

# Talking Story at St. Jude's

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## Lynne Reynolds receives Bishop's Cross award

St. Jude's was honored recently, when one of our very own was awarded the Bishop's Cross, by Bishop Robert Fitzpatrick. Lynne Reynolds received the honor for her many years of service to the church. Lynne has served on the Diocesan Council, where she was Chairman of Congregational Transformation and Evangelism Committee, Episcopal Relief & Development Outer Island Coordinator. At St. Jude's, Lynne has lead our congregation as Bishop's Warden, Bishop's Committee (secretary for many years), shower ministry, prayer blankets, Lemonade Parties, along with working on fundraisers for the church.

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Cordelia Burt shows off St. Jude's Christmas stockings.

## Journey of a sock

By Phil Laymon

### 1980's Anchorage

My family Christmas stocking saga began long ago and far away in Anchorage, Alaska, the Greatland of ice and snow. Every year at Christmas time, the Municipal Telephone Company moved all their utility vehicles out to the very back parking lot, to make room for a warm and welcoming Christmas store for the needy. Each family was given a voucher

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*And a whole lot more!*

Sit down, relax and enjoy this jam-packed edition of our church news magazine.



**Flavor of the month**  
**Father Jim Caldwell is**  
**servicing St. Jude's**  
**through February.**



## Stalking the pantry

By Karen Pucci,  
Ka'u Food Pantry Board of Directors,  
President



Ka'u Food Pantry, Inc.: next distribution is Tuesday, December 29 at St. Jude's Episcopal Church on Paradise Circle-Mauka with **NEW HOURS** 11:00 am until 1:00 pm

We ask all of our participants to respect the grounds where this will be held.

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed, beginning at 0900 on that Tuesday. The Pantry holds a fund raising event at the Swap Meet in Ocean View down by Malama Market. Please come down on December 19th and support us and pick up some yummy home baked goods.

The Ka'u Food Pantry, Inc., is staffed entirely by volunteers and is a non profit agency whose mission is to feed the hungry of Ocean View. We are currently feeding 150 families. Our program is designed to provide 1-3 days worth of nutritious food to help people who run short of money, benefits and/or food by the month's end. Donations of non perishable food items and funding are welcomed. As a non profit, the Pantry is able to purchase food from the Hawaii Food Basket at 18¢ per pound. One dollar can buy a half of case of food to help your community. Your cash donations may be deductible pursuant to I.R.S. Code §501 (

**Donate to Ka'u Food Pantry by bringing food items to St. Jude's on Sunday mornings.**

You can also write a **check to St. Jude's with "Food Pantry"** on the memo line. One hundred percent of your check will go directly to **Ka'u Food Pantry.**



**Food Pantry Donations Needed**

# Showers of emotions wash over St. Jude's

## In wake of recent vandalism By Cordeia Burt

In the early hours of Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, someone tried to steal the hot water heater from Heimburger Hall, again. But just like a previous attempt, they only succeeded in damaging the water heater beyond repair.

Each Saturday, St. Jude's hosts many of our neighbors at our hot showers. We provide clean towels, shampoo, conditioner, shaving items and lots of hot water for anyone who wants to take a shower. There are several regulars who come for this ministry and we think of them as part of St. Jude's family.

On November 21<sup>st</sup>, our shower patrons had to hear the news that they could not have a hot shower to wash away sore muscles and grime that day, because of the damaged water heater. It was hard news to share, but 15 hardy souls elected to take cold showers that day, anyway. We were blessed that day to have two wonderful hot soups and good potato rolls to go along with them and everyone stayed for lunch.

I have to admit that those of us who serve at the shower ministry (and the shower patrons) did think some unkind thoughts about these thieves that disrupted our outreach endeavors. It's hurtful to know that someone deliberately smashed our facility and disabled our shower ministry. It's hard to understand why anyone would harm the church and take from those who have the least.

But, just like after the other times the church has been vandalized, we have turned the other cheek and we are asking that everyone

pray for the lost souls that feel a need to steal from others to support themselves.

When our shower patrons found out that the water heater was damaged, many of them immediately reached into their pockets to give what they could, to replace the hot water heater. Then on Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, when we announced what had happened to the shower facility, others gave money to the fund.

It's gratifying to reflect on the situation. What began as a very discouraging incident for us, turned into a very uplifting and encouraging event by those who see that St. Jude's shower ministry is an important and beneficial outreach project. Many people in the community recognize the value of our showers and importance of maintaining this valuable service. Our shower patrons have become part of our congregation, and we enjoy the fellowship we share with them each Saturday. Their support of our facility manifests in many ways throughout the week and we cherish these wonderful people. St. Jude's will continue to strive to provide our shower ministry, despite vandals and thieves.

***Thank you God, for the wonderful people that rally around our church, and help us provide this ministry for those in need.***

We'll have the hot water back just as soon as we can get the building more secured. We hope it will be before Christmas.

*Our shower patrons have become part of our congregation, and we enjoy the fellowship we share with them each Saturday.*

Cordelia Burt



## Around the church yard

By Contributing Editor Don Hatch

Work continues on painting the outside of the church and we're slowly getting closer to having this job done. The church is used by some organization almost every day of the week (see the schedule posted in this newsletter); currently, the only day we can paint the church is on Tuesdays. We hope to have the outside done by the end of the year.

Each month St. Jude's has a Lemonade Party where some of the congregation meets at the church on Saturday and spend several hours cleaning the church, the church yard, pulling weeds, and trimming bushes. After the work is over the workers are treated to a hot dog and a glass of lemonade.

Starting last year this became a much larger chore because of all the rain. The rain has caused the weeds to really grow - the weeds have been growing like, well - "like weeds".

The lemonade party takes place at the same time St. Jude's has their Free Hot Shower and a Free Hot Meal program. Several of the people there for the shower and meal have started joining the lemonade crew. This makes the chores much easier and gives everyone a chance to get to know each other better.

We had our Annual Jumble and Plant Sale last month and it was a big success. Start-

ing last year we had an "All You Can Eat" pancake breakfast with sale and we repeated it again this year. Since this took place the same time as the Free Hot Shower program, the folks there for a shower or meal got pancakes for their meal.

