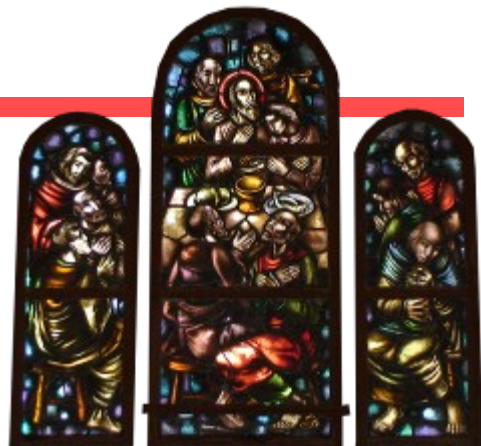




The Journey

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

An Online Monthly Pictorial News Record



September 2019

Let us this month

- * Love our neighbors
- * Read the Parish Profile
- * Prepare for the hurricane season
- * Make a difference in your church by being a blessing
- * Bring a friend or neighbor to your church
- * Volunteer to help with the homeless ministry—last Thursday of each month

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Parish Profile

**Our Mission
Our Calling**

E komo mai | Welcome

Parish Profile

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

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Application Deadline:
10 | 15 | 2019

[Click for a PDF copy of the Parish Profile seeking a new Rector](#)

**God can do anything
But fail**



Senior Warden Bill Mok meets Timothy Kau, grandson of Annie Kau. He is visiting all the way from New York being the contact person for the Annie Kau memorial stained glass project.



Richert Au Hoy

Words from the Committee

By Richert Au Hoy

The Search Committee reached agreement on the content of Jackie Mok's final draft, and Tatjana Johnson used publication software to reformat it from an 18-page draft to a much more attractive 6-page document, just before the St. Mary's Vestry Meeting on Aug 18. The Vestry approved the document in either format so after incorporating final comments, the parish profile was forwarded to Rev. Cn. Alexander (Sandy+) Graham, Transition Ministry Coordinator for the Diocese, on Aug 21. You can (and should) view the completed profile on the church website.



Rev. Sandy+ published and advertised the St. Mary's Parish Profile to start on Aug 21 with an application deadline of Oct 15. Our parish profile now appears on the Diocese website, on Facebook, on the Transition Ministers' listserv (OTM website), and is advertised at the Episcopal News Service.

What happens next is outlined in previous guidance provided by the Diocese: "Each applicant submits a packet directly to the Office of the Bishop. Each candidate's packet is screened. After the deadline, those that pass the screening are forwarded to the Search Committee." At his request, we will scheduled a meeting with Rev. Sandy+ just after the Oct 15 deadline so the applicants can be shared with all of us. The committee will then "research list of candidates and reduce to 3 finalists".

Publication of the Parish Profile was a major milestone in our search for a new Rector. It was best stated by Rev. Sandy+ upon publication of our parish profile last week: "Thank you - and the whole Search Committee - for all of your hard work!"

Click on either Parish Profile picture or link on cover page to see complete profile

Our August Celebrants

Rev. Philip Paradine



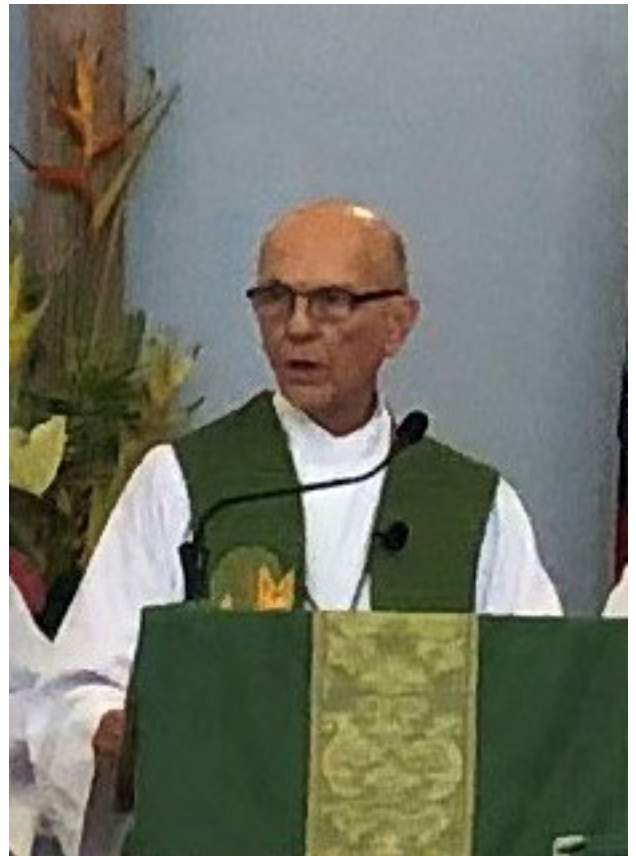
August 4

August 11

August 18

August 25

Rev. David Kennedy



September Supply

Rev. Preston Lentz
Rev. Benjamin Newland
Rev. Heather Patton-Graham
Rev. David Kennedy



Jackie Mok

Seminar for Seniors

Jackie has been senior social worker for 30 years and will have a seminar on Sept 1st after Sunday service.

