

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

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150TH PARISH ANNIVERSARY

(1870-2020)

JUBILEE THEME:

"CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP"



HAPPY LABOR DAY!



HAVE A SAFE & WHOLESOME HOLIDAY

❖ JUBILEE YEAR 2020-2021 ❖



The Jubilee Year of Our Lady of the Mount in celebration of its 150th Anniversary is rolled over from August 16, 2020 to August 15, 2021.

❖ Let's continue to celebrate with joy and gratitude God's bountiful blessings! ❖

The onset and global spread of the unexpected deadly covid-19 pandemic brought practically everything to a standstill. Lives and livelihood were negatively impacted. There were shutdowns, imposed restrictions, stay-at-home order, social distancing and prohibition of large social gatherings and closed down businesses, offices, commercial buildings, workplaces, schools and even churches. Many got infected and died of the virus. The number surged then flattened then spiked again. Consequently, the slated events for our Anniversary commemoration were not carried out.



We had to abide dutifully by the authorities' advisory and follow safety protocols, so the events were suspended. But we do not give up and bow to the virus. We still had the Bishop come and celebrate the 150th Anniversary Mass and Patroness Feast with us as well as bless and inaugurate the Pastoral Center as commemorative landmark of the milestone. The pastor and parish leadership, realizing that the Anniversary is a once-in-a-lifetime event, agreed to make our celebration on August 16, 2020 not as culmination but instead the re-launching of a year-long observance of our Jubilee Year. So, we shall roll over and continue to pursue the holding of previously planned activities with the hope that covid-19 will soon be behind us.

Aside from the monthly events, we shall print commemorative shirts, publish a commemorative souvenir book, put up a Jubilee Honor Roll Board and celebrate a grand reception and Testimonial Banquet which is already arranged and reset to August 15, 2021.

In grateful acknowledgment of the vision, faith and sacrificial love of the founding missionaries and faithful for OLM parish, it is but proper and fitting that we continue the tradition with our own brand of dynamic faith and missionary spirit. Aside from completing the convent renovation on time and having it blessed and inaugurated as the new Pastoral Center by *Bishop Larry Silva* on August 16, we resume our jubilee commemoration and excitement by carrying on the pastoral vision and programs that were set out by the Diocese and adapted by all parishes with our renewed faith and joyful stewardship.

Yes, life must go on. We must not let the virus rule over and control us. Jesus is our Lord and leader more powerful than the virus and will help us overcome any crisis. Let us therefore move on with resolve to carry on the legacy of the past 150 years and add our own humble contribution for the next generation to cherish and celebrate.

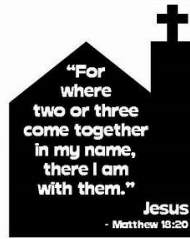
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"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Psalm 95:8



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading
Sirach 27:30-28.7

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm: 103:2-4, 9-12

Second Reading
Romans 14:7-9

Gospel
Matthew 18:21-35

First Reading: *Ezekiel 33:7-9*

In this Reading, the prophet Ezekiel, as a watchman for the house of Israel, warns God's people that unless they turn back from their evil ways the Babylonians will destroy their land. The people did not listen, lost their country, and are now in exile in Babylon. Ezekiel repeats the warning, giving people hope that though they broke the covenant, their relationship with the Lord can continue. To enjoy this privilege, however, they must change. The prophet Ezekiel's own salvation depends on the effort he makes to sway them to alter radically the direction that their life is taking.

Second Reading: *Romans 13:8-10*

Paul writes and commands that loving is not an activity that Christians perform in addition to keeping rules or the "law." It is an incalculable debt that believers owe to God for the love that he bestows on them through Christ. Christian love entails positive action toward everyone. It is more than not committing adultery, not killing, not stealing, and not coveting. Paul expands its meaning to include every person that one interacts with face-to-face or from a distance.

Gospel: *Matthew 18:15-20*

The Gospel Reading tells that whenever people offend each other, its members must make a serious effort to reconcile the parties involved. Matthew's community set up procedures to accomplish this. Reconciliation is crucial to the Church's mission. Actions taken by parishes, which accord between even a few of their members, unite earth and heaven. Whatever is bound or loosed by the community on earth is also considered the same in heaven. If on earth only two members agree to pray for the same thing, the Father in heaven is hearing and grants their request. Where only a few come together in Christ's name on earth, Christ who is risen and seated at God's right hand is present with them.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FR. ADRIAN!

