

Announcements for April 8 - 9, 2017

Today is Palm Sunday

Today we celebrate Jesus' joyous and triumphant entry into Jerusalem. At the beginning of our worship, we will bless and distribute palms to live into this moment in Christ's journey. We will celebrate Holy Eucharist as is our custom and tradition. At the conclusion of the service, we mark the beginning of Holy Week with the reading of Matthew's account of the Passion. On this day, there is no blessing and dismissal; the reading concludes our worship. In addition, as enter into this holy time, there is no fellowship hour or reception following each service. All are invited to depart the church in silence, prayer and reflection.

Holy Week and Easter Services

All are encouraged to join us for worship as we live into the final days of Jesus, his crucifixion and resurrection. These are the days that are foundational to the discovery of our identity, the nature and shape of our faith and the illumination of our love and hope. It is through the living of this journey that the true meaning, and cost, of Easter are revealed. We hope you will accept this invitation and join us for all our worship during this holy time!

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 10, 11 and 12: 7am, Holy Eucharist

April 13: Maundy Thursday: 6pm Holy Eucharist

Thursday, April 13, 7pm – Friday, April 14, 7am: All-night vigil in the church (concludes with Morning Prayer at 7am)

Friday, April 14: Noon: Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 15: 7pm, The Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday, April 16: 9:30am, Easter Sunday Holy Eucharist

Easter Lily Deadline Extended One Week!

A meaningful and beautiful way to honor loved ones during Easter is to offer a Easter Lily at St. Michael's. Please use the envelopes provided on the Information Table in the back of the church. Lily donations are \$25.00 for each plant. Your loved one's name and dedication will be included in our Easter service bulletin. The deadline is Sunday, April 9, 2017.

Extending Aloha to Our Friends and Visitors During Holy Week

Holy Week is a wonderful time to extend aloha to our friends and visitors and invite them to worship with us. Father Andrew would like us to deliver flyers to the major resorts on the island inviting everyone to participate in the traditions of Holy Week. If you are able to deliver flyers to North shore, East side, South shore and West side, please see Melissa for the flyers and list of resorts after the service. Flyers will also be available in the office during regular office hours.

Regional Confirmation

Confirmation is a Sacramental Rite within the Church which allows for the proclamation of a mature commitment to Christ, and a reception of the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by the Bishop. The Rt. Rev. Robert Fitzpatrick will be on Kauai and laying on hands of those candidates seeking Confirmation on Saturday, May 13, 2017, 11am at ECWK. All those contemplating or seeking Confirmation are invited to contact Father Andrew.

Food and Cash Donations Needed

As we continue our Lenten journeys, please remember those less fortunate. Food and cash donations for Loaves and Fishes are both greatly appreciated. Gift certificates for Subway are also most welcome, and are particularly helpful for homeless people who have no cooking facilities. "I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat."

Kitchen Help Needed for Easter Brunch

Extra help is needed in the kitchen for our Easter Brunch. We need two people who can help prepare the food and 2 or three people to help with the cleaning up. Please contact Beth at the Parish Office (245-3796 or Beth@stmichaels-kauai.org) or Marj and Willie Stanphill.

Holy Saturday: Maha'ulepu Trail and Labryinth

Join Bob Vlach, creator of the labyrinth at Maha'ulepu, for a hike intended for renewed grace, good discernment and thanksgiving for God's mercies. The hike is Holy Saturday, April 15, 2017.

9 am Hike starts at Shipwreck and proceeds along the coast

10:15 am Arrive at CJM Stables for hikers who want a shorter hike. Meet at the shoreline trail on the golf course side of the stables.

11:15 am Arrive and walk the labyrinth.

Noon return. Arrive CJM Stables -12:45 pm. Arrive Shipwreck - 2:00 pm

Dress for the elements. Bring plenty of water. This is a RAIN OR SHINE (but not storm. Call Bob for weather report.) hike! RSVP Bob at 541-890-0187 bobvlach@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed for Annual Food Bank Drive

Saturday, April 15, 2017, is Hawaii Food Bank's Annual Food Drive Day. Volunteers are needed to accept food and cash donations at any one of several locations throughout the island, including the Kapaa and Lihue Safeway stores, WalMart, and the Koloa and EleEle Big Save stores. Collection hours are 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., but you can donate just a couple hours of your time. Every year, we receive tens of thousands of pounds of food from the Hawaii Food Bank Kauai Branch. We couldn't have our Loaves and Fishes ministry without them. Volunteering at the Annual Food Drive is one way to show your support and gratitude. For more information or to sign up, please contact Pat Hillegonds at phillegonds@gmail.com or 808-634-6154.

*This Week on Campus***Monday**

Adult Study Group, Conference Room 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Tuesday

Centering Prayer, ReSource Room, 8:00 am

Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room, 11:00 am

Wednesday

Loaves and Fishes, Parish Hall and Lanai, 9:15 – 10:30 am

Staff Meeting, Conference Room, 3:30 pm

Thursday

Finance Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 11:00 am

Saturday

ReSource event: Maha'ulepu Trail and Labryinth

Office hours Tuesday -Thursday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm, Friday, 9:00 am – Noon

To schedule an appointment with Father Andrew, call 808.245.3796 or email

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Pastoral emergencies, call 808.233.9670