



The Banyan Tree

Like the Banyan Tree, our parish community is broadening and deepening its spiritual roots.

Holy Nativity Church Update: April 20, 2017



The Episcopal Church of the Holy Nativity

April 21, Deadline to order Krispy Kreme donuts. Money goes to HNS' SPF Shade Structure Program

April 26, Book Study Course with Rev. Rodriguez, 10:45 am & 6:30 pm

April 27, Centering Prayer in the Chapel, 4 pm

April 28, Lei Day at HNS, 8:30 am

May 5, IHS cooking for the homeless, 1-3 pm in the kitchen next to the gym

**Mondays, Wednesdays,
Thursdays**, Morning Prayer, 8:30 am

Tuesdays,
Morning Prayer, 7:30 am

Worship Schedule:
Wednesday 10 am
Sunday 7:30 and 9:30 am
Sunday School 9:30 am

Interim Rector
The Rev. Luis Rodriguez
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The Vestry
Sr. Warden: Austin Nakoa
Jr. Warden: Eva Eglinton
Wyn Aubrey-Child, Justin Donahue,

A MESSAGE FROM REV. LUIS RODRIGUEZ

Alleluia!
Christ is Risen!

As we move into the Easter season, the message we carry is that God's response to all situations— no matter how terrible they may seem— is always new life.

We carry this message because our witness to this new life is absolutely central to what it means to be the Church— God's resurrection people. There are so many signs of new and renewed life at Holy Nativity: our worship, our outreach, our school. We know that Christ is alive, and working in the world. I hope that we can make the truth of resurrection life known more widely, known in our local community, and in all the places we live and work. There are so many opportunities! May God bless you as you continue to witness Christ's resurrection, and may his resurrection renew you in all that you are.

Fr. Luis



**Holy Nativity Church and School
Easter Activities**

Nina Livingston, Natalie Okeson,
Louisa Le Roux, Rich Miller, Ed
Moore, Bill Seeley, Ken Zitz

Office Hours

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With great joy,
kindergartners (under the
leadership of Justin
Donahue) replanted the
Prayer Tree. New shoots
and green leaves
appeared. Then Chandi

Hinrichs made colorful prayer paper-cutouts and on
Easter Sunday our Prayer Tree served our community in
carrying our prayers thru the wind to Gods ears.

The prayers will be placed in the box, blessed by our
Priest, Fr Luis, on Sunday 4/23 and planted in the St
Francis Garden by the Sunday School Children. Since
we believe our God is in every living being and therefore
also in the plants, we trust that He may walk in our
garden and delight in our faith in His care.

With tremendous hard work and dedication, our School
PTO (Ashley Fairbanks & Jeannette Macaluso) prepared
the enjoyable Easter Egg Hunt, which included a
delightful display of colored eggs and art work created
by the children. When we knelt at the rail, we were
delighted by their creativity and reminded that the
transcendental qualities of God are BEAUTY, TRUTH and
GOODNESS. How blessed we are to enjoy the gifts of
friendship and Ohana.

Chandi and Tusi Mayer faithfully and diligently created
our beautiful flower cross, the Choir blessed us with
their lovely music, the Altar Guild prepared the chancel
area with lovely St Joseph lilies, Bill Seeley made coffee,
everybody brought delicious dishes for our brunch, the
Ushers welcomed new visitors, EM's EM'd and Rev. Luis
delivered a moving sermon and blessed us with a
beautiful service.

Our Easter this year was one of cooperation, care and
love from grounds-keeping, office, school, teachers and
leadership; all rising into a new Spring as a community
of Faith. How happy we must have made our LORD.

With Blessings,
Louisa Le Roux
Vestry Member

Serving May 7

7:30 am service

Lector - David Callies

Prayers/EM - Linda Sayegusa

Ushers - Mike Sen, Arne Phillips

9:30 am service

Lectors - Mark Slovak, Lila Johnson

Prayers - Kathy Otani

EMs- Louisa Le Roux, Wyn Aubrey-
Child

Ushers - Mark Slovak, Rich Miller

Altar Guild -Nina Livingston's Team

Serving May 14 (Mother's Day)

