

Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church

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December 31, 2017

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

*"According to the law of
Moses, they took him up
to Jerusalem to present
him to the Lord."
Luke 2:22-23*



A Bright & Peaceful New Year to One & All!



GOD BLESS OUR FAMILIES

This Sunday we ask God to bless our own families. The feast of the Holy Family is part of the Christmas season wherein we take time to honor the Christian family. Jesus Christ was born into a human family and that offers us hope for making Christ the center of our own families. For a start, as we gather around the altar of the Lord to partake of the heavenly food, let us gather around our dining tables to share wholesome family meals. Then, the parents can bless the children, and all together bless their home. Family life is a source of blessing and life-support, and as the Lord Jesus sanctified his family, he will bless ours when we welcome him in. We offer our families to God and consider how we can be like the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in their devoted love and care for each other. Following such example can strengthen our desire and resolve to grow our families in faith, harmony and joy. We, priests and faithful, also pray for our parish family at OLM. At the same time, we include in our prayers those families that are struggling with difficulties and troubles that they may find care and assistance from us and not lose heart and faith in God.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2018

Dear Parishioners & all,

As we bid goodbye to the Year 2017 we thank God for all the blessings he has showered upon our parish, our families and upon each one of us.

On New Year's Day of 2018, which is the Octave (8th day) of Christmas, we honor Mary as the Holy Mother of God. She is a model for us in her willingness to carry out God's plan of salvation by giving birth to the awaited Savior. It is also designated as the World Day of Prayer for Peace. We all need to join forces in achieving peace to stop all forms of violence, conflicts and divisions. The Christmas images of the angels and the shepherds announcing the coming of the Prince of Peace provide a fitting background and hope for our efforts.

New Year's Day is a time for new beginnings. Many of us will make resolutions for the New Year even though many will break them shortly thereafter!

We often have good intentions to exercise more, eat better, get more sleep and reach out to friends and family regularly. Only a few do it but let us make sure to do something about improving our relationship with God. We bring God into all of the areas we want to improve physically, and be doing it for an eternal benefit. When God is the reason behind our efforts to do the right thing with our health, our personal relationships and other important parts of our lives, we simultaneously create a stronger bond with the Lord. He can even help us be successful in our resolutions to lead a good life.

So, as we take stock of our lives and make decisions about our future, we try to live close to Jesus that we may more surely live virtuous lives.

It's New Year! We don't know what it will bring. But Mary, a brand-new mother, can provide us a wonderful way to carry out our resolutions and make a new beginning. When she was asked to venture into an unknown future, she willingly said Yes and trustingly obeyed God's will for her. We do not know what the future holds but we confidently entrust ourselves unto him who holds the future.

Let's all come to the Holy Mass on January 1, 8:30am, and dedicate ourselves to living a life of God's love in this new year. With Fr. Adrian, we wish you all a bright, peaceful and grace-filled New Year 2018.

Devotedly yours in the service of the Lord,

Fr. Edgar





Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Readings

Epiphany of the Lord

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72:1-2, 7=8, 10-13

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Gospel

Matthew 2:1-12

First Reading: *Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3*

The readings for this feast of the Holy Family take us back to Jesus' roots in the family of Israel. We hear of the first Jewish parents, Abraham and Sarah, who received their son (Isaac) as the child promised to them in their old age, the reward for their fidelity to God. From them, countless descendants as numerous as the stars have come forth.

Second Reading: *Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19*

The focus is on Abraham and Sarah, this time from the Letter to the Hebrews' account of their fidelity and trust in God. We also hear of Abraham's total obedience and complete trust in God even to the point of offering his son Isaac in sacrifice, the very one on which the fulfillment of God's promises depended.

Gospel: *Luke 2:22-40*

On the surface the Gospel describes the fidelity of the parents to Jewish custom of presenting their first born male child to the Lord. As they do this in respect to the tradition, they encounter Simeon and Anna who represent that tradition and who acknowledge that a new tradition is unfolding in the child Jesus. Their waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem is over, the hope of the past has been fulfilled and the future is at hand.

