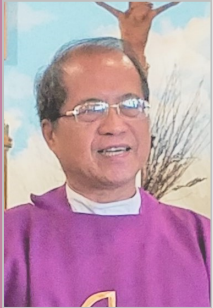


# OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH



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Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes  
Pastor



Rev. Adrian R. Gervacio  
Pastor-Emeritus



## .SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Psalm 98:1-4



## ADVENT: Prepare the Way of the Lord!



### Simbang-Gabi

\*December 16-24 - 9 Novena Masses before Christmas > 6:30pm with fellowship after the Masses.

This is a traditional series of 9 Masses and devotions celebrated in preparation for Christmas. They are called *Misa de gallo* or "Dawn Masses" in some parishes. OLM and other parishes celebrate them in the evening hence the name *Simbang-Gabi* meaning "Evening Masses". Bishop Larry Silva has been presiding in these masses for the past years and has done it at OLM, too.

We invite our parishioners to come and join the parish *ohana* in welcoming the birth of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. Potluck fellowship follows the Mass and it has been an occasion of festive gathering of old and new parishioners. This is the occasion that anyone can share in the spirit of Christmas by bringing their favorite serving.

\*Weekday Masses in the morning are suspended during the *Simbang-Gabi*.



### ORDER OF ASSIGNMENTS IN THE SIMBANG-GABI

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GROUPS-IN-CHARGE</u>
16 - Sunday	Ilocano Choir
17 - Monday	Music, Decorating & Hospitality Ministries
18 - Tuesday	Catechists
19 - Wednesday	Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion
20 - Thursday	Knights of Columbus
21 - Friday	Outreach, Kokua, Hospital & Prison Ministries
22 - Saturday	Jr. Filipino Catholic Club & Altar Servers
23 - Sunday	Filipino Catholic Club & Visayan Group
24 - Monday	Pastoral Council, Finance Council & Stewardship Committee



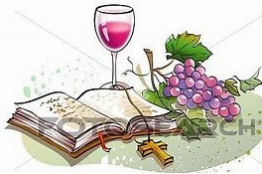
**ADVENT PENANCE & RECONCILIATION**  
December 11, 2018 - 7:00 pm, Tuesday

*Let us prepare our hearts for  
the coming of the Lord  
this Christmas by going to Confession.  
Guest-confessors will be available.*



## Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes



### Next Sunday's Reading Third Sunday of Advent

**First Reading**  
Zephaniah 3:14-18

**Responsorial Psalm**  
Psalm 12:2-6

**Second Reading**  
Philippians 4:4-7

**Gospel**  
Luke 3:10-18

**First Reading:** Baruch 5:1-9

This passage in Baruch is a response to the destruction of Jerusalem. Written from the Babylonian captivity, the author directly addresses Jerusalem. It offers a vision of total restoration, in which the Holy City is raised back up and restored to glory.

**Second Reading:** Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Here we experience Paul's deep and heartfelt gratitude for the faithful partnership of the community at Philippi. His prayer for the members is joyful and confident, grounded in God's promise. His desire that their love and discernment increase, along with their purity and blamelessness, is as relevant a prayer for disciples today as it was in Paul's time.

**Gospel:** Luke 3:1-6

Luke borrows the imagery from Isaiah as he introduces us to John the Baptist, the cousin of Jesus and whose echo begins preparing people for the coming of the Prince of Peace. He is a pioneering figure, hearing God's word and springing into action, going out into the entire region to proclaim baptism for forgiveness of sins. The list of important persons of the day that starts this Gospel passage situates John within the culture and the age.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

\*The catechists will have their monthly meeting on December 9, after the Sunday classes. Let's pray for our hard-working volunteer-catechists that God reward them for their patience and love in forming our children in the Christian life.

\*For December, the students will engage in *Christmas craft-making* which they will present as gifts to elderly folks in Care Centers. Advent Reconciliation for Group 1 is on December 9; for Group 2 on December 16. They will also participate in the *Christmas tableau* at the *Christmas Vigil Mass* on December 24.

