

# Ka Leo o Timoteo

## The voice of St. Timothy's

Fleuris là où tu es planté  
(Bloom where you are planted)  
-Unknown, 15th cent

“But blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit” (Jeremiah 17:7-8).

Dear St. Timothy's 'Ohana,

This month marks beginning of my 4th year at St. Timothy's and the first as your new Vicar. When I first arrived at St. Timothy's in 2018, I left a 13 year tenure as the Chaplain at 'Iolani School. A position I loved, but I knew that it was time to move on. Prior to 2018, while Chaplain, I did Sunday supply as well as Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, and Easter services. Though I miss the students at the school, it has been a joy being here for the last three years.

The French phrase, Fleuris là où tu es planté simply means to bloom where you are planted. The seasons of life are many. Unlike the seasons of the Church year, which we can count on like clockwork, the seasons of life are not so consistent.

When it comes to being planted, sometimes we are planted in a meticulous, organized way. We get to pick the perfect spot to plant ourselves, thinking it's safe here to bloom and blossom. But we cannot always choose the soil in which we find ourselves.

When I arrived in July 2018, the failed experiment that was ECWO (Episcopal Church of West O'ahu) brought with it contractual obligations and the staggering \$99,000 2019 Diocesan Assessment. Although we hoped to use 2020 as a year to regroup and stabilize, there was no rest when a Global Pandemic placed our State into lock down, driving us to rethink how we would keep worshipping together when we were forced to be apart. The soil of the past three years was challenging to say the least and yet it is fertile soil - rich with possibilities. I can certainly mention the good things that happened in our financial picture, **but what excites me the most is how we bloomed as God's people - as a community of faith.** Last year during the pandemic, we shifted quickly to an online format and maintained the continuity of our worship - never once cancelling a Sunday service. Many of us learned new computer skills! We did what we had to do to stay in touch with family, friends, and our St. Timothy's 'Ohana. We returned carpeting to the Nave, ensuring that the Sanctuary would be welcoming and inviting to all once we returned to in-person worship. While we were in lockdown many of you volunteered to call one another to check in with each other. You lifted one another up in prayer when so many were left at home and in isolation.

God has planted us together in the rich soil of this blessed community that is St. Timothy's. Though we could not choose the soil in which God planted us, we are fed and watered in the Sacraments of the Eucharist and in the love and fellowship of our 'Ohana. Personally, you have loved me, Charmaine, and Annaliese into this community as evidenced by the wonderful surprise celebration of my 25th Ordination Anniversary. God has planted us together, indeed. As your Vicar, we have much growing and much “blooming” yet to do. Together, I am grateful that such growth is not possible in our own strength, but that such blooms come through God's amazing grace.

Blessings,





## Happy Birthday!

- 8/2 Louisa Quintero  
Clinton Steffens
- 8/4 Dorothy Allilua  
Laurie Luczak  
Matt Parcon  
Helen Saito
- 8/6 Gabriella Mahuka
- 8/7 Joanne Mahuka
- 8/8 Julia Ishimoto-Domen
- 8/16 Kamile Schultz
- 8/21 Mun Tucker
- 8/23 Sue Nishikawa
- 8/28 Daniel Leatherman



**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**SEPTEMBER 25, 2021**  
**ST. TIMOTHY'S**  
**BBQ FUNDRAISER**

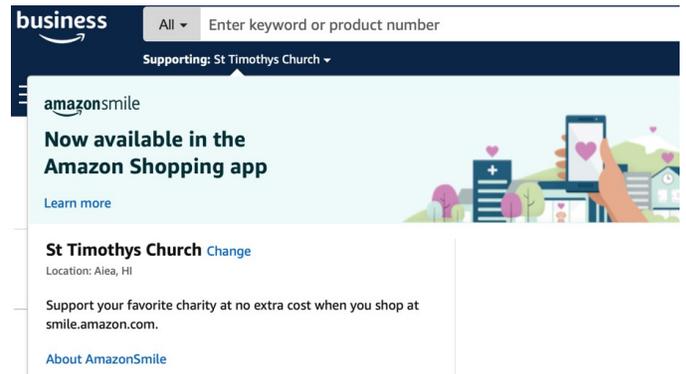
### Parish Staff

The Reverend Daniel L. Leatherman, Vicar  
 Paul Mahuka, Parish Manager  
 Angie Delight, Musician

## Did You Know About Amazon Smile?

If you shop on Amazon, you may have seen the “ads” for smile.amazon. However, you may not have checked it out. Well, it’s a great way to make small donations over a period of time to your favorite charities. Amazon has committed to donating 0.5% of all eligible purchases to charities their customers designate. It doesn’t cost the buyer anything to take advantage of Amazon’s donation. Your Amazon account is the same, all the security and purchase procedures are the same, and there are no surcharges. St. Timothy’s office and several of our congregants use the smile.amazon.com site, and with just those few accounts, STEC has received \$50-\$250 over the last 3 years. As with many things, the more the merrier, so please consider using Amazon Smile.

