


# Our Lady of the Mount Church

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT




*Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes*  
Pastor

*The  
Transfiguration  
Of  
Jesus*



*Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio*  
Pastor-Emeritus



From the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." *Matthew 17:6*

# BLESSED SEASON OF LENT

### 150<sup>TH</sup> PARISH ANNIVERSARY (1870-2020) EVENTS

#### ❖ March 7-8: SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING & HEALING

\*In all the Masses this weekend we shall administer the Sacrament of Anointing with the Holy Oil for the seriously ill and for all folks aged 70 and above. We also take this time to pray for all those afflicted by the deadly corona virus and our deliverance from the covid-19 epidemic.



\*Anointing of the Sick is a Sacrament of the Church and is offered to Catholics who are dangerously ill due to sickness or injury and for all folks at the age of 70 and up. The Sacrament is for serious mental or emotional illness as well and for those who are about to have major surgical operations or deployed in the battlefield. While we should not be excessively concerned about the degree of seriousness of the condition, the casual participation in the Sacrament must be avoided in good conscience.

#### ❖ RELIGIOUS FILM SHOWING

\***March 11 / Wednesday at 6:00 PM** in the Parish Hall

\*Title: **THE FOURTH WISE MAN**

The gripping story of one man's unstoppable search for the true meaning of life. Based on Henry van Dyke's classic, "The Story of the Other Wise Man," it is set in Biblical times and told in gently comic terms.

It concerns a Magi named *Artaban* (Martin Sheen) who studies the prophecies and witnesses a sign in the heavens that he hopes will lead him and his faithful servant *Orantes* (Alan Arkin) to the Messiah. For 33 years, *Artaban* and *Orantes* pursue the Messiah only to miss Him at every turn. The story culminates on Easter Sunday when *Artaban* finally encounters the new King, bringing peace to his final moments of life.

\*Snacks will be served. Sponsored by the *Adult Faith Formation* and *Stewardship Committees*.



#### ❖ STATIONS OF THE CROSS

\***Every Friday of Lent at 6:30 PM: Next day is March 13**

\*Come and join this cherished traditional Lenten devotion with fellow parishioners following the Lord's Way of the Cross and reflecting on his great love and sacrifice for us all. The parish councils, committees, ministries and organizations take turns in leading the devotion.

*"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you." Psalm 33:22*



## Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



### Next Sunday's Reading

Third Sunday of Lent

#### First Reading

Exodus 17:3-7

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

#### Second Reading

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

#### Gospel

John 4:5-42

### First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4

This Reading begins with the Lord's commands and promises, followed by Abram's unquestioning obedience. Though Abram is the main character, it is God who takes the initiative, makes promises, acts decisively, and is always faithful. To receive God's blessing, Abram must go forth from his land and from all that is familiar, prosperous, and secure, without knowing where God will lead him. Along with this life-changing command, God makes seemingly impossible promises to old Abram, who had no heir. God promises to make of Abram a great nation, later telling him that his descendants will be as countless as the stars of the sky. Abram's belief in God's promise of blessing and his obedience even in the face of unimaginable testing present him as a model of faith. Receiving blessing not only for himself, Abram becomes a source of blessing to others.

### Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8-10

In this Reading, Paul assures Timothy that God provides the strength to live in fidelity to the Gospel. After the exhortation, Paul moves to a poetic proclamation for the whole community. Paul's hymn reveals God's saving actions and the grace bestowed "on us" in Christ. The first two divine actions, "save" and "call," focus on God's power and purpose. God has saved us from sin so we can live a holy life.

### Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

The Gospel reading tells of the Transfiguration of Jesus. Matthew highlights the extraordinary newness evident in Jesus. When he ascends to a mountain, Jesus himself radiates a divine presence that his disciples witness. A voice from the cloud utters the same message to them as heard at Jesus' baptism: he is God's beloved son to whom his disciples must listen. Shortly before the transfiguration, Jesus had told them about his coming passion and death, a teaching that they neither understood nor accepted. Now they must listen to Jesus' teaching, just as Moses and Elijah had listened to the voice of God. Jesus tells them they must leave the shining glory of the mountain and continue the journey that will take them to Jerusalem and all that he had foretold.

