

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

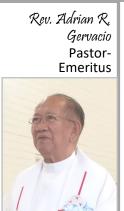
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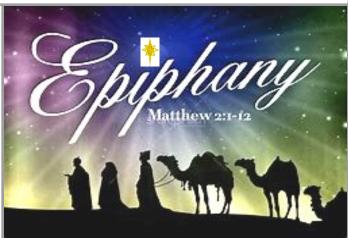




Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes Pastor









Blessed Feast of the Epiphany





MAHALO TO DEACON

On the 8th Simbang-gabi last December 23 at OLM, Deacon Raffy Mendoza of the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa joined us. He assisted Fr. Edgar as Deacon of the Altar and he preached the homily. It was so wonderful of him to come and join us also at the fellowship.



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.

***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 brightened up the parking lot with fresh white paint. It should be good to last for a span of two or more years.

❖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 a bigger TV screen from the Priests' quarters, compliments of Fr. Adrian. 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*.

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Pastor's Corner



First Reading Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Second Reading Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7 Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 104:2-4, 24-25, 27-30

Gospel

Next Sunday's Reading The Baptism of the Lord

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

By Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Isaiah poetically describes the light that has shone on Jerusalem. The exiles have returned, and they must not downcast, but walk with eyes raised. There has been a total transformation. The heart of the text is a reminder of the glory of God in Israel's—and our—midst.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

The author of Ephesians remind the community that God has made mystery known to him by revelation. He was not a companion of Jesus; the Spirit has brought him the grace to speak of Christ to the community and to proclaim that Jesus is not just the Savior of the Jewish people but of all – gentiles included.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

The story of the visit by the Magi appears only in the Gospel according to Matthew. Here we see wise figures, most likely astronomers seeking out the newly born king to pay him homage. The number three is a late interpretation, as are names for these mysterious figures. The gifts acknowledge the infants regal stature; and hint at the anointing that will await him in death. This story underscores the universality of the Messiah, who has come to redeem all.



Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian humbly receive the "Prayer for Our Priests," from the Parishioners on January 1, 2019, at the Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

"Prayer for Our Priests"

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests, **Fr. Edgar** and **Fr. Adrian.**

Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments.

May they continue to be strong in their vocation.

Keep their souls on fire with love for your people.

Grant them the everlasting wisdom, understanding, and strength

they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Always inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.

Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel.

May they always experience joy in their ministry and

remain instruments of your divine grace.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Ve ask this through the intercession of Mary, the Holy Mother and Jesus Christ, her son, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest.



They presented these men to the Apostles who first prayed over them and then imposed hands on them. Acts 6:6

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❖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.

TO ALL THE GOOD STEWARDS. OUR SINCERE THANK YOU



Stewardship News & Announcements

"As stewards we seek to bring the peace of Christ to every aspect of our lives and to each person we meet." 2019 Catholic Family Appointment Calendar

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR



Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the gift of a new year. You have entrusted us with the coming days, weeks and months as stewards of your divine plan; to live in gratitude, joy, and an ever growing confidence in your Kingdom to come.

We ask for the humility to reform our lives; the courage to commit ourselves to you no matter the cost; and the wisdom to shine the light of faith on others.

Open our hearts, give us your Spirit and show us how to share your love so that we may bring hope to a world in need of your justice and peace.

We pray to be a sign of your grace in this new year through your son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

MASS ATTENDANCE

Simbang-Gabi (SG	6:30	pm

12/16 - 125	12/19 - 122	12/22 - 142
12/17 - 122	12/20 - 129	12/23 - 158
12/18 - 127	12/21 - 113	12/24 - 130

Christmas Day 12/25 (8:30 am) - 151

	<u>12/22-23/18</u>	<u>12/29-30/18</u>
Saturday (6:00 pm)	See above	75
Sunday (6:30 am)	65	79
Sunday (8:30 am)	128	122

