OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

150[™] PARISH ANNIVERSARY (1870-2020)

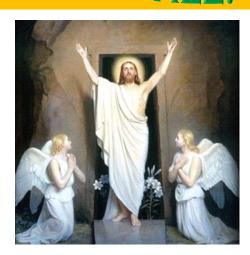


THEME:

CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP"

A GLORIOUS & BLESSED EASTER TO ONE & ALL!







PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

A blessed and glorious Easter to everyone! We have come to the celebration of Easter, the greatest and most important feast in the Church. Despite the fears and anxieties, the pain and the sorrows; despite the covid-19 pandemic's threats to health and life and the economic crisis it hammered on our country and the world, the Easter feast gives us hope and encouragement and a reason to celebrate.

At Easter we celebrate the rising of Jesus from the dead. It is the greatest miracle of all for it proves that Jesus is God. His is the divine power and love that conquer all. It reminds us that his gift of life is precious, and that life is worth living. It gives meaning to our personal and communal relationships and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears. It is an assurance for us believers and disciples of the Lord that whoever believes in Him even though he dies will rise to a new life in the Resurrection of the dead.

With *Fr. Adrian*, our pastor-emeritus, and me your humble Pastor, we wish you the heavenly blessings and graces of the Risen Lord. We are filled with joy and gratitude that despite the crisis every one of you pitched in to make life easier and even normal with your faithful stewardship in giving aid and support to our church finances, liturgical celebrations, facilities maintenance and even food supply. We can never thank you enough.

Let us joyfully celebrate and proclaim: "Jesus is Lord, he is risen, Alleluia!"

Fr. Edgar Brillantes





By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes

Next Sunday's Reading

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

First Reading Responsorial Psalm Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Second Reading Gospel 1 Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34,37-43

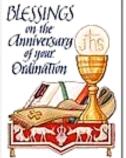
In this Reading, Peter delivers a speech in the household of Cornelius, a God-fearing Gentile centurion who comes to believe in Jesus, though he does not yet have understanding. Peter recounts the public ministry of Jesus, from the activities of John the Baptist to the resurrected Christ's apostolic commission to preach to all people. Peter had eventually come to believe and understand that "everyone (Jew and Gentile alike) who believes in him (Jesus) will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

Second Reading: Colossians 31-4

Paul explains in this Reading that everyone who has been baptized into Christ has died with him, and has been raised with him. Their union with Christ has already begun to transform them, even as they await future transformation when Christ appears, signifying his coming again in glory.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

The Resurrection narrative in this Gospel begins with the empty tomb. Mary of Magdala, Simon Peter, and the Beloved Disciple arrive at the empty tomb. Mary of Magdala report immediately to the other two that "they have taken the Lord from the tomb." Clearly she does not yet believe that Jesus had risen. Simon Peter reacts by investigating the tomb itself. But all he discovers is "the burial cloths" and "the cloth that had covered his head." The Beloved Disciple also enters the tomb and likewise sees the burial cloths. But John tells us that "he saw and believed." John also tells us that "they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." While none of the three followers yet understands, the Beloved Disciple alone believes without understanding.



CONGRATULATIONS FR. EDGAR

Happy 40th Ordination Anniversary!

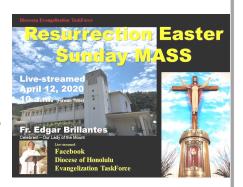
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Due to the continuing government's advisory on avoiding large gatherings, Fr. Edgar will celebrate his Ordination Anniversary in a quiet and prayerful way. He is inviting all parishioners and friends to join him in spirit in praising and thanking God for the wonderful gift of the priesthood and ministry for 40 years of his life. You have been a significant part of this milestone and with joy and gratitude he imparts his special priestly blessing upon us all.

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LIVE-STREAMED MASS OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION FROM **OLM CHURCH**

*Sunday, April 12, 2020 at 10:00 AM *Log in to Facebook.com/Diocese-of-Honolulu-Evangelization-TaskForce. Our appreciation and thanks to Dominic Olaso, head-servant, and his team for making this live-streaming from Our Lady of the Mount Church possible throughout the pandemic crisis and beyond



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HOLY WEEK AT HOME

- *Adaptations of the Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday Rituals for Family and
- *These resources are prayerfully prepared by the Liturgical Press, Collegeville, Minnesotawww.litpress.org. They are a sincere effort to cultivate some of the rituals and spirit of Holy Week in our own homes when public celebration might not be possible.