Our pastor-emeritus, *Father Adrian* is celebrating his 81st birthday on the same day the whole church commemorates the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 8.

We pray for his continued health and graceful enjoyment of serving the Lord and his church even in his retirement.



Our Lady of the Mount Church
Honolulu, Hawaii

Fr. Edgar Brillantes
Celebrant

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2020

150th Parish Anniversary
1870-2020

Join us online at 9:00am at www.facebook.com/

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LIVE-STREAMED MASS

*23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*September 6, 2020 at 9:00 AM

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*Please click "Like" for easier access to the site.

BEATING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

*Please refer to the latest directives provided by the Diocese Office of Worship
 *As we resume our public celebrations of the Holy Mass on days and weekends we continue to observe safe distancing, wear face covering, keep hygiene practices and avoid large gatherings.

*Dispensation for not attending mass in churches due to high risk or fear of infecting or contracting coronavirus has been extended by Bishop Larry Silva until October 31, 2020 but highly encouraged to join the televised or livestreamed Mass.

*At OLM, we continue to provide the live-streamed Mass on Sundays at 9:00am so as to enable those sheltered-in to fulfill their obligation. There are also prayers that we can use individually or as a family. We need to keep connected with our Almighty God who can put an end to this pandemic and allow us to return unscathed to our normal lives. Let us stay safe, healthy and blessed and continue to pray for one another and for the whole world.



❖LET US KEEP PRAYING FOR DELIVERANCE FROM THE DEADLY VIRUS
 AND FOR THE SAFETY AND GOOD HEALTH OF EVERYONE❖



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!



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY



Heavenly Father,

Even during this time of pandemic,
 September is a month that offers hope for things to come:

our daily life has a new rhythm,
 there are new beginnings and a new energy.

In this month of accelerating activities,
 keep us mindful that we live for Christ and not for ourselves,
 and that to be good stewards of his Gospel
 should be our goal each and every day.

In this month of transition,
 help us find a deeper spiritual balance in our lives
 that takes time for you

and listens to the promptings of your Spirit.

And in a time when we are discouraged
 from physically embracing one another,
 help us find ways to manifest

your loving embrace to our neighbors.

We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin,
 August 2020)

MASS ATTENDANCE

	8/29-30/20	8/22-23/20
Sat 6:00pm	47A+1C	44A+0C
Sun 6:30am	44A+0C	59A+0C
Sun 9:00am	48A+1C	58A+3C

(A = Adults; C = Children)



SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 2,350.81	\$ 3,117.25
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 114.00
Donation:		\$ 200.00
Parish Anniversary	\$ 150.00	
Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$ 630.56	
Funeral	\$ 500.00	
Religious Articles		\$ 32.00
Rebate		\$ 48.62
Candles	\$ 70.00	\$ 161.00
Mass Intention	\$ 20.00	\$ 140.00
Total	\$ 4,771.37	\$ 3,812.67

*"Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time
 we shall reap our harvest if we do not give up."
 Galatians 6:9*



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

- *Weekday Masses (Mon-Fri) – 7:00 AM
- *Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil Mass – 6:00 PM
- Sunday Masses – 6:30 AM * 9:00 AM (Livestreamed)
- *Ilocano Mass: 3rd Sunday – 6:00 PM



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- *Please come to the church with your own face covering and observe the 6-foot distancing when you get out of your car, walk into the church and take your seat at the marked areas. Families of the same household with small kids may be seated together. Avoid congregating in large or crowded groups.
- *Please use the sanitizers by the entrance doors when you come inside the church. You may bring disinfectant wipes for use in your seat before and after the service.
- *If you feel sick, please don't force yourself to come to church. You are dispensed from the obligation.
- *Let's strive to stay safe, healthy and holy as we come back to the house of God and gather as one blessed family.



STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR PARISH: Continue to Give Generously

As COVID-19 continues to change the way the world interacts, we see parishes across North America responding creatively and finding new ways to minister. As parishioners who are charged with exercising good stewardship of our parishes, how are we supporting the ministries of our parish communities? More succinctly, how are we responding to our parishes with our giving practices? We have a need to give, a need that is expressed through our love for Christ and his Church. Jesus sets the standard. His life is our greatest lesson about love. He identified love as the path to salvation. Love goes beyond well-wishing to action. He laid down his life for his community of disciples. Jesus saved us through giving. He gave us himself.