\**Dorothy Pregil* is leading the implementation of the comprehensive Youth Ministry Program among our children.

\*For more info, please contact *Lucille Mohika*, the RE Coordinator, or any Catechist.



### CLERGY AND STAFF

Pastor - Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes  
Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Adrian R. Gervacio  
Office Assistant - Sr. Clemence Mira, spc  
Office Coordinator - Bella Miranda  
Religious Education Coordinator - Lucille Mohika  
Bookkeeper - Yvonne Tuihalafatai  
Technology Consultant - Jun Cortez

### PERSONNEL

Custodian - Lolito Dullin  
Music Ministry & Choir - Mary Ann Llamedo

### COMMITTEE \* MINISTRY \* ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council & Education (RCIA) - Clementina Ceria-Ulep  
Finance Council - Rebecca Jandoc  
Stewardship Committee - Marcelino Ulep  
Hospitality Committee - Mark Correia  
Liturgy Committee & Respect Life Ministry - Francisca Kovaloff  
Outreach Coordinator & Family Fun Night - Tom DeCorte  
Kokua & Food Pantry Ministry - Becky DeCorte  
Parish Planning and Building Committee - Joyce Oliveira  
Youth Ministry - Dorothy Pregil  
Young Adult Ministry - c/o Lucille Mohika  
Altar Servers - Angie Balbuena  
Eucharistic Ministry - Cleo Bala-Casino  
Lector Ministry & Receptionist - Gloria Rodrigues  
Altar & 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 - Andresito Magbojos  
Prison & Hospital Ministries - Wilfred Soong  
Stewardship Counter & Receptionist - Linda Puzon  
Cemetery Maintenance - Kalolo Tuihalafatai  
Santo Niño Devotion & Visayan Ministry - Cleto Patoc  
Parish Bulletin Editor - Fran Kovaloff

**Choir Practice:** Parish Choir: Wed. 4:30-6:00pm; Sat. 9:00-10:30am  
Ilocano Choir: Thu. 7:30pm

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

**Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction:** After the First Friday 6:30am Mass

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

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

**Religious Ed. Classes:** 9/9/18-5/26/19 Sundays, after the 8:30am Mass.

**Confirmation & First Holy Communion:** Candidates must be baptized.

**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.

# Stewardship News & Announcements

## PRAYER FOR A STEWARDSHIP PARISH



Dear Heavenly Father,  
 my parish is composed of people like me;  
 I help make it what it is.  
 It will be friendly, if I am.  
 Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.  
 It will do great work, if I work.  
 It will make generous gifts to many causes,  
 if I am a generous giver.  
 It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship,  
 if I invite and bring them.  
 It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and  
 faith, and a parish with a noble spirit,  
 if I, who make it what it is,  
 am filled with these same virtues.  
 Therefore, with Your help, O God, I shall dedicate myself  
 to the task of being all things that I want my parish to be.  
 Amen.

### MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>11/24-25/18</u>	<u>12/1-2/18</u>
Saturday (6:00 pm)	58	74
Sunday (6:30 am)	89	87
Sunday (8:30 am)	157	147

### SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS



	11/24-25/18	12/1-2/18
Saturday (6:00 pm)	\$ 678.65	\$ 739.00
Sunday (6:30 am)	\$ 669.00	\$ 1,507.00
Sunday (8:30 am)	\$ 1,089.00	\$ 768.56
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 40.00	\$ 379.00
Ilocano Mass	\$ 212.00	\$ NA
Donation	\$ 50.00	\$ NA
Donation-Save Our Conv.	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
All Souls Day	\$ 37.00	\$ NA
Immaculate Conception	\$ NA	\$ 15.00
Christmas	\$ NA	\$ 10.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 1,423.00	\$ 30.00
Catholic Camp. Human Dev.	\$ 70.00	\$ NA
Baptism Certificate	\$ 20.00	\$ NA
Funeral	\$ NA	\$ 500.00
Hall—Insurance	\$ 195.00	\$ 300.00
Candles	\$ 80.00	\$ 135.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,063.65</b>	<b>\$ 4,883.56</b>