*Forwarded by Fr. Alfred Bueno Guerrero

MEMORANDUM

To: Clergy, Parishes and Catholic Faithful

From: Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu

Date: March 27, 2020

Subject: Updated General Directives and Liturgical Guidelines Due to the COVID-19

Peace be with you!

As we continue to adapt to a different way we live our daily lives, as well as to the way we worship during the rapidly evolving COVID-19 pandemic, our Diocese's top priority remains the spiritual welfare, health, and safety of our faithful, employees, and the vulnerable of our community. Our Governor has ordered a stay-at-home lockdown until April 30 in order to mitigate the effects of the virus and stop its spread. After consultation with my staff and the Presbyteral Council, I am issuing the following directives, which go into effect immediately:

- Parish churches, chapels, oratories, centers, and missions are to be closed to the public through <u>April 30</u>, <u>2020</u>, <u>or until further notice</u>. (This is more restrictive than the last notice, which encouraged that they remain open, and is based on the restrictions recently imposed by Governor Ige.)
- There will be only one **Chrism Mass** for the Diocese on <u>Thursday, April 2, at 7:00 p.m.</u>, but it will be celebrated in private with only the Bishop and the handful of ministers needed for the liturgy. The invitation of priests and deacons issued earlier is rescinded in light of new developments. The Office of Worship will see to the distribution of the sacred oils to the parishes on all islands.
- All liturgical and sacramental celebrations from now through April 30 are canceled, including those during Holy Week, the Paschal Triduum, and Easter Sunday. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays is dispensed through April 30, 2020. [Priests are to celebrate private Masses, with only the liturgical ministers necessary, especially for the intentions of their people. We encourage parish priests to live-stream their liturgies to their parishioners via social media platforms and to communicate to them the times of these services and log-in information.]
- The celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion) for the Elect, normally celebrated at the Easter Vigil, are postponed to a future day after the Covid-19 crisis subsides. A future date when these sacraments may be rescheduled will be announced by the Bishop.
- Parishes are invited to inform their parishioners of opportunities to view the Mass and other services via *livestream or the parish's Facebook*. Daily and Sunday Mass are currently being livestreamed from various parishes in our diocese. For a comprehensive and updated list please visit our website at www.catholichawaii.org.
- The faithful are encouraged to **keep the Lord's Day holy**. Some ways to do this include: reading the Scriptures of the day, especially the Gospels, praying with your families, and to joining yourself to the sacrifice of the Mass by making an act of spiritual communion. For more information and resources, please visit our website at www.catholichawaii.org.
- Sacramental confessions will not be offered, for the safety of penitents and priests, Confessions by phone or via the internet are not permitted. General absolution is not permitted, because it presumes a gathering of people. Because confessions will be curtailed during this time, the following should be noted from The Catechism of the Catholic Church #1452: "When it arises from a love by which God is loved above all else, contrition is called 'perfect' contrition of charity. Such contrition remits venial sins; it also obtains forgiveness of mortal sins if it includes the firm resolution to have recourse to sacramental confession as soon as possible."

What the Apostolic Penitentiary said about the Sacrament of Penance might be applied analogously to the **Sacrament of the Sick**: "Where the individual faithful find themselves in the painful impossibility of receiving sacramental absolution, it should be remembered that perfect contrition, coming from the love of God, beloved above all things, expressed by a sincere request for forgiveness (that which the penitent is at present able to express) and accompanied by votum confessionis, that is, by the firm resolution to have recourse, as soon as possible, to sacramental confession, obtains forgiveness of sins, even mortal ones."

The following **Act of Contrition**, sincerely prayed, might be used:

Father of mercy, like the prodigal son, I return to you and say: "I have sinned against you and am no longer worthy to be called your child." Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, I pray with the repentant thief to whom you promised Paradise, "Lord, remember me in your kingdom." Holy Spirit, fountain of love, I call on you with trust, "Purify my heart, and help me to walk as a child of light."

- · All funerals, weddings and baptisms should be postponed at this time until further notice.
- All Confirmations/First Holy Communions scheduled from now through April 30 are postponed. The Office of the Vicar General will contact parishes which need to reschedule once the "all clear" is indicated by the civil authorities.

Liturgies at which Bishop Larry Silva will preside will be private, with only the liturgical ministers necessary, but will be live-streamed for all to see at www.hictv.com or https://www.facebook.com/HonoluluCathedralBasilica.

