

Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church

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Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes Pastor

Rev. Adrian R. Gervacio Pastor-Emeritus

149TH ANNIVERSARY: 1870-2019 "Celebrating as God's Family"



BLESSED FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY!



DIVINE MERCY

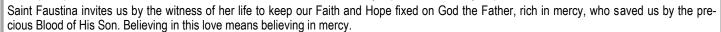
The Second Sunday of Easter is the Feast of the Divine Mercy. The Lord himself asked Sister Faustina Kowalska, now a saint, to pray and work towards establishing a feast of the Divine Mercy. He said that on this feast day the Lord pours out a whole ocean of graces upon all who approach the fount of his mercy. Anyone who will go to Confession and Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.

In preparation for the feast, the Lord instructed Sister Faustina to make a novena of chaplets and prayers from Good Friday to the following Saturday which we did at OLM after the weekday Masses and before the Sunday Masses.

The Lord told Sister Faustina to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy unceasingly. By doing it, her prayers would have great power for the conversion of sinners, for peace for the dying and in controlling nature.

The Lord Jesus also taught the Three O'clock Hour as a special daily remembrance of 3 o'clock, the very hour he died for us on the Cross.

St. Faustina of Poland is the well-known Apostle of Divine Mercy. On April 30, 2000, the Second Sunday of Easter, His Holiness Pope John Paul II canonized Blessed Sister Faustina on St. Peter's Square. That day was Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope John Paul himself would be canonized on this same feast day, April 27 in 2014, by Pope Francis.



"The Lord of Divine Mercy," a drawing of Jesus based on the vision of St. Faustina, shows Jesus raising his right hand in a gesture of blessing, with His left hand on his heart from which gushed forth two rays, one red and one white. The picture contains the message, "Jesus, I trust in You!" (Jezu ufam Tobie). The whole image is symbolic of the mercy, forgiveness and love of God.







First Holy

Communion





May 12 has been scheduled for the Confirmation and First Communion of our children in the Religious Education program. We are honored to have Bishop Larry Silva as the officiating minister. That day is also the Catechists' Appreciation Day. So, while we rejoice and celebrate with our children and the loving parents at their reception of the sacraments we also praise and thank God for our Parish Catechists led by Lucille Mohika. They are volunteers who unselfishly offer their time, talent and services for the faith formation of our children and young people with dedication and love. Incidentally, May 12 is also the day when the entire nation remembers and honors all mothers. Let's have a grand day with the Lord and with one another in our parish ohana!



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 Responsorial Psalm Psalm: 30:2. 4-6.11-13

Second Reading
Revelation 5:11-14

Gospel John 21:1-19

First Reading: Acts 5:12-66

In Acts, Luke offers several descriptions of how the Risen Christ and the gifts of the Spirit given at Pentecost had transformed the followers of Jesus. The disciples, in the name of the Risen Christ, were able to perform many signs and wonders. People were awed, overwhelmed, and attracted all at the same time.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:9-11, 12-13, 17-19

Easter's victory comes only after the Cross. So it was for Jesus, so it will be for John, who is imprisoned on the island of Patmos because of his witness to Jesus. His vision of the victorious Lord sustains and encourages him. His vision is likewise a call to make known what he sees and hears.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

The Risen Christ comes into the midst of his fearful disciples, bringing them peace, gifting them to bring forgiveness. Thomas, who was absent, does not believe the witness of the others. A week later, he is with the disciples gathered again behind locked doors. Jesus invites Thomas to see, to touch, and to believe; Jesus pronounces a blessing on all who will believe without seeing. We are among them.

FR. EDGAR'S 39TH ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Fr. Edgar on the 39th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priest-



hood. We pray for his continued dedication and service to us People of God in OLM and everywhere as he also prays for us. Let us join him in a modest fellowship this Sunday, April 28, at 11 am and show our wholehearted support for his priestly life and ministry. Ad multos annos!

RCIA GRADUATES

Congratulations to the newly-initiated members of the Church. Having gone through the stages of the *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*, *Gerald Bacus* and *Dave Bacus* received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist on Easter Vigil, April 20. *Gerald* and *Dave* are brothers whose foster parents, *Marc* and *Clem Ceria-Ulep* adopted them from the Philippines. They



Dorothy Pregil, Gerald & Dave Bacus and Fran Kovaloff

underwent intensive weekly catechesis under the mentorship of parish catechist *Dorothy Pregil*, who, together with *Francisca Kovaloff* became their sponsors. We joyfully welcome them to our parish *ohana*.