*"God is fair, he will not forget the work you did and the love you showed for him by helping his people."  
 Hebrews 6:10*

## OLM STEWARDSHIP: "Serving Compassionately" \*Testimony by: Aida Isidro



I would like to share how my husband and I were empowered to offer our time and talent for our church. Back in the early 1990's, we only attended Sunday Mass and never involved in any ministry. But one day when someone approached me to be a member of the Filipino Catholic Club I immediately said YES. I attended the FCC meetings and their activities until I got elected Treasurer which I still do. I went on to volunteer as Lector and Hospitality chairperson. In 1995, I became President of the Filipino Catholic Club. We made it our special project to install a wrought iron fence along Nihl St. including erecting stone walls and rolling iron gate. We raised funds for the materials by selling huli-huli chicken. My husband Roger volunteered to chair the project and asked other key parishioners to help with the manpower. The women cooked and served lunch for the workers. The equipment and other materials were donated. In 3 months, the project was completed thru free labor and the power of love.

In 2007 I felt called again to share my talent and time. Fr. Adrian appointed me Chair of the Finance Committee. I was then working as full-time caregiver to my Mom and Dad who lived with us. Family commitment comes first, and it becomes more difficult to budget our precious time. But by working harmoniously with my members as a team we were able to serve for the betterment of our church through the years.

They say, "If there's a will, there's a way." So, when other projects came like painting the church interior and exterior including the bell tower, the challenges were hurdled more easily. My husband Roger chaired the project and called again for the involvement of parishioners. Their sharing of time and talent produced an awesome result.

My husband and I are blessed to serve the Lord and his church. Sharing our time and talent is very rewarding, maybe not financially but spiritually. So, we continue what we enjoy doing, whether as Lector, Hospitality minister, Planning and Development member or Repair and Maintenance man or simply volunteer here and there for the love of the Lord and the church. We hope that you are encouraged and motivated to do the same.

\*Aida (formerly Baptista) and Roger have been parishioners of OLM since 1970. They recently celebrated their 49<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and have 2 children, a Civil Engineer son and Registered Nurse daughter, and have 4 grandchildren. Both are well-known in the parish and have served in various leadership and key positions of responsibility. Roger is in the Planning & Development and Repair & Maintenance teams. Aida was head of the Finance Committee, Hospitality Ministry and FCC. She is currently the FCC treasurer, Pastoral Council member, a Lector, Stewardship Counter and volunteer office assistant.

## 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:

#### \*\*\*GIFTS OF LOVE

- ❖ We acknowledge all generous contributions which support our pastoral programs and ongoing projects as well as the basic operation of the Church and the rectory. We, the priests, the parish staff and leaders, deeply appreciate and gratefully acknowledge all dear parishioners who faithfully and steadily support our Church with their prayers, stewardship and personal involvement in our parish activities and programs.
- ❖ We thank *Eleanor B K Muller* for her early Christmas gift of \$1000.00-check to OLM.
- ❖ The Church got a new presidential chair ordered from the Mainland thru the generous donations of the *Ilocano Ministry members*. The side chairs and altar server seats are also refurbished with new upholstery and fresh varnish as their additional gifts of love to the Church in time for the Christmas holidays. The total cost is \$2,634.31. Big *mahalo!* We can only say: *God loves cheerful givers!*
- ❖ We are grateful to *Cathy Sanchez* for her stewardship giving of \$1,000.00 for the "Save the Convent Dance Night Fund-raiser" as well as other direct *Anonymous Donors* to the fundraiser which was spearheaded by the *Santo Nino de Cebu Visayan Ministry*.
- ❖ Another gift-donation of \$500.00 for the "Save the Convent" ongoing fundraiser was received from *Felicidad Orsino*. We do appreciate such generosity with grateful hearts.