CONVENT RENOVATION

The first phase of the renovation project in the Convent building of replacing the failing flooring on both ground and second levels



is done. The steps of the staircases are also made new. The new flooring for the chapel and the replacement of the old commode bowls in the restrooms were later added and done too. It was started last November upon approval by the Diocese. The Planning & Building committee headed by *Joyce Oliveira* made the inspection and approval of the finished project. The work was undertaken by the *Puli Construction* who did an excellent job.

To pay for the project we had to dip from our current parish deposit in the Diocese and other donations for repair and maintenance projects such as the *James Adlawan Insurance donation* and leftover funds from the ceiling fans and lights project. We are most grateful to the generosity of everyone. When funds are again available we shall continue to improve the entire structure so as to maximize its use for pastoral and relevant programs. Currently, the building is being used only by RE students on Sundays and by the Knights of Columbus for their monthly meeting and for the Kokua Food Pantry storage and distribution.

We join *Joyce Oliveira*, the committee chairperson and project manager, in thanking all "the dedicated parishioners who have participated and shared their talents and financial resources for the improvements to our Convent Building... We look forward to your continued participation and financial commitment as we move into the next phases of the overall renovation work in the coming year."



"SAVE OUR CONVENT"

Our Finance Council announced that the fundraising project for the convent is a drawing. The grand prize is **\$10,000! Yes, \$10,000!** Tickets will be distributed to the various organizations early next year and sales will begin in March 2018. We will need everyone's help to make this project a success. Spread the word and get ready to help raise much needed funds to repair our convent.

NEW CANDLESTAND

A new candle stand was delivered to our Church last December 2 from Ireland through the St. Killians Candle Company. It has the unique feature of a clean and smokeless votive candle burning system and designed with fire safety in mind.

The candle stand has been blessed and placed at the alcove of the Divine Mercy and the Blessed Mother. As we light the candles we can ask for their intercession for our personal intentions for healing, protection, or success, for our families and dear ones, both living and dead, or for world peace and good government leaders. Everyone is welcomed to make use of it. You can put your offering of \$2.00 or more at the deposit hole in front of the stand.



Stewardship News & Announcements



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER *Let your goodness reveal itself to us, that we, made in your image, may conform ourselves to it. We cannot imagine your majesty, power and wonder on our own; nor is it fitting for us to try. But your kindness and mercy reach from the heavens, through the clouds, to the earth below to show us the fruits of your Incarnation.*

You have come to us as a small child, but you have brought us the greatest of all gifts, the gift of your eternal love. Caress us with your tiny hands, embrace us with your tiny arms, and soften our hearts with your tender voice so that we might respond as humble stewards of your active presence in the world. We pray this through Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen. (Adapted from a prayer by Saint Bernard of Clairvaux)

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee is chaired by *Marc Ulep* and they meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:00pm. In their last meeting, they completed their reading and reflection of the pastoral document by the United States Conference of Bishops titled, *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*. The next meeting is January 10 when they will map out the next phase of their activities. Any interested parishioner is welcomed to join.



Stewardship and Christmas: Turning the World Upside Down

*by the International Catholic Stewardship Council, e-bulletin 2017

How marvelously significant it is, that in the town of Nazareth those many years ago, a young girl named Mary, was visited by an angel who delivered God's plea: would she give God a child? Mary's response is a model par excellence for all those who aspire to be good stewards: *"Behold, I am the Lord's servant. Let it be done to me according to your word"* (Lk. 1:38). And so, the real mystery and beauty of Christmas is delivered: God turns the world upside down. In the words of the Magnificat, Mary proclaims the hope of every good steward: *"My soul magnifies the Lord"* (Lk. 1:46). He has dispersed the arrogant of mind and heart, lifted up the lowly, filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. Here is a new understanding of the God who desires not our begging and our pleas, but our 'yes' to God's invitation to be active stewards in his plan of salvation. For the Christian steward, the consumerism, the gaudiness, the excesses of our cultural Christmas can be overcome by answering the call to live simpler lives, to use less, to feed the poor, to quiet ourselves in stillness rather than grow louder in frenzied activity. In a world which prizes and desires wealth above so many things, the Christian steward finds in the stillness the true hope which lies at the heart of Christmas. Christ has come, and he comes again and again, and finally in the end, Christ comes. Once again, God implores us to receive this child in the stillness of our hearts, and respond to his call to transform the world's values – to turn the world upside down.