On a sadder note, Lynne Reynolds moved to Alaska last month.

We're happy that she will be near her family, but we will miss her. Since she has been such an important part of the community and especially St. Jude's we know she will be back to

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visit.

I considered asking David to softly play Roy Rogers and Dale Evans theme song "Happy Trails To You" while I was giving Lynn a gift from St. Jude's and I thought I would try to get the congregation to sing it to her. But my better judgement kicked in when I remembered that I have never led a song in my life.

The Ka'u Food Pantry distributed food at St. Jude's again this month. They served 116 families, which equates to 308 people. That count is made up of 47 seniors, 114 minors, and 147 adults. This is still below their norm of feeding around 150 families each month. I asked Karen Pucci, the president of the Ka'u Food Pantry, if the lower count was because of moving the location for food distribution and she said "some of it may be, but most of the lower count is because this is picking season.

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# December Activities

## Get Involved!

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|----|-----------|--|
| 1  | Noon      | Stockings at Nelsons home - bring a sack lunch                   |
| 5  | 6am -?    | Table at Swap meet for KARS & St. Jude's<br>(help needed)        |
|    | 9 - 11 am | Lemonade Day at church   |
|    | 9 - 2     | Showers & Hot dogs at church                                     |
| 8  | Noon      | Stockings at Nelson home - bring a sack lunch                    |
| 12 | 9 - 2     | Showers & Soup at St. Jude's                                     |
| 13 | 2 pm      | Bishop's Committee with Moki at Cynnie's home                    |
| 19 | 6am -?    | Swap meet for KARS & St. Jude's (help needed)                    |
|    | 9 - 2     | Showers & Soup at church   |
|    | 3:30 pm   | Ka'u Band Concert at church                                      |
| 24 | 10am      | Decorate church for service                                      |
|    | 5pm       | Chimes and Carols  |
|    | 6pm       | Christmas Eve Service<br>Dinner to follow<br>(See sign up sheet) |





**December 24th  
5 pm**

Aloha Hour after featuring

**Don's Famous Chowder**  
*(Invite your friends & neighbors)*

### **Christmas Concert December 19th**

Ka'u School of the Arts Band started practicing at St. Jude's last month. A subset of the band called the Kau Ohana Band is giving a Christmas concert at St. Jude's on December 19th at 3:30pm.

The eclectic music lineup includes Mele Kalikimaka, All Through the Night, Silent Night, Santa at the Symphony, A Christmas Canon, Bashana Haba, O



Holy Night, Christmas Music From Bach (I. Come and Praise Him), Jingle Jive, and more .  
Admission is free.

## **Ka'u Food Pantry Distribution**

December 29 th

11 a.m. —1 p.m.

St. Jude's Episcopal  
Church



For more information  
contact Karen

510 778 5500

The Ka'u Food Pantry's goal is to provide 2-3 days' worth of food at the end of the month when most benefits (Food Stamps, SSI, etc.) have been exhausted. The Pantry is a full no- profit operation and it depends solely on tax deductible donations to meet our monthly goals.

Monetary donations to the Ka'u Food Pantry enable the organization to buy food for 18 cents a pound at the Food Basket in Kona. They cheerfully accept monetary donations, food donations and volunteers are always welcomed.



## Chasing the Saints

By Cynn timer Salley, Grandmother of New Orleans Saints Center, Max Unger

*Editor's Note—Cynn timer and Ray Salley are on an NFL sojourn. At my request, Cynn timer has provided a travelogue to share the crazy life of NFL families.*

9/28/15

On the road again...this time to Asheville, NC. Stayed in a B&B, the Lion and the Rose. Had a tasty dinner downtown at Boucheron. Our suite room was on the third floor ...34 steps to be exact. So, I wasn't going to be going up and down them very often! The next morning we packed up and took everything down with us before breakfast which eliminated an extra trip up the 34 stairs!

9/29/15

After breakfast we headed out on a very rainy and foggy day to drive down the Blue Ridge Parkway. Despite the weather, it was beautiful! It was about a five hour drive to Chattanooga where we stayed at another B&B Inn, The Bluff View inn...quite lovely overlooking the Tennessee River! It was a full block compound with multiple old buildings and somewhat self sustaining. There was a bakery, a coffee roasting plant, a chocolate factory and three restaurants as well as the Inn, all run as a unit.

9/30/15

We had an early breakfast so we could get going. We decided to get back to Nawleans, in one long drive, rather than taking two days. It was about a nine hour drive including stops. Went from Tennessee, through N. Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi ending in Louisiana. Good to see Leah and Max and especially



**Max Unger , #60, Center  
for the New Orleans Saints.**

Cameron, who smiled on seeing us...if that just doesn't warm the hearts of these Greats!!

10/1/15

Thank goodness for washing machines!! We never stayed long enough in any one place to find a boil and bubble, so we had many loads for Leah's machine. Then, we both needed a blood check and

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## ISLAND FOOD REVIEWS BY K & A

### *Groovin' with the Grazing Girls*



## Jama Coffee & Bakery - Yum!

We have been zooming by this place since it opened and finally, I was able to visit it with a friend. It is a most welcome surprise. It is primarily a gift shop with a bakery towards the back.

There is an inviting, lush garden area in the back with tables if you choose to stay and graze. The bakery offers a couple of glass cases to display its wide swath of temptations.

I picked out three items to take back to taste with Anna and my traveling companion that day. All three of us voted separately-“good stop”.

The hapia cake was outstanding. Very moist cake, probably a too generous creme and coconut frosting. It's piled high as the cake slice underneath. The slice could satisfy three easily.

Next was a Macnut brownie cake. I believe he mentioned it was flourless but you might want to fact check that. Regardless, it's delicious, chewy and chocolatey without being sickeningly sweet.

Finally, the last bit was a the last rum and chocolate mini bomb.

Collective assessment: YUM.

We returned there recently and sampled their plain croissant (\$1.75). It was late

afternoon and it still was a great, fresh tasting croissant, flakey, chewy, buttery, done to perfection. Anna declared that it might be the best one she has ever eaten and she has gone to Paris! Mighty high praise indeed.

