On Aug. 16, our parish celebrated Our Lady of the Mount Parish. Concelebrating were Bishop Renato Mayugba, seated center, of the Diocese of Laoag, Philippines. Celebrating were our pastor Father Edgar Briland, left, and pastor emeritus Father Adrian Gardavac, right. The celebration culminated on Aug. 21 with a candlelight procession to the mountainside grotto of Our Lady under the care of the Brotherhood of Our Lady of the Mount, who also served complimentary delicacies for fellowship. We thanked and sang the praises of our beloved patroness for her loving guidance and blessings to our parish for the past 144 years of its existence. (Reported by Fran Kovaloff; photo by Jun Cortez)

St. Peter and Paul Parish
On June 27, our parish celebrated its 75th anniversary with Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of the Mount. Our lady's feast day is May 12. Bishop Larry Silva blessed the grotto in the memory of our first child, a girl, in December. (Reported by Gwen Mitsui; photo by Jolly Guerrero-Tano)

St. Patrick Parish
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Kahului Kailua-Kona
MILAN
St. John Apostle and Evangelist Parish
International youth speaker, musician and bear boxer Paul J. Kim spoke at our parish for two nights: Aug. 20, “Church Isn’t Boring. You Are” and Aug. 21, “Lust vs. Love, Counterfeit vs. Authentic.” Kim had made a lasting impression to our small contingent of adults and young people at the 2014 Youth Day in Anaheim. With support of pastor Msgr. John Mbinda, Deacon Wally Mitsuji contacted Paul to speak at our parish. Paul’s humor and inspiring message captivated young and old with insightful stories, Catholic values and powerful Scripture messages on subjects like chastity, sex, pornography and authentic love. Both nights began with praise and worship with our Youth and Young Adult band led by Allen Orsense and Noelet Quiason. Deacon Wally and Alvin led prayer. Italo Fongleson gave a rousing introduction of Paul and Maggie Kim. Other parishioners represented were Our Lady of Sorrows, St. Joseph, Resurrection of the Lord, St. Anthony, Kalili. Paul’s message was money, sex, drugs, popularity and power cannot truly satisfy a person’s heart. Instead we must invite God into our lives to satisfy a restless hunger and a longing to know him. Paul and Maggie, who had honeymooned in Kauai, were back in the islands celebrating their first wedding anniversary when they spoke here. They also shared the joyful news that they are expecting their first child, a girl, in December. (Reported by Gwen Mitsui; photo by Jolly Guerrero-Tano)

Kailua-Kona
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St. Catherine School
Mrs. Sally Harrison, our after-school care facilitator, is also a very talented artist. Her newest piece of art, “Jesus Blesses the Children” was unveiled on Sept. 12. Our pastor Father Anthony Pankey unveiled this beautiful piece of art. … With the growth of our school, we added an additional kindergarten classroom. Father Anthony also blessed this building on Sept. 12. These rooms were dedicated to the memory of Mr. Mel Aqui, husband of our librarian Mrs. Gloria Aqui. Mr. Aqui was an integral part of our school in the 1980s and 90s. (Reported by Andrea Corbo and Patricia Noonan)

Haiku
St. Rita Parish
On July 27, we had our parish picnic and fourth annual Walk for Our Future at Kuakini Park. This event is a parish favorite, bringing together families for a day of fun and fellowship. Before lunch, walkers warmed up for the annual walk to raise money for Our Lady of Sorrows Parish’s parastis, Lorraine Savaria and Tyrelle Unciano. We especially thank Sister Michael Ann, our new director of religious education, for coordinating all these programs. God bless all of our catechist! (Reported by Valen A. Duarte)
games for the children planned by the Freeman family and a hike to the top of Giggie Hill. Portuguese homebrew was introduced to Father Leonard who enjoyed a few games with parishioners. We feasted with beautiful weather, good fellowship, an abundance of food and a successful fundraiser. Our parish thanks all the walkers, sponsors and donors for their generosity. Pictured are children of our parish, from left, Cheyenne Yap, Ullani Omalza, Kamalei Omalza, Kahapono Omalza and Joshua Fernandez. (Reported by Esther Yap)

10 PALAMA
Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
Children, teenagers and adults started the year’s 2014-2015 Faith Formation year with religious education, First Communion, Confirmation and RCIA classes. A separate First Communion class is for children ages 8-15 who have not received Eucharist yet. High school students seeking to be confirmed registered for Confirmation 1 and 2 classes. Adults seeking initiation into the Catholic Church attended the RCIA classes. Director of religious education Sister Mercedita Estrella, SPC, gathered the students in the parish hall. Confirmation 2 catechists Joel and Faye Paba led the children and parents in song, Father Gregorio Honorio Jr., speaking to the assembly, said our goal in catechism is to know, to love and to serve God. (Reported by Eric Bolosan)