#### CLERGY AND STAFF

Pastor - Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes

Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Adrian R. Gervacio

Office Manager - Francisca Kovaloff

Office Coordinator - Bella Miranda

Religious Education Coordinator - Lucille Mohika

Bookkeeper - Deacon Rafael Mendoza

Technology Consultant - Jun Cortez

#### PERSONNEL

Custodian - Lolito Dullin

Music Ministry & Choir - Mary Ann Llamedo

#### COMMITTEE \* MINISTRY \* ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council & Stewardship Council - Marcelino Ulep

Finance Council - Rebecca Jandoc

Liturgy Committee, Respect Life & Safe Environment Ministry -

Francisca Kovaloff

Religious Education Coordinator - Lucille Mohika

RCIA - Dorothy Pregil

Youth Ministry / Altar Servers / Education - Ropati Liua

Altar & Decorations Ministry - Roselani Ramones

Eucharistic Ministry - Cleo Bala-Casino

Hospitality Committee - Mark Correia

Lector Ministry & Receptionist - Gloria Rodrigues

Outreach Coordinator & Family Fun Night - Tom DeCorte

Sick & Homebound Ministry - Bella Miranda

Kokua & Food Pantry Ministry - Becky DeCorte

Parish Planning and Building Committee - Joyce Oliveira

Website & myParish App Administrator - Tita Calizar

#### COMMITTEE \* MINISTRY \* ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS (Contd.)

Filipino Catholic Club - Fe Go

Ilocano Ministry & Choir - Silverio Palting

Knights of Columbus - Andresito Magbojos

Prison & Hospital Ministries - Wilfred Soong

Stewardship Counter & Receptionist - Linda Puzon

Crisis Management / Cemetery Maintenance - Kalolo Tuihalafatai

Santo Niño Devotion & Visayan Ministry - Cleto Patoc

Parish Bulletin Editor - Fran Kovaloff

**Choir Practice:** Parish Choir: Wed. 4:30-6:30pm; Sat. 8:00-10:30am.

Ilocano Choir: Thu. 7:30pm (Ilocano Mass - every third Sunday at 6:00pm)

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

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

**Mother of Perpetual Help Novena & Rosary:** Thursdays, 7:00pm, Church.

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

**Religious Education Classes:** 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 Wednesday, 8:30-10:00am.

**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.

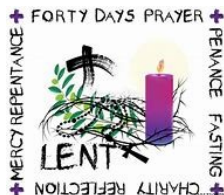
\* **Wake and Funeral Services:** Before making arrangements w/the mortuary.

# Stewardship News & Announcements

## CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

"Loving another person involves the joy of contemplating and appreciating their innate beauty and sacredness, which is greater than my needs."

\*Vocation: Family, Witness and Mission Calendar, March 2020, J.S. Paluch Company, Inc.



### STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

God of mercy,  
 you have given us this special time  
 to reflect on our lives, believe in the Good News  
 and draw closer to you.  
 May this season of Lent  
 help us be good stewards of this time:  
 to fast and pray, be more generous and show others how  
 to live in Christ.  
 Let us see each day of this season  
 as a new opportunity to renew our lives  
 and gain a deeper appreciation of Your active presence in  
 us and our community of faith.  
 Give us the grace to see Your face in others, especially  
 the poor and those who suffer.  
 And through your Spirit, enkindle in us the fire of Your  
 love so that we may be better stewards of Your redeem-  
 ing work throughout the world.  
 We ask this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, in the unity  
 of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.  
 Amen.