Please feel free to contact Deacon Modesto Cordero at the Office of Worship, 808-585-3342 or email at mcordero@rcchawaii.org should you have any questions.

Our Lady of Peace, patroness of the Diocese of Honolulu, pray for us! Lenten and Easter blessings!



HOLY WEEK AT HOME

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THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

♦ HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*The Sacred Paschal Triduum begins with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. The word *Triduum* comes from the Latin for "three days." These three days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil are the highpoint of our entire liturgical year. Holy Thursday especially commemorates Jesus's command to serve others, modeled explicitly in the washing of feet and the celebration of the Eucharist. How do you serve others in your own family and community? Why is it important to connect our daily service to others with Jesus's command to do so?

♦ GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

*As we celebrate the Passion of Jesus Christ and hear John's Gospel account of his suffering and death, we are reminded of the injustices that pervade our world. Oftentimes these systems of oppression, hate, and fear are so commonplace in our world that perhaps we do not even notice them. Good Friday serves as a good reminder of this reality. It is easy to become discouraged, to see the work that has to be done and look away. Today we pray that we may have the conscience to see and the courage to act, remembering that death never wins. Life and love always prevail in Christ.

❖THE EASTER VIGIL ON HOLY SATURDAY NIGHT❖

"Exult, let them exult!" These words are chanted at the beginning of the Exsultet or the Easter Proclamation which traces God's saving action throughout history. The name Exsultet comes from the first word of the prayer: Exult! As a Christian people we do exult, for Christ is risen from the dead and light banishes all traces of darkness.

The Easter Vigil liturgy is rich with symbol and ritual, and the Scripture readings connect us to our ancestors in faith, living the very same hope that we live today. The Genesis reading highlights God's incredible work of creation and reminds us that creation and recreation continue today. Abraham's sacrifice recalls God's promises and abundant blessings for God's people, just as the reading from Exodus in which the Israelites cross the Red Sea prefigures Christ's own resurrection. Readings from the prophets follow, those great heralds of God's message throughout the ages. The Epistle from Paul to the Romans reinforces our baptismal identity and relationship with Jesus Christ who died and rose.

If time permits, read each of these Scripture passages in your own commemoration of Holy Saturday. Each of these stories highlights God's love for God's people and helps us to celebrate Christ's resurrection by recalling God's saving action.

*Ritual at Home: The rubrics for the Easter Vigil clearly state that the celebration must take place in the night and end before dawn, for the contrasts between darkness and light are essential. The celebration begins with *Lucernarium*, a service of light often associated with the early church tradition of lighting lamps for evening prayer and rejoicing in the light of Christ.

As you prepare an area for tonight's prayer, you may wish to light some candles. If possible, each family member might also have their own candle to hold.

*Opening Prayer: We gather this night to rejoice in Jesus Christ, the Light of the World, the One whom no darkness can overcome, the One death cannot destroy. We give you thanks, O God, for the light this evening that illumines our hearts and home, and for your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, a light so filled with glory and power, a light undimmed by sin and death, a light that guides peoples and nations. May we welcome this light of Christ into our lives. Amen.

All respond: Thanks be to God!

THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC: Use Mask or Face-covering

*"LET US PRAY FOR DELIVERANCE FROM THE DEADLY VIRUS AND FOR THE SAFETY AND GOOD HEALTH OF EVERYONE".

*The threat of the deadly COVID-19 or *coronavirus disease-2019* is persisting. The updated directive from the Bishop instructs the faithful to abide by the government's advisory for stay-at-home and social distancing up to April 30 or until further notice.

While we cannot yet assemble to worship as a church the Bishop is suggesting things that we may do, especially attending the televised or livestreamed Mass on Sundays. There are also prescribed prayers that we can use individually or as a family. We need to get connected all the more with our Almighty God who can put an end to this pandemic and allow us to return to our normal lives. Let us stay safe, healthy and blessed and continue to pray for one another and for the whole world.

