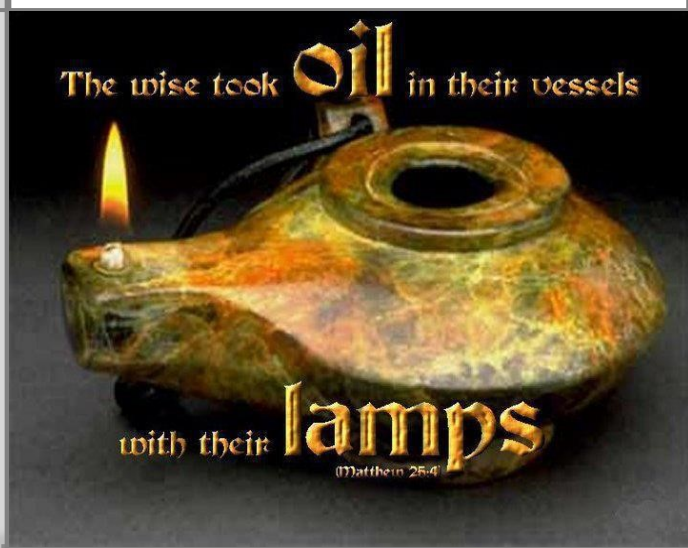


# Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church

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## 32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 12, 2017



Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes  
Pastor



Home, Fathers!

Rev. Adrian R. Gervacio  
Lt. Commander, U.S. Navy (Ret.)  
Pastor-Emeritus



### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30am  
Saturday (Vigil): 6:00pm  
Sunday: 6:30am & 8:30am  
Ilocano Mass: 3rd Sunday 6:00pm

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thu 8:30am-4:00pm,  
Lunch 11:30am-12:30pm  
Fri 8:30am-11:30am.  
Closed Sat, Sun, Holy Days,  
State and Federal Holidays

147TH ANNIVERSARY: 1870 - 2017  
*"Celebrating As God's Family"*



## HAPPY VETERANS DAY!



**VETERANS DAY**  
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

November 11

We pray for and salute all heroes, living and deceased,  
Who risked and sacrificed their lives  
For the sake of country and freedom.



### NOVEMBER: Honoring Our Beloved Dead

November is dedicated to praying, remembering and honoring our beloved dead. Starting November 1, which is *All Saints' Day*, followed by November 2 which is *All Souls Day*, we shall be praying every day at Mass for all our deceased loved ones. A *Book of Remembrance* is placed in church where parishioners could write the names of their loved ones. There will also be a board to *display their photos*. *All Souls envelopes* are also made available in our Stewardship kit for our offerings for the dead.



Fr. Teddy Gaquit and  
Bella Miranda

### ALL SOULS OFFERINGS

\*The second Book of Maccabees (2 Maccabees 12:39-46) is the main Biblical text on the belief in the necessity of prayer and sacrifice for the dead. The passage describes how Judas, the military commander, "took up a collection from all his men, totaling about four pounds of silver and sent them to Jerusalem to provide for a sin offering." The passage continues, "In doing this he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection of the dead in view. If he had not believed that the dead would be raised, it would have been foolish and useless to pray for them. But if he did this with a view to the splendid reward that awaits those who had gone to rest in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought." So, like the Maccabean brothers, we also make offerings for the souls as a sign of our belief in the resurrection of the dead.

### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Our Lady of the Mount parishioners are a multicultural welcoming parish; are inspired by the Holy Spirit to worship God and committed to serve the community through faith, youth formation, stewardship, fellowship and outreach.

### VISION STATEMENT

To be a vibrant faith community with active parishioners, working together in unity to know and love God and to serve Him through one another.

### CORE VALUES

Community building, commitment, service, stewardship, unity, welcoming, youth and spirituality.

*"My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God." Psalm 63:2*



# Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes



## Next Sunday's Readings

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-32

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128:1-5

### Second Reading

1Thessalonians 5:1-6

### Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

### First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Corrupt kings and princes who have failed to heed God's Word are the addressees of these verses from Wisdom. After reprimanding the leaders for oppressing the lowly and judging unjustly, the author of Wisdom exhorts them to find Wisdom. She is always present seeking to instruct those open to learning her ways. Watch for her for to do so is a wise and prudent decision.

