

## EASTER WEEK 2009

PALM SUNDAY, April 5 8:30am & 10am, Holy Communion  
 M-T-W, Apr 6-7-8 5:30pm, Holy Communion  
 Maundy Thursday, Apr 9 6pm, Maundy Thursday service  
 GOOD FRIDAY, Apr 10 8am & 12noon & 7pm\*, Good Friday Liturgy  
 \*7pm at Holy Innocents \*Ecumenical Service with Lahaina UMC and Waiola UCC  
 Saturday, Apr 11 8am, Morning Prayer  
 EASTER SUNDAY, April 12 8am & 10am, Festal Holy Communion with Choir  
 EASTER EGG HUNT 11:30AM, on the oceanfront Rectory Lawn

## Christian Embraces Needed ...

LATELY, with so much strident religious talk in the public square, I have been asking myself, *“What exactly are the marks of a Christian?”* It helps to remember that the earliest followers of Jesus did not call themselves Christians – that was a name others in the Roman Empire called them.

The earliest Christians called themselves *followers of the Way of Christ*. They sought to live as Jesus did: a life of justice and love, of profound compassion for all people he encountered in his ministry of radical inclusion.

LIKE JESUS, the earliest Christians could look through the crosses they encountered to God’s eternal faithfulness. Their faith in an ever loving, ever redeeming, ever sustaining God transformed them. Having transformed themselves, *they transformed the world*.

**THAT IS OUR JOB DESCRIPTION as Christians:** *as members of the Body of Christ, to transform ourselves and the world through lives grounded in justice and compassion.*

**This Easter let’s celebrate the Resurrection of Christ in our own lives and touch and embrace those who need assurance that God is faithful and is always calling us into a better, more just, and kinder world.**

*Bill †*



Father Bill Albinger  
Priest-in-Charge



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Just in time for Easter!

## Holy Innocents gets extra added attraction – new labyrinth offers a sacred path of prayer

On March 24, after chalked versions were rained out, a more permanent labyrinth was painted on Holy I’s south side asphalt driveway close to the St. Christopher birdbath area. Mary Anna Waldrop, longtime parishioner, Sacred Hearts schoolteacher and the major inspirational force propelling HI’s labyrinth project, provided this information:

**Q: Just what is a labyrinth, and how do you make use of it?**

A: “It’s an ancient pattern used worldwide as a meditative tool for spiritual growth – it consists of a single, circuitous path that winds into a center. You walk the one path to the center, and then walk that same path to return to your starting point. As you walk, you can use your body to pray, find balance and insight, quiet the mind, or to meditate.”

**Q: Who will use this new labyrinth?**

A: “The whole West side community - it’s non-denominational and is open to the public for walking at any time. The path you walk is in full view, which allows the user to be quiet and focus internally.”

**Q: What design is this labyrinth?**

A: “A geometric version of a Cretan, 7-circuit labyrinth. The space available was a huge consideration in choosing this particular design.”



*Holy I’s Labyrinth:  
 ancient seven-circuit path  
 is now ready for all to use.*



*Mary Anna Waldrop  
 and her ever-present  
 golden retriever  
 Makana.*

**Q: Why does the entrance face East?**

A: We enter with our eyes to the West Maui mountains - we exit with our eyes facing West, the ocean, and endless possibilities.

**Q: Who helped you with this project?**

A: “Diane Delos Reyes, Father Bill, Elizabeth Chenoweth, Wade Holmes (math teacher at Sacred Hearts), Penny Wakida, and Donna Tarsitano, to name a few. Everyone was really enthused and happy to help.”

**Q: How much did this project cost?**

A: “Hardly anything - \$25 for paint.”

**Q: Is ours the only labyrinth on Maui?**

A: “Not at all, there are more than seven.”

**Q: Will explanations for users be posted?**

A: “Yes! We plan very soon to install a sign and offer a brief pamphlet of guidelines for walkers. There is no right or wrong way to walk a labyrinth, so we’ll encourage people to use it in any way that meets their needs.”



**Labyrinth's labour not lost!**  
 Worker bees, clockwise Top Left: Penny Wakida, Diane Delos Reyes, Mary Anna Waldrop, Elizabeth Chenoweth and Donna Tarsitano.



**"I will lift up mine eyes to the hills, from whence cometh mine help":**  
 Father Bill Albinger, reaching the center of the newly-painted labyrinth, pauses to pray, reflect, find balance, (and enjoy the view).

**HI Happen Stances....**

We'll hold a **MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE** on **Monday May 25** in our very own Episcopal cemetery at **645 Wainee Street, Lahaina**. And it's lookin' very good these days, thanks in large part to ongoing oversight efforts by **Donna Tarsitano** and **Jane Cambouris**.

**WE'RE ON THE COMEBACK TRAIL...**

If all goes well [i.e., according to our Vestry's plan] between now and year's end, *Holy I will make the transition from aided parish to regular church* just in time for a **not-to-be-missed Dec 28 '09 Feast of the Holy Innocents party**. Be sure to mark your Christmas calendars and help us toast the Advent of our regained status. We'll have much to celebrate!

**They're Overdue for R&R!**

**FATHER BILL AND MARK** will be off-island visiting the East Coast for 11 days from April 27 to May 9. Not to worry, the Rev. David Stout of Asbury Park NJ will be visiting guest priest on Sunday May 3.

**Our Website Is Spiffy ...**

[www.holyimaui.org](http://www.holyimaui.org) is worth going to! Mark LeDoux updates its contents (and photos) relentlessly. And continues his ongoing quest to find and add new, interesting tidbits of church history. Email him at [markledoux@aol.com](mailto:markledoux@aol.com) if you happen upon any such intriguing snippets about Holy I's past.

**BE GENEROUS ---Give EASTER away!!**

**INVITE A FRIEND OR A NEIGHBOR to attend our Easter Service(s) and the Easter Egg hunt and refreshments afterward on the Rectory Lawn.**



**Madge McColl**



**Clyde Wakida**

**Marc Orgish**

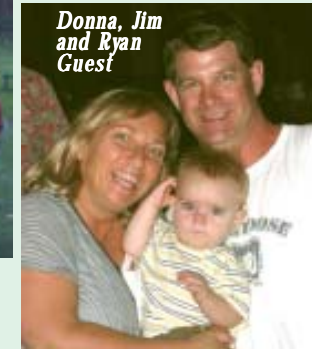
Seaside scenes:  
 A few pix from our "While we are all still here" Mar 29 Potluck.



**Diane & Walter Delos Reyes**



**Sunset Watching, after dinner**



**Donna, Jim and Ryan Guest**



**Buck Buchanan**



**Scott McCoy**



**Mark LeDoux**



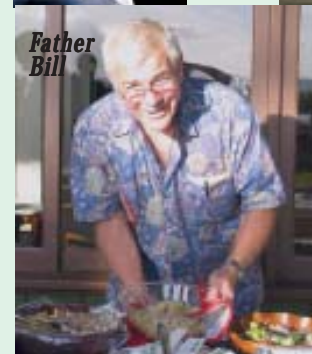
**And of course a gorgeous sunset ...**



**Pat Kelly**



**Howard and Jeanne Dappen**



**Father Bill**



**The Hano-hano Kids**

**Logan**

**Kaedin**



**Mary Jo and Jim Bell**

**Madge & Hugh McColl**

**--- SAY IT WITH FLOWERS (and love and memories) ---**

**Make an EASTER FLOWER OFFERING.**

**You can donate Easter altar flowers and honor the memory of your loved ones.**