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS



Saturday (6:00 pm) Saturday (6:30 pm—SG) Sunday (6:30 am) Sunday (8:30 am) Repair and Maintenance Donation	\$\$\$\$\$\$	NA 207.63 925.00 1,193.55 53.00	\$ \$ \$ \$	890.00 NA 1,235.00 922.00 21.00
-Priest Chair (Ilocano Chr)	\$	1,555.76	\$	NA
-Stage Curtain (Ilocano Chr)	\$	920.00	\$	NA
-Simbang-Gabi	\$	1,789.65	\$	1,184.36
-Simbang-Gabi Spons.	\$	420.00	\$	130.00
Christmas Midnight Mass	\$	NA	\$	1,117.00
Christmas	\$	290.00	\$	2,595.25
Solemnity of Mary - 1/1	\$	NA	\$	20.00
Mass Intentions	\$	50.00	\$	635.00
Candles	\$	91.00	\$	239.00
Killians Candle	\$	NA	\$	168.95
Fil. Cath. Club Caroling	\$	305.00	\$	NA
Mission Store	\$	10.90	\$	NA
Total	\$	7,811.49	\$	9,157.56

[&]quot;Depend on the Lord in whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." Proverbs 16:3

OLM STEWARDSHIP:

"Serving Compassionately" *Testimony by: Arlene Nishimura

My first connection with OLM was my baptism back in 1970. My three kids also received the sacraments of baptism, holy communion and confirmation here at OLM.

There was a period of my life that I separated from the church. After receiving the

sacraments of holy communion and confirmation from St Anthony's Church in Kalihi, I stopped attending mass for several years.

Then I saw my father attending church every Sunday with grand-mother. He gently encouraged me to join him. I slowly returned back to church. Initially, I attended church during the holidays. Most often I felt uncomfortable and out of place coming to church. But I gradually attended church every Sunday. Now there is a feeling of uneasiness when I don't attend mass. There is a sense of incompleteness to my day and myself.

My need to become an active parishioner came with the pregnancy of my third child. I had not planned for a third child. At that time, I was not working full time. I was a substitute teacher to help my family financially. However, our bills kept coming and our daily living expenses increased. For the first month after learning about my pregnancy, I cried every night and had conversations with God. I kept asking God, "Why? Why now? How am I going to care for another child when I don't have a job?" After about a month of this, I stopped crying. My conversation with God was different this time. I told God that I would put my life in his hands. I realized he must have a plan for me and that he knew what was best for me.

I believe I'm living HIS plan and enjoying MY best life. My surprise blessing, which is my youngest son, and his two older siblings fill my life with love, happiness and adventure. It was during this trying time that I found my calling in my chosen career. I returned to school for my Master's degree in Education and have been a teacher at Farrington High School (FHS) since then.

God had given me so much...it was time to give back to Him through time, talent, treasure. I decided to share my talent and time by teaching Sunday school and did so for approximately 10 years. My children also shared their time and talent by being altar servers for many years. I have also dedicated my time and talent outside of church by serving as advisor for the sophomore class and the National Honor Society at FHS. I am active at my children's school as a Board Director and committee chair for the Moanalua HS Music Program. I help with band practices every Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and donate my time and resources to their marching band events and concerts.

It is my hope you find your inspiration to share your time, talent and treasure to our Lord, our church and our community. $\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \frac{1}{2} \int$

*Arlene is mother of three and employed as a teacher at Farrington High School. She is a regular Sunday mass-goer together with her family which is a great inspiration to many. She was a volunteer catechist at OLM while her children served as Altar Servers. They were also active participants in the Youth Ministry.





Dec 30 > 8:30am RIP + Albert, Caridad, Abnomian, Jerry, Maria, Corazon, Norma, Crispina, Jesusa, Pedro, Dominador

Jan 1 > 8:30am (Happy New Year!) Birthday - Edna Gamiao * Thanksgiving - M/M Noemi Joseph & Mila Llantero * RIP +Greg & Steven Rodrigues, Lil Perry, Ruth Saito; +Tita Brillantes

Jan 4 > 6:30am For good health, safe work & driving - *Purie Cortez* * Thanksgiving - *Silver & Marivic Palting* * RIP + Ana Francisca & Ricardo Mateo

Jan 5 > 6:00pm For good health, safe driving & for tenants - Purie Cortez * RIP + Apolonia Fontanilla; + Honorio Gamiao; + Leonora, Edison & Victorio Bautista; + John Pregil; + Mabel Santos

