

The Journey

St. Mary of Mo'ili'ili

:-: An Online Monthly Pictorial News Record





January 2019

Let us this month

- * Read the Bible
- * Pray for the church
- Check your home disaster supplies
- Attend the church annual meeting
- * Attend the retirement party
- Volunteer to help with the homeless ministry—last Thursday of each month

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Ask Your Pastor

Advent 2018

Like every other organization, The Episcopal Church in the United States has its ups and down, its idiosyncrasies and quirks, its traditions and canons, and a set of vocabulary to go with it, including "c" words like communicant, curate, cruet, censor, canon, and crucifer.

This can be confusing even to those within our community, not just outside it, especially when Deans, Abbots, Vicars, and Rectors [4 more strange words] often set different standards or guidelines for their respective congregations. Inquiring minds, for instance, have asked, "What is the difference between a 'communicant' and a 'communicant in good standing'?"

Each time we renew our Baptismal Covenant, we promise to: (1) continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship; (2) repent when we turn away from God; (3) proclaim the good news by word and example; (4) seek and serve Christ in all persons; and (5) promote justice, peace, and the dignity of every human being.

Communicants, then, are those who (1) honor their baptismal vows; (2) attend church when it fits their schedule; and (3) support St. Mary's with their time and talent.

Communicants in *good standing* (1) honor their baptismal vows; (2) attend church on a weekly basis; and (3) support St. Mary's with their time, talent, and treasure. (Bishop Fitzpatrick adds several additional characteristics.)

Communicants, in either case, are servants who take on the responsibility of discipleship, rather than "members" entitled to certain rights and privileges. We are called to be a worshipping community of dedicated followers of Christ, not a social club.

Finally, regardless of all our quirks and idiosyncrasies as Episcopalians, St. Mary's welcomes ALL who seek to worship God: whether or not you are a communicant in good standing; or are a guest from another religion, denomination, or congregation.

Wishing you ALL peace, love, and happiness during this 2018 Advent Season -

Fr. Gregory+











St. Mary's
Episcopal Church
invites you to celebrate
the retirement of
Fr. Gregory Johnson

Saturday, Jan 26, 2019 11am - 1pm 2062 So. King St, Honolulu









Feeding the Homeless Every 4th Thursday

Thank You Denise for coordinating





















Nurd's Words

Fr. Brian Nurding

NURD'S WORDS

My earliest recollections of worship in the Episcopal Church were those of Morning Prayer at the primary Sunday service. I was about 10 and our family was now attending the nearest neighborhood Episcopal Church. We had been Presbyterians prior to that time.

I loved it. Quickly joining the Junior Choir, I found myself learning what to sing and when to sing it. I also learned how to rise and fall with the liturgical tide. Some of you will remember the old adage: stand for praise, sit for instruction, kneel for prayer. After a while, it became second nature.

Morning Prayer was a Sunday staple in the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Olympia back in those days. Most congregations had a least two (sometimes three) services. An early service was always Holy Communion. Who were those people who showed up at the unthinkable hour of 8 am? The later and main service was Morning Prayer



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three Sundays a month with Holy Communion on the fourth. It was a different era but a formative one.

I loved the language of Morning Prayer. It was powerful and unsparing. "We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep," we said in the General Confes-

sion. I got the picture and it remains with me. We sang those marvelous canticles, the Venite, Te Deum, Jubilate and others. We said the Apostles' Creed and the General Thanksgiving ("we bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life..."). And we did all this together as a congregation, not occasionally but weekly. I am convinced that this service, more than anything, shaped my spiritual life.

Times and liturgical emphases have changed. We're not turning back. But every so often Morning Prayer pops up on a Sunday ~ an old friend, for which I am eternally grateful.

Fr. Brian Nurding

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Aloha from Alaska

and Happy New Year to everyone in Hawaii - especially those at St. Mary's, St. Luke's, St. Peter's and Good Samaritan. We got through the earthquake. Now just need to endure a little more cold. We are so looking forward to coming back to Hawaii.