### MASS ATTENDANCE

|                               | <u>2/29-3/1/20</u> | <u>2/22-23/20</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Saturday (6:00 pm)            | 64+1C              | 52A+0C            |
| Sunday (6:30 am)              | 54A+0C             | 52A+1C            |
| Sunday (8:30 am)              | 118A+14C           | 124A+31C          |
| Ash Wednesday 2/26: 6:30 am - | 54A+0C;            |                   |
| 6:00 pm -                     | 132A+23C           |                   |

(A=Adults; C=Children)

### SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

| Saturday (6:00 pm)       | \$ 665.00        | \$ 753.00        |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Sunday (6:30 am)         | \$ 1,094.38      | \$ 959.00        |
| Sunday (8:30 am)         | \$ 1,104.00      | \$ 858.36        |
| Initial Offering         | \$ 5.00          | \$ 5.00          |
| Repair & Maintenance     | \$ 575.00        | \$ 150.00        |
| Donation                 | \$ 0.00          | \$ 920.41        |
| 150th Parish Anniversary | \$ 0.00          | \$ 626.00        |
| Ash Wednesday            | \$ 1,302.05      | \$ 23.00         |
| Central & Eastern Europe | \$ 490.71        |                  |
| Mass Intentions          | \$ 30.00         | \$ 120.00        |
| Mastercard Rebate        | \$ 11.73         |                  |
| Candles                  | <u>\$ 125.00</u> | <u>\$ 247.00</u> |
| Total                    | \$ 5,402.87      | \$ 4,661.77      |



"Whoever is kind to the needy, honors God."  
 Proverbs 15:31

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

### Stewardship and the Power to be Transformed

\*By Leisa Anslinger, Associate Department Director for Pastoral Life, Archdiocese of Cincinnati

The Lenten season is a perfect time to reflect on how you were first introduced to stewardship as a way of life. When did this spirituality first begin to shape the way you live, the decisions you make, and the way in which your faith directs your daily life? I have been thinking about this quite often of late, as I have reflected on the potential each of us has to touch others with the stewardship message.

Many years ago now, a friend who worked in publishing and I were talking about parish life. I was fumbling around, trying to explain the impact that stewardship was having on our parishioners and on the parish. My friend suddenly stopped me and said, "Well of course this is happening! Stewardship can really change our lives, can it not?" His comment broke through my stumbling thoughts, as his remark echoed the U.S. Bishops' insight in *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*. At the very beginning of the bishops' pastoral letter they write: "Stewardship is an expression of discipleship that has the power to change how we understand and live out our lives."

What stunned me about my friend's comment was how passionately he expressed his understanding and how clearly he saw this. I realized that my experience of him as a giving and generous person was a result of his growth as a steward. His witness in the course of an every-day conversation between friends has remained with me for over ten years, and has urged me on in times when my own "disciple's response" has seemed weak or lagging. It seems to me that if we are to lead others along the stewardship journey, we must ourselves live, grow and allow ourselves to be transformed by the power of stewardship. We must be prepared to witness to the ways in which stewardship has changed how we "understand and live out our lives." We may never know the impact our personal sharing or ministerial coordination will have on others, but I can tell you from my own experience of being touched by my friend that the potential is there for us to truly make a difference.

What is your story? With whom might you share it during this Lenten season?

(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin February 2020).





**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.

**\*\*\*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.

**❖REPAIR & MAINTENANCE**

**\*\*RENOVATION OF THE CONVENT** – The *Facilities & Maintenance Committee* headed by *Joyce Oliveira* finalized an agreement with *Okamura Contractor, Inc.* to continue the renovation of the old convent. Specifically, the areas that are covered are the carpentry and repainting. The contract price is \$44,263.86. The works on plumbing and rewiring of electrical lines will be done by the members of the parish committee with free labor but the parish has to purchase the materials. The funds used are taken from the proceeds of the last fundraising in November which garnered \$40,000. The remaining expenses will be shouldered by the parish from its Repair & Maintenance stewardship collection.



**\*\*REPLACING THE WINDOW SCREENS** – *Roger Isidro*, member of the Parish Facilities & Maintenance Committee, installed new screens on the windows in the sacristy and rectory offices. They have to be replaced because of wear and tear.