We've all experienced the joy of giving, the excitement of presenting an unsolicited gift or a particularly generous one. We enjoy witnessing the joy our gift brings. Parents experience this when they give to young children. We all experience it when we give to a friend, a neighbor, a charity, a stranger. However, the warm feeling that accompanies giving is the least important part of the experience. The truth is we need to give because we grow in Christ by giving. The world would have us believe that we grow by getting: the more I have, the more I am. In this view, persons are defined by things. Personal possessions count more than personal qualities, like character and virtue. But a fast car or expensive clothes are a poor means of self-expression. In order to express ourselves, we need to share our uniqueness with others, to create and to give.

Giving also affords us the opportunity to grow socially. We need relationships and relationships are enriched by giving. We sometimes hold back our giving because of fear. If I volunteer my time and give my money, will I have enough left for me? Am I willing to risk sacrifice? Giving and sacrifice strengthen relationships. We all have a need to continue giving faithfully to our parish community. Our gift continues to enrich the people who gather around the Eucharistic table, even if virtually. Our need is rooted in our commitment to the Gospel and our love for Christ, our community and our neighbor. When we give, we obey the first commandment, we practice the greatest virtue, and we reveal ourselves as Christian stewards.

*Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council (ICSC) e-bulletin, September 2020



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR SERIES

Webinars for Parish Ministers

The Office of Religious Education/Adult Faith Formation invites parish ministers to view a series of free, online professional development webinars. Enjoy access to free presentations by experts in many areas (child, youth, adult, family) of parish ministry from the comfort of your home or office.

Log in to the live webinars to participate in our question-and-answer sessions or watch the free recordings at your convenience. Watch the recordings of more than fifty Ave Maria Press webinars: www.avemariapress.com/webinar-videos/



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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIocese OF HONOLULU
 WITNESS TO JESUS

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Extension of Dispensation from Sunday Mass Obligation

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Silva extends the dispensation of all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass **through October 31, 2020**. All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection are encouraged to do so, but are not obliged to do so.



MEMORANDUM

To: Clergy, Parishes and Catholic Faithful
 From: Deacon Modesto Cordero, Director Office of Worship
 Date: August 19, 2020

Subject: Updated to Liturgical Guidelines Due to the new "Act Now Honolulu – No Social Gathering Order" [COVID-19]

We are blessed that our churches are opened and we can gather again to worship together as one Ohana. Our daily lives, routines at home, school, work and community have changed in the past months as well as our liturgies and worship experiences due to the unpredictable COVID-19 pandemic. Each island has been exposed differently to the virus and we are called to continue doing our Christian best to support our local county and government officials in fighting this illness.

In the past month, the island of Oahu (County of Honolulu) has seen a great increase of COVID-19 cases. Yesterday, Governor Ige approved Mayor Kirk Caldwell's latest emergency order for the County of Honolulu called "*Act Now Honolulu – No Social Gathering Order*" [COVID-19] which impacts the island of Oahu only in an attempt to flatten the recent surge in COVID-19 cases on the island. These restrictions impact all Catholic churches, chapels, oratories, centers, and missions, on the island of Oahu only, and begin at midnight tonight (Wednesday, August 19), and will last for the next 28 days (or until further notice).

For any additional questions or concerns contact me at mcordero@rcchawaii.org or (808) 585-3342.



**CATECHETICAL
 SUNDAY**



COMMISSIONING OF CATECHISTS

On September 20 is "*Catechetical Sunday*." There will be commissioning of our parish catechists and aides at the 9:00 AM Mass. Unfortunately, *Lucille Mohika* cannot resume her position as RE Coordinator in this time of pandemic because of health issues. We pray for Lucille's healing and speedy recovery. We also ask everyone to pray for a good, willing and able parishioner to take her place.

We shall hold the registration of children and youth from K-12 this Sunday. We especially call on the parents of our children for Grade 2 and up who are to be prepared for the reception of the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation to register.



Talk Story: Connecting Parish Religious Education Coordinators and Directors

When: Tue, 06 Oct 2020 @ 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM HST * Where: Online Event

More details coming soon!

Tuesday, September 1, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Tuesday, November 3, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Tuesday, December 3, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Contact Chad Chun at cchun@rcchawaii.org for meeting link. All sessions will be recorded and available at www.catholicahawaii.org/ore/webinars.



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

US CENSUS 2020: BE COUNTED...