STEWARDSHIP & DEVELOPMENT DAY

When: Saturday, 17 February 2018 @ 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Where: Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa

712 N. School Street, Honolulu, HI 96817-3030

For more information or assistance, please contact [Stewardship & Development](#) at (808) 203-6723.

Mass Attendance

	12/23-24/17	12/16-17/17
Saturday (6:00 pm)	245 (Aguinaldo)	152
Sunday (6:30 am)	75	84
Sunday (8:30 am)	99	131

12/25/17 Christmas Day

Monday (midnight)	168
Monday (8:30 am)	152

Sacrificial Offerings

"Thank you very much!"



Saturday (6:00 pm)	\$ 810.00	\$ 838.00
Sunday (6:30 am)	\$ 719.00	\$ 853.15
Sunday (8:30 am)	\$ 1,075.00	\$ 727.00
Initial Offering	\$ 107.00	\$ 20.00
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 79.00	\$ 268.00
Donation - Youth Min.	\$ 1,000.00	\$ NA
Immaculate Conception	\$ 60.00	\$ 30.00
Christmas	\$ 195.00	\$ 15.00
Aguinaldo Mass	\$ 2,189.34	\$ NA
Aguinaldo Mass Sponsor	\$ 480.00	\$ NA
Donation - Candlestand	\$ NA	\$ 1,125.00
Donation - Zumba	\$ NA	\$ 60.00
Retirement Fund Relig	\$ NA	\$ 210.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 150.00	\$ NA
Hall/Parking	\$ 100.00	\$ NA
Fundraising-Youth	\$ 631.00	\$ NA
Candles	\$ 234.00	\$ 225.00
From Diocese for OLM		
Repairs & Maint,	\$ 9,520.00	\$ 5,000.00
Replacement for Chk	\$ 635.00	\$ NA
Total	\$17,990.34	\$ 9,953.25

"Give and gifts will be given to you."

Luke 6:38



Parish Calendar, News & Announcements

FEAST DAYS

- Jan 1** Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
- Jan 2** St. Basil the Great (330-379) and St. Gregory Nazianzen (329-390), bishops and doctors of the Church
- Jan 3** The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Jan 4** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious, 1774-1821
- Jan 5** St. John Neumann, bishop, 1811-1860
- Jan 6** St. Andre Bessette, religious, 1845-1937



- Jan 1** Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God; the Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; Monday, one Mass at 8:30am; Blessing of Marian images
- Jan 7** Religious Education classes resume, after the 8:30am Mass
- Jan 8** Liturgy Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Rectory Conference Room
- Jan 10** Stewardship Committee Meeting, 6:00pm, Rectory Conf. Room
- Jan 20** Finance Council Meeting, 7:30am, Rectory Conference Room
- Jan 20** Catechist Retreat, Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa, 9:00am -1:00pm



❖RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM❖

The RE catechists and children are presently enjoying their Christmas break and will resume the Sunday school on January 7.

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.

The Religious Education children re-enacted "The Christmas Story" before the Christmas Vigil Mass on December 24, 2017; narrated by Mrs. Vangie Bacani, catechist.



HAWAII CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL SERVICES

*3rd Annual Charismatic Winter Conference
 *January 12-14, 2018 at Catholic Charities Hawaii

"Come, Holy Spirit, Come!"

For more info, visit hccrs.net, call 781-9254, or email chariscenter.hccrs@gmail.com.



2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Your 2018 offering envelopes are at the front of the Church. Please pick them up as you leave for home. If you do not have and would like these pre-printed envelopes, please place your request at the Rectory Office.



Thank you for your stewardship of generosity throughout the year!



Kupuna Caregivers Program effective 12/13/17

Under Act 102, qualified caregivers who apply for the program may receive up to \$70 per day in services (subject to the availability of funds and paid directly to contracted service providers, not the caregiver). **To be eligible, caregivers must:**

- be employed at least 30 hours per week (by one or more employers)
- provide direct care to a care recipient who is a) a citizen of the US or a qualified alien; b) age 60 or older; and c) not covered by any comparable government or private home and community-based care service, except kupuna care services.