To get started, just type smile.amazon.com into your browser. You can then sign in to your Amazon account and search for “St. Timothy’s Church Aiea” to select our church as your charity of choice. Thank you so very much for your consideration. It’s such an easy way for St. Tim’s to fund our operations. If you have any questions, please call the church office.



## ‘Ohana Sundays - One Lord, One Faith, One ‘Ohana. Summer 2021

Beginning this Summer, one Sunday a month (usually the first Sunday) will be designated an ‘Ohana Sunday. On ‘Ohana Sundays there will be a single Eucharist at 9am followed by fellowship outdoors in the courtyard (weather permitting). The goal on these Sundays is to bring together the two congregational worship times into one and remind us that we are one church, one ‘Ohana.

Please mark your calendars for a single service on:  
 September 5  
 October 3  
 November 7 (All Saints Sunday)  
 December 5 (Advent 2)

## Meet Our New Vicar

by Jana Dove

In addition to celebrating Fr Dan's 25th anniversary of his ordination, Fr. Dan now has a new anniversary to celebrate this year! As of 1 August, Fr. Dan is the new Vicar for St. Timothy's. God has blessed us many times over in the last three years and Fr. Dan is at the top of that list of blessings. Please congratulate him, welcome him, and pray for him as we all enter a new phase at St. Timothy's.

In case you don't know the story, St. Timothy's has been an Organized Mission for many years. As a Mission of the Diocese, the Bishop serves as the Rector. Working with a Mission's Bishop's Committee, the Bishop calls a priest-in-charge or a vicar for the day-to-day spiritual needs of the missions. St. Tim's had not had a priest-in-charge or a vicar in some time. Our last Priest-in-Charge was shared with St. Nicholas. However, over the 2017-2018 timeframe, Bishop Bob and Laurie Luczak (Bishop's Warden) worked diligently to find the right Priest-in-Charge specifically for St. Timothy's. Names were floated, finances were analyzed, and needs were assessed. Many, many prayers were raised during this process.

What is the difference between a vicar and a priest-in-charge? The main difference is that a priest-in-charge has a defined, limited term of employment with a congregation, typically a 3 year term. At the end of the 3-year term, the Bishop's Committee was required to prayerfully consider whether to either (a) extend that term appointment, (b) amend the position to Vicar with an open-ended term, or (c) search for a new clergy. Any decision must then be forwarded to the Bishop for concurrence and approval.

Three years ago, on 1 July 2018, Fr Dan accepted the Bishop's appointment as Priest-in-Charge. This past July, the St. Timothy's Bishop's Committee voted to recommend to the Bishop that Fr. Dan be named as Vicar and Bishop Bob has concurred with that recommendation. Now, as Vicar, Fr. Dan's duties remain the same, his pay remains the same, he's eligible for slightly different benefits (like Sabbatical leave), and more importantly, there is no time limit on his assignment to St. Timothy's. He is "ours" and we look forward to many, many years ahead.



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## COVID- UPDATE

As we go to press, Hawai'i is experiencing a surge in positive COVID cases. What is known is that nearly all the positive infections are among unvaccinated persons and involve the Delta-variant. The situation is a reminder that we must renew our vigilance against this virus. That is why I have updated our COVID Guidelines for worship and re-instituted mask-wearing while indoors regardless of vaccination status. Our updated Guidelines can be found on our webpage: <https://www.sttimothysaiea.org/covid19safety.html>.

The Coronavirus vaccines are proven to be safe and effective in providing protection against the effects of the virus. With the variant, we are facing additional concerns. Even those of us who have been vaccinated are susceptible to the Delta Variant of the Virus, though generally the negative impact is lessened. Those vaccinated can still share the Virus. That means we can put children and the vulnerable at risk.