August 31, 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Diocese of Honolulu,


Peace be with you! *"The whole world should be enrolled."* These were the words of the evangelist Luke, relaying the decree of Caesar Augustus calling for a census. We know from this familiar story that Joseph dutifully and responsibly went from Galilee to Bethlehem to be enrolled with Mary, who was with child. Joseph and Mary understood the importance of being counted among the population. The Census remains just as important today. Much more than merely counting people in our country, the collected data is used to determine *"the distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funding each year; local government planning; business decisions, and more."* Federal programs that benefit from the Census data include efforts that address poverty, hunger, homelessness, childcare, emergency services, and public safety. Much of this is beneficial to our diocese and to all of Hawaii's Catholics whose mission includes serving the common good and tending to the needs of the marginalized. Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau strives to reach the country's entire population, including the U.S. territories. But each year the greatest challenge for the Bureau has been reaching *"hard-to-count"* populations - including members of *"racial and ethnic minority groups, people who rent their home, rural residents, non-English speakers, households with children under age 5, and people living in complex households."* As a Church, we serve many different communities, including those listed above. I ask that all our faithful prayerfully consider being counted in the census - regardless of citizenship. The Bureau assures us that your information is protected and confidential. Federal law protects your responses, which cannot be shared with law enforcement, immigration agencies, or housing authorities. Just as Joseph and Mary, we too ought to understand the importance of being counted. In every face of our community is the face of Jesus. So you count. Our kupuna count. Our children count. Information on how to respond to the census can be found at the US Census Bureau website: www.2020census.gov.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu

*It's easy to respond online at www.my2020census.gov or call 844-330-2020 (English) or 844-478-2020 (Tagalog). You may also fill out your paper questionnaire in English or Tagalog and mail it back to the Census Bureau. Filipinos in Hawaii may contact *Annie Sokol* at 808-892-5141 and may speak to her in Tagalog. Do not delay or postpone. The last day of census is September 30, 2020. That's only one month from now.

"I am here to invite you to participate in the U.S. Census 2020! I am not speaking on my own. Our Bishop Larry Silva, together with the most reverend bishops of the United States are endorsing and recommending participating in the census, to ALL our faithful."




Fr. Edgar Brillantes
Pastor, Our Lady of the Mount Church
Roman Catholic Church in Hawaii

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Chancellor of the Diocese of Honolulu

"I wish to enjoin you, my fellow Filipinos, whether Ilocano, Visayan, Tagalog, Ilonggo; Catholic or Christian, or other faiths; fellow citizens, one and all – without exception, to respond to the Census 2020. Please don't delay or postpone doing it. God Bless us all!"



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MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 29 > 6:00pm RM +Lucy Poueu

Aug 30 > 6:30am Thanksgiving & good health - Alex & Marichu Pe Benito * RM +Santiago & Vicenta Cabanting, +Deceased relatives of Teodora Cabe

Aug 30 > 9:00am Thanksgiving - Florencio Sipalay & family * RM +Marcus Baclaso, Filomena Baclaso

Aug 31-Sept 4 > 7:00am Successful surgery & healing - Amando & Palmas Flores; Tessie Fontanilla; Mila Llantero; Imelda Ruaburo

Aug 31-Sept 7 > 7:00am RM +Arsenio & Esperanza Balmores; +Jose Calpito

Sept 1 > 7:00am Thanksgiving for God's graces & blessings - Bacani family

Sept 2 > 7:00am Birthday - Helen Platiro * RM +Pio, Jovito, & Consuelo Alcantra, Conrado Benitez; +Ione & Don Adams

Sept 5 > 6:00pm Healing & recovery - Gladys Goo, Mario Parilla; Bob Wells; Tessie Fontanilla; Guy Miranda; Those infected w/ covid-19 * Special intention - For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for all essential workers in the crisis * Thanksgiving for God's graces & blessings - Bacani family; For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * RM +Malwenda, Pastor & Walter Balbuena, Magdalena Sanchez, Angela, Max, Petronilo, Teodoro & Fabian Balbuena; +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues

Sept 6 > 6:30am Healing - Teodora Cabe; Gladys Goo, Mario Parilla; Mila Llantero; Ernesto Fiesta; Tessie Fontanilla, Guy Miranda, Caridad Dagdagan * Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; For the blessings, sponsors and donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * RM +Francisco & Mary Rodrigues; +Purie Cortez; +Violeta Pe Benito; +Janice Valdez

