NEWS OF ST. PETER'S

SEPTEMBER 2026

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THROUGH GIVE ALOHA!

Now through September 30

Our organization code is: **79022**

For the month of September, Foodland Maika'i card holders can make donations up to $249 to each of their favorite participating organizations at checkout. And St Peter's is participating! You must use your Maika'i card to make a donation. Foodland will partially match your donation. Matches in recent years have been close to 30%. Don't have a Maika'i card? No worries – you can ask for one at the register. It's easy! Just go to the Foodland checkout counter and tell them that you would like to make a donation to

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Last year our members contributed $5,488.
Here's how to donate at any Foodland, Sack N Save,
or Foodland Farms store checkout during the month of September:

Enter your Maikaʻi phone number on the keypad.

Tell the cashier: "I'd like to make a $_____* donation to **St. Peter's Episcopal Church**, #**79022**.

**Customers may donate any dollar amount up to $249.*

Review your receipt to confirm the organization's name and donation amount is correct.

Place a copy of the receipt (with your name added) into the Sunday offering plate or mail a copy to the church office. This will allow the amount to be added to your giving statement.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST STAFF MEMBER

As many of you know, Susan Sugiyama retired on August 14 after 7 years at St. Peters., On September 1, Jean Song will begin in the Church Office. The office hours will remain the same: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9—3; and Friday 9-1., and the email address remains the same: stpetershonoluluoffice@gmail.com

Feel free to drop in and say Aloha or send her a note of welcome

ST PETER'S IS HAVING A GRUBBY SUNDAY (or two...)!

It has been a number of years since the Parish Hall and Kitchen have had a good deep cleaning and as we prepare for the events in November surrounding the Ordination of the next Bishop (it is rumored that we will be asked to host some events on our campus….) the Vestry noted that we could use a fresh coat of paint on the walls (and some new baseboards, and....) We are asking everyone who is able to spend some time on **Sun., October 4 and Sun., October 18** following worship to clean, sort, paint and make our Parish Hall sparkle! We are also asking if anyone has access to a power washer to power wash the outside of both the Parish Hall and Sanctuary. If you cannot clean, maybe you can help by providing nourishment (aka, Lunch!) for those working. Whether you attend the 7:30 worship service or the 10:00 worship service, have we got a job for you! Whether you can give several hours, or can only stay for 30 minutes, your kokua will be greatly appreciated!

Questions? Call the church office or speak to any member of the Vestry or Pastor Ruth.

The Cathedral of St Andrew's is inviting all members of the Diocese that live on Oahu to help prepare for Bishop-Elect Libby's ordination and events surrounding it. It has been noted that the cathedral community needs help to make sure the space is ready to host the festivities. We will be holding workdays to clean and prepare the worship space. If you can help on one of these days, they ask you contact the office (or go to their website for a link) so they will have an estimate of how many volunteers to expect. Dates and times are listed below:

Thursday, September 10 from 9am-12pm

Saturday, September 19 from 9am-12pm

Saturday, September 26 from 9am-12pm

Tuesday, October 13 from 12pm-3pm

Saturday, October 24 from 9am-12pm

Thursday, November 5 from 9am-12pm

CHOIR IS BACK!!

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13!

Lift your voice and join the music as our choir begins a new season of song. Rehearsal starts at 9:30 AM, followed by singing for the 10:00 AM service. Whether you've sung for years or are stepping in for the first time, everyone is welcome as we lead our community in song. For questions, contact Joseph at 808.397.8932 or stpetersmusic@pm.me.

Living in Faith in 1900s Chinatown

Are you curious about what life was like for those who immigrated from China to Hawaii in the early part of the 20th century? St Peter's, St Mary's and St Elizabeth are hosting an event on Sunday, October 11th at 4:00 pm in our sanctuary of a very moving and important presentation. Following the presentation, everyone is invited to the Parish Hall for a time of conversation and food.

REMEMBERING 9/11: 25 years later

Plan to join us at worship on October 13 as we remember and reflect on those events from 2001.

NEWS OF THE DIOCESE

God willing, in less than three months, the Diocese will have a new Bishop, consecrated and ordained on Saturday, November 14! Leading up to that date will be the Diocese's annual Convention in October, that will be a weekend of special events and activities, including the 58th Annual Meeting of Convention. Alongside Bishop Bob will be Bishop-elect Libby Berman, who will be transitioning into her role; hence, the theme of Convention 58, "Transitions." During Convention 58, there will be Bishop Bob's farewell reception, Ka Ha'alele 'Ana, as we say aloha and mahalo to Bishop and Bea for their decades of service and commitment to the Diocese. There will be a presentation of his final slate of Bishop's Cross recipients during the Convention's Opening Eucharist, and a special Evensong at The Cathedral of St. Andrew, in honor of the class of 2026 honorary canons. All are invited to attend any of the events. Plan to be a part of these historic gatherings!

ALL IN THE DIOCESE are welcome to attend any and all of the Convention 58 events that run from Friday, October 16 through Sunday evening, October 18. Events include our annual Education Day, the Convention Opening Eucharist, the Ka Ha'alele 'Ana farewell reception for Bishop Bob on Friday, and the Annual Meeting of Convention on Saturday, taking place on the 'Iolani School campus. Closing out the weekend is a special Convention Evensong at The Cathedral of St. Andrew on Sunday for the class of 2026 honorary canons. For details see the Diocese website
(Please note the deadlines to register for the Convention and the dinner on Friday)

Faith in Action:

Human Trafficking in Hawaii & Our Call to Respond

Establish Hawaii, an organization that works with victims of Human Trafficking here in Hawaii, has been invited to share a presentation about their work. The presentation will take place on **Sept. 20th** in the Sanctuary following the 10:00 service. You don't have to be an expert to make a difference. You can learn to recognize vulnerability, respond safely, and walk alongside people impacted by exploitation. We will gather in the Parish Hall after the presentation for a potluck. Please plan to be present for this important conversation.