11 KAPOLEI
St. Jude Parish
There were lots of happy smiles on our youth as they ended their Confirmation Year 2 retreat of bonding, fellowship and fun! The group participated in activities throughout the Sept. 12-14 weekend at Camp Mulukuleia, supervised by leaders Auril’e Teson, Marie Zamora, Bobby Morris, Mark Deus, Steve Bruno, Jim Teson and Tony and Bonnie Boquer. A big mahalo to Confirmation coordinator Kealhi Teson for her TLC in planning this very special, meaningful retreat complete with each student receiving a palanca (letter) from his or her family. Bishop Larry Silva is scheduled to preside at our Confirmation Mass, Dec. 9. (Reported by Carmen Argzenia)

WAI’ALUA
St. Michael Parish
On Sept. 13, they said “omo’nohakar” or “naahi” (goodbye) to Msgr. Francis Gomez of Calcutta, India, who will be flying to us for nearly two weeks helping Father Keahehi with daily and Sunday Masses. We also say “dhonobanu” (thank you) for his kind and wonderful assistance as Father Lucas recover from recent surgery. Recently retired, the monsignor is on his way to Washington and will be going on a holiday. (From the parish bulletin)

12 HONOLULU
Maryknoll School
Two weeks ago, it was spirit week here at Maryknoll! Middle school and high school students alike participated in various activities. To add a little change to our normal routines, students dressed to match spirit week themes: Military Monday, Twin Tuesday, Western Wednesday, Tourist Thursday and Show-Some-Day. Friday (students wore class shirts). Friday was exciting with all the amazing banner competition between classes, topped off with thrilling dodge ball games between homerooms. The eighth graders won the middle school banner competition, while the junior class won for the high school. In dodge ball, Ms. Higa’s freshman homeroom competed with a fierce drive, rallying the freshman during the semi-finals (pictured). At the end of the day, a senior homeroom claimed the dodge ball trophy. Throughout the week, our students expressed their pride when learning, praying and playing together.

We are one school and one team. Go Spartans! (Reported by Laura Esenberg)

13 HONOLULU
Sacred Hearts Academy Lower School
Our school celebrated its 105th birthday on Sept. 12. Students enjoyed special treats, yellow and white balloons decorated the quad, and “rockets” launched confetti into the air. Campus minister Sister Katherine Francis Miller, theology chair Sister Irene Barboza, provincial Sister Regina Mary Jenkins, and eight other sisters joined the celebration. Their loving presence reminded our school community how our roots are tied to the dedication of the Congregation of the Sisters of Sacred Hearts. Our school mission reinforces the sisters’ mission of helping students discover and develop their talents to be used in service to their families, church and communities. (Reported by Hay- ley Matson-Mathis)

14 MAKAWAO
St. Joseph Early Learning Center
La Salle father Eric Castro received a birthday surprise early in the morning Sept. 9. Our students rang his drum and presented his gifts, a banner and songs, to wish our beloved pastor a happy 44th birthday. The parish also celebrated with a birthday bash on Sept. 14 after the 5 p.m. Mass. It was well attended and Father Eric enjoyed the evening with food, fun and fellowship. Happy birthday, Father Eric, God bless you! (Reported by Helen Sonus)

15 HONOLULU
Holy Family Catholic Academy
The Hawaii Bloodmobile visited the school on Sept. 7, for one of our two annual school-sponsored blood drives. Generous donors stepped up to the plate to heed the call of the Blood Bank of Hawaii and its mission need for blood on our island home. The Sacred Hearts Congregations founded St. Ann Church and school ministers here. Our monthly core values come directly from the charism of the congregation. The sisters, who are sisters, are saints, a brother of the congregation. Heritage Week included Kupuna Day Sept. 17 when more than 80 grandparents visited. The morning began with Mass, followed by a student assembly that launched the new school year with an explosion of confetti and streamers in the classroom count down to an exciting start of the year. Grandparents then joined their grandchildren in class, participating in science labs, working out math problems and creating keepsakes with their mo’omomi. The day ended with lunch in our Food Court. It was an honor to host our grandparents. Pictured are fifth graders Karylle Feary and Davis Mendonza with Grandparents Florencia Fonte and Norma Jacques-Herrera looking in St. Ann’s history book for answers to complete our Kupuna Day scavenger hunt. (Reported by Kaulu Holomano)