> 9:00am (Missa pro populo) Thanksgiving - For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * Healing - Ryan Mita; Teodora Cabe; Imelda Mateo Ruaburo; Lucille Mohika; Mila Llantero; Ropati Liua; Venasio Talia; Pamata & Sulia Liua; Florentino Orcino; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Thanksgiving - Florencio Sipalay & family; Edwin & Lydia Agno; Silver & Marivic Palting; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Tom & Olivia Mita * Special intention - For Deliverance from & end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +Felix & Crescencia Edmalin; +Arsenio & Esperanza Balmores; +Jose Calpito; +Santiago & Vicenta Cabanting; Deceased family & relatives of Teodora Cabe; +Feliberto Eder; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors and parishioners of OLM

Sept 6-14 > 7:00am RM +Felix & Crescencia Edmalin; +Leonarda Barruga Palting; +Jose Gabriel Palting; +Flor Domingo Barruga; +Victoria Mateo Barruga

Sept 7 > 7:00am RM +Arsenio & Esperanza Balmores; +Jose Calpito

Sept 8 > 7:00am Birthday - Fr Adrian Gervacio; Anita Pinera

Sept 10 > 7:00am Successful surgery - Michael Schwengler Jr

Don't Miss the

DEADLINE!

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:** Michael Schwengler Jr * Amando & Palmas Flores * Teodora Cabe * Ryan Mita * Gladys Goo & Mario Parilla * Bob Wells * Marie Schwengler * Doren Gruenhagen * Korina Sinafai & family * Father Vaifou, Danny Lopes & family * Mike Sagapolu * Acosta family * Imelda Mateo Ruaburo * Ruben Villarín * Lucille Mohika * Caroline Gruenhagen * Adelina Sebastian * Ernesto Fiesta * Mila Llantero * Gladys Sedeno * Yvonne Amoroso Motilla * Fred Caballes * Ropati Liua * Venasio Talia

* Theresa Schwengler * Pamata & Sulia Liua * Jane Pe Benito * Caridad Dagdagan * Florentino Orcino * Leonardo Atendido * Andy & Marina Torio * Amelia Pascual * Gwen Perry * Timothy Barroga Sr * Charlie Newman * Petronila Jandoc * Susan Reynon * Marilou Bruno * Katrina Santos * Valentina Elliazar * Vicenta Baron * Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * John Guieb * Jesse Ulep * George Calizar * Joann Gibbs * Florentino Sotto * Marvin & Sally Moore * Clara Adlawan * Jeanne Oshiro * Martha Castro

❖ **Birthday:** Fr Adrian Gervacio * Anita Pinera * Helen Platiro * Paula McHardy * Joe Boy Jandoc * Darnel Gamiao * Fran Kovaloff * Terri Leong * Sulia Liua * Julieta Walsh * Michael Ramiscal * Luida Susa * Nelie P Puzon * Caroline Gruenhagen * Cris Paranada & Jenna Paranada * Kelli Goo & Cres M Paranada+ * Bishop Larry Silva * Louie Lorenzo * Christopher Martinez * Jayson Canoneo * Michelle Chun * Ruby Mohika (89) * Nazario Balbuena * Brian Schwengler * Gerald & Lavien Atendido * Ethel Teocson

❖ **Ordination Anniversary:** Bishop Larry Silva (15th Episcopal Ordination Anniversary) * Fr. Steve Nguyen (21st) * Fr. Alfred Guerrero (3rd) * Fr. Danilo Laeda (38th) * Fr. Edgar Brillantes (40th) * Fr. Teodulo Gaquit (50th) * Fr. Adrian Gervacio (53rd)

❖ **Wedding Anniversary:** Jayson & Bridget Canoneo (21) * Eddie & Cita Lucero (50) * Jose Rizal & Fe Go (42) * Steve & Heidi Abrigo (26) * Raymond & Gladys Sedeno (60) * Lisiate & Feaomoeta Sole (16) * William & Mitronia Amoroso (62)

❖ **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 * Thanksgiving by - Florencio Sipalay & family > M/M Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > M/M Thomas & Olivia Mita > Corazon Orcino > Renato & Cora dela Rosa > Bacani family > M/M Priscilla & Alan Kubota > Joseph & Mila Llantero > * For successful medical board exam of John W.K. Leong

