9836 or email catmegnet@gmail.com

St. John's by the Sea is holding a fundraiser for their building fund. 'Ono Laulau 3 for \$10, 'Ono Kalua Pig 1lb for \$8, Laulau Plate Lunch \$7, and miscellaneous bake goods. Show your support on Saturday, March 24, 2-5 pm and Sunday, March 25, 12-2 pm at St. John's Ho'okano Hall. For more information see the flyer on the bulletin or call Vicki Fay at 282.0878.

The church office would like to let everyone know that there are mailboxes in the office for the following persons/groups: All Vestry 2012 members, Delegates to Convention, Windward Regional Council, Stewardship, Altar Guild, Flower Guild, Greeters/Ushers, Congregational Care, Outreach, Family Promise, Christian Ed & Sunday School, Prayers, Minister's in Worship, and Building and Grounds. If you are involved in one or more of these groups, please routinely check your mailbox.



Please join us for the annual Family Camp which will take place from Friday, May 4 through Sunday, May 6, at beautiful Camp Mokuleia on the North Shore. This is the perfect way to kick off the Summer Season. Come relax on the beach, work on your tan, enjoy numerous activities, and spend time with your church family in God's beautiful creation. Registration materials are now available both at church on Sundays and on our website. We hope you'll join us!

Baptism and Confirmation are referred to together as "rites of initiation." Baptism brings us into the life of the Church and Confirmation strengthens us in our commitment to the faith. Both children and adults are invited to be baptized! It is a sign of Christ's love for us, at any age!! Historically, the major time for baptisms in the life of the Christian Church is at the Easter Vigil. We will be holding an Easter Vigil at the church on Easter Sunday morning, April 8th, at the early service, which will be moved to 6:45 a.m., so that it may include the traditional Service of Light. IF that is a bit **early** for you, you and/or your children may be baptized at the second service on Easter Sunday, which will be at the usual time, 9:30 a.m. There will be a celebration brunch between service and an Easter egg hunt after the second service. Please contact Mother Giovan asap, at 294.0695, or rector@stchristopherkailua.org, if you would like to participate in this festive occasion!

Adults and youth from age 16 and above are encouraged to be confirmed (if not baptized, they are baptized at the same time). At a confirmation service, other individuals may also be **received into the Church** (if confirmed in many other traditions), and it is quite moving and **appropriate for any and all to renew their Baptismal vows**. We have a unique opportunity this year to have **confirmations, receptions, and renewal of vows at the campfire site at Family Camp (we can even do Baptisms at the Beach if so desired)**. Again, please contact Mother Giovan to be a part of this important rite in our lives as Christians. (Confirmation classes begin after Easter.)

SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK 2012

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| Sunday, April 1 at 7.15 and 9.30 am | Palm Sunday | Liturgy of the Palms and Passion Sunday |
| *Thursday, April 5, at 7:00 pm | Maundy Thursday | Prayer Book Service with Footwashing, Communion, and Stripping of the Altar |
| Friday, April 6, at noon | Good Friday | Kailua Ecumenical Service at St. C's: Stations of the Cross |
| *Friday, April 6, at 7:00 pm* | Good Friday | Prayer Book Service with Reserved Sacrament |
| Saturday, April 7, 9:00 am (<i>new time</i>) | Holy Saturday | Brief Prayer Book Service as Altar and Flower Guild begins Easter preparation (all invited) |
| Sunday, April 8, <u>6.45 am</u> | Easter Vigil | Service of Light, First Eucharist of Easter, Special music, Holy Baptism |
| *Sunday, April 8, 8.00 am | Easter Brunch | |
| *Sunday, April 8, 9.30 am | Festal Easter | Eucharist with Holy Baptism |

*Child Care Provided for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday evening services (and as usual on Sunday mornings).

Note: Confirmation classes are: Wednesdays, April 11, 18, 25, May 2nd at 7 pm (following brief worship)
And Sundays, April 15, 22 and 29, between services; those who cannot attend these classes,
Please contact Mo. Giovan for make-up classes.

Aloha Music Academy is an incredibly fun week of song, dance, instrument instruction, jamming, song writing, and performing. Kids and adults will have the opportunity to explore all kinds of new instruments – banjo, fiddle, mandolin, guitar, bass ukulele – both for the first time as well as improve on music skills they already have. Students will experiment with writing songs and tunes, singing, dancing, and learning about traditional American, Hawaiian, and folk music.

Who: After-School Program: Kids ages 6-18
Evening Program: Adults and Kids ages 12+

Where: St. Elizabeth's Church
720 North King Street, Honolulu
808-845-2112

When: Monday, March 19 – Thursday, March 22, 2012
After-School Program: 3:00 – 6:00 pm
Evening Program: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Registration will begin March 19 at 2:30 pm for the After-School Program, and at 6:30 pm for the Evening Program at Community Center at St. Elizabeth's Church.

Registration forms are available at the back of the sanctuary.

“Were you there?...” A journey through Good Friday to Easter morning at Camp Mokule‘ia is a unique opportunity to truly “Be There” this Holy Week from April 6-8. Including events such as: Stations of the Cross, Taize Worship, Labyrinth, Outdoor Devotions, Daily Office, Contemplative and Centering Prayer, Vigil Fire, and an Easter Sunrise Eucharist. There is a minimum suggested donation of \$25. To reserve rooms or tent sites, call contact Shanee Baptista at 637.6241 or reservations@campmokuleia.com. For more information please see the flyer on the bulletin board or email Eastervigil2012@gmail.com.



Coming soon: a pictorial directory! Pictures will be taken on April 15, April 22, and May 20, between services. A pictorial directory is an excellent way for us to learn each other's names and to grow closer as an ohana. This will not be an expensive or commercial endeavor, simply a way to know each other better. Any pictorial directory will be distributed with the express understanding that it will only be disseminated among St. Christopher's members.

Parish Cycle of Prayer:

*Wayne and Paula Sterling, Mary Lynn Stone, John and Jeanie Stowe,
John and Jennifer Stringfellow, Sean and Caitlin Sullivan, and Kathy Summers*

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And keep up to date with what's happening, via our website: www.stchristopherkailua.org