### Second Reading: Thessalonians: 4:13-18

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our reading from 1 Thessalonians focuses on the end time, when Christ will come again. Paul thought that Jesus would come again in his lifetime so he dedicated much of his proclamation to the Gospel to how Christians were to live in the interim period, between now and then. In this passage, Paul reminds the Thessalonians that at the Second Coming those who have died in Christ will rise with him. Then those who are still alive will join them and live with the Lord forever.

### Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Today's Gospel is the parable of the foolish and wise virgins. It is a parable about the kingdom of heaven and who will enter and who will be left outside the door wanting entrance. The five wise virgins have oil for their lamps and the five foolish do not. The wise do not share their oil fearing they will not have enough for themselves, leading us to wonder whether or not they responded appropriately or not to the foolish virgins. Ultimately, Jesus' point telling the parable is for us to be prepared to enter the kingdom of heaven. Will the Lord know us? Will we know the Lord?



## MAHALO TO FR. TEDDY GAQUIT

Our priests, *Fr. Edgar* and *Fr. Adrian* were off to Houston, Texas from November 6-10 for the national gathering of Filipino Priests in the USA. Covering for them in their absence was *Fr. Teddy Gaquit* of the Archdiocese of Palo, Leyte, Philippines. We are deeply grateful for his kind services to Our Lady of the Mount and for his blessed presence. Thank you, *Fr. Teddy*. Come again and may the Lord be with you always.



## FILIPINO CATHOLIC CLUB

All the parish units in the Diocese are now gearing up for the 67<sup>th</sup> Convention of the *Diocesan Congress of Filipino Catholic Clubs (DCFCC)* on November 24-26 at the Ala Moana Hotel. OLM will also have its own delegation headed by *Fe Go*.

The *DCFCC Convention* is an annual gathering held in the different islands and councils of Oahu, Kauai, Maui and Big Island by rotation. It is always being looked forward to by every member as a time for camaraderie, strengthening of fraternal bonds, sharing good news from each council and mapping out new directions for the future. There are invited and designated speakers on various topics, reporting, workshops and spiritual and liturgical exercises. Usually, the Bishop, Vicar general and the spiritual directors who are either priests, religious or deacons, attend the three-day affair. Most FCC members are actively involved in the life and ministry of the parish. *Clementina Ceria-Ulep* is the executive Secretary and *Fr. Edgar* is the Spiritual Director. We wish them a productive and spirit-filled weekend.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

November 12, 4:00pm-8:00pm, Parish Hall: The Knights of Columbus at OLM will celebrate the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their Council 12935. For quite a number of years now, together with some volunteer ladies, they have been faithful and consistent in managing the *Kokua Food Pantry* which distributes bagged foods, clothing and household items to indigents. They just had their recruitment drive last Sunday. A recent addition to their rank is *Robert Liua* who was installed to the Third Degree last October 28. *Congratulations & more success to the OLM Knights!*



We invite all Catholic gentlemen to join this worldwide movement and make a difference.



## NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

We now hold regularly the Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Church. This is followed by the praying of the holy rosary. Come to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and ask for her help and intercession in our various needs thru this popular devotion. This is capped by a potluck fellowship at the parish hall. Come as a family and be blessed.

## Stewardship News & Announcements

### STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee, together with the Parish Education Committee, have been presenting audio-visuals produced by the Diocese. They are meant to inform the parents and parishioners about the ongoing church programs and teachings on our Catholic faith. In transitioning to the celebration of the Initiation Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion, the Bishop issued the directive that parents should be involved in the Christian formation of their children as well as support the Youth comprehensive ministry to the youth.

The Stewardship Committee is chaired by Marc Ulep and they meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 6:00pm, to reflect on the pastoral document by the United States Conference of Bishops titled, *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*. The next meeting is November 14. We welcome any interested parishioner to join.



### STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE



### PUTTING THE EUCHARIST INTO ACTION

International Catholic Stewardship Council, November 2017

We live in anxious times. Even while regularly celebrating the joy of the Eucharist, we remain mindful of the pain and suffering in our world. In such a troubled world, Catholics often question how they can respond to the daily challenges and opportunities laid out before them with a sense of gratitude, joy and confidence, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. They wonder how they can put the Eucharist into action today.

The answer to both questions is to embrace a better understanding of our lives as Christian stewards.