❖ **Deceased:** +Felix & Crescencia Edmalin * +Janice Valdez * +Ione & Don Adams * +Arsenio & Esperanza Balmores (44th Anniv) * +Jose Calpito * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues * +Francisco & Mary Rodrigues * +Leonarda Barruga Palting * +Jose Gabriel Palting * +Flor Domingo Barruga * +Victoria Mateo Barruga * +Pio Alcantra, Jovito Alcantra, Consuelo Alcantra, Conrado Benitez * +Marcus Baclaso & Filomena Baclaso * +Malwenda, Pastor & Walter Balbuena; Magdalena Sanchez; Angela, Max, Petronilo, Teodoro, Fabian Balbuena * +Feliberto S Eder * +Santiago & Vicenta Cabanting, +deceased relatives of Teodora Cabe * +Edwin Brion * +Marina Ramil * +Arsenio Bornios * +William & Mae Kuboyama * +Purie Cortez & Violeta Pe Benito * +Deceased relatives of Florencio Sipalay * +Antone Fivella, James Soong * +Nelly Tadeo * +Charlie Puzon * +Anna Sinafai * +Deceased family & relatives of Barbara Sagapulo & Korina Sinafai * +Lucy Poueu * +Joe & Millie Josol * +Addie Freitas * +Ely Purganan * +Jose Goloran, Jeffrey Goloran * +Rosalina Cristobal * +Jerry Reyes * +Crescencia Paranada (1st anniv) * +Leticia Aranda Rivera * +Domingo Jabillo Guieb * +Gerardo Agcaoili * +Alfredo C Cacapal * +Maria Atendido Querubin * +Ferdinand Cruz * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Steven James Adlawan * +Christopher Flores * +Pio, Consuelo & Jovito Alcantra, Conrado Benitez Sr *, +Arsenia Uganiza * +Robert Walsh * +Pedro, Urbana, Virgilio & Orlando Artates, Ronald Palce, Pio & Victoriana Bacani * +Marlene Facuri, Leonora Tesoro * +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

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 monetary contributions which support our pastoral programs and ongoing projects as well as the basic operation of the Church 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.

*****STEWARDSHIP APPEAL** – Our appreciation and gratitude to *all dear Parishioners* who responded to our appeal during the covid-19 pandemic for their continued stewardship by mailing or dropping their offering envelopes or Mass intention offerings as well as using the online giving thru the Diocese website to help defray the needs and expenses of the parish.

*****DONATIONS** – We wish to acknowledge parishioners and friends who stepped up as generous donors for the 150th Anniversary celebration and for the refurbishing of the Pastoral Center: *Bill & Joann Amoroso* - \$1000.00 * *Petronila Jandoc and her family* - \$1000.00 in memory of their deceased +*Jose Jandoc Sr * M/M Alan & Priscilla Kubota* of Salt Lake - \$1000.00. *Priscilla* was also our church liaison with the Governor's Office to obtain an official proclamation certificate for our anniversary event. * *Silver & Marivic Palting* - \$1000.00 * *Kathy Ferreira* - \$700.00 * *Luida Susa* - \$500.00 * *Jeannette Bala* - \$300.00 * *Corazon Orcino* - \$300.00 * *Elma & Herminia Ferrer* - \$200 * *Rev Fr Alfred Omar Guerrero* - \$150. *Andy Magbojos*, grand knight of the *OLM Knights of Columbus Council* - Keurig coffeemaker & Starbucks coffee k-cup pods * *Tita Calizar* - microwave oven. We appreciate and thank them all for their gracious support and stewardship.

*****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** – We are glad and grateful to the Lord for the completion of the renovation of the convent under the supervision of *Joyce Oliveira*, the chair of the *Parish Planning & Building Committee (PPBC)*, and of the project manager, *Roger Isidro*. All labor and material costs were duly defrayed with no debt incurred. Thanks to the faithful stewardship of parishioners and the successful fundraising spearheaded by *Becky Jandoc* and her *Finance and Fundraiser ad hoc committees*. All were done in time for our 150th Parish Anniversary & Patronal Feast. *Bishop Larry Silva* blessed it on August 16, as the new *Pastoral Center*.

❖**CHURCH ENVIRONMENT** – Volunteer parishioners come every Saturday to prepare the Church for the weekend Masses. They spruce up the altar with new linens, decorate the sanctuary with flowers, put up the seasonal banners and other cleaning tasks. They set up the proper worship environments and make our celebrations dignified and meaningful. During the time of the covid-19 pandemic, in compliance with the Diocese and government advisory they marked the seating in the pews and communion line for 6-ft distancing as well as place sanitizers for use by the mass-goers and disinfect the church. We do appreciate *Marivic Palting, Nelie Puzon, Bella Miranda, Doi Facuri, Gloria Rodrigues, Fran Kovaloff, Aida Isidro and Corazon Orcino* for their dedication and devotion.