\*\*\***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.



❖ **REPAINTING THE PARKING LANES** – *Kalolo Tuihalafatai* of the Parish Facilities & Maintenance Team was seen sprucing up the parking lot with fresh white paint. It will last for a span of two or more years.

❖ **PRE-CHRISTMAS CLEANING** – Sincere Thank You goes to *Aida Isidro & Rosie Jacinto* for providing the main food items at the lunch that were served for the volunteer cleaners. Thank you all who shared cheerfully your blessings of time, skills and material assistance.

❖ **CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS** – Festive decors and glittering lights were put up around and inside the buildings including the classrooms, rectory, hall and church by *Doi Facuri, Moses Andres, Mark Correia & Fran Kovaloff*. The Knights of Columbus led by *Sir Knights Andy Magbojos, Al Villanueva and Frankie Cabral* also decorated their usual spots in the church belfry and the evergreen trees in front of the parish hall. Meanwhile, *Adoracion Padilla* brought bunches of flowers and season's wreaths for the sanctuary and other parts of the church. They certainly add much to the heartwarming spirit and ambience of Christmas.

❖ **MAINTENANCE JOB** – *Roger Isidro, Adriano Daligcon, Paul Valbuena & Jun Cortez* have been doing the skilled maintenance odd jobs in the church and rectory fixing and repairing leaks or busted fixtures. *Jun & Paul* just fixed to a mobile cart the big TV screen from the Priests' quarters. We deeply appreciate their untiring sharing of their time, skills and services.

❖ **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. Among them, *Marivic Palting* takes charge of the plants and flower decorations at the sanctuary. If you are interested to join, please see *Roselani Ramones*.

❖ **GARDENERS** – The decorative plants by the church are being nurtured and taken cared of by the Visayan Community led by *Jun & Nida Flores* and *Eddie & Cita Lucero*. The grounds and backyard landscape are kept trim by *Clem Fontanilla* who also checks the gate and locks at the end of the day.

❖ **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* and the *Llamedo Band*.

❖ **PARKING ATTENDANTS** – Before and after Masses and during funerals and occasional functions they are directing traffic and the proper positioning of vehicles in our limited parking lot. They are happy to serve but it is not always easy especially when some would not heed their directions. Let us show our grateful appreciation for their patient and kind services by respectfully cooperating with them in keeping smooth flow of traffic and parking in the church grounds. *Mark Correia* is the Hospitality Ministry coordinator.

\*\*\*Our parish is always welcoming and open to 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.

**VOLUNTEER**  
all that's missing is **U!**

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



- Dec 3 > 6:30am RIP +Ped Panganiban
- Dec 5 > 6:30am Birthday - Frankie Cabral
- Dec 7 > 6:30am Good health & family safety - Purie Cortez \* RIP +Antonio Garcia  
> 6:30pm Vigil Mass of the Immaculate Conception
- Dec 8 > 8:30am Feast day of the Immaculate Conception; Safe trip - Renato & Cora dela Rosa
- Dec 8 > 6:00pm Birthday - Fr Etuale Etuale; Jeanne Oshiro \* Healing - Val Elliazar, Bella

Miranda, Guy Miranda, Millie Pedro, Tessie Fontanilla; Lorraine Freitas; Segundo Facuri; Steve Tapat \* RIP +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues, Antone & Veronica Schwengler; +Gail Silva; +Antonio Garcia; +Leona

Dec 9 > 6:30am Healing - Avelina Fralaide; Betsaida Vila; Manuel & Lisa Espindola \* RIP +Isabelo, Martina, Benjamin & Magdalena Orcino; +Melita Vila; +Victoriano & Isabel Salvador, Aurelio & Aleja Acosta & deceased relatives of Constantino & Mevelyn Acosta \* +Deceased relatives & members of the Balbuena family