The mystery of the Eucharist celebrates change. We rejoice in God the Father, transforming His Son's suffering and death into the victory of new life and resurrection. We celebrate transformation as our gifts of bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of the Lord. The whole Christian life of stewardship gives us reason to hope and work for change as well — in ourselves, in the Church and in our world.

Stewardship always involves conversion — a change of mind and heart, something that cannot be expressed in one single action, but in a whole way of living. Stewardship offers us a way to re-focus our energy and provides an opportunity to face today's challenges.

The re-discovery of stewardship as an ancient New Testament teaching is one of the good news stories in our Catholic life of faith. Catholics in increasing numbers are being introduced to the message of stewardship and are studying how this concept informs their understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. As Saint Paul writes: "We are servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God" (1 Cor. 4:1).

### A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Gracious and Loving God,

We give you thanks for this time of year; a time of transformation that reveals the awe-inspiring gift of your creation.

Teach us how to be good stewards of all the gifts you have given us; and show us how we may share those gifts generously, especially with those most in need of your loving care. Give us the strength to be good stewards of the Gospel, to love others as we love ourselves, and to follow in your Son's footsteps, until we find our way home to you.

We pray this through your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



### COOLING THE PARISH HALL

The installation of new ceiling fans and lights in the parish hall is now completed. Jun Cortez and Paul Valbuena who volunteered their services *gratis et amore ad maiorem Dei gloriam* had worked for almost one month. May God bless them.

Our wholehearted appreciation and gratitude goes to the generous donors for the sets of fans and lights and installation materials:

Rey & Minda Teocson (\$1500) \* Silverio & Marivic Palting (\$1000) \* Fermin & Luida Susa (\$500) \* Gloria Rodrigues (\$400) \* Caridad Dagdagan (\$300) \* Outreach Ministry (\$300) \* Pilarina Pasion (\$200) \* Nelie Puzon (\$200) \* Felicidad Orsino (\$200) \* Edna Gamiao (\$100) \* Angelita Sera (\$100) \* Julieta Walsh (\$100) \* Guillermo & Vangie Bacani (\$100) \* Adoracion & Mabini Mina (\$100) \* Maliana Gasio (\$100) \* Elsa Castro (\$100) \* Isidra & Luis Bautista (\$100) \* Andres & Merlinda Ibero (\$100) \* Lydia Felipe (\$50).



### Mass Attendance

	11/4-11/5/17	10/28-29/17
Saturday (6:00 pm)	68	70
Sunday (6:30 am)	75	123
Sunday (8:30 am)	172	178

### Sacrificial Offerings

"Merci beaucoup!"

(French for "Thank you very much!")

Saturday (6:00 pm)	\$ 679.85	\$ 635.00
Sunday (6:30 am)	\$ 967.90	\$1,359.07
Sunday (8:30 am)	\$ 799.05	\$1,158.00
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 341.00	\$ 325.00
Transfer: Diocese to OLM Repairs & Maint.	\$20,000.00	\$ NA
Donation-Ceiling Fan	\$ NA	\$ 500.00
Donation-Wine	\$ 100.00	\$ NA
All Soul's Day	\$ 1,073.60	\$ 225.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00
Mass Intention	\$ 21.00	\$ 140.00
Hall/Parking	\$ 190.00	\$ 50.00
Candles	\$ 400.00	\$ 115.00
Total	\$24,577.40	\$4,557.07

"Respecting the Lord and not being proud, will bring you wealth, honor and life." Proverbs 22:4

## Stewardship News & Announcements, contd.



### MAHALO TO GOOD STEWARDS

**Stewardship** is responsible sharing of the gifts of time, talent and treasure that God has bestowed upon each one of us. This has been manifested by our dear parishioners in various forms:

\***CHURCH CLEANERS** – Every Saturday a group of men and women parishioners prepare the Church for the weekend celebrations. They clean the altar and the floor, wipe the pews, arrange the books, flowers and linens, put up the seasonal banners and other tasks. They set up the proper worship environments and make our celebrations dignified and meaningful. We do appreciate them for their dedication and devotion. If you are interested to join, please see *Roselani Ramones*.

