

THE CARDINAL

Newsletter to Build Community & Share Good News



St. Joseph Jr.-Sr. School ~ Hilo, Hawaii ~ April 2009

May Easter Peace and Joy Fill Our Hearts



Our Lenten journey of forty days ends as we enter into the **Easter Triduum**.

On **Holy Thursday** we celebrate the Passover of the Lord with Jesus, learning from His example that we are called to minister in service. We receive the gift of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist and then abandon Him in the Garden as did His disciples, watching in fear as He is arrested and taken to trial.

On **Good Friday** we walk with Jesus to Golgotha where He is nailed to the cross of our salvation, dies and is laid in a tomb. We disperse in silence and grief.

On **Holy Saturday** we wait in faith and hope, breaking the darkness of the night with the paschal candle representing the light of Christ. We listen to the Easter proclamation and then retrace our salvation history in Scripture. We welcome our brothers and sisters into (full) communion with us as they enter into the waters and Baptism and receive the oils of Confirmation. And finally we celebrate the Eucharist, united in Jesus through His Body and Blood.

On **Easter Sunday** we celebrate with the Apostle and Mary Magdalene as we encounter the Risen Christ! Jesus' Resurrection should be as meaningful and relevant for Christian today as it was for His earliest followers. The **Day of Reflection** scheduled for **Wednesday, April 15th**, will provide opportunities for the high school community to encounter the Risen Christ on the road to Emmaus – in the Scriptures, in the testimony of our keynote speaker Dallas Carter from Honolulu, in the sharing of our own encounters with Christ and in the breaking of bread.

In order to create a more relaxed atmosphere, students may opt to wear jeans and tennis shoes with their uniform shirts that day. Lunch service will be provided, and students will be dismissed at 1:15 p.m. as usual on Wednesdays.



SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR NEW PRINCIPAL

Fr. Thomas Purayidathil, pastor of St. Joseph Church, has announced the search committee members:

Mrs. Donna Saiki ~ Ms. Mary Correa ~ Mr. Donald Kouchi ~ Mr. Anthony Phillips

Mr. Michael Rohr ~ Sr. Barbara Jean Wajda ~ Mrs. Susan Wehrsig

BE ON THE WATCH FOR FOURTH QUARTER PROGRESS REPORTS

Distribution—Friday, April 24th. Signed and returned by Tuesday, April 28th. Then only three more weeks until senior exams and four more weeks until exams for grades 7-12.