The Bishop has issued policy directives stating his expectation that all clergy, church staff, lay leaders, and church volunteers be vaccinated (unless by age or medical reason). We must again live into our responsibility to care for our neighbors (the Great Commandment: Mark 12:28-31). Because children under 12 are still not eligible to be vaccinated, **I strongly urge everyone in the congregation, unless by age or for medical reasons, to get vaccinated.**

# **PANILOLO BBQ FUNDRAISER**



**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church  
Saturday September 25, 2021**

**Call 488-5747 For Tickets \$15**

**3:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**Barbeque Chicken  
Kielbasa Sausage  
Baked Beans  
Vegetables  
Rice**



**Drive-thru, Pickup Only**

## August Stewardship Article

by Louis Robison



When the world tells us to hold on to as much as possible, by contrast God blesses those who give freely of their possessions, time and energy. As believers in the Word of God, we know the Word of God is from the beginning of time. Proverbs 21:14 tells us that God is not satisfied with our sacrifices of time, energy and money alone; he desires our hearts – our complete love and devotion. In the Book of Acts 20:35, Paul reminds the Ephesian Elders to remember the words of Jesus: “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” When we give, God supplies us with more so that we can give more. But more than that, we get the proper perspective on our possessions, time, energy and money. In fact, none of these things are ours to begin with but were given to us by God to be used to help others. What do we gain by giving? By our stewardship? We gain freedom from enslavement to our possessions, the joy of helping others and God’s approval. As we start this season of Stewardship, it is wonderful knowing that God has provided us a blueprint for our giving. We are thankful for you and pray God’s blessings upon you and your families.

May God continue to bless and keep you,

Louis Robison



### Stewardship

#### **What is stewardship?**

Stewardship is the prayerful work of managing our time, talent, and treasure to bring about God’s kingdom on earth. At St. Timothy’s, we believe that stewardship is a part of our spiritual journey and our relationship with God.

#### **What is a pledge?**

A pledge is your commitment to make a financial gift that supports the mission of St. Timothy’s Church. It is a response to God’s call and abundance in our own lives; it is a statement of thanksgiving.

#### **Why do we need annual pledges?**

Annual pledges support everything we do and are at St. Timothy’s. Your gift is spent on all aspects of our worship, outreach, and community life. This includes nearly 110 services held each year and more than 2,300 clergy hours dedicated to preaching, teaching, and pastoral care. Together, we have affected, in ways both large and small, the lives of those who crossed St. Timothy’s threshold and equipped and empowered disciples to work for God’s kingdom. In order to know what we can do each year; we need to receive pledge commitments on which to develop an annual budget. In 2021 pledges were roughly 48% of the income necessary to operate St. Timothy’s.

#### **How can I trust that the money I give will be spent wisely?**

Decisions about spending are made by the Vicar and the Bishop’s Committee - the church’s governing body whose membership is drawn from and elected by parishioners like you every spring at our Annual Meeting. The Bishop’s Committee are people committed to prayerfully listening to parishioners and the promptings of the Holy Spirit as they make decisions about the church’s budget.

#### **How do I pledge?**

While our annual giving campaign is held each fall, pledges may be made at any time. Pledge cards are mailed to members of the congregation in the early fall and can also be found at the Welcome Table at Church. Soon, you will be able to make your pledge online or download or complete a pledge card via our webpage.

## DOK Installation

by Adele Thomas



On Sunday, August 1, 2021, The Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK), Diocese of Hawaii, installed Reverend Daniel Leatherman as its Chaplain and presented him with the DOK Cross and a chasuble. Additionally, a new Daughter of the King, Beverly Toomey, was admitted into the DOK Chapter at Holy Nativity Church.

This all took place during St. Timothy's 9am Ohana Service. In attendance in-person were Daughters from DOK Chapters at The Cathedral of St. Andrew, Holy Nativity, St. Nicholas, and St. Timothy, plus a large number from St. Timothy's congregation. Many more viewed the live stream service. The Ohana Service was followed by an outdoor, COVID-safe reception hosted by the St. Timothy's DOK Chapter. It was truly a glorious day!



Yours in Christ,  
Adele



## Foodbank's 32nd Annual Food Drive Day

Hawaii Foodbank's 32nd Annual Food Drive Day is scheduled for Saturday, August 14th and they are looking for volunteers to help collect food and monetary donations at 8 different locations across Oahu. The Foodbank needs volunteers to help with sign waving, food receiving/ unloading, sorting and more at the following locations:

Kapolei Commons  
Koko Marina Center  
Mililani City Mill  
Pearl City Shopping Center  
Waianae Mall  
Waiiokeola Congregational Church  
Waterfront Plaza  
Windward Shopping Center



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If you would like to assist with Food Drive Day, you can earn credit for St. Timothy's at \$10.10 per hour. Please use St. Timothy's agency number (27032) so we can get the credit and receive the extra funds in our foodbank account.