\***CHURCH CHOIR** – Every Wednesday and Saturday, the choir takes time to rehearse under the baton of *Mary Ann Llamedo*. Aside from the adults, children and the youth are being trained cantors. The Sunday worship is made more alive because of their lead in singing praises to God. Please don't hesitate to share your talent. Come and join the choir. Also assisting in the rehearsals and instrumentation are *Sr. Clemence Mira, Audrey Peralta, Connie de Santos, Ronnie Palce* and the *Llamedo family*.

### \*GIFTS OF LOVE

❖ Another unexpected act of generosity was extended to our church by *Luida Susa* who delivered two electric box fans for use in the church and rectory. Blessings and heartfelt *mahalo*.

❖ We thank *Sio Tuitupou* for his regular delivery of freshly picked fruits from his garden to the Rectory refectory. Much *mahalo!* Other parishioners bring and share cooked foods from their kitchen or invite the priests out. Our priests do appreciate such show of care and concern keeping them healthy and happy.

❖ A generous *RE benefactress* donated the amount of \$1,595.00 for the payment of the two programs for the Youth Ministry titled EDGE and LIFE TEEN in both online version and hard copy. Hundredfold blessings to you!

\***MINISTERS & VOLUNTEERS** – Our Parish has been blessed with such responsible stewards who serve and give without counting the cost and we keep praising and thanking God for them.

❖ *Jun Cortez & Paul Valbuena* have completed installing the new ceiling fans and lights at the parish hall. They had to work for some weeks undoing the old wirings and installations and putting on new ones as well as assemble the new units which all require a quite meticulous task.

\*Our parish is always open and welcoming any parishioner who wants to volunteer in the councils, committees, ministries, organizations, clubs, prayer groups and donor societies and share your God-given talents and gifts to keep our Church going. You may submit your name at the parish office or contact our pastor. God bless and reward you abundantly.



*\*TO ALL THE GOOD STEWARDS, OUR SINCERE THANK YOU\**

### CLERGY AND STAFF

Pastor - *Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes*

Pastor Emeritus - *Rev. Adrian R. Gervacio*

Religious Education Coordinator / RCIA / Office Assistant -

*Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC*

Office Coordinator - *Bella Miranda*

Bookkeeper - *Yvonne Tuihalafatai*

Technology Consultant - *Jun Cortez*

### PERSONNEL

Custodian - *Lolito Dullin*

Music Ministry & Choir - *Mary Ann Llamedo*

### COMMITTEE \* MINISTRY \* ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council & Education - *Clementina Ceria-Ulep*

Finance Council - *Rebecca Jandoc*

Stewardship Committee - *Marcelino Ulep*

Adult Education - *Clementina Ceria-Ulep*

Liturgy Committee & Respect Life Ministry - *Francisca Kovaloff*

Outreach Coordinator & Family Fun Night - *Tom DeCorte*

Parish Planning and Building Committee - *Joyce Oliveira*

Youth Ministry & Hospitality Committee - *Robert Ropati Liua*

Young Adult Ministry - *Taniela Tuihalafatai*

Altar Servers - *Angie Balbuena*

Eucharistic Ministry - *Cleo Bala-Casino*

Lector Ministry & Receptionist - *Gloria Rodrigues*

Altar Ladies & Decorations Ministry - *Roselani Ramones*

Website & *myParish* Administrator - *Tita Calizar*

Ilocano Ministry & Choir - *Silverio Palting*

Filipino Catholic Club - *Fe Go*

### COMMITTEE \* MINISTRY \* ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS, contd.

Knights of Columbus & Kokua Food Pantry - *Andresito Magbojos*

Prison & Hospital Ministry - *Wilfred Soong*

Stewardship Counter & Receptionist - *Linda Puzon*

Cemetery Maintenance - *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*

Santo Nino Devotion & Visayan Ministry - *Cleto Patoc*

Parish Bulletin Editor - *Fran Kovaloff*

### Choir Practice:

Parish Choir: Wed. 4:30-6:30pm; Sat. 9:00-11:30am

Ilocano Choir: Thu. 7:30pm

**Rosary:** Before the weekday and Sunday 6:30am Masses.

**Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction:** After the First Friday Mass.

**Mother of Perpetual Help Novena:** Thursdays, 7:00pm in the Church.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday: 5pm - 5:30pm or by appointment.