BIBLE STUDY COURSE GRADUATES

CONGRATULATIONS to the graduates of the "Verbum Dei" Bible Study program, a weekly catechesis on the Catholic faith based on the Holy Scriptures.

They ended the one-year course on April 9, 2019, and culminated it with a one-day *Spiritual Recollection* on April 13. The awarding of *Certificates of Attendance & Completion* is done today, <u>April 28</u> right after the 8:30am Mass.

We are grateful to *Bro. Firmo Dayao* who volunteered to facilitate the entire course in our parish and capably steering it with his expertise. It has been well-attended by Parishioners from OLM and other parishes with a 30-40 average regular



participants. He is following it up with another one-year course on the *Parables of the Lord* at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral beginning <u>April 23</u>. Everyone is welcomed to go and attend. There is no fee charged. May the Lord prosper this praiseworthy work of evangelization.#

Stewardship News & Announcements

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

As we celebrate the glorious Resurrection of the Lord we renew our commitment to Jesus Christ in love and service.



*A Christian Steward is: one who receives God's gifts gratefully * cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner * shares them in justice and love with others

* returns them with increase to the Lord



PRAYER FOR GOOD STEWARDSHIP Christ Our Savior,

As we celebrate your Resurrection at Easter, we see with a deeper awareness our world's desperate need to experience the healing power of your justice and peace.

Make us sacraments of your mercy and instruments of your compassion.

Show us how to be better stewards of your people; through our families, our brothers and sisters with whom we share your Eucharist, our neighbors, and the stranger.

Show us how to carry the cross so that by dying to ourselves we may give new life to others.

And strengthen our faith, so that we may proclaim your Easter triumph more confidently, every day, in word and deed.

AMEN

MASS ATTENDANCE

	4 <u>/13-14/19</u>	4/20-21/19
Saturday (6:00 pm)	76A+1C	·
(7:00 pm)		143A+19C
Sunday (6:30 am)	125A+0C	107A+0C
Sunday (8:30 am)	172A+40C	155A+45C
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SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

Saturday (6:00 pm)	\$	836.00			
(7:00 pm)			\$	1,899.00	
Sunday (6:30 am)	\$	703.75	\$	894.18	
Sunday (8:30 am)	\$	1,285.85	\$	1,545.00	
Initial Offering	\$	0.00	\$	7.00	
Repair and Maintenance	\$	65.00	\$	1,030.00	
Easter	\$	24.00	\$	NA	
Holy Thursday	\$	56.00	\$	1,495.47	
Holy Thursday - Rice Bow	1\$	3.71	\$	1,441.50	
Good Friday - Holy Land			\$	1,830.00	
Baptism	\$	10.00	\$	NA	
Hall	\$	NA	\$	95.00	
Candles	\$	155.00	\$	171.00	
Young & Young Adult Min. \$			\$	294.00	
Mission Store	\$	17,00	<u>\$</u>	NA	
Total	\$	3,202.31	\$1	10,702.15	

"We should love people not only with words and talk, but by our actions and true caring," 1 John 3:17-18

GOOD STEWARDS LEARN TO DEVELOP GOD'S GIFTS

By Rev. Joseph D. Creedon, Pastor Emeritus, Christ the King Parish, Providence, Rhode Island

God has blessed each of us with many gifts and our task is to discover, acknowledge and develop those gifts. Some of our gifts we discover ourselves; other gifts have to be pointed out by others. One of life's greatest challenges involves discovering and developing all of our God-given gifts. Parents, siblings, teachers, coaches, scout leaders and friends play an important role in this journey. Once we know we have a gift, we have to believe in the gift and commit ourselves to developing it.



We have to work on our gifts and have the discipline to hone them to perfection. Blessed John Cardinal Newman once said, "Nothing would be done at all if one waited until one could do it so well that no one could find fault with it." Many people are afraid to test their gifts. Fear of failure, it seems, is pervasive. We are not born with a fear of failure. Fear grows on us. Fear wears many disguises – fear of failure, fear of success, fear of ridicule, fear of not belonging, fear of looking foolish – to name but a few. All of fear's disguises lead to stagnant energy. Fear always brings with it inertia and inertia always leads to stagnation. No one develops their gifts responsibly without risk-taking, hard work and overcoming fear.