Jan 6 > 6:30am Wedding anniversary - Adriano & Norma Daligcon * Healing - Manuel & Lisa Espindola * RIP + Honorio Gamiao; Leonora, Edison & Victorio Bautista

> 8:30am (Missa pro populo) - For parish & parishioners * Thanksgiving - M/M Alex Pe Benito; Esegia & Consuelo Acosta * Special intention - Gertrudis Mina * Good health & speedy recovery - Rizza delos Santos; Ropati Liua; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * RIP +William Char

Jan 7-11 > 6:30am For all Priests attending the Annual Clergy Retreat



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



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖Good Health / Successful Surgery: James Paet & Tessie Fontanilla * Francisco "Frankie" Bitagon * Lucille Mohika * Aurelio Agamao * Betsaida Vila * Rizza Eugenia delos Santos * Val Elliazar, Guy Miranda, Millie Pedro * Ropati Liua * Trinidad Corpuz * Timothy P Barroga Sr * Maria Ambrosio * Orlando Artates * Vicenta Baron * Marie Schwengler * Petronila Jandoc * Cris & Crescencia Paranada * Avelina Orcino Fralaide * Manuel & Lisa Espindola * Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * John Guieb * Nellie Tomas * Simeon Facuri & Mariano Facuri * Jesse Ulep * Alfredo Acedera * Ely Purganan * Tomasa Ursulum * George Calizar * Aida Padua * Lydia Bondad Andres * Cherry Vives * Katrina Santos * Joann Gibbs * Florentino Sotto * Hazel Rodrigues * Marvin & Sally Moore * Clara Adlawan * Marilou Bruno * Gregory Raguindin * Jeanne Oshiro * Stanley & Martha Castro * Charlie Newman

❖Birthday: Herman Tesoro (100) * Jose Rizal Go * Jayden Castro * Rizal Hernandez * Rizza de Guzman * Norma Daligcon * Edna Gamiao * Cora Sagucio * Natalie Capino * Roger Isidro * Anita Apdal * Mary Villanueva * David Bacus * Edwin Agno * Minda Teocson * Fr. Spa Silva * Avelina O. Fralaide * Bryan Andaya * Liberato Valdez * Michael Javines

* Rose Paulo * Krystle Teocson Parinas * Aurora Cabico * Ruperto Pescador * Ace Virgil Cabico * Allison Balmores * Jeannie Layco * Purie Cortez

- **♦ Wedding Anniversary:** Adriano & Norma Daligcon * Andy & Chita Magbojos * Emmanuel & May Rose Artates * Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen
- ❖ 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 * Gertrudis Mina * M/M Alex Pe Benito * Esegia & Consueo Acosta * Noemi Joseph & Mila Llantero * Vanni Layne Aurelio Gapuz for passing the CPA Board Exam * Cora Orcino * Purie Cortez
- ❖ Safe trip: Lolito Dullin * Adoracion Padilla * Alohilani Andres (Deployment)
- *Deceased: +Ana Francisca & Ricardo Matio * Apolonia Fontanilla (3rd anniv) * Honorio Gamiao * Leonora, Edison & Victorio Bautista * +Greg & Steven Rodrigues, Lil Perry, Ruth Saito * +Tita Brillantes * +Bessie Soong & James Soong * +Derna Kim, Helen & Jack Tui * +Jose Calpito * +Cralina Tacderan * +William Char * +Edward Chu, Alice Chu, Mildred Pascua * +Rogelio Agcaoili (1st anniv) * +Oriol Aurelio, Dolores & Amante Aurelio, Bert Aguinaldo * +Maria Teresa Cabaluna * +Glir Dagdagan * +Esperanza Balmores, Paula & Maria Balmores * +Arsenio Balmores * +Candido, Romana & Charlie Puzon & Honorio Gamiao * +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas * +Lourdes, Lucas Sabanal, Elena Meguiso, Canuto Patoc * +Crisencio Sabanal * +Pio Enrico * +John Pregil Sr * +Mabel Santos * +Esperanza Bareng * +Ana Francisca Mateo * +Gail P. Silva * +Isabelo, Martina, Benjamin, Magdalena Orcino * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues * Antone & Veronica Schwengler * +Elizabeth Ragaza * +Nelly, Gaudencio & Aurora Tadeo * +Marcelina Rivera * +Juana Duldulao Longboy * +Lilia Casison Bugarin * +Ben Sanchez * +Pulileka Tuihalafatai * +Deceased loved ones of Ferrer family, Apolonio, Patricio, Fernando, Faustina, Jacoba & Demetrio Ferrer and Zosima Alverne * +Florentina Ellazar * +Beatrice Loman * +Magdaleno Sanchez * +Pedro Domion Sr * +Bernardo Centino II * +Medsura Raguindin * +James Rodrigues Sr * +Nick Amian * +Pelenato Falaniko * +Shirley DeCorte * +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 News & Announcements, contd.