17 PEARL CITY
Our Lady of Good Counsel School
Our school celebrated its 50th Golden Anniversary. In commemoration of this achievement, our school celebrated at our weekly Mass Sept. 11. It was a day of remembrance, reflection and celebration. The school was presented with certificates from the City and County of Honolulu, the State House of Representatives and the State Senate recognizing our years of quality education and our continued efforts instilling the Gospel principles of community, faith and service. The event’s proceeds were used to purchase a service. Making presentations were Rep. Gregg Takayama and Council-member Breene Harimoto. The mayor of Mayor Kirk Caldwell declared Sept. 11 “Our Lady of Good Counsel School Day”. After Mass, guests, students, faculty and staff enjoyed a delicious breakfast in the parish center. Many of the children were excited to break bread with

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18 KAILUA
St. John Vianney School
Our school proudly introduces its 2014-2015 student government and is looking forward to a wonderful year. Student council officers are president Cindy Olaso and secretary William Marie Elenik. Guests included governor’s representatives Liberty Lum and Claire Cronin; sixth grade representatives Michael Brede and Mahina Kaleihana-Ericsson; seventh grade representatives Michelle Chang. Congratulations to all the candidates! Mahalo to advisor Mrs. Kanoe Turner.

The fourth graders are again selling beautiful Christmas trees from Oregon to fund their spring Big Island trip. For the past six years, the trees have been gorgeous and customers keep coming back! Order forms are available in the school office and on our website, sjvkailua.org. Supply is limited, so don’t wait! … Registration for the SSAT Review Class is now open for students in grades 6-8 and the community. Classes are 8-10 a.m., Saturdays, Oct. 18-Dec. 6. It is a 16-hour course of small group instruction. The cost, including the study book, is $125. Submit registration and payment at the school office. For more information, call 261-4651. (Reported by Earl Walker)

19 WAILUKU
St. Anthony Junior-Senior High School
Our 11th-grader Olivia Carabajal waves to motorists in recognition of the anniversary of the attacks on the United States on Sept. 11, 2001. Co-ordinated by the school’s United States Honor Society, students and staff participated in sign and flag waving before and after the school day and during their lunch recess. The National Honor Society also completed a community service project for Hurricane Sandy that raised approximately $1,000 for storm-damaged schools on the Big Island. In addition, St. Anthony’s Rotary Interact Club spearheaded a school supply drive in September and donated dozens of donated items to the same schools in Panama. (Reported by Claudine San Nicolas)

HONOLULU
Cathedral Catholic Academy
Our school celebrated 79 years of education with a fall open house on Sept. 20. We are the first Hawaii Catholic school to adopt the Project Based Learning Model. We have a small family school environment, strong integrated digital curriculum and reasonable tuition. We are currently accepting applications for students entering kindergarten through seventh grade. Find us on the web at: http://teacherweb.com/HC/CathedralCatholicAcademy/HomePage/; Cathedral Catholic Academy, where the spirit makes the difference (Reported by Michael K. Paleikuki)

20 KALIHI
St. Anthony School
The boys and girls volleyball teams won their first games against St. Francis on Sept. 19. The game was well attended by cheering family members and friends. Congratulations to players, coaches and alumni student helpers. Go Trojans! Your school team is very proud of you! On the boys team: Angelino Aagulad Jr., Kendall Ramneth, Joseph Kyle Calibo, Mason Royce Doaao, Brad Sagacio, Wally Patrick Valenzco, Nyl Bryan Parial and Ehren Me-drano. On the girls team: Lilzen Kate Dacua, Kaleikauamaka Downey, Ethel Guillermo, Amery Manuad, Arienne Mos-ses, Jayceee Anna Amancio, Bebecca Meyer, Xavier Downey-Silva, Tyra Tabayoyong and Hayoel Malayo. Head coach and athletic director: Ms. Blythe Gascon. Assistant coaches: Leudall Agpaloa, Julius Quiroga and Ka’ena Kalima-Gascon. Alumni student helpers: Jasmine Colla-do, Austin Torralba and DJ Ace Carolos. (Reported by Tess Reyes)

21 WAIPAHU
St. Joseph School
The fourth grade sponsored our school Friday Mass on Sept. 5. The class was responsible for the readings, responsorial psalm and offertory. The school’s choir led us all with their majestic singing and instrumental music. At our school, each class sponsors church Masses and parish Sunday Masses throughout the school year. Pictured is the fourth grade class. (Reported by Keiai Kia)

22 HONOLULU
St. Theresa School
To celebrate Grandparents’ Day, students invited their grandparents to Mass. Nearly a hundred grandparents stayed to enjoy refreshments and participate in a fun picture-making activity with their grandchildren. Pictured is fourth grader Allyson Perreira sharing a special moment with her grandmother! (Reported by Lynnette Sato)

23 EWA BEACH
Our Lady of Perpetual Help School
The school celebrated Grandpar-