There are many other delights to be discovered there: cakes, pies, croissants sandwiches, cookies, loaves, etc. They will do special orders too. We're betting that it's all good.

Their prices are very reasonable. The three items I purchased on our first visit totaled out to less than \$10.00.

*The girls say, “Go graze!”*

### **JAMA COFFE & BAKERY.**

83-5315 Mamalaloa Hwy [makai],

Honaunau [South Kona]

Open Monday thru Saturday 6am-4pm.

Closed on Sundays.

Credit cards accepted.

Sorry, we did not get information for the gluten free folks.



# CHRISTMAS MAGIC

BY CYNNIE SALLEY

## Christmas in Hawaii

It seems as though we who live in the tropics go all out at Christmastime to make up for the lack of cold weather and snowy landscapes. Consequently, as a child, it was magical!

The day after Thanksgiving, Liberty House in downtown Honolulu, turned their windows into Santa's workshops, animated and moving: little elves making toys, Mrs. Santa, in her rocking chair knitting and Santa overseeing it all. Simply magical!

The Honolulu Academy of Arts had a children's party. We, the children, all sat on the lawn and watched a puppet play and were enchanted. Then we were served punch and cookies. There were a variety of trees with ornaments from different countries scattered throughout the rooms. Truly magical!

We practiced for the Christmas pageant at school. Mary and Joseph and the doll baby, the shepherds and wise men, and of course the angels. The rest of the school wore white cottas and sang. The processional in, was always *Adeste Fideles*

and out, was *Joy to the World*. In between was a whole variety of carols; the standard well known ones as well as the obscure rarely heard ones.

Our home was filled with Christmas: trees and ornaments, wreaths, a crèche that took up the whole table top, greenery everywhere, vases full of holly, angel choirs on the mantle, red stockings hung on the bannister. On Christmas Eve, carolers came by the house before we went off to Church for the candle light service. The Night Before Christmas was read before bedtime and then to sleep with visions of sugar plums dancing in our heads! Extra magical!

Christmas Day was busy. We opened our stockings, ate breakfast then opened presents under the tree. Our family invited friends who didn't have families, for Christmas dinner. During the war, we always had many military men. So there were always at least 50 people for dinner, which was always a suckling pig with an apple in its mouth. And for dessert we always had plum pudding with brandy sauce a family tradition now carried on by our children.

Christmas in Hawaii was magical, indeed!

## Lynne (continued from page 1)

Lynne also spent six months working with the attorneys at the Diocese, attorneys at Hawaii Health Systems Corporation and Peter Perriera to get the contract for St. Jude's to have the medical van. Besides her service to St. Jude's and the Diocese, Lynne has also been admired for her strong faith, in the face of personal tragedy.

"This was probably the most special award I have ever received or will ever receive," Lynne explained. "My church and church family as well as the Diocese are an important part of my life and to be recognized for that is just unbelievable as well as very exciting.

The award was presented the week before Lynne moved to Anchorage, Alaska. St. Jude's congregation is deeply sad to say good bye to Lynne. But we wish her sweet aloha in her new adventures. If you'd like to stay in touch, Lynne's current mailing address is:



**Bishop's Cross Award**

Lynne Reynolds ~ 8800 Pioneer Drive ~ Anchorage AK 99504

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we need to get an oil change for the car...things we couldn't do while on the move.

10/2/15

Taking care of more chores. We both needed to totally repack, as we are starting to need some winter clothes. It gave me wonderful time to play with Cameron...to hold her and sing to her and talk to her. She's such a little doll!

10/3/15

Ray and I were going to go down to the French Quarter on the trolley. Instead we decided to do it tomorrow and finish cleaning and packing and rearranging...and playing with Cameron.

10/4/15

Max spends the night before games, holed up in a hotel. Leah had to pick up some passes from him and so we went with her. We decided to have lunch in town and have our first Beignets at Cafe du Monde. The traffic was horrendous, which worked very well for us rubbernecks. We inched our way down Bourbon St. in the car and it was a wonderful way to see it, as well as all of the side streets that make up the French Quarter. It is truly charming. It's age is apparent, as is its old world charm. The ironwork is amazing and is so important to the ambiance of the place. When you are walking in the crowds, you lose the charm, as you are surrounded by booze, boozers and honky tonk. But in the car, you avoid that and can absorb the bigger picture. Well, we reached Cafe du Monde and the line to get in was wending down the street and there was nowhere to park...so...it was off to the Ritz Carlton, down the street, where they had valet parking and unbelievably delicious beignets!! After lunch, Leah was going to drop us at the trolley stop ( so us o ps wouldn't get on one going the



**Leah and Baby Cameron**

wrong way). Well, the trolleys were full, so we decided to forego that ride and go home with Leah. We changed into our game gear and went off to the game, which started at 7:30. Leah's neighbor, invited us to sit with them. They had three extra tickets. What fabulous seats: on the club level at the 50 yd. line. And...We beat the Cowboys! We didn't get back to the house until about midnight.

10/5/15

None of us slept well last night, including Cameron. I think your adrenalin gets pumping and you are bright eyed and bushy tailed at midnight! So, I'm sure we'll all be grumpy today! We said our farewells to the Ungers and headed out to Birmingham on our way to Philadelphia. A seven hour drive, including stops for breakfast and lunch. We are at a Marriott, quite a ways out of town, so won't be able to cruise through points of interest here. Had dinner and watched football!

**See "More Saints" continued on page 13**

## Volunteers needed for Youth Outreach FAFSA Workshop

St. Jude's members have an opportunity to help Ka'u students find free funding for college.

On January 26<sup>th</sup>, St. Jude's will host a FAFSA Workshop for students around the Big Island. Members are invited to bring their laptops, to help individual students who don't have computer access or WiFi, file an electronic financial aid form. The questions are basic information about the student and the parent, along with information from their most recent income tax returns.

You don't need to know anything about college financial aid and your computer will always be in your possession. Volunteers will sit with students, direct them to [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) and help them file a critical piece of college funding.