September



11-Leland & Laurie Lee

August Aloha Hour



**Thanks to
those who
contributed**

**Endo, Hirozawa, Lee, Pang
and Yoshioka Families**

September Birthdays

17-Richert Au Hoy

17-Gail Hirozawa

24-Leland Lee

25-Emiko Sugino

26-Hugh Kaiser

27-Albert Nishikawa

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An interview with St. Mary's organist Richert Au Hoy

By James Maruyama



JM: *Tell us a little bit about yourself....Where did you grow up? Where did you go to school?*

RAH: I was born and raised in Honolulu and grew up just four blocks from St. Mary's. I went to University Elementary and University High School where our teachers were mainly UH seniors majoring in education. I was a much better student after starting at the University of Hawaii, and eventually graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of California, Davis Campus. I worked for the Navy as a civilian for 44 years, most of it as a Nuclear Engineer. I also served in the Army Reserve for 30 years as a Communications and Information Management Officer.



Richert Au Hoy

JM: *When did you first start playing the piano/organ and how long have you been playing?*

RAH: I volunteered to play the organ at St. Mary's fifteen years ago because the church did not have a regular pianist or organist. I had five years of piano lessons as a child but knew nothing about playing the organ. I started taking organ lessons two years later but until then our congregation had to endure a very loud sound, many missed notes and no foot pedals (to enhance the bass). No one ever complained about my playing and for that I have been forever grateful!

JM: *What is your most cherished memory from childhood?*

RAH: I was not an outstanding student in elementary or high school yet my parents always showed extreme patience, encouraging me to do better but never showing any worry that I might have problems as an adult. Any achievements came later in life, but I have always appreciated that my parents allowed me to grow at my own pace into the person I am today.

JM: *What are some of your passions in life?*

RAH: When I was younger, my greatest passion was playing softball. I got more satisfaction out of a big hit, or a great catch, than anything I ever did academically. Now that I'm too old to play without risking injury, my passion is playing the piano for others to sing. I get equal satisfaction from hearing the voices of our congregation as I do from the children singing at Angels at Play. Finally I have enjoyed fishing since I was in elementary school and will probably return to that activity after my grandchildren are a little older.

JM: *Where did you first meet your wife?*

RAH: I met Maria at a small Chinese Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) gathering in an apartment near Iolani School. I invited her to join our bowling league, offering her a ride. That once a week activity expanded to many more activities, including my first experience singing in a church choir. We were married two years later.

JM: *Do you have any interesting stories to tell about your time with St. Mary's?*

RAH: Over the past 18 years, I've especially enjoyed talking story with the senior members of St. Mary's. Many of them have passed on, but I can remember my conversations of each and every one of them. One of my favorites was Kay Okutani, a former music teacher who never forgot to thank me for "the beautiful music" each Sunday. It was her constant encouragement that got me through those difficult years when playing the organ was a struggle.

JM: *What is the meaning of faith to you?*

RAH: I believe that God is watching over me and providing His guidance for whatever I do in my life.

JM: *Where do you see St. Mary's five years from now?*

RAH: I expect St. Mary's to return to the kind of church it has been for most of its existence, with a Sunday Service largely based on the Book of Common Prayer and 1982 Hymnal. The unknown factor, however, is what changes to our Sunday Service may be required to maintain or increase the size of our congregation.

Road Map

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Mo'ili'ili Homeless Outreach Service

September 26th - 10am
In Gathering Room
Volunteers report at 9am



Sunday Worship Service 9:00am

Office Closed
September 2nd, and
24th thru 27th

Prayer Ministry

8:15am
Sundays in
Soldier Chapel

Vestry Meeting

10:15am
September 15th



In Memorial

5-Shurei Hirozawa
7-Jane Oki
10-Robert Kumura
12-Bernice Tawarahara
25-Gladys Miyamoto
29-Judy Garrison



Free Health Classes

YOGA

CLASS

Tuesdays 10:00am
Gathering Room

WARRIORS

AT EASE CLASS

Saturdays 10:00 am
Gathering Room



Coming soon

Wednesday's dates
TBD
Healing Service
Soldier Chapel