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***GUIDANCE FROM THE CHURCH**

WHAT WE CAN DO AS GOD'S FAITHFUL: During the COVID-19 Pandemic Crisis

- 1> Keep the Lord's Day holy by participating in the live streaming or telecast of the Mass in the EWTN TV channel or other stations in the comfort of your living room. Pray the *Prayer for Spiritual Communion* (printed below) when it's time for Holy Communion.
- 2> Pray individually or as a family at home your favorite novenas or devotions such as the Holy Rosary, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, or Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.
- 3> Reflect on the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord thru the Stations of the Cross.
- 4> Go to *myParish* app and say the prayers or read the Scripture readings of the day's liturgy and other spiritual menu found in there. You can also read our Parish Bulletin there and the Hawaii Catholic herald. There are also current church news to keep yourself abreast with what's happening in the Catholic world. **To download** *myParish* app *Text "app" then 88202, then scroll the list of parishes to "Our Lady of the Mount".*
- 5> Pray the *Prayer for Deliverance from the Coronavirus* (printed below) composed by Bishop Larry Silva and the other relevant prayers.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

What is spiritual communion? St. Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the most holy sacrament and lovingly embrace him" at a time or in circumstances when we cannot receive him in sacramental Communion. With the absence of public Masses in the Diocese of Honolulu, the opportunity for receiving spiritual communion is particularly appropriate.

Spiritual communion needs no special instruction; it only requires the same disposition as the actual reception of the sacrament and a turning to Jesus with the heart. No particular prayer or formulary is required; however, to help focus a proper intention, recitation of a prayer is suggested. One of the most popular is that composed by St. Alphonsus Liquori:



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



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PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

*By Bishop Larry Silva

Dear God of all the living, you sent your Son Jesus to heal us from illness and sin. We turn to his healing power in this time of anxiety over the pandemic of this potentially deadly virus.

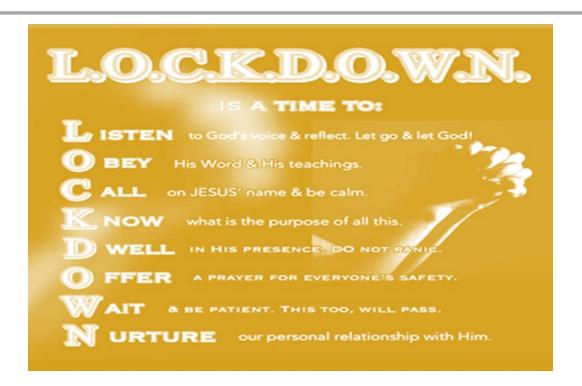
St. Damien and St. Marianne Cope dedicated their lives to the service of those who had an infectious disease. St. Marianne Cope said, "I am not afraid of any disease," because she was confident in your power to save. At the same time, she took prudent precautions of hygiene to assure that she and her Sisters would not be infected. Let us learn from this example to put our trust in you to save us from the ravages of disease and to take prudent measures to prevent its spread. Guide us to know when to isolate ourselves from the possibility of infection, but never let anyone be left without the care and concern of others in the community.

As our Diocese of Honolulu has been dedicated to the Divine Mercy, we pray with confidence, "Jesus, I trust in you."

Amen.

Saint Damien, pray for us! * Saint Marianne, pray for us!





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MASS INTENTIONS

Apr 9 > Birthday - Raymon & Rianne Teocson * Healing - Guy Miranda; Luida Susa; Tessie Fontanilla; Caridad Dagdagan; Arsenia Uganiza; Florentino Orcino; Amando & Palmas Flores; all those afflicted with the coronavirus disease; and all the sick and elderly * RIP +Alfredo Baptista; +Nicolas & Rene Mira; +Caroline Wright; +Hugo & Yoko Cuistes; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic

Apr 11 > Birthday - Raymon & Rianne Teocson * Healing - Guy Miranda; Luida Susa * RIP +Alfredo Baptista; Ethel Mita; Victoria Daligcon; Victorio & Leonora Bautista, Edison Bautista & Gregorio Daligcon * Thanksgiving - Daligcon family of Adriano, Norma, Aldrin, Sharlene & Ranier Agustin * Special intention for - Deliverance from the COVID-19 pandemic

Apr 12 > (Missa pro populo) - For parish & parishioners * Healing - Luida Susa; Tessie Fontanilla; Caridad Dagdagan; Arsenia Uganiza; Florentino Orcino; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * Family blessing - Silver & Marivic

Palting * Special intention - Deliverance from the covid-19 pandemic and Speedy recovery of all those afflicted with the corona virus * RIP +Alfredo Baptista; +Caroline Wright; +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues, Antone & Oliva Fivella, Francisco & Mary Rodrigues; +Simon Cenence; +Eufemio Cortez Sr, Trinidad, Benedicto & Virgilio Cortez, Alicia Nisperos, Agapito & Apolonia Fontanilla, Crispina Agustin; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic

Apr 14 > Ordination Anniversary (40th) - Fr Edgar Brillantes * RIP + Nicolas & Rene Mira

Apr 17 > RIP + Pablo Padunan



Deadline: Please submit your **Mass intentions** by <u>Thursday</u> 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 * Arsenia Uganiza * Florentino Orcino * Guy Miranda * Eliza Domingo * Leonardo Atendido * Armando & Palmas Flores * Sylvia Silva * Andy & Marina Torio * Amelia Pascual * Gwen Perry * Timothy Barroga Sr * 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 * Jesse Ulep * George Calizar * Joann Gibbs * Florentino Sotto * Marvin & Sally Moore * Clara Adlawan * Jeanne Oshiro * Stanley & Martha Castro

♦Birthday: Raymon & Rianne Teocson * Segundo 'Doi' Facuri * Loretta Tabin * Brenton & Brandilyn Aczon * Emeline Bacani Chesser * Ador Padilla * Guillermo Bacani * Sr. Dora Nuetzi, MM * Coby Jay Jacinto * Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC * Clemente & Teresita Fontanilla * Julie Manuel * Marina Pescador * Medy Macalma * Nancy Coelho * Dusty Miranda

- ❖Ordination Anniversary: Fr. Edgar Brillantes (40) * Fr. Teodulo Gaquit (50) * Fr. Adrian Gervacio (53rd)
- **❖Wedding Anniversary:** Rey & Minda Teocson (43) * Orlando & Edel Matias (48) * Liberato & Rosario Valdez (45)
- *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 150th Parish Anniversary * For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 * For RCIA candidate Daniel Kang * Thanksgiving by Adriano, Norma & Aldrin Daligcon; Sharlene & Ranier Agustin; M/M Renato dela Rosa; Noemi Joseph & Mila Llantero * Silverio & Marivic Palting * Bacani family
- *Deceased: +Victoria Daligcon * +Ethel Mita * +Pablo Padunan * +Victorio & Leonora Bautista, Edison Bautista & Gregorio Daligcon * +Eufemio Cortez Sr, Trinidad Cortez, Alicia Nisperos, Benedicto Cortez, Virgilio Cortez, Agapito Fontanilla, Apolonia Fontanilla, Crispina Agustin * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues, Antone & Oliva Fivella, Francisco & Mary Rodrigues * +Caroline Wright * +Venny & Jessica Villapando * +Alfredo Baptista * +Hugo & Yoko Cuistes * +Cecilia Carvalho, Ramon Rodrigues * +Willie Antonio * +Fr Lawrence Mampaey * +Simon Cenence * +Pedro & Pacita, Simon, Toribio & Nieves Cenence * +Julia Lucas Ustare * +Orlando Artates * +Juan, Crisanta, Pedro, Jose & Benigno Tangonan * +Bernardo Centino Sr * +Patricio Mateo, Teresita Lucanias * +Fr. Henry Sabog * +Genesa Balanay * +Teresita Paranada Braceros * +Rosalina D Mina * +Cesario Pascual * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Ranulfa Teocson * +Juan Teocson Sr * +Ramon Villanueva Agbayani * Purie Amigable Cortez * +Jose Jandoc Sr * +Florencio Clemente * +Pio, Consuelo & Jovito Alcantra, Conrado Benitez Sr * +Frida Pacleb * +Perla Alonzo * +Augusto Morales * +Marcela & Basilio Icarangal * +Fr. Amador Foz * +Richard "Sonny" Peralta * +Teofilo Membrere * +Ely Purganan * +Rosario Purganan * Loreta Pascual * +Pedro, Urbana & Virgilio Artates; Ronald Palce; Pio & Victoriana Bacani * * +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; +The victims of the coronavirus pandemic * +Those who have nobody to pray for them; +Souls in purgatory

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

Stewardship News & Announcements

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

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:

MAHALO TO GOOD STEWARDS

***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.

***Our appreciation and gratitude to *all dear Parishioners* who responded to our appeal for their continued stewardship by mailing or dropping their offering envelopes or Mass intention offerings to help defray the needs and expenses of the parish.