> 8:30am (Missa pro populo) - For parish & parishioners \* Good health & speedy recovery - Rizza delos Santos; Mary Atudo; Ropati Liua; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* RIP +Ernesto & Zavier Ventura; +Teodoro & Herarda Acosta, Aurelio & Aleja Acosta & deceased relatives of Esegia & Consuelo Acosta; +Magdaleno Sanchez & deceased relatives and family members of Cathy Sanchez and Balbuena family

Dec 10-14 > 6:30am Healing - Rizza delos Santos; Ropati Liua, Tessie Fontanilla, Doi Facuri



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

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

❖**Good Health / Successful Surgery:** Betsaida Vila \* Rizza Eugenia delos Santos \* Val Elliazar, Bella Miranda, Guy Miranda, Millie Pedro, Tessie Fontanilla \* Ropati Liua \* Trinidad Corpuz \* Timothy P Barroga Sr \* Maria Ambrosio \* Orlando Artates \* Pat Laca \* Florentina Cabral \* Michael Javines \* Vicenta Baron \* Marie Schwengler \* Anthony Maunakea \* Gloria Atudo \* Petronila Jandoc \* Cris & Crescencia Paranada \* Steve Tapat \* Avelina Orcino Fralaide \* Crescencio Paet \* Manuel & Lisa Espindola \* Jose Cadiz \* Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* William Char \* John Guieb \* Nellie Tomas \* Mae T. Kuboyama \* Doi Facuri, Simeon Facuri & Mariano Facuri \* Jesse Ulep \* Alfredo Acedera \* Ely Purganan \* Tomasa Ursulum \* George Calizar \* Aida Padua \* Reynold Guerrero \* Lydia Bondad Andres \* Cherry Vives \* Katrina Santos \* Joann Gibbs \* Florentino Sotto \* Hazel Rodrigues \* John Pregil \* Marvin & Sally Moore \* Clara Adlawan \* Marilou Bruno \* Gregory Raguindin \* Jeanne Oshiro \* Stanley & Martha Castro \* Charlie Newman

❖**Birthday:** Fr Etuale Etuale \* Jeanne Oshiro \* Gracelyn de Vega \* Frankie Cabral \* Andres Ibera \* Lemoto Manukeu \* Armelita Canoneo \* Andrea Aguada \* Marina Torio \* Dorie Mina \* Aida Valbuena \* Nenita B Barroga & Naomie B Malacas

❖**Wedding Anniversary:** Tom & Becky Decorte (48) \* Roger & Aida Isidro (49) \* Kalolo & Yvonne Tuihalafatai (36) \* Charles & Elizabeth Apuan (65) \* Leo & Marilyn Zamora (32) \* Edward & Teresita Dayoan (56)

❖**Special intention & Thanksgiving:** Special blessing for all supporters and donors of the "Save Our Convent" Fund Drive \* For the success of the Stewardship campaign at OLM \* For all catechists, youth ministers and children in the Religious Education program \* For the RCIA Catechumens \* For all seminarians in the Diocese \* Inez & Marcy Remigio \* Ibera family \* Maxima Ellazar \* Rosita Dolormente \* Marlene Calventas & Ohana \* Rufina Buenafe \* Renato & Cora dela Rosa \* M/M Vicente Velasco & family \* Bacani family \* Gloria Atudo \* Purie Cortez

❖**Safe trip:** Luida Susa \* Robert Liua, Pamata & Sulia Liua \* Renato & Cora dela Rosa \* Joe & Julie Manuel \* George & Tita Calizar \* Susan Mita