The gift of balance is key to being able to ride a bicycle; the process of discovering that gift is repeated many times in our lives. Life is a series of failures that morph into successes sometimes without our realizing it or knowing how it happens but it does. We had to learn how to be brothers and sisters, we had to learn how to be husbands and wives, and we had to learn how to be friends and neighbors. We need to learn how to be good stewards of the many gifts God has given us; to discover them, cherish them and not be afraid to develop them.

*Lifted from e-bulletin of International Catholic Stewardship Council (ICSC)



MAHALO TO GOOD STEWARDS

Stewardship is responsible sharing in gratitude 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 through the regular Sunday offering envelopes and donations. 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.

★MAHALO to: *William & Mitronia Amoroso for their donation of \$1000 (4/21/19) for the Parish Repairs & Maintenance Fund. May God reward them a hundredfold.

*Locations Foundation, a real estate company, for their donation of \$294.00 for the benefit of the OLM Youth Ministry. The amount was pooled from the donations of Location's agents and staff as their way of giving back to the community and reach out particularly to organizations dealing with children and families. The donation was given on behalf of Yvonne Tuihalafatai who is our current bookkeeper

- *Alfredo & Andrea Baptista celebrate this year their 57th Wedding Anniversary and donated to OLM \$153.00 to mark the occasion.
- *Julie Manuel for her donation of a new cloth-cover for the piano in the parish hall.
- *The Ilocano Choir & Ministry for their donation of a new beautiful stage curtain to replace the old one at the parish hall.
- * We appreciate and thank the generous donors and benefactors of the Easter goodies that were distributed to the children on Easter Sunday.
- *Rey & Minda Teocson delivered their gift of 1-year supply of shell leis for use in greeting and welcoming visitors and celebrants of special occasions. Rey & Minda also donated \$1,000 for the Church daily operations to mark their 34th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations and more blessings!
- *Fr. Robert Stark, SSS of the Diocesan Office for Social Ministry for awarding OLM Parish the \$1,500 Rice Bowl Grant from the Diocese of Honolulu One 'Ohana: Food and Housing for All.
- ***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.
- ❖BUILDING & MAINTENANCE Under the lead of *Joyce Oliveira*, the Parish & Maintenance Committee selected the winning bid for the replacement of the old louver windows in the Convent. The contractor is *KKTF Hawaii* who will install *PlyGem Pro Line*, white vinyl, double-hung with insulated clear low-e sliding glass windows at the contract price of \$40,942.81. The amount is taken from the funds raised from the "Save the Convent" fundraising in May and November 2018 as well as from direct donations.
- *Volunteer parishioners *Jun Cortez* and *Paul Valbuena* teamed up to put up the Easter fountain in the Church for use on Easter Vigil and throughout the Easter season. With grateful hearts we appreciate them for rendering their expert services. We also thank *Sio Tuitopou* for preparing the fire for the Easter Vigil celebration.
- ❖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 care 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 doors and locks the gate 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 and their practices on Wednesdays and Saturdays. 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



Apr 22-26 > 6:30am Healing - Caridad Dagdagan; Valentina Elliazar; Liberato Valdez

Apr 25-26 > 6:30am Healing & Health - Andrea Baptista; Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC * Wedding anniversary - Alfredo & Andrea Baptista

Apr 27 > 6:00pm Healing - Caridad Dagdagan; Valentina Elliazar; Jeannie Oshiro

Apr 28 > 6:30am Thanksgiving for gift of life - Linda Puzon * Healing - Tessie Fontanilla; Manuel & Lisa Espindola * RIP +Candido, Romana & Charlie Puzon, Honorio Gamiao; +James Rodrigues Sr; +Irineo Gervacio

> 8:30am (Missa pro populo) - For parish & parishioners * Health - Caridad Dagdagan; Josepine Jojo Barnachea; Urbano Acosta; Rizza Go delos Reyes; Ropati Liua; Liberato Valdez; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * Thanksgiving - Gloria Atudo; by the Graduates & Facilitators of the successful Bible Study Course * RIP +Feliberto Eder; +Simplicio Canoneo; +Simon Cenence; +Pablo Padunan; +Carlos Pasion