**First Holy Communion:** Candidates must be baptized and received at least two years of catechism.

**Anointing the Sick:** Please call the Office for a priest. For emergency at the hospitals, please call 597-8779. *Fr. Francis Sanchez* and *Fr. Tony Bobis* are the Catholic Chaplains for Queen's, Straub, Kapiolani and Kaiser hospitals.

**Kokua Ministry & Food Pantry:** First and third Wed., 8:30-11:30am.

### Contact the Rectory Office for the following:

**Baptism:** 4th Sunday of the month. No baptism during Lent.

**Marriage:** Couples are required to make arrangements *four months before* the wedding date. Diocesan policy requires couples to attend an Engagement Encounter Weekend.

**Wake and Funeral Services:** Before making arrangements with the

Parish Calendar, News & Announcements

**FEAST DAYS**

- Nov 13** St. Francis Xavier Cabrini, virgin, 1850-1917
- Nov 15** St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the church, c.1200-1280
- Nov 16** St. Margaret of Scotland, c1046-1093 \* St. Gertrude, virgin
- Nov 17** St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious, 1207-1231
- Nov 18** Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, apostles  
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, virgin, 1769-1852  
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- Nov 12** > Knights of Columbus 15th anniversary celebration, 4-8:00pm  
> Filipino Catholic Club meeting, after the 8:30am Mass
- Nov 14** Stewardship Committee meeting, 7:00pm, Rectory Conf. Room
- Nov 15** Charismatic Prayer meeting, 7:00pm, Parish Hall
- Nov 16** Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help, 7:00pm
- Nov 19** > Religious Education Children's 8:30am Thanksgiving Mass  
> Ilocano Mass, 6:00pm
- Nov 19 & 26** Sign-ups after all Masses, Parish Pre-Christmas Clean-Up on Dec 2
- Nov 23** Thanksgiving Day 8:30am Mass & Blessing of Food
- Dec 2** PARISH PRE-CHRISTMAS CLEAN-UP, 8AM-12 NOON
- Dec 5** Parish Advent Reconciliation Service, 7:00pm
- Dec 16-24** Simbang Gabi, 6:30pm Mass, fellowship to follow;  
detailed schedule to be posted soon



**THANKSGIVING DAY**

**November 23:** We pause in our busy lives and join the entire nation to offer our prayer and acts of gratitude for all God's gifts. Our Eucharist or *Thanksgiving Mass* at OLM will be at 8:30am. Within the liturgy, we shall hold the *Blessing of Food* which is a little portion of one or more items that the family will serve at their Thanksgiving meal. As a sign of thankfulness for the blessings we have received, we might include the offering and donation of money, food and clothing for those in need. They shall be delivered at the KC Kokua Food Pantry for distribution.



**PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Last November 10, the project in the Convent building of replacing the failing flooring on both ground and second levels has started. The work is being undertaken by the Puli Construction through the middle of December 2017. Parishioner *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*, is the parish liaison to the company.

*Joyce Oliveira*, the committee chairperson, writes: "Thank you to the dedicated parishioners who have participated through the many months of decision and planning sessions relating to the improvements to our Convent Building... This first phase of the planned renovations could only proceed with the talents and financial support of our parishioners. We look forward to your continued participation and financial commitment as we move into the next phases of the overall Convent Building renovation work in the coming New Year of 2019."



Puli Construction workers begin installing the floor boards.

**✠ RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM ✠**

November Activities

\***CHILDREN'S MASS:** In anticipation of Thanksgiving Day, the RE children will have special *Thanksgiving offerings* during the *Children's Mass* next Sunday, November 19, 8:30am, to express their appreciation and gratitude. They will also take part in some ministerial roles at the liturgy.



\*The children and their parents are encouraged to write the names of their beloved dead in the *Book of Remembrance* to be prayed for during the month of November. They also submitted photos of their deceased loved ones.

\*For Christmas, the children will exploit their drawing skills in making *Christmas cards*. They are also encouraged to come with their parents to the *Aguinaldo Masses* or *Simbang-gabi* from December 16-24. On Christmas Eve, they will participate in the Christmas tableau.

Let's continue to pray for our children and youths. We thank the generous and joyful services of our ever-caring catechists who mold their minds and hearts with the Christian values and prepare them well for the sacraments of *First Reconciliation*, *Confirmation* and *First Communion*. We laud the parents, grandparents and all parishioners who encourage their children to attend the Sunday School and Mass and act as primary catechists and concrete examples of living the Christian faith.