***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 head of the Parish Planning & Building Committee (PPBC), Joyce Oliveira, announced the completion of the repainting project for the Convent by the Okamura Contractor, Inc. Joyce and Roger Isidro as the Project Manager had been supervising daily the job. The total payment was taken from the proceeds of the last fundraising in November spearheaded by Becky Jandoc and the Finance Council Team.

The lights and the sinks and faucets had been fixed and replaced by *Adriano Daligcon and Roger Isidro*. The remaining works on plumbing and upgrading of power lines and electric installations will be done by *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*, *Rudy Fiesta, Adriano Daligcon, Roger Isidro* and the volunteer members of the *PPBC*. The parish has to purchase the materials. The expenses are drawn from the Parish Repair & Maintenance stewardship collection.

*CHURCH ENVIRONMENT – 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, Roselani Ramones, Nelie Puzon, Angie Sera and Bella Miranda.* For the Holy Week and Easter, generous parishioners donated plants and flowers and helped out in the decorations – *Marivic Palting, Ador Padilla, Vangie Bacani, Norma Daligcon and Fran Kovaloff.*

For the Easter and baptismal fountain, the father and son tandem of *Jun & Gene Cortez* did a wonderful creation. The Holy Week and Easter liturgy was made more solemn and lively with the music of the *Lllamedo family of Maryann, Andy, Mandy & Jonie* assisted by the lector and altar server ministers, *Gloria Rodrigues, Linda Puzon, Bella Miranda, Doi Facuri and Ropati Liua.*

CONVENT NEW LIGHTINGS

s part of the ongoing renovation of the Convent, new lights and faucets were installed by *Adriano Daligcon* and *Roger Isidro*. The remaining works on plumbing and power lines will be undertaken by *Kalolo Tuiha-lafatai*, *Rudy de Fiesta* and the *Parish Planning & Building Committee* team headed by *Joyce Oliveira*.



God bless you all!

***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!



COLLECTION OF PRAYERS DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS

These suggested prayers are for the faithful of the Diocese to join together in solidarity. We pray for all the sick, the caregivers, the dead, and for all those effected in so many different ways by this pandemic.

This guide includes prayers that you can recite at any time, either alone or in a group.

We have also included how to make a spiritual communion for those who will watch Mass on TV or live-streamed and wish to partake more fully in the Eucharist.

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FROM POPE FRANCIS

O Mary,

you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings

and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen. CNS translation of the prayer Pope Francis recited by video March 11 asking Mary to protect Italy and the world during the coronavirus pandemic

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PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

by Archbishop Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles
Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.

We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind.

Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.

Amen. ♣♣



PRAYER DURING A PANDEMIC

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home

remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips remember those that have no place to go. May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home. During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

Amen.

From the Interfaith Hospitality Network in Cincinnati



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Congregation for Divine Worship Resources: SAMPLE GOOD FRIDAY INTERCESSION AND MASS FORMULARY "IN TIME OF PANDEMIC"

This message was sent with High importance. Aloha,

The Congregation for Divine Worship has promulgated two new resources for liturgical prayer in this difficult time:

- (1) An additional intercession can be used with the *Solemn Intercessions on Good Friday* (cf. *Missale Romanum*, p. 314 n. 13): For Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Bishop Larry Silva has authorized the use of the prayer attached (English and Spanish) or you can use the following prayer from Bishop Larry:
- a. PRAYER XI: FOR SPECIAL NEEDS OF THE SICK AND DEAD AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS

Cantor: Let us pray for our world, which has been so radically impacted by the coronavirus crisis; for those who contracted the disease and those who care for them; for medical personnel and researchers; for those who have suffered economically; and for a complete and speedy recovery from this crisis.

Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Priest: Almighty God of all the living, you are our strength and our salvation. Hear and answer our prayers for all affected by this crisis. Open our hearts to the firm hope that this cross we bear may ultimately lead to the joy of the freedom from this scourge. Through Christ our Lord.

R/: Amen.

(2) A NEW MASS FORMULARY, IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

*The usual guidelines for the use of Masses for Various Needs and Occasions apply to this Mass. This Mass can be celebrated, according to the rubrics given for Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, on any day except Solemnities, the Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter, days within the Octave of Easter, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), Ash Wednesday and the days of Holy Week.

Links to these files will also be posted soon to the USCCB website, together with many other resources for this time of crisis, at: usccb.org/coronavirus.

Peace!