7:30 am service

Lector - Shauna Nakamura

Prayers/EM - Mike Sen

Ushers - Arne Phillips, David Callies

9:30 am service

Lectors - Justin Donahue, Wyn
Aubrey-Child

Prayers - Jeff Taylor

EMs- Louisa Le Roux, Kathy Otani

Ushers - Joel Verghese, Justin

Donahue

Altar Guild -Sandra Braham's Team

Serving May 21

7:30 am service

Lector - Mike Sen

Prayers/EM - Kim Garner

Ushers - David Callies, Austin Nakoa

9:30 am service

Lectors - Ed Moore, John Verghese

Prayers - Cindy Ramirez

**Easter Study Course begins next
Wednesday, April 26. The course will be**

EMs- Lila Johnson, Wyn Aubrey-Child
Ushers - Mark Slovak, Justin Donahue

Altar Guild - Delia Moore's Team

Serving May 28

7:30 am service

Lector - Lorraine Mau
Prayers/EM - Linda Sayegusa
Ushers - Austin Nakoa, Mike Sen

9:30 am service

Lectors - Rebecca Verghese, Jeff Taylor
Prayers - Mark Slovak
EMs- Lila Johnson, Kathy Otani
Ushers - Ed Moore, Joel Verghese

Altar Guild -Lorraine Mau's Team

Readings

Sunday, May 7

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:19-25
Gospel: John 10:1-10

Sunday, May 14

First Reading: Acts 7:55-60
Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16
Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10
Gospel: John 14:1-14

Sunday, May 21

First Reading: Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:7-18
Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22
Gospel: John 14:15-21

Sunday, May 28

First Reading: Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68: 1-10, 33-36
Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:12-14: 5:6-11
Gospel: John 17:1-11

Last Sunday's Attendance

7:30 am service - 36
9:30 am service - 150

Average Attendance Year to Date

7:30 am service - 21
9:30 am service - 62

Prayer List

Greg and Denisse Kwan, Murray Grune, Joyce and family, Shirley, Joshua and family, Coralie Vellis,

offered at 10:45 am and 6:30 pm.

Please gather in the meeting room on the north side of campus. If you have not received your copy of Paula Gooder's book, *The Risen Experience: The Spirit of Easter*, you may stop by the church office Monday-Thursday to purchase it.



Holy Nativity usher, Professor **David L. Callies** of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa William S. Richardson School of Law, will receive the 2017 Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Prize in October from the William & Mary Law School Property Rights Project. Callies will be honored during the project's fourteenth annual Brigham-Kanner Property Rights Conference to be held at William & Mary Law School in Williamsburg, Virginia, on October 12-13.

Congratulations, David! HNC ushers never lose their appeal.

End Homelessness *The Shallow Subsidy Project*

Holy Nativity partners with an agency called *Family Promise* which assists homeless families to find housing. Our efforts at HNC are primarily that of providing funds to subsidize rental costs. There is an opportunity to contribute to this work today during coffee hour. If you have any questions or wish to help with this program, contact Wyn Aubrey-Child on (808) 366-1386.

Heather Jones, Frank Young, Chuck McCrary, Rev. Dr. George Clifford, Marianne Wassel, Agenhart, Poukihi Awai, Izzy, Marion, Maya Moore, Lora Moore Vezzosi, Kay Morgan, Rosalie Thiessen, the family of Lani Osco, the family of Robert Eugene Walden, and the family of Frederick Borsch

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Holy Nativity School is dedicated to excellence in education within a small and personalized environment. Built upon the qualities of respect and inclusion, as exemplified in the Episcopal tradition, Holy Nativity School values each child's individuality as it develops principled citizens who recognize their role in a global community.

Click [here](#) to visit the School website.

Holy Nativity Thrift Shop
Caroline Bond Davis, Manager
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Wednesdays and Fridays
9 am - 3 pm

Saturdays
9 am - 12 noon

Click [here](#) to visit the Thrift Shop webpage.

Krispy Kreme Doughnut Sale

In the past year our parish school has been raising awareness about skin cancer, and other damaging results of the sun's rays. HNS is working to build a shade over the playground, and are looking to raise money through the sale of Krispy Kreme Donuts. The cost is \$15.00, and the deadline is **tomorrow**, April 21st. The donuts will be delivered at the school's Lei Day celebrations on Friday, April 28th. Sign-up sheets to order a box of donuts for yourself are outside.

Manu-o-Ku

Manu-o-Ku, also known as "white tern", are one of the few native Hawaiian birds that can be seen in Honolulu. This is the only city in the United States where manu-o-ku nest, and only from Niu Valley to Sand Island. You are all cordially invited to the celebration of this unique seabird, to be held on Saturday May 20th, on the grounds of I'olani Palace. Contact Jody Smith for more details: (808) 352-1683



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