**\*\*HANDICAP RESTROOM** – *Adriano Daligcon* replaced the door lock and key to the restroom by the church. He also fixed the busted sink and clogged pipes. We do appreciate his kind 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*.

Giving some pink anthuriums and other flowers for the church is *Evan Morita of Florist Grand* thru OLM parishioner *Adoracion Padilla*. Also making an offering for altar flowers is *Gilda Miyashiro*. Mahalo and God bless you!

❖**GROUNDSKEEPER** – The grounds and backyard landscape are mowed by *Clem Fontanilla* who also checks the doors and locks the gate at the end of the day. The garden by the Church *makai* are taken care of by *Jun & Nida Flores* and *Eddie & Cita Lucero*.

❖**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 *Audrey Peralta*, *Connie de Santos* and the *Llamedo Band*.

**\*\*The Ilocano Choir** is being accompanied by *Mila Llantero* (piano), *Ping Lopez* (guitar) and *Bredy Dumot* (guitar).

❖**SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING** – This is a mandated compliance in the entire church of the United States for all who work, serve, minister and volunteer in the parishes. Some have fulfilled the Safe Environment enrolment by themselves but for those who have not done it, please let the Safe Environment Coordinator, *Fran Kovaloff*, know so she can set a time to assist you. This is done online with the use of a computer.

**\*\*\*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!\**

**OFFICE HOURS**

Mon-Thu 8:30am-4:00pm,  
Lunch 11:30-12:30  
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

❖ **LENTEN PARISH MISSION**

\***March 18, 19, 20 at 6:00 PM** in the Parish Hall

\*\*THEME: THE NEW EVANGELIZATION IN THE SPIRIT OF STEWARDSHIP

*"We are ambassadors for Christ"* (2 Cor 5:20)

**A 150<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary Enrichment & Renewal on Stewardship & Evangelization**

**MARCH 18** \* Wednesday: *"The Encounter: Nemo Dat Quod Non Habet"*

**MARCH 19** \* Thursday: *"How To (and Not To) Save Souls for Jesus"*

**MARCH 20** \* Friday: *"The Renewal: Tools & Fuels"*

\*Speaker: *Dominic Olaso*, Head-Servant of the Diocesan Evangelization Task Force

\*Snacks will be available during the presentation



❖ **LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE & RECONCILIATION**

\***March 20 / Friday at 7:00 PM**

\*Priest from the West Honolulu Vicariate will be available for Confessions.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS, Fridays, 6:30pm**

| <u>Date</u>    | <u>Lead Council / Ministry / Organization</u>                        |
|----------------|--|
| <b>Mar 13</b>  | Catechists, RCIA, Visayan Group                                      |
| <b>Mar 20*</b> | Prison, Hospital, Outreach & Kokua Ministry (*after Penance Service) |
| <b>Mar 27</b>  | Knights of Columbus  |
| <b>Apr 3</b>   | Liturgy Committee  |

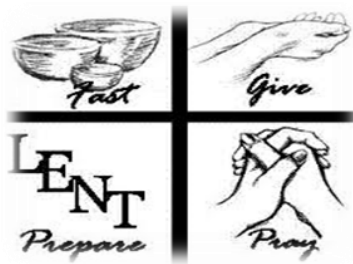
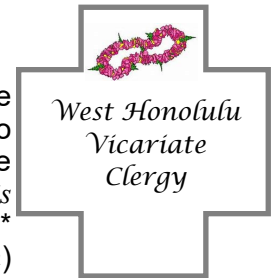


***ALOHA to West Honolulu Vicariate Clergy***

\***March 12 / Thursday – Meeting @10:00 AM**

\*Fr. Manuel Hewe (*Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa*) - Vicar Forane