❖**LITURGY** – A big Mahalo to *Andy Llamedo* for constructing the beautifully-designed shield at the lector's podium. The shield addresses the health concerns when the priests and lectors remove their face masks when speaking. The livestreaming of OLM Sunday Mass at 9:00am for the sake of those sheltered-in during the covid-19 crisis will continue on via the OLM Facebook account and thru the kind services of the *Llamedo family*. They also prepare the items for power-point projection at Mass such as the hymns, readings and responses. There is a wi-fi hook-up to the parish hall in case of an overflow in the church. Here the faithful can attend the Mass and receive Holy Communion from there. This is made possible thru the high-tech know-how of *Jun Cortez* and *Fidel Flores* who also donated and put up wi-fi boosters in the church and hall for wider coverage and for security camera installation. Designated to operate the power-point projection of the responses and hymns during the Masses are – *Malia Balbuena* at the 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass, *Jun Cortez* at the 6:30am Sunday Mass while the family of *Marc & Clem Ulep* take care of the 9:00am Mass.

❖**STEWARDSHIP OFFERING COUNTERS** – We're grateful to the faithful and ever-smiling money counters who take turns every other Sunday – *Becky DeCorte * Malia Gasio * Aida Isidro * Rosie Jacinto * Dorie Mina * Reanne Rodillas * Linda Puzon (Coordinator)*.

❖**GARDENING** – Thanks to God for the wonderful people who volunteer with the upkeep of the church grounds. *Clemente Fontanilla* mows the grasses. The couple-tandem of *Lito and Lia Centino* employed their gardening skills and planted from their own nursery various decorative species such as bromeliads and Song of India by the side of the Hall and Rectory and recently pruned the ginger plants and birds of paradise by the old convent. *Eddie Lucero* and *Jun Flores* continue to keep the yellow hibiscus blooming with flowers thru regular pruning and watering. God bless them 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



☪ MORE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ☪



CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUNDAY

“Building Bridges To Hope”

Thank you for your support and generosity for this year’s Catholic Charities Sunday special collection. OLM’s second collection last Sunday totaled \$630.56.

The theme of this year’s Catholic Charities Sunday campaign was *“Accompanying His People with Joy.”* This annual second collection held throughout the diocese helps Catholic Charities

Hawaii reach out and transform lives through programs that assist families, youth, seniors, immigrants and individuals in crisis. Last year with your help, we touched the lives of nearly 40,000 people in need.

We continue to provide our services through the COVID-19 pandemic and have added and enhanced our services to address the urgent needs of the many who have been affected.

Mahalo for being a valuable partner in mission to provide help and hope to the most vulnerable in our community. Together, we are a community of hope during these challenging times.



Faith Action for Community Equity

FACE – Faith Action Report

Hello Supporters of Faith Action for Community Equity!

Faith Action has been busier than ever so far in 2020. Despite the pandemic, the Faith Action staff, interns and volunteers have been “zooming” like crazy, giving testimony online and just generally doing great things. Some of Faith Action’s efforts this year have been focused on:

Hosting a Mayoral Assembly * Raising the minimum wage * Affordable housing * Kupuna Caregivers Program * Reforming Real Estate Tax requirements * The 2020 Census * Directing Federal CARE funding * Assembling PPE for healthcare workers * Initiating an Environmental Justice task force *

Right now, we are preparing to launch our Faith Action Unit Investment Drive. While these are economically difficult times for many, the work that Faith Action is doing is more important than ever to make sure that our Community comes through these hard times with improved priorities, more clearly defined and relevant goals and a more just, peaceful and verdant Hawaii.

We call it an “Investment Drive” because, while we are a 501c organization (i.e., tax-deductible), funds given to Faith Action are in investment in a better future.

The Unit Investment Drive will formally begin on September 19th and run up to Halloween. You will receive more information, including how to make investments, as the Investment Drive gears up.