The FAFSA is a Free Application for Federal Student Aid and is required of all students who wish to apply for federal, state and institutional grants, scholarships, work study and student loans. It's a relatively simple form that has a student section and a parent section. A new FAFSA must be filed each year a student attends college.

Unfortunately there are many eligible students who do not receive college funding, just because they did not file a FAFSA. There are also several websites that appear to be the federal site, but charge students as much as \$100 to file a free form.

Cindy Cutts, a retired college advisor and financial aid specialist, will be available to train volunteers briefly, and to

assist students with any questions about filing their forms.

"Filing a FAFSA is so important," Cutts explained. "It's the gateway to paying for college. Filing takes about 10 minutes, if you have computer access and a little coaching. Most of the kids in Ka'u will qualify for significant financial aid. Many will be fully funded, as long as they file their FAFSAs."

Please email [cindycutts00@yahoo.com](mailto:cindycutts00@yahoo.com) if you are willing to help. We'll meet at the church at 2:30 p.m. to set up tables, fire up the laptops and walk through the steps of filing a FAFSA. The workshop will be from 4 – 6 p.m.

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR RESIDENTS OF KAU

## FALL 2016

Harry McKee Foundation Inc.  
P.O. BOX 6002  
Ocean View, Hawaii 96737  
<http://mckeescholarshipfoundation.weebly.com/>



#### Criteria:

Open to residents of Kau, County of Hawaii who plan to attend an accredited college full time in Fall 2016.

Full-time college freshmen who will be attending music, traditional, vocational or any accredited school.

Selection is based on your answers to our comprehensive application and your letter of recommendation.

Scholarships are awarded by a combination of academics and a special talent, trait, or interest.

Visit our website to download our application. **Deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## Stockings (Continued from page 1)

to Christmas shop for their families for free and with dignity.

The entire city pitched in to stock the Christmas store. Government agencies, big business, small shop keepers and lots of ordinary people like you and me donated items or cash. It seemed that everyone in Anchorage wanted to be part of the Christmas store.

**That's where we, the Anchorage Telephone Utilities** employees came in to play. For every family shopping, there were often children needing Christmas stockings. Nine thousand stockings, to be exact!

Everyone at ATU worked on Christmas stockings; from the CEO on the fourth floor, down to the janitor in the basement. We worked every lunch hour and every break. Some came in early and some stayed late. We even took stockings home and involved our families. My own extended family had regular potluck work parties, all around the stockings.

Somehow, every year, enough stockings would appear in the Christmas store, just in time. The excited children stepped through the doors, cheeks and noses rosy from the Arctic cold, with awe on their faces and the brightest stars in their eyes. Often there was a moist sheen of **gratitude in parents' eyes as well.**

Fast forward 20 years, to the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, when my sister and brother, Kathy and Ted, their spouses Butch and Maxine, and I all retired to Ocean View. We brought our Christmas stocking-making tradition with us. **We hadn't affiliated with a church yet, but we had learned of the Ocean View Community Center's Keiki Christmas party.**

My sister Kathy immediately set out to make stockings **for the party. We didn't have furniture yet, but "first things first," was Kathy's motto. We all fell into line; cutting, sewing, ironing on Christmas appliques and topping everything off with lots of glitter paint.** Each stocking was a master piece! And just like back at the ATU Christmas store, the stockings were a big hit with the children in Ocean View.

Sadly for me, my family members left Hawaii, but I

stayed and joined St. Jude's church and brought our stocking pattern with me. The members of St. Jude's have devotedly crafted stockings each year for the 300 plus children who attend the Keiki party each December. And every year, my faithful family members, Kathy and Butch and Ted and Maxine, continue to participate via long distance. They purchase the felt and cut out all the stockings, sew them and provide us with new appliques year after year. Their donation of time, labor and materials is a wonderful gift for the children of Ocean View. Kathy has also donated crocheted headbands, which have delighted many pre-teen girls.

**Fast forward again to 2015. St. Jude's has adopted a second grade class at Honaunau, as a youth outreach project. Brooke Nasby's second graders will receive stockings from St. Jude's this Christmas season, and Santa will be delivering them!**

You can be part of the Christmas stocking tradition at **St. Jude's. Join us, Tuesdays, at Beverly Nelson's** house, when we will work on Christmas stockings after Bible Study. If you attend Bible study, bring a sack lunch and stay for an hour or two. If you just want to **help with the stockings, arrive at Beverly's house around noon. All supplies are provided. It's a wonderful tradition!**

**Editor's note:** *St. Jude's is extremely grateful for the generous donations of time, talent, materials and freight, from Phyl's family over the years. Thousands of stockings have been distributed in Ocean View over the past 15 years, and it's fun to have long distance support for our keiki.*



## New Bishop's Warden to be appointed at St. Jude's

It is with a heavy heart that we accept the resignation of Thom White as Bishop's Warden for St. Jude's. Thom announced his resignation last month, due to health issues. Thom has been a thoughtful problem-solver for St. Jude's and his voice of reason is a staple of the St. Jude's philosophy of community commitment. Thom's dedication to living a life of service with kindness and compassion has been instrumental in maintaining many of the St. Jude's outreach projects.

the Diocese leadership. Meanwhile, the members of St. Jude's will continue to pray for Thom's health issues and to include him in church activities as much as possible.

*Thank you, Thom, for your exemplary leadership and service to our church.*



A new Bishop's Warden will be appointed by

## More Saints

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10/6/1

Drove to Kingsport Tennessee and stayed at another Marriott resort and conference center, out of town. So again, had dinner and early to bed.

10/7/15

Off to Washington DC. Actually McLean Va. to stay with a childhood friend and family. It was Xondie's birthday, so we were able to celebrate with her. Good to be with old friends!