You can view job descriptions and sign up for shifts by typing <http://bit.ly/2021fooddrive> into your address bar. If you form a group, you may have everyone in your group register individually, but please make sure they list our agency's name in the "Group/Organization Name" field. If you are registering for your group, please be sure to have the following information for each participant:

First and Last Name  
Email Address  
Phone Number

If you have any questions about getting signed up, please call 808-954-7866 or email [volunteer@hawaiiifoodbank.org](mailto:volunteer@hawaiiifoodbank.org) to speak with the Foodbank Community Engagement and Volunteer Coordinator, Kirsten Yale.



## 2nd Annual Aiea Complex School Supply Drive

(honoring Senator Breene Harimoto)  
by Senator Bennette Misalucha

To be part of something bigger than ourselves is indeed a blessing.

On July 10th, 2021 the community came together to support the 2nd Annual Aiea School Complex school supply drive held at St. Timothy's campus. The monies raised and the supplies collected are for the benefit of economically disadvantaged children in the district. The event is dedicated to the legacy of my predecessor, the late beloved Senator Breene Harimoto.

Donations for the Aiea Parent-Teacher-Student-Organization (PTSO) have come in at an estimated \$45,000 in cash and supplies, including 17 pallets of donated sanitizer. The Aiea PTSO team is so blessed with more than 35,000 school supply items and the amount of hand sanitizer. The supplies have been sorted and distributed to seven Aiea schools.

Mahalo to everyone who helped with this project, led by the hard-working chair Nancy Hsu and her valiant team.

My colleagues Sen. Donna Mercado Kim, Rep. Aaron Johanson, Rep. Sam Satoru Kong, Councilmember Brandon Elefante and I have enjoyed being present again for the Aiea Complex School Supply Drive.

I am so grateful to be a part of this generous community!

PC: Nancy Hsu and Senator Misalucha

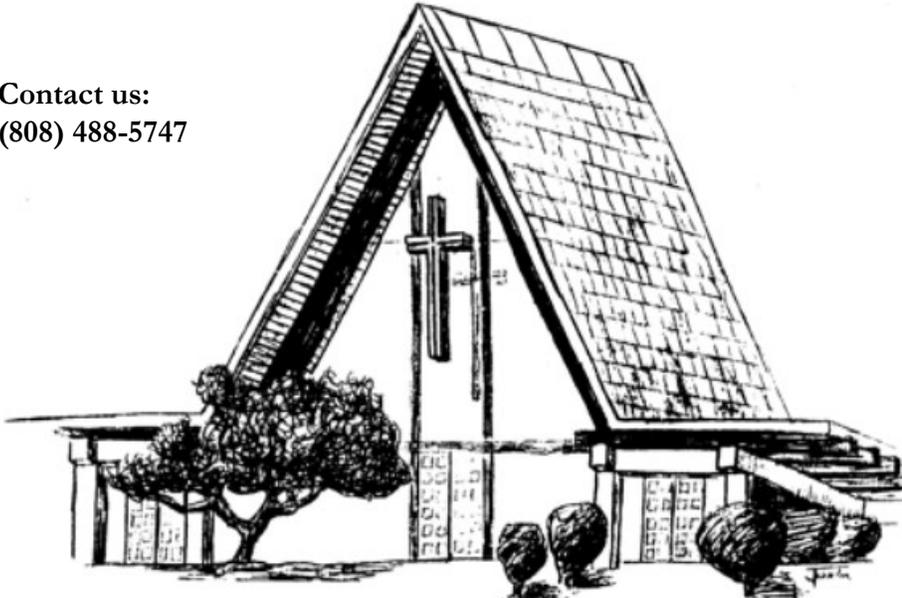


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From St. Timothy's archives

## St. Timothy's Events

### Classes, Meetings, & Services

#### Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II  
(in person and live streamed)

10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II  
(in person)

#### Wednesday

11:00 a.m. - Bible Study  
(online only)

6:00 p.m. - Evening Prayer  
(live streamed only)

7:00 p.m. - Adult Formation

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(will resume after Labor Day)

### Calendar Highlights

#### August

- 1 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
'Ohana Sunday 9:00 a.m. Service:  
Reservations Required
- 3 Outreach Pantry
- 8 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
- 10 Outreach Pantry & Dinner
- 15 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
Bishop's Committee Meeting
- 17 Outreach Pantry
- 22 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- 24 Outreach Pantry & Dinner
- 29 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
- 31 Outreach Pantry