Reverend Martha is in training to become certified as a hospital chaplain. She works full time as a Chaplain Resident at the Providence Hospital in Anchorage, Alaska. The training is a full year and will cover most levels of CPE.

The Rev. Professor Gregory Johnson along with The Right Reverend Mark McDonald of the Anglican Church of Canada and the Right Reverend Darrin Moore of the AME Zion Church all wrote fantastic

references for Rev. Martha.

Martha truly thanks all of them.



Rev. David and Rev. Martha Blanchett



Faith at military academy. On Christmas leave. Graduates from high school in May.

Rev. Martha with Chaplain Co-workers



Richert Au Hoy

A Brief Report

Father Gregory hosted these Ponape children and their parents from Central Union Church in a program that teaches them how to save their money in a savings account. The children are each given \$10 to deposit in their new accounts. The gentleman who started the program, UH



By Richert Au Hoy



Ponape is an island in the west Pacific: part of the Federated States of Micronesia. 134 sq. miless

Tropical Agriculture professor Michael Cheang, was here to say a few words. He told me that the \$10 was to overcome family reluctance to make an initial deposit. The families, mostly recent immigrants, appeared highly appreciative of the session.

Training a new sound engineer?

Tatjana Johnson showing little Micah Kawai some pointers on the soundboard

Graveside service

Graveside service for Kimiko Okutani on December 17th at Nuuanu Memorial Park





Joe Pang Joe Pang

Born 12/18/1922 Died 12/14/2018

Memorial services January 23, 2019 At Hawaiian Memorial Park. Visitation 9:30am, Service 10:30am



Thelma and Joe Pang



Joe & Thelma owned Printa-Quick business in Mo'ili'ili. They did printing jobs for St. Mary's until they closed their business in 2005

Obituary

Tin Joe Albert PangWas 95 when he died in his sleep at his Manoa home of 71 years on December 14, 2018, just 4 days from his 96th birthday. Joe, as he liked to be called, was born in Honolulu on December 18, 1922 to Hoy Sum Pang and Yuen Shee. He grew up in Kalihi on Harvey Lane near the Kalihi Fire Station and attended Farrington High School. During his High School years he met Stanley Kimura and William (Bill) Tsuruma, who became his friends for life as he spent many Christmas and New Year's parties together. Shortly after High School he met and married Thelma Nell Kui Gin Chung. Around the same time, he joined the US Army and worked at Ft. Shafter as a Photolithographer. After serving in the US Army for 20 years Joe retired and took his talents as a pressman and started Printa-Quick, an offset printing shop. Printa-Quick survived for 40 years before Joe decided to step down for good. During his marriage to Thelma they attended St. Peter's Episcopal Church and later joined St. Mary's Episcopal Church, which they faithfully attended. Shortly after his retirement Thelma passed in 2010. Joe is survived by his sons Carlton K. S. Pang (wife Debra and 4 children Joel, Christian, Alina and Kula) and Milton K. L. Pang (daughters Nicole and Susie) and his sister Sai Kin Enos. A remembrance service will be held at Hawaiian Memorial Park on Wednesday, January 23, 2019. The viewing will be from 9:30 am to 10:30 am and service at 10:30. A lunch reception will follow the service. Arrangements Provided By: Hawaiian Memorial Park Mortuary

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Mo'ili'ili Homeless Outreach Service

January 31- 10am In Gathering Room Volunteers report at 9am



Sunday Worship Service 9:00am

Aloha Hour

10:00am Sundays in Gathering Room

Vestry Meeting

January 13 - 10:15am Conference Room

Office Closed

January 21

Prayer Ministry

8:15am Sundays in Soldier Chapel

Annual Parish Meeting January 20, 2019 After service



Free Health Classes

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Saturdays 11:00am Gathering Room

YOGA CLASS

Tuesdays 10:00am Gathering Room

MEDITATION CLASS

Saturdays 3:00pm Gathering Room



ZUMBA

CLASS

Saturdays 8:30am
Gathering Room