10/8/15

Ray was anxious to see the Korean War Memorial. Xondie and Judy were more than wonderful and drove us into DC and around first to the FDR Memorial. It's rather new and very interesting. Quite widespread so you wander about, following walls that have FDR quotes as an integral part of the structure. One of the walls was covered with bronze plaques which were covered with bas relief pictures and explanations written in Braille. There are pockets in which a variety of statues stand. It's right on the banks of the Potomac and delightful. Then to the Korean War Memorial, which was quite moving. Although I had seen photos of it, they didn't capture the emotional intensity that permeates it. The life sized bronze soldiers in their helmets and slickers, carrying their weapons and some of them, radio gear, were plodding through the rice paddy. You can feel their fear. Ray said that when he was in Korea and they felt the enemy was nearing, they dove into the rice paddies. At the Memorial, I felt that those soldiers were

thinking about that as well. We then drove by the Iwo Jima Memorial and went back to their home. Had dinner watched football, after all we are on a football junket, and went to bed.

10/9/15

It's Cynda's birthday. Hard to believe that she was born 58 years ago. Where has the time gone. Leah and Cameron arrived at Dulles mid morning. We met them and headed out to Philadelphia for the next game. It was fairly late by the time we arrived, so we got ourselves settled and went across the street for Italian food and turned in early. Our hotel was right downtown across from the convention center and was jammed and loud. Cameron was a wonderful traveller!

10/10/15

Today was American history day. After breakfast, Camcam went into her stroller and off we went. We visited the Liberty Bell and Constitution Hall. Then decided to take a tour in a horse drawn carriage around the historic district. It was very informative and Barney, our horse, well behaved. Walked back to the hotel and got ready for dinner. Max came and joined us for a short while before his pre game meetings began.

10/11/15

Another horrible game. So bad that we left before it was over! At least that allowed us to beat the post game traffic. And, we didn't miss anything exciting! We repacked had dinner and went to bed!

	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Noon	1:00 PM	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	9:00 PM
<b>Monday</b>		<b>Senior Nutritional Program</b>						<b>Hula Practice</b>			<b>NA</b>		<b>AA</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>			<b>Women's Bible Study @ Bev's 10:00 am</b>	<b>Food Bank Monthly Last Tues.</b>										
		<b>Veterans Affairs (Heimburger Hall)</b>												
<b>Wednesday</b>		<b>Senior Nutritional Program</b>							<b>Brownie Meeting</b>				<b>NA</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>			<b>Hula Practice</b>		<b>Head Start (1st &amp; 3rd Thurs. each month)</b>						<b>Al-Anon</b>		<b>AA</b>	
		<b>Veterans Affairs (Heimburger Hall)</b>												
<b>Friday</b>		<b>Senior Nutritional Program</b>						<b>St. Jude's Special Projects</b>						
		<b>Men's Bible Study @ McKinney Place</b>						<b>Band Practice</b>						
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>Free Hot Shower</b>									<b>AA</b>		<b>NA</b>	
		<b>Free Hot Lunch With Shower</b>												
<b>Sunday</b>		<b>St. Jude's Eucharist Services &amp; Aloha Poluick Social After Services</b>						<b>Marshallese Full Gospel Church</b>				<b>Marshallese First Assembly of God</b>		
		<b>Indicates this is a St. Jude's Function</b>				<b>AA = Alcoholics Anonymous NA = Narcotics Anonymous</b>								

# St. Jude's Weekly Schedule

[www.stjudeshawaii.org](http://www.stjudeshawaii.org)

# In our prayers this month

**For healing:** LaVerne, Bill, Anna, Sharon, Cindi S, Judy S, Phyl, Thom, Kepi, Brian, Ginger, Orlando, Maria, Sharon, Peggy

**For healing from surgery:** Sharon, Charlie

**For healing from cancer:** Christine & Kay, Florence N

**For strength & peace:** care givers near and far

**For protection and safety:** all police, firefighters, military personnel, health care providers, teachers

## Prayers of Thanksgiving

For Bill's good report and safe return to us

For Brooke's class of second grade students

For our families and friends and for our family of St. Jude's

For the cheerful, willing volunteers within our congregation.



# Celebrating this month

## December Birthdays

4 Phyl Laymon

13 Thom White

31 Don Hatch

31 Ginger  
Stewart



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30 Jerry & Susan Fine



# Lagging Spirit

By Phyl Laymon

Take five kids and a brand new pup,  
Add one husband with temperature up.  
Make it after Christmas with toys galore,  
Scattered all around the living room floor.

Paint the weather grand – snow and cold,  
And forecast says it's going to hold.  
Picture children playing in the snow,  
But in five minutes, they just gotta go.

So in they come – back through the door,  
Now the ground is bare – snow's on the floor!  
And again wet wraps are hung to dry,  
And again Pa's blood pressure rockets high.

As shell shocked he staggers to his room,  
To escape play war's endless kaboom.  
Vowing never, never again to be sick,  
During the season of Old St. Nick.

Evening has fallen and all is quiet,  
Til a game of tag causes a riot.  
When two little varmints tag the tree,  
And all tumble down in sparking debris

Fetch the dustpan and go get the broom,  
Then every one of you go to your room!  
And take along your puddling pup,  
Cause mother is getting a little fed up.



She's counting the days til vacation ends,  
And counting the days til her husband mends.  
And awaiting the day the pup is trained,  
And hoping the rug isn't permanently stained.

T'was the season to be jolly,  
So she decked the halls with holly.  
For husband and kids and brand new pup,  
But alas, for this year, her spirit's used up!







## A Christmas Story

# Yes or No?

By Kepi Davis

I am going to be in so much trouble! My friends will think I am crazy, and they will not want to talk with me anymore. Our neighbors will not let me watch their children. When my parents find out what I am thinking of doing, they will be disappointed in me. They will probably ship me off to my relatives in the country! Yes, the relatives that are so highly respected by everyone. My boyfriend will probably yell, and break off our engagement. What should a fourteen year old girl do in this situation?

I am standing here alone with a stranger, thinking why me? My parents always warned me to stay away from strangers, and yet deep in my heart, I think I should believe what they are telling me. I wish I could talk with my father right now, but he has gone to the fields. My mother is busy at the stream washing clothes. Why must I answer this stranger now? O, Dear God, help me! I am so alone and scared.