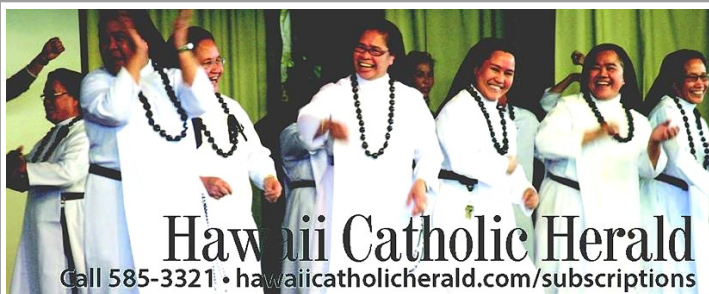
We hope you will join us in investing in Faith Action to support our efforts to improve the quality of life here on Hawaii for ourselves and to be a voice for those who have a hard time being heard.

KUPUNA CARE: HOME DELIVERY, EDUCATION AND WELLNESS SERIES

From the Office for Social Ministry

With COVID-19 infections continuing to rise across the state, we urge everyone to practice safety guidelines, especially those on Oahu, where positive cases are among the highest. Mayor Kirk Caldwell’s [STAY-AT-HOME and WORK-FROM-HOME](#) order issued on August 27 will remain in effect at least through September 9. The islands of Maui and Hawaii are also experiencing more community spread so it is even more important for kupuna and persons with compromised health to remain sheltered in place until the virus curve flattens. Mahalo to the many volunteers and community partners dedicated to providing resources to support our vulnerable elders!

[Our Kupuna](#) is a community initiative project supported by the Hawaii VA Foundation to care for Hawaii’s vulnerable elderly during these difficult times. The non-profit connects with sponsors who are willing to get groceries, medication and necessary supplies to our kupuna so they may stay safe at home until the virus outbreak passes. To request assistance, call (808) 400-4506 or [apply online](#).



SUBSCRIBE TO HAWAII CATHOLIC HERALD
Call 585-3321 or go to hawaiicatholicherald.com/

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: 7:00am
Saturday (Vigil): 6:00pm
Sunday: 6:30am & 9:00am
Ilocano Mass: 3rd Sunday 6:00pm

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEAST DAYS

- Sep 8 Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Sep 9 St. Peter Claver, priest
- Sep 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

OTHER

Sep 7 Labor Day; the Rectory Office is closed

SEP 11 PATRIOT DAY- In 2001, terrorists attacked the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; 2,977 people died.



2020 PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Due to the corona virus pandemic, it was not possible to take up the Good Friday Collection dedicated to support the Christian communities who are in the Land of Jesus. Pope Francis has accepted the request to move this gesture of sharing to September 13 because it is the Sunday closest to the Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross which is celebrated there with particular solemnity. Thank you for your generosity..



✚ OBITUARY

+CRESENCIA EDMALIN, 96

Funeral Mass: October 17, 2020 > 10:00am at OLM Church

Interment: October 17, 2020 > 1:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

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

HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE BEREAVED FAMILIES.



PRAYERS FROM THE SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEARTS

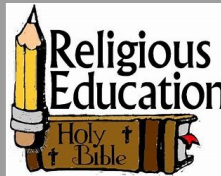
The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent in Honolulu wrote:
 You and your parishioners will be remembered expressly in the prayers and works of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent in Honolulu during the week of September 20-26, 2020.



We invite those who have special intentions to let the Sisters know by phone, mail or e-mail: reginasscc@cs.com.

As Sisters of Perpetual Adoration of the Belssed Sacrament, our chapel is open daily from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm to anyone who wishes to spend some time in prayer. Mahalo nui loa. May God bless your parish abundantly.

Sincerely in the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,
Regina Pacis Community
1120 Fifth Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816-5828
Tel: 737-5822



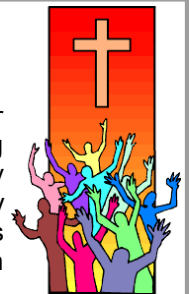
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration will continue throughout the month of September for children and youth from K-12 each Sunday after the 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall. We especially call on our children for Grade 2 and up who are to be prepared for the reception of the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

WANTED:

Youth & Young Adult Minister

We are looking for interested parishioner to take up the role of a Youth & Young Adult Minister which was left vacant by the departure of *Ropati Liua*. You may submit your name and contact numbers at the parish office or you may approach *Fr. Edgar*.



Parish Bookkeeper

Our current bookkeeper, *Deacon Rafael Mendoza*, is being reassigned as full-time bookkeeper for the Catholic School system in the Diocese. While we convey our whole-hearted gratitude to Deacon Raffy for his kind services at OLM even though only a short while (1 year) we are calling for a volunteer to replace him from among our devoted parishioners. Please contact the parish office or *Fr. Edgar*.



L.O.L.
(Laugh
Out
Loud)