\*Clergy: Fr. Pascual Abaya IV (*Our Lady of Peace Cathedral-Basilica*) \* Fr. Moses Akebule (*Hospital Chaplain*) \* Fr. Edgar Brillantes (*Our Lady of the Mount*) \* Fr. Adrian Gervacio (*OLM*) \* Fr. Paul Li (*St. Philomena*) \* Fr. Dominic Nguyen (*Vietnamese Community*) \* Fr. Steve Nguyen (*Blessed Sacrament*) \* Fr. Rheo Ofalsa (*Holy Family*) \* Fr. Mario Palanca (*St. Francis Hospice*) \* Fr. Anthony Pangan (*OLP Cathedral-Basilica*) \* Fr. Mario Raquipo (*St. Stephen*) \* Fr. Diego Restrepo (*St. John the Baptist*) \* Fr. Francis Sanchez (*Hospital Chaplain*) \* Fr. Arnel Soriano (*St. Anthony*)



**DIOCESE OF HONOLULU 2020 LENTEN REGULATIONS**

\*By the Diocesan Office of Worship

❖ **FASTING**

In the dioceses of the United States, Catholics age 18 through 59 are bound to fast on both Ash Wednesday (Feb. 26) and Good Friday (April 10).

To fast means to consume one full meal a day at most, although taking of other, smaller quantities of food at the other customary mealtimes is permitted. Food and drink between meals (excepting water and medicine) are not permitted on fast days.

❖ **ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT**

Catholics aged 14 and up are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.

To abstain means refraining from eating beef, veal, pork or poultry at least, although eggs and milk products are acceptable. The consumption of fish and shellfish is permitted, though the penitential character of the abstinence should be kept in mind.

❖ **LENTEN PRACTICES**

The faithful are encouraged during Lent to attend daily Mass, receive Holy Communion, participate in penance services, and receive sacramental absolution; to take part in public and private exercises of piety, give generously to works of religion and charity, perform acts of kindness toward the sick, aged and the poor; to practice voluntary self-denial, especially regarding food, drink and worldly amusements; and to pray more fervently, particularly for the intentions of the Holy Father.

**Funeral Masses** may not be celebrated on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Holy Saturday, nor on the Sundays of Lent. When pastoral reasons require that a funeral be celebrated on these days, only a **Funeral Outside of Mass** may be held.

To afford the faithful opportunities to participate in Lenten prayer services, pastors are encouraged to have such prayer services as the **Way of the Cross on Fridays, Exposition and Benediction, Evening Prayer, and evening Masses**. A homily or instruction should be included.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Mar 3** > 6:30am Healing - *Alfredo Baptista* \* RIP +*Frank Fernandes*

**Mar 3-6** > 6:30am Healing - *Alfredo Baptista*

**Mar 7** > 6:00pm Birthday - *Tessie Fontanilla* \* Healing - *Guy Miranda; Alfredo Baptista* \* Special intention for *spiritual favors thru St. Anthony of Padua* \* RIP +*Rosalina Mina; +Ramon Villanueva Agbayani; +Juan Teocson Sr; +Ranulfa Teocson*

**Mar 8** > 6:30am Healing - *Luida Susa; Tessie Fontanilla; Caridad Dagdagan* \* RIP +*Rosalina Mina; +Ranulfa Teocson; +Purie Cortez*

> 8:30am (*Missa pro populo*) - For parish & parishioners \*Healing - *Arsenia Uganiza; Florentino Orcino; Leonardo Atendido; Amando & Palmas Flores* \* RIP +*Cesario Pascual; +Silvestre Marquez; +Frida Pacleb; +Jose Jandoc Sr*