Deacon Modesto R. Cordero Director - Office of Worship

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This Lenten Season will be one that no one will forget. Throughout the past 40 days this pandemic crisis, COVID-19, made our world appear so much smaller as we were reminded by Pope Francis that "we can only get out of this situation together, as a whole humanity."

And so we gather in our homes this week as a Domestic Church and encouraged to conclude our Lenten journey by counting the sacrificial gifts collected in your Rice Bowls. Reflect on what you witnessed and experienced then offer up the **Prayer to End the Lenten Season** (see below).

Families may send their gifts directly to CRS online:

English https://support.crs.org/donate/change-life-lent-0

Spanish https://support.crs.org/donate/cambia-una-vida-esta-cuaresma

Another option is to save your Rice Bowls for a symbolic conclusion that you would bring to your parish when all are able to safely gather again.

During these final days of Holy Week, we mourn the tragic, heroic sacrifice of so many because of the deadly coronavirus and miss not spending these sacred days in our churches with our faith communities. But we can still keep these days holy in our homes with loved ones and in solidarity as a "whole humanity." CRS Rice Bowl materials can help us journey as one human family with Christ from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his final meal with his closest friends and ultimately to his death on the cross and then to the resurrection of Easter Sunday. Some simple Rice Bowl Holy week suggestions for observing Holy Week in your home include:

Holy Thursday—Re-enact Eucharistic service of washing of the Apostles' feet with your family.

Good Friday—Spend time in prayer and silence. Pray the rosary or Stations of the Cross using CRS Rice Bowl Stations of the Cross video series together as a family. https://www.crsricebowl.org/stations-of-the-cross. As we walk the Way of the Cross with Jesus during this pandemic, we call to mind the countless men, women and children who today carry heavy crosses: crosses of being and caring for victims of COVID19, crosses of hunger and homelessness, crosses of being a migrant or refugee, crosses of a lack of resources or security. With these sisters and brothers of *One 'Ohana*, we witness to Jesus and encounter Christ who continues to walk that long road thru Calvary to the victory of Easter.

Holy Saturday—Traditionally a day of waiting, reflect on your waiting in uncertainty during this pandemic, as Jesus' family and friends waited in uncertainty and fear before the Resurrection. Prepare to turn in your Lenten Rice Bowl by reflecting on how your prayer, fasting and acts of mercy have made you more aware that we are one human family in this journey together. We need to always remember that Lent and Holy Week prepare for Easter: the fast turns into a feast. Our loving God wins the day. As we journey through the passion of Holy Week to celebrate the Easter of the Risen Christ, our *kuleana* as members of God's human 'Ohana is to share solidarity and aloha with everyone, near and far. Mahalo for sharing this Lenten journey together,

*Your friends at CRS and the Office for Social Ministry

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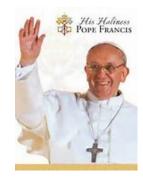
OFFERTORY PRAYER TO END THE LENTEN SEASON

God of abundance, You generously provide for our every need. As we end our Lenten journey, may we continue to remember our brothers and sisters around the world who are hungry, who don't have the opportunity to dream, and all who need our support. We pray that these, our Lenten sacrifices, may be an offering of solidarity and a promise of ongoing commitment to our one human family. As good stewards of your many gifts, may we always answer Jesus' call to reach out beyond ourselves and to share your abundance. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



AN EASTER PRAYER

May the Risen Christ,
Who flung open the doors of the tomb,
open our hearts
to the needs of the disadvantaged,
the vulnerable, the poor, the sick,
the unemployed, the marginalized,
and all those who knock at our door
in search of bread, refuge
and the recognition of dignity.
*by Pope Francis





MORE Parish News and Announcements

SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS -4/5/20 3/28/20 Offertory \$ 1.943.00 750.00 Repair & Maintenance 0.00 25.00 \$ 91.56 \$ Ilocano Mass NA Catholic Relief Services \$ 40.00 \$ NA Holy Thursday NA 140.00 Holy Easter NA 185.00 Holy Land-Good Friday \$ NA 150;00 Mass Intention 100.00 250.00 Total \$ 2,074.56 \$1,500.00



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☆ OBITUARY

+ALFREDO VENTURA BAPTISTA, 84

Wake Service: May 15, 2020, Valley of the

Temples Chapel

Funeral Service: May 16, 2020

Interment: **TBA**

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

HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILIES.

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I'm sorry ma'am, the Resurrection of Jesus was a miracle, not a service of this cemetery.

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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.