PARISH BUILDING & MAINTENANCE

The committee chair, Joyce Oliveira, writes:



Roger Isidro has organized a team of volunteers to complete the lower roof replacement at the Convent Building. The roofing contractor, *Tory's Roofing*, quoted approximately \$13,000 to replace these small portions of the roof; however, to save church money, *Roger* and *Rudy Fiesta* (members of the Planning and Building Committee) volunteered to do the repairs themselves with just the materials to be purchased by the church.

Please note Roger, Rudy as well as Adriano Daligcon, Paul Valbuena, Eddie Dayoan, and Jesse Maalab are scheduled to work on this project this <u>Sunday, January 6th after the 8:30 am Sunday mass</u>. The only cost to the church would be approximately \$1,500 for supplies, lunch and drinks.

Finally, I understand *Kalolo Tuihalafatai* and his cousin *Fredy Sole* repaired the church ceiling (as reported in the Dec 30th bulletin) free of charge while *Roger Isidro* donated lunches and wine for the two. We have very talented and caring parishioners who continue to share their time and personal resources in many meaningful ways.

Thank you,

Joyce





KOKUA & FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

ANNOUNCEMENT

by Becky DeCorte, Ministry Chair

On <u>January 1 & 2, 2019</u> the *OLM Kokua Ministry* will be closed for the holiday observance of New Year. It will reopen on January 15 & 16 to continue serving the indigent members of the community.

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 App 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.



Parish Calendar, News & Announcements

Feast Day

Jan 7 St. Raymond of Penyafort, priest

Jan 6 Religious Education (RE) Classes resume after the 8:30am Mass

Jan 7 Liturgy Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Rectory Conference Rm

Jan 7-11 Annual Clergy Retreat 2019, St. Stephens Diocesan Center

Jan 8 Verbum Dei Bible Study, 6:00pm Jan 9-14 9 Days for Life, Respect Life Program

Jan 10 Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help, 7:00pm

Jan 11-13 Hawaii Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service

Jan 12 Luncheon Fundraiser - Carmelite Nuns, St. Theresa Co-Cathedral, 10:00am to 2:00pm

Jan 13 > Catechist Meeting, 11:00am, Parish Hall

> Filipino Catholic Člub Meeting, after the 8:30am Mass, chapel

> Feast of the Infant Jesus, Santo Nino, 3:00pm Mass

Jan 15 Red Mass, 9:00am, Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

Jan 20 RE Children's Mass, 8:30am

Jan 21 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Holiday, Office is closed

Jan 26 Pastoral Council Meeting, 7:00am, Rectory Conference Room

Feb 9 2019 Stewardship and Development Day, 8:00am - 2:00pm, Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pearl City



SANTO NINO FIESTA

The Santo Nino de Cebu Ministry of Honolulu is celebrating the 39th Annual Fiesta of the famous Santo Nino de Cebu on January 13, 2019. They have been holding a novena of 9 Fridays as a spiritual preparation for the feast. They are doing it in the Church or in members' homes at

7:00pm on Fridays, and later have fellowship at the hall. The group is headed by C*leto Patoc*, pictured.

The fiesta celebration has the theme "One Beat, One Dance, One Vision" and will commence at 3:00pm with the concelebrated Holy Mass which includes the blessing of Santo Nino images or statues, followed by procession and the traditional sinulog dance. Everyone is invited to join the festivities and enjoy special performances, a Christmas presentation, Zumba and dancing.

NOVENA TO PERPETUAL HELP



The novena prayers to Our Mother of Perpetual Help is held every <u>Thursday at 7:00pm</u> 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.