**Mar 10** > 6:30am RIP +*Angela & Ismael Garcia*

**Mar 13-21** > 6:30am RIP +*Teresita Paranada Braceros*



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

Reminder: The offering for intentions per one Mass starts at \$10. *Mahalo.*



**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

❖**Good Health / Successful Surgery:** *Luida Susa \* Alfredo Baptista \* Arsenia Uganiza \* Florentino Orcino \* Guy Miranda \* Leonardo Atendido \* Aldrin Daligcon \* Ranier Agustin \* Rundel Aguinaldo \* Armando & Palmas Flores \* Sylvia Silva \* Andy & Marina Torio \* Amelia Pascual \* William Jr & Pearleen Cabasag \* Ria Zapanta Ortiz \* Daniel Kang \* Gwen Perry \* Timothy Barroga Sr \* Avelina Orcino Fralaide & Michael O Fralaide \* Charlie Newman \* Marie Schwengler \* Tessie Fontanilla \* Petronila Jandoc \* Susan Reynon \* Betsaida Vila \* Marilou Bruno \* Katrina Santos \* Caridad Dagdagan \* Valentina Elliazar \* Vicenta Baron \* Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* John Guieb \* Nellie Tomas \* Jesse Ulep \* George Calizar \* Joann Gibbs \* Florentino Sotto \* Marvin & Sally Moore \* Clara Adlawan \* Jeanne Oshiro \* Stanley & Martha Castro*

❖**Birthday:** *Julie Manuel \* Marina Pescador \* Tessie Fontanilla \* Medy Macalma \* Nancy Coelho \* Dusty Miranda \* Geri Mina \* Adoracion Laguer \* Sharlene Daligcon \* Jocelyn Ramiscal \* Steven Ramiscal \* Alvin Pescador \* Kalolo Tuihalafatai \* Celerina Pamaylaon \* Steven Schwengler \* Audrey Peralta \* Vangie Bacani \* Hazel Rodrigues \* Marivic Palting (60) \* Mila Llantero \* Tita Calizar \* Anthony Calizar \* Condelita Pescador*

❖**Wedding Anniversary:** *Nato & Adoracion Laguer (45) \* Adriano & Norma Daligcon (42)*

❖**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 Seminarians and increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese \* For a meaningful and spiritually fruitful celebration of our 150<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary \* For RCIA candidate *Daniel Kang* \* Petition for spiritual favors thru *St. Anthony of Padua* \* Thanksgiving by *Silverio & Marivic Palting; Jose Cadiz & family; Adriano & Norma Daligcon; Vicente & Luz Velasco & family; Rosita Dolormente, Lito & Ivy Ellazar & family; Noemi Joseph & Mila Llantero; Bacani family*

❖**Deceased:** +*Teresita Paranada Braceros \* +Rosalina D Mina \* +Cesario Pascual \* +Angela & Ismael Garcia \* +Joe & Millie Jolsol \* +Simplicio Canoneo \* +Frank Fernandes \* +Silvestre Marquez \* +Ranulfa Teocson \* +Juan Teocson Sr \* +Ramon Villanueva Agbayani \* Purie Amigable Cortez (40<sup>th</sup> day) \* +Arnel C Domingo \* +Jose Jandoc Sr \* +Florencio Clemente \* +Gerald “Jerry” Petznick \* +Margaret Piolani Motta \* +Alfredo Calpito, Mario Balmores, Emilia Barend, Cristina Aguinaldo \* +Stephen Damo \* +Pio, Consuelo & Jovito Alcantra, Conrado Benitez Sr \* +Elvira Jandoc \* +Martin Rodrigues; Cecilia Leong \* +Frida Pacleb \* +Perla Alonzo \* +Pedro Atudo \* +Emiliano & Teodora Lumabao, Juan & Basilisa Suazo, Nicomedes & Ines Lorenzo \* +Pedro Lorenzo \* +Dafrosa Lorenzo \* +Martha Lorenzo \* +Flora Lorenzo \* +Marcela & Basilio Icarangal \* +Fr. Amador Foz \* +Richard “Sonny” Peralta \* +Elizabeth Ragaza \* +Teofilo Membrebre \* +Fr Clarence Guerreiro \* +Ely Purganan \* +Rosario Purganan \* Loreta Pascual \* +Simon, Pedro, Pacita & Toribio Cenence \* +Pedro, Urbana & Virgilio Artates; Ronald Palce; Pio & Victoriana Bacani \* +Dominador, Domingo, Cisneros, Quirina, Linda, Norberto, Teofilo, Virgilia \* +Pedro Pamaylaon, Apolonia, Abnomian, Herbei, Antonio, Francisca, Meliton, Margarita, Potenciano, Norma, Maria, Jesusa \* \* +Edgar Aurelio \* +Paulino Corpuz \* +Marlene Facuri, Leonora Tesoro \* Felix Edmalin \* +Chandler Tyrell-Esdicul \* +Marcelino Esdicul Sr \* +Margaret Kang \* +Marjorie Vannatta \* +Clara Martinez \* +Jaime Saldua Uganiza \* +Cres Paranada \* +Fermin Cruz \* +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*