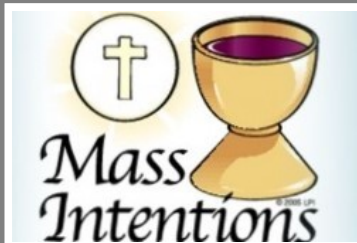
**CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING**

You are invited to a spirit-filled praise and worship session on November 15, Wednesday, at 7:00pm in the parish hall. We pray for God's healing and liberation from evil spirits in our bodies, mind and soul and in our environment. Come and celebrate our life in the Spirit as we recognize the miracles He gives us and express our joyful thanksgiving to the Lord. *Dr. Jorge & Chloe Samaniego* lead and accompanied by the music of *Rory Elefano* and the witnessing of *Kathy Ferreira* and the *Sts. Peter & Paul Charismatic Team*.

**☺ L.O.L. (Laugh Out Loud) ☺**



A kindergarten teacher pointed to the American flag and asked, "What is this?" One of the pupils answered, "The flag of our country." "Excellent," said the teacher. "And what's the name of our country?" "Tis of thee." replied the pupil.



**Nov 5** > 8:30am Thanksgiving - *Jose Cadiz & family; Clarisa Maranan & family* \* RIP +*Loreto Duma, Abner Duma, Verlie Cadiz*

**Nov 11** > 6:00pm RIP +*For all the faithful departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +Military veterans and +Souls in purgatory; Healing - Theresa Schwengler, Millie Medro*

**Nov 12** > 6:30am RIP +*For all the faithful departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +Military veterans and +Souls in purgatory*

> 8:30am (Missa pro populo) - *For parish & parishioners* \* RIP +*For all the faithful departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +Military veterans and +Souls in purgatory*

**Nov 13-17** > 6:30am RIP +*For all the faithful departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +Military veterans and +Souls in purgatory*

Don't Miss the **DEADLINE!**

**Deadline:** Please submit your **Mass intentions** by Thursday if you want them printed on time for the weekend Parish Bulletin. *Mahalo.*



**Good Health / Successful Surgery:** Millie Pedro \* Virgilio Artates, Emilia Licudine \* Raymond Caspillo \* Pelenato & Lagi Falaniko \* Gloria Atudo \* Merlin Ibera \* Purie Cortez \* Ruby Guevara de Guzman, Ivy

Ellazar, Julia Magpantay delos Santos \* Zoe Villafior \* Gwen Zanellato \* Audrey Peralta \* Theresa Schwengler \* Manupuna Lakalaka, Sisitauleva Manukeu \* Vangie Bacani \* Kathrine Sennett \* James Paet \* Marie Schwengler \* Elena Graham \* Marian Gomes \* Cres Paranada & Ashley Braceros \* Tessie Fontanilla \* Caroline Gruenhagen, Michael Schwengler \* Michele Schwengler \* Noralyn Montemayor \* George Calizar \* George Helenihi \* Lisa Espindola \* Bernard Mendonca \* Mary Haruno \* Lydia Bondad Andres \* Katrina Santos \* Florence Ellazar \* Doren Gruenhagen \* Joann Gibbs \* Florentino Sotto \* James Sr & Hazel Rodrigues \* Minda Teocson \* John Pregil \* Marvin & Sally Moore \* Clara Adlawan \* Marilou Bruno \* Gregory & Medie Raguindin \* Jeanne Oshiro \* Stanley & Martha Castro \* Charlie Newman

**Birthday:** Paul Valbuena \* Yvonne Tuihalafatai \* Teody Nsva \* Myrna Escalante \* Nora Aguillon \* Rudy Balmilero \* Noah Ibera \* Marie Schwengler \* Charles M. Fontanilla \* Selevasio Fauolo \* Lafaele Manupuna \* Maria Bonilla (79) \* Fr. Edgar Brillantes \* Lucila Ferrer \* Rosela Madriaga \* Alfonso Villanueva \* Mary Ann Llamedo \* Justin, Sandra & Anderson Ramiscal \* Lita Lucas \* Susan Mita \* Carmen Dona \* Moses Andres \* Robert Liua \* Andy Magbojos \* Chita Magbojos \* Alonso Engichy \* Robin Johnson