Suddenly, I hear and powerful also comforting child. I understand and uncertain-trust my messenger-telling you the very unique and have searched an someone like with love and innocent heart, and yet your are strong enough to face hardships and heartbreak".

*I ask myself if God were to give each human being one small task to complete for Him, would we have the courage, faith and strength, just as fourteen year old Mary?* Kepi Davis

a voice, a strong voice, which is and loving. "My stand your fear ty. Believe and ger, as they are truth. You are cherished. I eternity for you. You are filled cence, and are pure

"But why me?" I ask. "You could choose anyone. What of my reputation, and my family's honor? I am young and poor, and my parents depend on me. Please, can I stay with my parents and help them?"

"I will protect you, and you will be helping to change the world as we know it," The voice says. "The world has waited so very long, and you can help make my plan happen. The choice is yours".

I turn slowly to the messenger, and hear myself saying humbly and with joy, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word". And the Holy Spirit filled me, and I was with child, a virgin still.

Mary became the mother of Jesus, our Lord and Savior, the Beloved Son of God. The world has never been the same since his birth that brought hope and love to all mankind. I ask myself if God were to give each human being one small task to complete for Him, would we have the courage, faith and strength, just as fourteen year old Mary?

Imagine the world if everyone accepted only one assignment and it could be very simple. It could be smiling at and hugging a person who is having a bad day. Perhaps cooking for, feeding and clothing the poor and homeless. It could be praying for someone in spiritual need or making healing blankets for someone who is physically ill. Imagine telling someone about hot showers when they have not felt the healing waters in a long time.

The greatest gift God gave all mankind was His only begotten Son, and the will for humans to make the choice to serve Him. Will our answers be yes or no when the opportunities are presented to us. Hopefully, we all will say yes, just as Mary did. Share the spirit of the season with thanksgiving for God's greatest gift to mankind, by following Mary's humble example. Have a joyous and blessed Christmas and say yes!

## Church Yard

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son. The coffee and mac nut farmers are hiring pickers and when work is available; many of the people who use our service would rather work and buy their own food when they can. For them, our service is only for emergencies, when they don't have enough to feed their families".

We are already planning for the Christmas Eve Services and this year we expect a crowd similar to the one we had last year, which was standing room only, with some of the folks standing outside in the churchyard.

One of the customs at St. Jude's is that we have an Aloha Potluck Social after services and it is a feast. Starting three years ago we started serving Clam Chowder with the potluck and this year I plan on making even more clam chowder than I did for the previous years. In case you're interested, I included my Clam Chowder recipe in this month's issue of the newsletter.

If you've watched local news, I'm sure you've read about the large number of homeless people in Hawaii. Since Ocean View is one of the poorest areas in Hawaii, we have a very large homeless population. We help where we can by providing free Hot Showers and hot meals every Saturday. We also host other organizations in our facilities such as the Ka'u Food Pantry and the Seniors Nutritional program that help.

Many of homeless in Ocean View are veterans and there are so many veterans in the area that the Veterans Affairs (VA) have representatives here area four times each week. Two times they are at St. Jude's and two times they are at the Hawaiian Ocean View Estates (HOVE) community center.



While this is a nice gesture by the VA, it isn't a complete solution because many of our veterans lack basics like transportation or computer access. They have no way to find out when, where, or how to meet up with the VA representatives. And, the VA representatives' policy will not allow for a meeting with a veteran unless they first make an appointment. It's an even more complex problem, because, some of our veterans are getting older, are malnourished, and are sometimes confused.

A couple weeks ago one of our local veterans dropped by the church because he was hungry. Actually, he was confused, dirty, and hungry. One of our church members explained to him that there were hot meals available at St. Jude's every day of the week except Tuesdays and Thursdays. Between our Hot Shower/Hot Meal program on Saturdays, the Seniors Nutritional Program Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and the Aloha Hour after Sunday services there is a lot of good food available at our church. It just happened to be Tuesday, and one of the days there are no meals served at St. Jude's.

Our kind parishioner found this veteran some clean clothes, provided access to the shower, warmed up some leftovers in the church refrigerator and then introduced him to the VA Representative, who holds office hours at St. Jude's each Tuesday by appointment. The story has a happy ending, because through that initial contact at St. Jude's, the VA representative was able to provide the veteran with the services he desperately needed.

The need to help these folks is an ongoing topic at St. Jude's, but I don't think we have come up with a solid, fool-proof solution. If you have an idea about how to help, please share it with our Bishop's Committee.

# From the St. Jude's Kitchen

## Clam Chowder — New England Style ✓

Serves: Six

### Ingredients

first	4-6	strips	diced	Bacon
	1	large	chopped	Onion
	1	cup	chopped	Celery
second	3	medium		Red or Gold Potatoes - washed and diced
	2	Tbsp.	chopped	Parsley
	1	Tbsp.	dried	Thyme
	1	tsp.	dried	Oregano, Dill, Salt, and White Pepper
	2	tsp.	dried	Basil
	1	tsp.		Chesapeake Bay Seasoning (Old Bay)
	2-3	cloves	chopped	Garlic
thickener	2	Tbsp.		Flour
	2	Tbsp.		Butter
	2	cups		Whole Milk
	1	cup		Half & Half
extra thickener	1-2		baked	Russet Potatoes
Add Last	3	7 oz. cans	meat from	Clams (liquid was used with the potatoes)

### Directions:

Sauté bacon until crisp, cut into small pieces, and put back into the pan. Add onion and celery and cook until transparent. Add the cooked bacon, onions, and celery to a large stock pot.



The add potatoes, clam-liquid and enough water or chicken broth to cover the potatoes. Mix in the seasoning, bring to a boil, cover, and simmer for 10-20 minutes or until tender.

In another pan, melt the butter, blend in flour, and cook 2-3 minutes to make a light roux. Add milk and half & half. Cook, stirring until thickened. Add this to the chowder. Heat until barely simmering but do not boil.

Add the clams, bring back to a slow simmer, remove from heat and serve.

**Extra Thick Chowder:** You can double up on the flour to make an-extra thick chowder, but I think that gives it a flour or dough flavor.