**For Lent, For Life – 2020 CRS Rice Bowl**

From the Office of Social Ministry

Lent is a 40-day journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Each day during Lent, CRS (Catholic Relief Services) Rice Bowl invites you to reflect on how your Lenten sacrifices can help families around the world overcome the challenges of hunger and poor nutrition.

Place your donations in the CRS Rice Bowl, even a small offering has the potential to feed many. Let us follow His example to meeting the needs of our global family.



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**500 YEARS OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES — HAWAI'I CELEBRATION**

In 2021, the Philippine Church will celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> Centennial of its Christianization. Bishop Larry Silva in a letter to the People of God in the Diocese of Honolulu last December 3, 2019, endorsed its local celebration and enjoined everyone to participate.

On April 4, 2020 is the launching of the local celebration which will be held at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa. It will start with the Holy Mass at 10:00 AM followed by lunch fellowship and program. Everyone is invited but we have to sign-up if we intend to go. *Fe Go*, the chairperson of the Filipino Catholic Club, and her fellow officers will man the sign-up in front of the church after each Mass on March 7 and 8. The Committee of priests and lay people designated by the Bishop to coordinate the events is also asking for monetary donations to fund the various activities being planned. The chairperson is *Fr. Edmundo Barut* and he wrote the solicitation letter that may come into your hands. This has the approval of the Finance Office of the Diocese who will handle all the proceeds of the fund-raising and will issue at the end of the year the acknowledgment letter for tax deduction purposes.

May God bless our endeavors. *Mabuhay tayong lahat!*



**FAITH ACTION FOR COMMUNITY EQUITY**  
**"GIVE UP INEQUALITY FOR LENT"**

Hawaii's minimum wage is \$10.10 an hour – that's just \$21,000 per year for fulltime work. There's a minimum wage bill – HB 2541 making its way through the legislature, but it raises the wage to only \$13 an hour by 2024. That's \$27,000 per year – not enough to live on now, let alone 4 years from now.

HOW TO HELP? \*Tell key legislators that \$13 is not enough! They should raise the wage in HB 2541 to a living wage of \$17 by 2025: \*Go to [tinyurl.com/raiseuphawaii](http://tinyurl.com/raiseuphawaii) to send a message to the legislators who represent you \*Call or email the Senate Labor Committee Chair, *Brian Taniguchi*, at 586-6460 [orsentaniguchi@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:orsentaniguchi@capitol.hawaii.gov) \*Call or email the Senate Ways and Means Chair, *Donovan Dela Cruz*, at 586-6090 [orsendelacruz@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:orsendelacruz@capitol.hawaii.gov).

For more facts & figures about the need for a living wage in Hawaii, check out [www.raiseuphawaii.org/facts-and-figures](http://www.raiseuphawaii.org/facts-and-figures).  
*No, this is the kind of fasting I want: Free those who are wrongly imprisoned; lighten the burden of those who work for you.* – Isaiah 58:6.

*Don't take advantage of a hired person who is poor and needy, whether he's your fellow citizen or a foreigner who lives in your city.* – Deuteronomy 24:14

## Parish Calendar, News & Announcements

### FEAST DAY

**Mar 9** St. Francis of Rome, religious

### ACTIVITIES

**Mar 7 and 8** FCC sign-up all Masses; 500 Years of Christianity in the Philippines-Hawaii Celebration, Co-cathedral of St. Theresa, April 4 – 10am Mass