Apr 29 > 6:30am Birthday - *Linda Puzon*

May 2 > 6:30am Birthday - *Valentina Elliazar*



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: Andrea Baptista * Sr. Clemence Marie Mira, SPC * Josephine Jojo Barnachea * Linda Puzon * Angelique Ibera * Caridad Dagdagan * Avelino Peneyra * Michael Schwengler * Rizza Go delos Reyes * Tim Johnson * Guy Miranda * Tessie Fontanilla * Valentina Elliazar * Ropati Liua * Timothy P Barroga Sr * Maria Ambrosio * 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 * Joann Gibbs * Florentino Sotto * Hazel Rodrigues * Marvin & Sally Moore * Clara Adlawan * Marilou Bruno * Gregory Raguindin * Jeanne Oshiro * Stanley & Martha Castro * Charlie Newman

❖ Birthday: Linda Puzon * Valentina Elliazar * Andy Llamedo * Carlito Centino * Maria Luisa Montaus * Charito Sipalay * Adriano Daligcon * Angela Goodbody * Alfredo Acedera * Isidra Bautista (72) * Crescencia Acosta * Caridad Dagdagan * Segundo "Doi" Facuri * Loreta Tabin * Adoracion Padilla * Guillermo Bacani * Renato dela

Rosa * Emeline Bacani * Brenton & Brandilyn Aczon * Avalyne & Alyna Andaya * Grace B. Andrade * Joe Ceria * Sr. Dora Nuetzi, MM * Clemente Fontanilla

- **❖Wedding Anniversary:** Alfredo & Andrea Baptista (57) * Moses & Christina Andres (60) * Carlito & Aurelia Centino (37) * Oscar & Josephine Isidro (44) * Rey & Rizalminda Teocson (34) * Andres & Merlyn Ibera (55) * Alvin & Jane Baron (28) * Liberato & Rosario Valdez (42)
- ❖Ordination Anniversary: Fr. Edgar Brillantes (39)
- ❖ 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 newly baptized & confirmed * For all seminarians in the Diocese * Linda Puzon * Graduates & Facilitators of the Verbum Dei Bible Study * Purie Cortez * Gloria Atudo * Theresa, Michael & Marie Schwengler * Angie Sera & family * Bryan Andaya * M/M Constantino Acosta * Cora Orcino * Marlyn Calventas & family * M/M Alex Pe Benito * Silver & Marivic Palting
- ❖Safe trip: Angie Goodbody * Rose Dafang * Ted & Del Agbayani * M/M Noemi Joseph & Mila Llantero
- Deceased: +Feliberto S. Eder * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Candido, Romana & Charlie Puzon, Honorio Gamiao * +Servillano Tabonda Sr * +Pablo Padunan * +Georgina Gomes, Angel Maekawa, Angel Martinez * +Irineo Gervacio * +Carlos Pasion * +James Rodrigues Sr * +Prima Nono * +Deceased family & relatives of Celerina Pamaylaon * +Nicolas & Rene Mira * +Violet & Walter Freitas * +Norberto Montaus Jr * +Ricardo, Ana Francisca & Patricio Mateo, Teresita Lucanias, Leonarda Palting, Anthony Gutierrez * +Evaristo dela Cruz * +Hugo & Yoko Cuistas * +Orlando Artates * +Roman Ujano * +Cora Custado * +Cecilia Carvalho, John Carvalho, Ramon Rodrigues * +Fr. Lawrence Mampaey * +Caroline Rodrigues, Georgina Gomes, Bessie Soong * +Felina B. Higa * +Glir Dagdagan * +Benny Montemayor * +Pastor, Wennie, Walter & Max Balbuena; +Segunda Ferrer; +Magdaleno Sanchez * +Florencio Clemente * +Juan Teocson Sr * +Jovito Alcantra, Pio & Consuelo Alcantra, Conrado Benitez Sr * +Benjamin C. Mabini * +Roberto Martin Eusebio * +Ramon V. Agbayani * +Josie Pascua Pascual * +Julio Asuncion Andres * +Henaro dela Cruz Agbayani * +Juana Duldulao Longboy * +John Pregil Sr * +Beatrice Loman * +Nick Amian * +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

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Parish Calendar, News & Announcements

Feast Days

Apr 29 St. Catherine of Sienam virgin & doctor of the Church

Apr 30 St. Pius V, pope

May 1 St. Joseph the Worker

May 2 St. Athanasius, bishop & doctor of the Church

May 3 > First Friday, Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 6:30am Mass

> Sts. Phillip & James, Apostles

OLM Activities

Apr 28 > Verbum Dei Encounter Bible Study - distribution of Certificates of Completion & Attendance, 8:30am Mass > Fr. Edgar's 39th Ordination Anniversary Potluck Luncheon, 11:00am.