❖**Deceased:** +Pio Enrico \* +Gail P. Silva \* +Isabelo, Martina, Benjamin, Magdalena Orcino \* +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues \* Antone & Veronica Schwengler \* +Elizabeth Ragaza \* +Antonio Garcia \* +Ernesto & Zavier Ventura \* +Ped Panganiban \* +Leona \* +Melita Vila \* +Nelly, Gaudencio & Aurora Tadeo \* +Tito Ulep \* +Marcelina Rivera, Rustico A. Rivera, Simeon C. Alonzo, Consolacion Garcia \* +Frederick Cheet \* +Ben Sanchez \* +Elpidio Calucag \* +Pulileka Tuihalafatai \* +Simplicio Canoneo \* +Deceased loved ones of Ferrer family, Apolonio, Patricio, Fernando, Faustina, Jacoba & Demetrio Ferrer and Zosima Alverne \* +Florentina Ellazar \* +Mary Sunae Haruno \* +Beatrice Loman \* +Agaton Reynaldo Gualberto \* +Angela & Nicolas Balbuena, Fabian & Laurena Balbuena, Pastor & Malwenda Balbuena, Petronilo, Teodulo, Maximo, Felipe & Eulalia Balbuena, Magdaleno Sanchez, Clemente Ogates, Graciano Tenaja, Fr. Raymond Kolk, Mary & Helen Halpin \* +Pedro Domion Sr \* +Bernardo Centino II \* +Dorotea Gabriel Villanueva \* +Medsura Raguindin \* +James Rodrigues Sr \* +Nick Amian \* +Primo Soliven Ritumban \* +Pelenato Falaniko \* +Shirley DeCorte \* +Leticia Serapion Castillo \* +For all the 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



**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



# Parish Calendar, News & Announcements



### Feast Date

- Dec 11** St. Damasus I, pope
- Dec 12** Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Dec 13** St. Lucy, virgin & martyr
- Dec 14** St. John of the Cross, priest & doctor of the Church  
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- Dec 9** > RE Children's Reconciliation #1, after the 8:30am Mass  
> Catechists Meeting, after classes, Convent Chapel  
> Filipino Catholic Club Meeting, after the 8:30am Mass, Hall
- Dec 11** Advent Reconciliation & Penance Service, 7:00pm
- Dec 12** Workshop: Helping Millennials Grow in Faith, St. Stephen Diocesan Center, 3:00pm to 6:00pm
- Dec 13** Novena Mother of Perpetual Help, 7:00pm
- Dec 16** RE Children's Reconciliation #2, after the 8:30am Mass
- Dec 16-24** Simbang-Gabi, Novena Masses, 6:30pm, fellowship to follow
- Dec 24** Religious Education Program, Tableau, Christmas Vigil Mass
- Jan 8 2019** Verbum Dei Bible Study, 6:00pm

### SANTO NINO NOVENA

The *Santo Nino de Cebu Ministry of the Visayan Community* is currently holding a novena of 9 Fridays in preparation for the *Feast of the Infant Jesus, Santo Nino*. They are doing it in the Church at 7:00pm on Fridays, and later have fellowship at the hall. Everyone is invited to join them. The group is headed by *Anacleto Patoc*.



### BIBLE STUDY



The "*Verbum Dei*" Bible Study program is on recess for the Christmas season. It will resume on January 8, 2019. The "*Verbum Dei*" Encounter is tailored for Catholics who want to understand better the teachings of God and of the Church based on the Sacred Scriptures. It is held weekly on Tuesdays, 6:00pm-7:00pm and facilitated by *Bro. Firmo Dayao*. Everyone is invited and welcomed to attend. There are no fees to the course, but donations are accepted.



## 2018/2019 Bishop's Circle

### Dear Diocesan Family,

If you haven't already heard about this year's Bishop's Circle, please click on the attached link for more information:

<http://www.catholichawaii.org/12075>

**Per Bishop Larry Silva, your donations are vital to many ministries, services and operational costs – especially YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY.**

**MAHALO for your stewardship of time, talent and in this case, TREASURE.**

**Mark Clark**  
Diocesan Director  
Stewardship & Development

**P.S. Please be generous, online at: <https://stewardship.catholichawaii.org/> or mail your check to Bishop's Circle-1184 Bishop St-Honolulu HI 96813.**

### NOVENA TO PERPETUAL HELP

The novena prayers to Our Mother of Perpetual Help is 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 prayers for various needs have been granted by her intercession thru this popular devotion. She will also guide us in living a meaningful and genuine Christian life. Come as a family and be blessed.