The **care recipient** cannot reside in a long-term care facility and must have impairments of at least two activities of daily living or two instrumental activities of daily living OR one activity of daily living and one instrumental activity of daily living OR substantive cognitive impairment requiring substantial supervision.

Applying for the program includes:

- employment verification of caregiver
- assessment of the care recipient
- a caregiver burden assessment

Interested caregivers should contact the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) as soon as possible to apply at (808) 643-2372. This is also the number to call in order to receive further information. Or go to www.hawaiiadrc.org.

☺L.O.L. (Laugh Out Loud) ☺



Leaving church, Sara's mother asked her little girl what she had learned in Sunday school. Sara replied, "I found out what kind of pet the baby Jesus had." "Oh?" replied Mom. "And what was that?" "A flea," Sara said. "God told Joseph to take Mary and Jesus and flea to Egypt."



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 ways:

***CHURCH CLEANERS** – Every Saturday a group of men and women parishioners 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 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

❖Our wholehearted gratitude goes to the generous donors for the sets of fans and lights and installation materials in the parish hall: *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 Ibera (\$100)* * *Lydia Felipe (\$50)*.

❖Much *mahalo* to *Sio Tuitupou* for his regular delivery of freshly picked fruits from his garden to the Rectory refectory. 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!

❖*Becky Jandoc*, the Finance Council chair, donated an office cabinet for use by the Finance Council.

❖*Francisca Kovaloff*, the Liturgy Committee chair, donated the new candle stand located at the alcove of the Divine Mercy.

❖For the renovation project at the convent, *Kalolo Tuihalafatai* donated \$2000.00. He also acted as the liaison between the church and the Puli Construction.

❖The *Hannah U M Leong Trust*, thru *Terri-Ann Leong* donated \$250.00 to OLM Church in memory of *Francis C L Leong* and *Collin H P Leong*.

❖Thanks to *Celia G. Morris* for her flower offering to the Blessed Mother and donation of \$125.00 to the Church.

❖We are most grateful to all dear parishioners who faithfully and steadily supported our Church with their prayers, stewardship and personal involvement in our parish activities and programs that made the past year 2017 productive and memorable for all of us. We look forward to another bright year ahead of us.

***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* installed the new ceiling fans and lights at the parish hall. Their services were rendered *gratis et amore for the greater glory of God*.

*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*

COMMITTEE * MINISTRY * ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS, contd.

Filipino Catholic Club - *Fe Go*

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 mortuary.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖ **Good Health / Successful Surgery:**

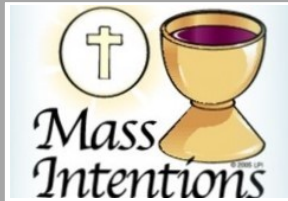
Alfredo Acedera * Elena Graham, Alfredo Eliazar Jr, Romeo Eliazar * Ronnie Aguiar * Ruperto Pescador * Sue Reynon * Celia Julian * Stedson Roe Botol * Teresita Dayoan * Tomasa Ursulum * Theresa Schwengler * Michael Schwengler * Balbina Padilla * Sheryl Kalaau * Lillian Ines * Emilia Licudine * Millie Pedro * Pelenato & Lagi Falaniko * Gloria Atudo * Purie Cortez * Zoe Villaflor * Gwen Zanellato * Manupuna Lakalaka, Sisitauleva Manukeu * Kathrine Sennett * James Paet * Marie Schwengler * Marian Gomes * Cres Paranada & Ashley Braceros * Tessie Fontanilla * Caroline Gruenhagen * Michele Schwengler * Noralyn Montemayor * George Calizar * George Helenihi * Bernard Mendonca * 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

❖ **Birthdays:** Rizalinda Teocson * Rayna Teocson * Anita Mariano Apdal * Natalie Capino * Mary Villanueva * Marina Agcaoli * Artemia Amian * Fr. Spa Silva * Aurora Cabico * Bryson Canoneo * Liberato Valdez * Rosita Dolomente * Maribel Dait * Roselani Ramones * Jeannie Layco * Purie Cortez * Ace Virgil Cabico * Juanita Ramos * Allison Balmores * Miguel Canoneo * Fr. Etuale Etuale * Jeanne Oshiro * Nida Flores * Nick Amian