**Wedding Anniversary:** M/M Steve Adlawan (31) \* Pelenato & Lagi Falaniko (50) \* Edward & Teresita Dayoan (55) \* Rudy & Lita Lucas (43) \* Tony & Gloria Peterson (22)

**Safe Travel:** Fr. Adrian & Fr. Edgar \* Gil & Vangie Bacani & fellow pilgrims \* Kelvin Chee & Clyde Chee

**Deceased:** +*For all the faithful departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +Those who have nobody to pray for them; +Souls in purgatory*

NOTE: INDIVIDUAL NAMES OF OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES ARE PLACED IN THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE AND PRAYED FOR IN ALL MASSES DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

**HEALING HEARTS**

Mary, Star of the Sea Church is also providing a support group for those who mourn called the "Healing Hearts." For those searching for hope, a Healing Hearts group is a nurturing link to the Church, the Almighty, and other people of faith who are also grieving over their loss. The Fall sessions are: Oct 14, 21, 28 & Nov 4, 11, 18, 2017, from 1:00pm-3:00pm, at Mary, Star of the Sea Church. For more info contact 374-0396 or email *Kanani* at [healingheartshawaii@gmail.com](mailto:healingheartshawaii@gmail.com)

BLESSED ARE THEY WHO MOURN,  
FOR THEY WILL BE COMFORTED

Matthew 5:4



# RESPECT LIFE

respect · love · protect

In our present social context, marked by a dramatic struggle between the "culture of life" and the "culture of death", there is need to *develop a deep critical sense*, capable of discerning true values and authentic needs.

What is urgently called for is a *general mobilization of consciences* and a *united ethical effort* to activate a *great campaign in support of life*. All together, we must build a new culture of life. Saint John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*



## BISHOP CIRCLE



*"Together We are Stewards of Service."*

The Bishop's Circle funds support the services provided to parishes, parishioners and those in need by the many diocesan departments, offices, agencies and programs. The services rendered are in the areas of "Faith Formation," "Administrative Services," and "Pastoral Services."

The Bishop's Circle is primarily an appeal for large donations, although any amount will be accepted. The campaign runs through the fiscal year July 2017-June 2018.

The campaign offers six gift-categories:

\**Stewards of the Gospel* for donations of \$20,000 or more \* *Our Lady of Peace Society* for gifts of \$10,000-\$19,999 \* *St. Damien/St. Marianne Society* for gifts of \$5,000-\$9,999 \* *Joseph Dutton Society*

for gifts of \$2,500-\$4,999 \* *Witness to Jesus Society* for gifts of \$1,000-\$2,499 \* *Catholic Ohana Society* for gifts of \$500-\$999

The bishop will host an appreciation event for donor society members and celebrate a special Mass for all contributors to this year's appeal.

The Bishop said: *"I truly value your commitment to our mission and am very grateful to you for your continuous support over the years. It is your generous support - both financially and spiritually - that is the life blood of this work. Once again, I ask you to prayerfully consider making a sacrificial gift and join one of the Bishop's Circle Donor Societies."*

Donations may be made online at [catholichawaii.org](http://catholichawaii.org). For more information, visit [catholichawaii.org/stewardship](http://catholichawaii.org/stewardship) or call the Office of Stewardship and Development at 203-6723.



## THE PEARSON FOUNDATION PREGNANCY CENTER PRESENTS

### Know Your Body - Natural Fertility Awareness

\*November 14, 2017 / Tuesday @ 6:30pm-8:30pm

\*Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Hall, 1525 Waimano Home Road, Pearl City, HI 96782

Women are told that contraceptives are harmless. Powerful drugs or devices are pushed on them as the only effective birth control methods or even as medical treatment. *Dr. Lek-Lim Chan* believes women deserve better. Other options are available as women desire to have means that are free from hormones and side effects. Come, learn and be empowered in managing your reproductive health at this **FREE EVENT**.

*Dr. Lek-Lim Chan* is a doctor of natural medicine who specializes in Natural Family Planning in Malaysia. He is an expert on the Billings Ovulation Method and has given talks around the world.

Visit <http://www.woombinternational.org/index.php> for more information.

Questions? Contact Teresa Fredericks at (808) 224-2765.