So, when I want extra thick chowder I bake one or two russet potatoes in the microwave, scoop out the center, mash it with a fork, and mix it into the chowder. This thickens the chowder and adds a slight baked potato flavor.

**Variations:** Grill 2-3 cobs of corn, cut the kernels off and add them to the chowder – Add some small rock shrimp, or clean and chop several raw shrimps and add them when you add the clams.

Add some Jack Cheese (up to 1 cup) to the roux and milk mixture (thickener).

Tim adds Ortega Chopped Green Chilies, Poblano Chilies, or New Mexico Hatch Chilies (when available), to get extra flavor. You can also add chopped Jalapeño or Serrano peppers to give extra flavor with a bite.

**Note:** Sometimes Sam's Club or Costco have 51 oz. cans of chopped clams for a reasonable price. This is enough to make clam chowder using 5# of potatoes.

## Dengue Fever – *What you need to know*

An outbreak of Dengue Fever has been identified on the Big Island, by the Hawaii Department of Health. Here's what you need to know.

What is it?

Dengue (pronounced den'gee) is a viral disease transmitted to humans by the bite of an infected Aedes mosquito. Dengue cannot be spread directly from person to person. To contract Dengue Fever you must be bitten by a mosquito that has bitten another person who was infected with Dengue Fever.

Symptoms include:

- high fever
- severe headaches
- body and joint pains
- vomiting
- eye pain
- rash

Consult your physician if you develop these symptoms. **It's important to know if you actually have Dengue Fever**, because if it reoccurs, it can be much more serious.

Protect yourself and your family from Dengue Fever.

You can only prevent it by controlling the mosquitoes and protecting yourself.

Controlling the mosquitoes:

- Remove, repair, or empty anything that collects rain-water such as: cans, bottles, buckets, used tires, flower pots, bromeliad plants, pineapple lilies, clogged roof gutters, hollow bamboo or tree stumps, uncapped hollow tile walls, uncapped fence pipes, abandoned cars, and boats.
- Check all screen doors and windows and repair as necessary.

- Empty and clean pet and stock watering containers at least once a week.
- Empty and clean flower vases at least once a week.
- Spray the surface of breeding areas with 4- 6 oz. of liquid dish detergent in a gallon of water. Repeat every 2-3 days. Note - Not for catchment tanks or drinking water.
- Make sure your water catchment tank is mosquito-proof.
- Eliminate adult mosquitoes indoors with aerosol insecticides labeled for flying insects.

Protecting yourself:

- Use a mosquito repellent containing "DEET"
- Dress protectively by wearing long-sleeved shirts, long pants, socks, and shoes, especially during the early morning hours after daybreak and late afternoon before dark, when day-biting mosquitoes are most active.
- Keep unscreened windows and doors closed.

*Remember, while mosquito bites may not hurt, they can make you very sick.*

To report a suspect case of Dengue Fever on the Big Island: 808-974-6001 or 808-322-4880

This information is provided by the Hawaii Department of Health. For more information visit the Center for Disease Control at <http://health.hawaii.gov/docd/dengue-outbreak-2015/>

Fight the  
Bite!





## ***Need money for college?***

### **File a FAFSA!**

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is how to access federal, state and institutional money for college.

File for free at: [www.FAFSA.gov](http://www.FAFSA.gov)

## **St. Jude's FREE FAFSA WORKSHOP**

January 26, 2016

4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

St. Jude's Episcopal Church  
92-8606 Paradise Circle, Ocean View

#### ***Who should file?***

Current High School Seniors & Current College Students

#### ***What to bring with you:***

Student & Parent Social Security Numbers

Student & Parent Email Addresses

Student & Parent Adjusted gross income from 2014 & 2015

This is a FREE workshop on  
how to file a FREE form.

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# 2016 Church Directory

St. Jude's 2016 church directory will feature photos! This will help us become better acquainted with our newer members, and help them learn more about those who have been attending St. Jude's for awhile.



Please email your preferred photo to [don.hatch@hatchville.com](mailto:don.hatch@hatchville.com) and be sure to include your name(s) with your photo. You can chat with Don on Sundays, if you need a photo taken.

## Christmas Poinsettias

Order your Poinsettias for our Christmas Eve Service.

\$10 for each plant, with no limit to how many you wish to buy.

See Cordelia to place your order.

**\$10**



Each of us is an  
*Innkeeper*  
 who decides if there is  
 room for *Jesus*  
 -Neal A Maxwell



## From the Bishop's Committee

Dear Friends,  
As we enter the season of Advent and Christmas, let us remember the year just passed. Be thankful for the abundance of gifts we have been given and look toward the promise of the future, remembering the greatest gift we will ever receive – a Savior for all people.

Let us recall all that has been accomplished here: The community shower and the water provided by God and Ka'u Water Delivery. KARS Dog Clinic that has spayed or neutered dogs for the community free of charge and significantly lowered the number of unwanted puppies, our many 12 step programs, the Senior Nutrition Program, Hannah Makana Ohana Hula, the people the use the free WiFi and charging stations we provide, the prayer blanket ministry and all the prayers that have been heard and answered, all the love that has been shared among new friends and old. We have a substantial church website and monthly newsletter that keeps us informed and allows us to share our news worldwide.

We thank God for the many priests that have paid their own way to come supply at St. Jude's and for the many blessings that have showered down upon us to make us grow spiritually.

We give thanks to God for the abundance he has provided for us and invite you to join with us to celebrate the day of the Lord's birth with the Christmas Eve Service.

### Christmas Eve December 24, 2015

5 p.m. Singing of Christmas carols and ringing of the Christmas chimes

6 p.m. Eucharistic Service

7 p.m. Dinner with clam chowder, enchiladas, turkey and dessert

May God's many blessings shower down upon all of you in 2016.