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**L.O.L.**  
*(Laugh Out Loud)*  
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Channel 30  
The Eternal Word Television Network, more commonly known by its initialism EWTN, is an American basic cable television network which presents around-the-clock Catholic-themed programming. It was founded by Mother Angelica, PCPA, in 1980 and began broadcasting on August 15, 1981.

### HOME FOR RENT



Upper Kalihi, newly renovated: 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 parking. No pets, shared utilities, long term, \$1,800. Available now! Call 220-0947.



## Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.  
retiredreligious.org



## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (RFR)

\*Second Collection: December 8-9, 2018

### Aging Religious Need Your Help

Many senior Catholic Sisters, Brothers, and Religious Order Priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your support and gift to today's second collection help provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious.

Please be generous and give to those who have given a lifetime.

Your gift provides vital support for retired and senior Catholic Sisters, Brothers and Religious Order Priests. Thank you!



### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

## Free Workshop: Helping Millennials Grow In Faith by Magis Center

When: Wednesday, December 12, 2018 @ 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Where: Saint Stephen Diocesan Center, 6301 Pali Hwy, Kaneohe, HI 96744

*Christianity's core beliefs don't change, but every age group has its key questions - the driving themes that shape their attitudes about God, the human person, and Jesus Christ.*

Through the generosity of [The Magis Center](#) and Fr. Robert J. Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., those who teach religion to 5th-12th Graders and those who serve as Young Adult Coordinators are invited to a **FREE WORKSHOP** that will provide **instruction on the effective use of resources**, so they can better provide all students, especially millennials, comprehensive and systematic responses to revitalize belief in God, the transcendent dignity of every person, the significance of virtue, the higher levels of happiness, love, and freedom, and the real presence of Jesus Christ.

This **free workshop at St. Stephen Diocesan Center, 3:00 – 6:00 PM, December 12, 2018**, is for Religion Teachers, Young Adult Coordinators, and those interested in practical resources supporting evangelization efforts in the Catholic church. It will be presented by *Janel Whaley*, Regional Director of Education Development for the Magis Center. We will also use "gotomeeting" so that the neighbor island teachers and coordinators can also "attend."

**Call Mona Ishihara at #203-6759 or email [mishihara@rcchawaii.org](mailto:mishihara@rcchawaii.org) to save your spot.**

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR TEACHERS AND YOUNG ADULT COORDINATORS ARE AWARE OF THIS EXCELLENT PROFESSIONAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITY!**



## CHAMINADE SCHOLARSHIP

Chaminade University of Honolulu offers its students an education in a collaborative learning environment that prepares them for life, service and successful careers. In keeping with its tradition of developing leaders in the community, they are seeking candidates for their *Religious Scholarship Programs*. Recipients of these scholarships may receive a tuition discount of 50%-75% and may also qualify for need-based financial aid. Scholarships are renewable if the student is academically successful. Learn more about the Religious Scholarships and find out if you're eligible at [Chaminade.edu/scholarships](http://Chaminade.edu/scholarships).



OUR CHURCH COOKBOOK

Our Lady of the Mount 150<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary  
RECIPE FOR COOKBOOK



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If you have any questions, please contact Fran Kovaloff at 228-2909 or email to: [fkovaloff@rcchawaii.org](mailto:fkovaloff@rcchawaii.org).  
DEADLINE: JANUARY 31, 2019

I hereby give permission for my recipe to be published in the 2020 Our Lady of the Mount 150<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary Cookbook.

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