

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, May 1

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

Monday, May 2

Memorial of St. Athanasius, bishop,
doctor of the Church

The Fishers of Men at 6:00pm

Tuesday, May 3

Feast of Saints Philip & James, Apostles

Evening Prayer at 5:40pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, May 4

Easter Weekday

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, May 5

Easter Weekday

Friday, May 6

Easter Weekday

Saturday, May 7

Easter Weekday

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

St. Damien Prayer Group at 12:30pm

Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, May 8

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

The Bishop's Circle Appeal

The Bishop's Circle Appeal is a special invitation to join Bishop Larry Silva as a fellow *Steward of the Gospel* by honoring the Lord with your stewardship of treasure in support of our clergy: with vocations, retirement and the rising cost of healthcare, our youth: in parish faith formation programs and Catholic School and our needy: through parish and Catholic social service agencies. For more information and to make a donation, please visit www.catholichawaii.org or use this envelope provided in this bulletin. Mahalo for your kind support and know that all gifts are important and appreciated. Thank you!

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,271.68
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,546.68
Coffers	\$ 410.79
Total	\$ 9,229.78



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Lady Eagles Final Flight

Congratulations to the Lady Eagles of CCA who won the Consolation Championship by one point last Saturday! We are blessed by outstanding athletes, parents, coaches and supporters who all volunteer their time and efforts to support the school's team sports programs. CONGRATULATIONS!

Happy Secretary's Day!

Ms. Lena, our School Secretary was honored this past Wednesday with cards, flowers and gifts. CCA is eternally grateful to her and her dedicated service to our school family. May God bless you always!

Prayers for Kaikea Ahuna

A rosary prayer service was held for Kaikea Ahuna on Thursday to pray for his health and well being. Kaikea is the nephew of one of our faculty members whose story received national attention recently. Our healing prayers go out to Kaikea and his ohana. Copy link on your web browser: <http://khon2.com/2016/04/19/price-less-items-stolen-from-kauai-family-as-teen-prepares-for-brain-surgery/>

Mid-Quarter Report

Friday marked the mid-quarter point in the 4th quarter! Mid-quarter reports were distributed on this day to detail student progress.

Aloha Cathedral Catholic Academy Ho'olaule'a

CCA will close our doors on June 3rd, 2016. To celebrate 80 years of quality Catholic School education, you are invited to our Aloha Ho'olaule'a on Friday, May 13th from 4 p.m. – 9 p.m. Food, games, entertainment including performances from our current students! Come one! Come all! Please RSVP to bbolos.cca@gmail.com or call the office at 808-533-2069! Hawaiian plat lunch orders can be made via the following link: <https://sites.google.com/a/ccahawaii.com/hoolaulea/home>

May 1, 2016 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 | Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 | Revelations 21:10-14, 22-23 | John 14:23-29

Perhaps some of us remember one of the times we were left alone by someone who loved us, maybe by a relative or guardian. Or perhaps we have had the experience of a child clinging to us as we are trying to go out the door, pleading with us not to leave them. Either experience may give us a hint of the reassurance Jesus is trying to give his disciples in today's Gospel reading.

Jesus has tried to prepare his disciples. He taught them, gave them examples, prayed for them, corrected them, called them and loved them. He tried to reassure them telling them that his Father would dwell with them and in Jesus' name would send an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to them. An advocate is somebody in your corner, backing you up. They actively support you and believe in you. They are a champion, a defender, even a guardian. And they never leave you alone.

God dwells in us and the Advocate is coming. The Spirit promised in Jesus' name gives disciples whatever they need to proclaim the Good News and follow the risen Lord.

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Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 1:1-11 | Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 | Ephesians 1:17-23 or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23 | Luke 24:46-53

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral Family:

Repetition in Scripture is important. Both before and after the resurrection, Christ repeatedly greets the disciples with the greeting of peace. Today, he makes clear that it is a special kind of peace that his risen life offers—a peace the world cannot give. What sort of peace is this?

It is a peace founded on unity. Acts recounts how the Council of Jerusalem resolved the issue of the Gentile converts. A potentially divisive conflict was resolved because unity was chosen instead of division.

It is a peace founded on love of God and one another. God promises to dwell with those who love. The challenge is for all of us to develop a relationship with God based on love and not on fear or obligation. The challenge is to develop a relationship with others based on love and not on mere toleration and personal advantage. Peace takes root when love casts out fear.

It is a peace founded on the power of the Holy Spirit. The risen Christ promises the Holy Spirit precisely because he knew that the Church would need it. The Holy Spirit is the glue that keeps us together—the bonding agent in the body of Christ. The Holy Spirit is the lubricant that keeps all the various parts from grinding one another to death.

Let us pray for an abundance of peace and unity in our lives and in our world.

In Christ's love,
Fr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.
Rector