## Christmas Eve Service



**Thursday December 24th**  
**Please join us**

Service Lead by **Rev. Jim Caldwell**  
Carols Begin at 5:00 pm and Service at 6:00

Live music provided by David Mattson  
Hula Prayers Performed by *Hannah's Makana Ohana Hula*

**After services there will be a  
Potluck Dinner and Aloha Social Hour**

**Where** ➔ **St. Jude's Episcopal Church**  
The southeast Corner of Keaka Pkwy and Paradise Circle  
92-8606 Paradise Circle  
Ocean View, HI 96737

# From Father Moki



This is the time of year that Holy Apostles holds its annual celebration for the Feast of the Holy Sovereigns, King Kamehameha IV and his consort, Queen Emma. As in years past

we will have the Royal Order of the Kamehameha with us and this year we are preparing an iMovie that shows various sites around Oahu that are pertinent to the mission and ministry of the King and Queen, including Rooke House, The Queen's Medical Center, St. Andrew's Priory, the Summer Palace at Hanaiakamalama, and the Royal Mausoleum at Mauna Ala.

Queen Emma lived for only 49 years, one year less than my current age of 50. If over the course of the rest of my life I can accomplish one tenth of what she accomplished in 49 years, I will consider myself extremely lucky and phenomenally blessed. Whenever I'm in Honolulu and I pass by Queen's Hospital, St. Andrew's Priory, or St. Andrew's Cathedral, I'm in awe of how much Their Majesties did for their people—and also for me. I've been in the ER in Queen's, I've taught at The Priory, and I served as Canon Pastor at the cathedral. Their story has woven its way into mine in profound and significant ways. My paternal grandmother, the daughter of an Anglican priest, came to

The Priory in the 1930s to give the church three years of service at the behest of her clergyman father. She then met my grandfather and they got married and had my dad. If Queen Emma hadn't founded The Priory my grandmother might not have come to Hawaii and I wouldn't even exist.

As we prepare to honor our Holy Sovereigns and then move into Advent and close out the calendar year, I look back and realize how amazing 2015 has been for me, the year I turned half a century in age. I decided to live it up this year and I took a sabbatical to travel and relax. This year I've been to Tokyo, Jerusalem, Guam, Palau, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Thailand, Korea, Osaka, New York, and North Carolina. Next week, however, I'm off on the trip of a lifetime.

I'm going to close out 2015 by taking a cruise down the Nile River in Egypt. Many people have discouraged me from taking this trip due to safety concerns, especially after the terrorist attacks in Paris earlier in the week. But I've decided that while it's good to be prudent, I don't want to live my life in fear and so I'm going to take the risk and make the trip, trusting that God's will shall be done for me and my travel companions.

Having said that, I ask for your prayers for safety, peace, and goodwill among humankind.

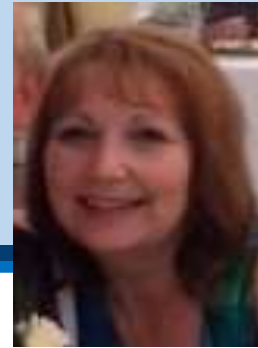
Until next month, please take care.

Aloha no,  
Moki+



# Rejoice! It's Advent!

By Cindy Cutts, Editor



It's the most wonderful time of the year. It's ADVENT – *A season of preparation for Christmas*. It's a time to drag out all the Christmas decorations, revisit the memories they hold, and tenderly display them. Advent is the time for Christmas shopping, for parties or for sharing our favorite Christmas cookies or candies, or pastries or maybe even a secret recipe. Advent is my time to prepare for the magical night of Christmas eve.

As a child, I observed Advent, I didn't celebrate it. I had an advent calendar and each day of Advent, I opened a little window to find a new symbol of Christmas. Advent meant Christmas was near, and I was always in trouble at Sunday School, because I wanted to sing Christmas songs during Advent. (Even today I wonder at the wisdom of telling a 4 year old that she couldn't sing "Away in a Manger" because it was Advent. Really?!) Thinking about that, I guess I tolerated Advent as a kid. It wasn't until I was an adult, that I recognized the value of celebrating Advent as more than a season of the church that spans the four Sundays before Christmas.

I guess that's because I'm a planner and a list-maker. And I often enjoy the preparation for an event, as much (or maybe even more) than I do the event! So Advent is my time to mentally prepare for

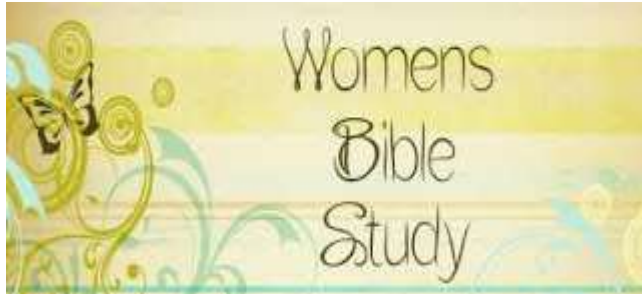
the magic of Christmas. It's my time to ponder my blessings (right on the heels of Thanksgiving) and to take stock in the enormous gift of the Christ child.

As I prepare for Christmas, decorating, gift wrapping and shipping, baking and party planning, I am also preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus by remembering the longing of the Jews for a Messiah. I'm reminded of how much I also need a Savior.

Since the word "Advent" comes from the Latin word *adventus*, which means "coming" or "visit," this season I'm pondering both advents of Christ; the first one in a manger in Bethlehem and the second yet to come.

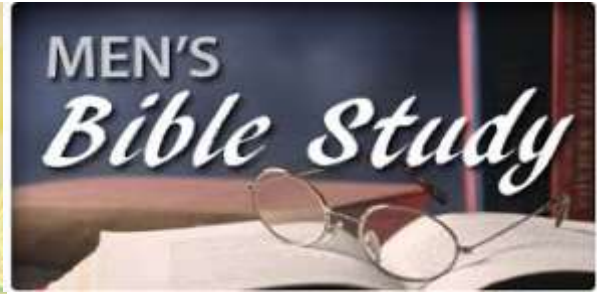
Happy Advent!





**Tuesdays at 10 a.m.**

**At Beverly Nelson's home**



**Fridays at 9:30 a.m.**

**McKinney Place**



## Lemonade Party

December 5th 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Monthly Church Clean up  
Followed by lemonade & hot dogs.  
*Many hands make light work.*

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