## SAINT LOUIS SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

\*November 19, 2017 / Sunday at 1:00pm



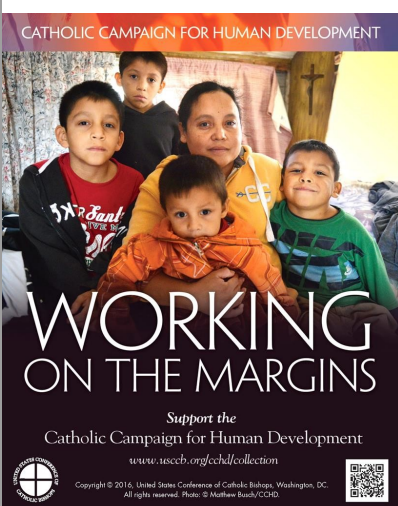
Dr. Richard T. Mamiya Theatre \* \*From Kindergarten to Grade 12

*Please join us to learn about our educational programs, meet our Faculty and staff, and tour our campus. For questions or additional info, please contact Russel Valente at 739-4832 or email [admissions@saintlouis-hawaii.org](mailto:admissions@saintlouis-hawaii.org)*

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## SECOND COLLECTION: CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)



\*November 18-19, 2017

CCHD is the anti-poverty program the U.S. Catholic Bishops created with the intent *“to bring good news to the poor and let the oppressed go free.”* (Luke 4:18)

Since 1970, CCHD has been dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty by funding community programs that encourage people in need to make their own decisions, seek their own solutions and find ways to improve their lives in alignment with Catholic social teaching. Thanks to generous Hawaii parish contributions to CCHD through the years, many lives have been transformed for the better.

Simultaneous with the annual *Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)* national collection is the celebration of the **First World Day of the Poor** as proclaimed by Pope Francis.

In commemoration of the end of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis established the *First World Day of the Poor* so that *“Christian communities can become an ever-greater sign of Christ’s charity for the least and those most in need.”* In his message on the *First World Day of the Poor*, Pope Francis wrote: *“Blessed are the hands that reach beyond every barrier of culture, religion and nationality, and pour the balm of consolation over the wounds of humanity.”*

Just as the Lord hears the cry of the poor (Psalm 34), we are all called to do the same.



## DIRECTIVE ON MUMPS OUTBREAK IN HAWAII

Due to the rising mumps outbreak in Hawaii local pastoral discretion and care should be practiced as necessary. The Office of Worship advises that parishes may decide to suspend temporarily the distribution of communion through the communal chalice (*Precious Blood*) at Mass for at least the next three weeks (*incubation period for mumps*) or until the outbreak settles down. Parishes in areas where a high volume of tourists attend Mass should be alerted and highly consider this temporary suspension. As Church leaders we have to be sensitive to the health and safety of our congregations.

The Hawaii State Department of Health (*DOH*) continues to investigate the cases of mumps infection statewide. As of October 26, 2017, the number of confirmed cases of mumps for 2017 is 512; 420 alone were reported on Honolulu.

Medical experts say that the *“highest risk are those born AFTER 1957. A patient with mumps is most contagious 3 to 7 days before he or she gets sick. This is a bad disease in adults. This is a highly virulent RNA virus that is passed on via oral secretions and it is not killed with a short pass through wine level alcohol.”*

It is recommended that patients suspected or diagnosed with mumps should self-isolate and avoid going out and exposing others for 9 days after onset of *parotitis* (swelling of the salivary glands). People who have been exposed to mumps and are not vaccinated should not attend public events or be in public areas from day 12 through day 25 after exposure.

This type of situations like annual cold and flu season (or any contagious disease) always offers us the opportunity to teach the faithful about the use of common sense in sharing the sign of peace and the chalice. For example, a smile or a bow, or simply the words **“Peace be with you”** might seem more appropriate during the exchange of peace. It is important to remind the faithful that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from a contagious disease. It is a sign of consideration for themselves and others that those feeling ill should remain at home.

Within our churches, we must also use common sense and maintain safe sanitary habits:

*\*Check and fill hand-soap dispensers in all of the restrooms of the church. You might also place a large dispenser of hand sanitizer in your church vestibule.*

*\*Maintain clean, fresh holy water and holy water fonts.*

*\*Sanitize with disinfectant wipes places and things in the church that are touched frequently.*

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Peace!



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