Apr 30 Verbum Dei Encounter Bible Study Class #6, 6:00pm, CC St. Theresa Social Hall; pls bring a dish & snack to share; & water, paper products and utensils which are not provided

May 1 Lei Day

May 2 Novena to Perpetual Help, 7:00pm

May 5 Cinco de Mayo

May 6 Liturgy Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Rectory Conf. Room

May 12 > Mother's Day

> Religious Education - Confirmation & First Holy Communion, 8:30am Mass, followed by joint fellowship, parish hall

> RE Catechist Appreciation; joint fellowship, parish hall after the 8:30am Mass

May 26 RE Last day; no class; awarding of certificates; fellowship

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BAPTISM – April 28, 2019

Welcome to the newly-baptized infants:

❖ Child: BRANDON LEE RAMOS DOMINGO

Parents: Juan Johny Cacas Domingo & Myra Guira Ramos Godparents: Winston Bannister Jr & Sheena Kinoshita

❖ Child: MALIA LOSEMALEI VAINGA OFA KI LAT'IE SOLE Parents: Lisiate Alekisanita Sole & Feaomoeata Amelia Manupuna Godparents: Lakalaka Manupuna & Odetta L. Manupuna

Congratulations to the loving Parents and Godparents!

¹ OBITUARY

+SIMON PAGDILAO CENENCE, 80

Funeral Mass: May 20, 2019, 6:30pm at OLM

Church

Interment: May 21, 2019, 12:00pm at

Diamond Head Memorial Park

IRINEO J. GERVACIO, 82

Funeral Mass: May 21, 2019, 10:30am at OLM Church

Interment: 12:00pm at Valley of the Temples

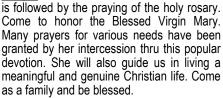
Memorial Park

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



NOVENA TO PERPETUAL HELP

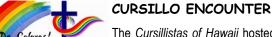
The novena prayers to Our Mother of Perpetual Help is held every <u>Thursday at 7:00pm</u> in the Church. This



EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Come and join the Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration for one Holy Hour Adoration on the First Friday of the month,

May 3, right after the Holy Mass at 6:30am. On this Easter season, we pray for new life in the Risen Lord, for love and harmony in our families, peace in the world, conversion of sinners and increase of priestly and religious vocations. We take time also to converse quietly and personally with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament lifting up to him our petitions, aspirations, gratefulness and personal concerns. The Holy Hour will close with the Benediction.#



The Cursillistas of Hawaii hosted the 22nd Regional Encounter of the Asia-Pacific Group of the Cursillo Movement from April 25-28 at the St. Anthony Retreat Center in Kalihi Valley. They provided the logistics and needed assistance. The delegates came from various countries across the Asia-Pacific region such as Australia, Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, etc.

The guests included the officials of the world body of the Cursillo movement (*OMCC*) – *President Juan Adolfo Moguel Ortiz* and Spiritual Advisor, *Bishop Faustino Armendariz Jimenez* of Queretaro, Mexico. *Bishop Larry Silva* of Honolulu presided the Holy Mass and gave the homily for them on <u>Friday</u>, April 26.

The Encounter celebrated the charism of the movement as well as deliberated on the Cursillo's expanding role in evangelization, ongoing faith formation and witnessing to Jesus in the members' daily life and personal renewal.

The Cursillos of Hawaii will also have their Region XI 2019 Spring Encounter in Fresno, CA on May 3-5. Our Pastor, Fr. Edgar, will be joining the Hawaii delegates and attending as the Spiritual Advisor. Fr. Danny Laeda, Chaplain of St. Francis Hospice, will cover for Fr. Edgar at the Sunday Masses on May 5. De colores!