**Mar 8** Filipino Catholic Club Mtg, after the 8:30 Mass

**Mar 12** West Vicariate Priests' Meeting, 10am, Hall

**Mar 17** St. Patrick's Day

**Mar 18, 19, 20** Lenten Parish Mission, 6pm to 8pm, Hall

**Mar 20** 6pm Lenten Parish Mission; 7pm Lenten Penitential Service; and Stations of the Cross, to follow

**Mar 28** Pre-Easter Church Cleaning, 8am to 12noon, lunch to follow

**Apr 2** Chrism Mass, 7pm, Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa



### MEMORANDUM UPDATE

TO: Clergy and all Parishes  
FROM: Deacon Modesto Cordero, Director Office of Worship

DATE: March 3, 2020

RE: **Cold and flu season and the COVID-19 (Coronavirus outbreak) Update**



This is an update to the MEMO issued in January 31, 2020 on the "Cold and Flu Season and the Coronavirus Outbreak". As we continue to receive news and reports of the spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus) around the world and our nation, concerns and request for guidance among the faithful in our parishes are increasing. Many of you have already taken proper steps to maintain the calm among our parishioners and have put in place preventive measures to avoid the potential spread of the virus. Many dioceses around the nation have also taken proper steps to keep and foster a safe worship environment. In our diocese we haven't set specific restrictions to the normal pattern for the Order of Mass or Holy Communion. However, we remind each pastor that local pastoral discretion and care should be practiced as necessary. The following are some measures we can all take to address the virus issue:

1. Temporary suspension of the distribution of the Precious Blood to the congregation. However, if you have individuals in your parish who have Celiac disease and can only receive Communion from the cup, a simple means of allowing them to receive from the cup should be planned.
2. The faithful should be encouraged (though not mandated) to receive Communion in their hands, and not on their tongue.
3. Also encourage the faithful to not hold hands during the reciting of the Our Father.
4. For the rite of peace, ask your parishioners to offer each other a smile or a bow of the head, or to simply say the words "Peace be with you" during the exchange of peace.
5. Maintain clean, fresh holy water and holy water fonts and/or empty the holy water containers at the church door.
6. Priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion should wash their hands before Mass begins and after distributing Holy Communion to the faithful.
7. Check and fill hand-soap dispensers in the restrooms of the church. You might also place a large dispenser of hand sanitizer in your church vestibule.
8. Frequently sanitize those *surfaces* in the church that are touched frequently. It is important to continue reminding the faithful that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from a contagious disease. It is in consideration of themselves and others that those with flu-like symptoms remain at home.

Please feel free to contact me at the Office of Worship, 808-585-3342 or email at [mcordero@rcchawaii.org](mailto:mcordero@rcchawaii.org) should you have any questions.

### † OBITUARY

#### +JULIA LUCAS USTARE, 82

Funeral Service: March 23, 2020, 10:30am at Valley of the Temples Makai Chapel

Interment: March 23, 2020, 12:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

#### +GENESA BALANAY, 97

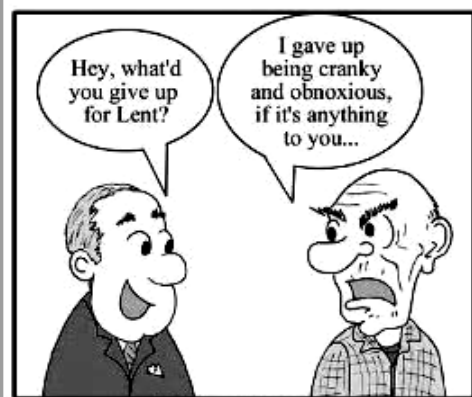
Wake Service: March 24, 2020, 6:30pm at Valley of the Temples Mortuary

Funeral Service: March 25, 2020, 11:00am at Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa

Interment: March 25, 2020, 2:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

*"ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, O LORD."*

HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILIES.



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**Loud)**  
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### † RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Catechumen: **DANIEL KANG**

\*The RCIA is for anyone interested to know more about the Catholic faith and after proper instruction and preparation may receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist simultaneously on Easter Vigil.

Facilitator: *Dottie Pregil*