❖ **Wedding Anniversaries:** M/M Marc & Clem Ulep * M/M Emmanuel Artates * Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen * Alfredo & Reby Acedera * Andy & Chita Magbojos * Nick & Artemia Amian * M/M Tom & Becky DeCorte (47) * M/M Jessie Mamac * M/M Urbano Acosta * Bredy & Shirley Dumot (28) * Paulo & Emma Ah Sam

❖ **Safe Travel:** Ed & Angie Balbuena & family

❖ **Deceased:** +Howard Komine 20th anniv) * +Esperanza Balmores, Hermogenes Calpito, Paula Balmores (8th anniv) * +Maria Balmores (birthday) * +Jose Calpito (27th anniv) * +Derna Kim, Helen & Jack Tui * +Carlos Pasion * +Anastacio Umbblas & Valentina Umbblas * +Lopecita Refuerzo, Naty Bautista, & Pancho Ignacio * +Jose & Narcing Carreon, Caroline & Martin Rodrigues * +Leonora Bautista (1st anniv), Victorio & Edison Bautista * +Doris Nakasone, Edward Young, Joe Akima * + Franco Alfredo Casino * +Candido, Romana & Charlie Puzon, Honorio Gamiao * +Glir Dagdagan * +Mildred Pascua, +Edward & Alice H. Chu * +Hazel Obetkoff * +Arsenio Balmores * +Verlie Cadiz, Loreto & Abner Duma * +Francisca Quinones, Meliton, Teofilo, Maria, Norma, Demetrio, Pedro, Apolonia, Abnomian * +Maxima, Akas, Segundo, Feliciano, Linda, Alicia, Crispina, Jesus, Noel, Potenciano, Margarita * +Modesto Bautista * +Elizabeth Ragaza * +David Galacgac * +Ped Panganiban * +Urbana Bacalso * +Virgilio Artates * +Ramil Domingo Ramirez * +Magdaleno Sanchez * +Annabelle Castillo * +Nelly A. Tadeo * +Raymond Caspillo * +For all the departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; Casualties of the 1941 Pearl Harbor bombing; +Those who have nobody to pray for them; +Souls in purgatory



Dec 24 > 8:30am Thanksgiving - *Gloria Atudo* * RIP +*Carlos Pasion*
Dec 25 > 8:30am Special Intention - *Gloria Atudo*
Dec 27 > 6:30am Birthday - *Rayna Teocson*
Dec 28 > 6:30am Birthday - *Natalie Capino* * Healing - *Leonor Tesoro; Tessie Fontanilla* * RIP

+*Maria L. Balmores & Jose Calpito (27th anniv)*
Dec 29-Jan 6 > 6:30am RIP +*Honorio Gamiao*
Dec 29 > 6:30am RIP +*Derna Kim, Helen & Jack Tui; +Venancio Domingcil; +Honorio B. Gamiao*
Dec 30 > 6:00pm Birthday - *Rizalinda Teocson* * Healing - *Alfredo Acedera* * RIP +*Leonora Bautista, Victorio & Edison Bautista; +Honorio Gamiao; +Mercy Mueller; +Jose & Gregoria Carreon, Carolina Tacderan*
Dec 31 > 6:30am Healing - *Alfredo Acedera* * RIP +*Leonora Bautista, Victorio & Edison Bautista; +Honorio Gamiao*
 > 8:30am (Missa pro populo) - *For parish & parishioners* * Thanksgiving - *M/M Olivia & Thomas Mita; Nick & Artemia Amian, Sixto Amian II & family, Kikkawa, Nishimura & Mateo families* * Birthday - *Natalie Capino* * RIP +*Policarpo Agustin (10th anniv); +Howard Komine (20th anniv); +Maria Balmores and Jose Calpito; +Sixto, Perpetua, Marina & Merlin Amian, Abundio, Francisco, Eugenia, Dominador & Emilio Sao, Melanio & Mirasol Mateo*
Dec 31-Jan 8 > 6:30am RIP +*Howard Komine*
Jan 1 > 8:30am Birthday - *Edna Gamiao* * RIP +*Stephen & Greg Rodrigues, Lil Perry, Ruth Saito*
Jan 1-6 > 8:30am RIP +*Honorio Gamiao*
Jan 5 > 6:30am Good health, safety & success in family & education - *Purie Cortez* * RIP +*Conrado Sonajo*

Don't Miss the **Deadline!** Please submit your **Mass intentions** by Thursday if you want them printed on time for the weekend Parish Bulletin. **Mahalo.**

NOVENA TO PERPETUAL HELP

The novena prayers to Our Mother of Perpetual Help is held regularly 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. Many have been helped by her 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.



CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

A spirited group gathers once a month to render spirit-filled praise and worship to God in hymns, prayers and sharing the Word of God. 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 the session accompanied by the music of *Rory Elefano* and the witnessing of *Kathy Ferreira* and the *Sts. Peter & Paul Charismatic Team*. The next session will be on January 17, 2018, Wednesday at 7:00pm in the parish hall.

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

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.

MASS SCHEDULE

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



Oahu Catechist Retreat 2018

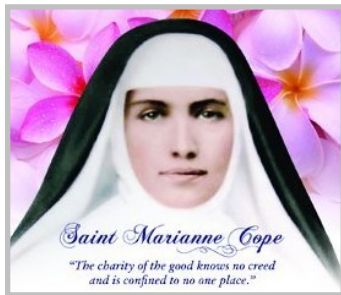
Let's Talk Story

When: Saturday, 20 January 2018 @ 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Where: Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
712 N. School Street, Honolulu, HI 96817

In Hawaii we love to talk story (and laugh!) Stories help to build/strengthen relationships, and impart wisdom. They can also be a powerful tool for evangelization and catechesis.

We'll celebrate Christ alive through the lens of Hawaiian cultural values such as mo'olelo (story-telling), ha'aha'a (humility), kuleana (responsibility) and more. And we'll give voice to our own stories as a tool for evangelization.

9 AM – 12 PM: Retreat with Dallas Carter
12 – 1 PM: Original Order Q & A with Jayne Mondoy
Bring your own lunch. No registration fees.
Register by January 15.
For registration assistance, contact Chad at cchun@rcchawaii.org or 808.203.6747

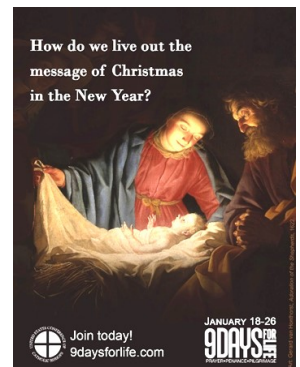


CELEBRATING ST. MARIANNE COPE
*180th Birthday Celebration on Oahu with Bishop Silva
When: Tuesday, 23 January 2018 @ 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Where: Saint Francis School, Almeida Center
2707 Pamoia Rd, Honolulu, HI 96822
All are invited.



RESPECT LIFE

How do we live out the message of Christmas in the New Year, rather than pack it away with the ornaments? Each year the Octave Day of Christmas falls on the first day of the New Year, on which we also celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. Her open heart and courageous "yes" to God show us how to live year-round—with hearts open to the Lord, following where He leads. We are called to place our trust in Him, to enter compassionately into the suffering of others, and to love one another as Christ loves us. Like Our Blessed Mother welcomed Jesus, we are called to cherish and protect the gift of human life, at every stage and in every circumstance. One way to live out the message of Christmas and follow Our Lady's example is to join 9 Days for Life, a digital pilgrimage of prayer and charitable action. The U.S. Catholic bishops invite you to join thousands of Catholics nationwide from Thursday, January 18 – Friday, January 26. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!



DEACON FORMATION INQUIRY WEEKEND



When: March 9, 2018 / Friday – March 11, 2018 / Sunday
Where: Saint Stephen Diocesan Center
6301 Pali Hwy, Kaneohe, HI 96744

ARE YOU CALLED TO BE A DEACON?

For more information, visit the Deacon Formation website at <http://catholichawaii.org/diocesan-offices/deacon-formation/>



SAVE-THE-DATE

Deadline for Longest Married Couple Nominations - January 8, 2018
Annual Priests' Retreat – January 8-12, 2018
Red Mass at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa - January 16, 2018
Ordination of Permanent Deacons at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa – January 18, 2018