骨 OBITUARY

+LILIA CASISON BUGARIN, 71

Wake Service: January 4, 2019, 6:30pm at

Hawaiian Memorial Park

Mortuary

Funeral Mass: January 5, 2019, 11:30am, at

OLM Church

Interment: 2:30pm in Valley of the Temples

Memorial Park

+JOHN PREGIL SR, 81

Public viewing: January 22, 2019, 9:30am-10:30am Funeral Mass: January 22, 2019, 10:30am, at OLM

Church

Interment: 1:00pm in Hawaii State Veterans

Cemetery

+JUANA DULDULAO LONGBOY, 95

Wake Service: January 25, 2019, 6:00pm at Diamond

Head Mortuary

Funeral Mass: January 26, 2019, 9:30am, at OLM

Church

Interment: 11:00am in Valley of the Temples

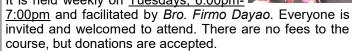
Memorial Park

"ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, O LORD."
HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILIES.

BIBLE STUDY

The "Verbum Dei" Bible Study program is on recess for the Christmas season. It will resume on <u>January 8</u>, 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 <u>Tuesdays</u>, 6:00pm-



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One friend to another: "You drive the car and I'll pray." "What's the matter? Don't you trust my driving?" "Don't you trust my praying?"



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.





ANNUAL CLERGY RETREAT

The Priests in the Diocese of Honolulu are holding their Annual Retreat from <u>January 7-11, 2019</u> at the St. Stephen Diocesan Center. The Retreat Master is *Rev. Jeremy Driscoll, OSB*, the Abbot of Mount Angel Abbey in Portland, Oregon (*pictured*). He will be speaking on "*Resurrection*" – *What it is and what it means for us?* Our priests, *Fr. Edgar* and *Fr. Adrian*, are attending. But there will still be daily Mass in our Church. Let us pray for our priests just as they pray for us all.

PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE INSTRUCTION

The state law allowing physician assisted suicide, euphemistically called the "Our Care, Our Choice Act" went into effect on January 1, 2019. Bishop Larry Silva issued in November a decree giving Instruction Regarding Sacraments and Funerals in Situations Involving Physician Assisted Suicide. The diocesan task force responding to the new state law conducted a "Session for Explanation, Discussion and Questions" related to the Bishop's Instruction on January 3, 2019 at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral Hall.

The session was facilitated by the *Very Rev. Mark Gantley*, the Judicial Vicar and Director of Canonical Affairs (*pictured*), and attended by *Priests and Deacons*, *Parish Staff*, *Those involved in Ministry to*

the Sick and Homebound and Those involved in Funeral and Bereavement Ministry from the Vicariates of East and West Honolulu.

The delegation from OLM consisted of – Angela Goodbody, Fran Kovaloff, Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC, Bella Miranda, Cora Orcino, Gloria Rodrigues, Rachel Soong, Wilfred Soong, Fr. Adrian Gervacio and Fr. Edgar Brillantes.

Hawaii Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services 4th Winter Charismatic Conference

January 11-13, 2019

Catholic Charities Hawaii, 1822 Keeaumoku St, Honolulu, HI 96822

Theme: "NEW SEASON, NEW CREATION"

Keynote speakers: Jim Beckman - serves as the Executive Director of

Evangelization and Catechesis for the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City; and *Father Joseph Freedy*. the parochial vicar at Holy Child and St. Barbara Parishes in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania.



SAVE THE DATE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF PEACE

Downtown Honolulu (1184 Bishop Street, Honolulu, HI 96813)

The Red Mass has been a tradition since 1955 for government officials and the community to gather at the beginning of the Legislative Session to pray together.

The 2019 Red Mass will feature Cardinal Peter Turkson, Prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development.



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LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT THE CARMELITE NUNS

January 12, 2019, 10:00am-2:00pm St. Theresa Co-Cathedral





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2019 STEWARDSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT DAY

When: Saturday, February 9, 2019 @ 8:00 AM-2:00 PM

Where: Our Lady of Good Counsel 1525 Waimano Home Road Pearl City.HI 96782

Mass and Opening Address by Bishop Larry Silva.

Continental breakfast, vendor displays, and workshops presented by national and local experts.