

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

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150TH PARISH ANNIVERSARY

(1870-2020)

JUBILEE THEME:

"CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP"



❖ 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! ❖



OCTOBER IS ROSARY MONTH

Let us pray the rosary daily for peace, joy and God's blessings in our lives and the world.

We do it individually, as a family or community with the Blessed Virgin Mary.



The **first Sunday of October (October 4)** is **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY.**

*The Bible teaches that life is a sacred gift of God and, hence, we have to respect it from womb to tomb.

*Based on the word of God, the Church teaches that an unborn child from the moment of its conception in its mother's womb is precious because it carries an immortal soul.

*It is God's commandment that we shall not kill. (Exodus 20:13: "You shall not kill. "). The circumstances of the baby's conception do not change the evil of abortion: it is still a baby who is killed.

*International Law forbids the killing of innocent, defenseless people. Abortion is the killing of a defenseless child in its safest abode, the womb.

*Advocates of pro-choice follow a dangerous principle of far-reaching consequences in the society. If it is justifiable to kill unwanted children by abortion, then the old, the sick, the handicapped, the mentally ill, and the retarded can also be killed – and so can any member of a "socially/politically unacceptable" minority!

*We need to respect and protect all forms of human life from conception to natural death; we need to be pro-life by working and praying vigorously to end the culture of death.

"The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel." Isaiah 5:7



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes

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

First Reading
Isaiah 25:16-10

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm: 23:1-6

Second Reading
Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel
Matthew 22:1-4

First Reading: *Isaiah 5:1-7*

This Reading is Isaiah's song about a vintner (the Lord) and a cherished vine (Judah) announces the destruction of the southern kingdom. And yet, this passage conveys far more than an oracle of judgment. The prophet's description of the vine grower's efforts—a detailing that draws readers to feel deeply both his eager anticipation of a good crop and his intense disappointment at finding a rotten one - engenders empathy for the Lord's enthusiastic efforts and hopes for his people. The last verse identifies the good grapes as the fruits of justice that the Lord seeks from his people. For Isaiah righteousness is the evidence that God is present and acting on earth.

Second Reading: *Philippians 4:6-9*

The baptized in Philippi are dual citizens. They enjoy the status and privileges of a Roman colony. The Christian Philippians also enjoy the status and privileges of life in their Lord Jesus Christ, who was crucified by the Romans. Their fidelity, as evidenced by their lifestyles and pursuits, disrupts the comfortable coexistence they enjoy with their neighbors who now persecute them. It is the anxiety that arises from their commitment to Christ, and not merely the worries that attend every life, that concerns Paul. Paul reminds the baptized Philippians that God, like Isaiah's vine grower, is doing all that could possibly be done in every moment for the peace or well-being of everyone.

Gospel: *Matthew 21:33-43*

Like the vine grower in Isaiah's song, Jesus' landowner planted a vineyard, put up a hedge, dug a winepress, and built a tower. And like Isaiah, Jesus is teaching about God's plan for Israel, but he modifies the prophet's work by shifting the focus from the fruit produced to those given the responsibility for turning it over to the landowner at harvest time. These are the tenants who represent the chief priests and elders to whom Jesus addresses the parable. The tenants decide to keep the harvest for themselves. Twice they beat up, kill and stone the servants sent by the land-lord to collect it—like their ancestors killed the prophets who God sent to Israel. Finally, the landowner sends his son thinking they will respect him, but they kill him, too, thinking to acquire the vineyard for themselves. This parable warns that those who are responsible for tending God's people - a responsibility shared by all the baptized in some way - that they are provisional caretakers of a divine project.

FOR LIFE, REPARATION, AND PEACE
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
ROSARY CONGRESS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 6 AM – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 6 PM

EACH 6-HOUR PERIOD IS HELD AT A DIFFERENT PARISH OR RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH - DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
Office of Worship
For information and scheduling, contact Cami Adams at 808-721-2307 or camikjm@gmail.com

Saturday October 3, 6:00 am - Friday, October 9, 6:00 pm

From October 3-9, 2020 the Diocese of Honolulu will join other dioceses around the nation on the 2020 Diocesan Rosary Congresses (DRC). The purpose of the DRC is to assist the faithful to fulfill the message of Fatima. The DRC program is offered in the spirit of reparation to restore the sanctity of life, to establish peace in our cities, nation, and world, and to console the hearts of Jesus and Mary. This year the DRC is offering us with an additional opportunity to pray for the ending of the COVID-19 pandemic and a safe and prompt recovery of those that are affected (physically as well as spiritually).

Our turn at **Our Lady of the Mount Parish** is on **October 4 from 12 noon to 6:00 pm**. Come and join and be blessed! OLM's coordinator is Gloria Rodrigues. The schedule is:

12:00 Noon	Pastoral Council / Marc Ulep	4:00 pm	Prison/Hospital & Knights of Columbus /
1:00 pm	Ilocano Choir / Vangie Bacani		Wilfred Soong &
2:00 pm	Decorating Comm / Cora Orcino		Andy Magbojos
3:00 pm	Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers / Gloria Rodrigues & Cleo Bala-Casino	5:00 pm	FCC / Fe Go

LIVE-STREAMED MASS

*27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*October 4, 2020 at 9:00 AM

*Log in to www.Facebook.com/olmkalihi.

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



Our Lady of the Mount Church
Honolulu, Hawaii

Fr. Edgar Brillantes
Celebrant

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2020

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

WITNESS TO JESUS

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

REFLECTIONS FROM THE WORD OF GOD TO PREPARE FOR THE 2020 ELECTIONS

Prepared by Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu (9/23/20)

[Scripture quotes from the New American Bible, Revised Edition]

As faithful citizens of the United States, the State of Hawaii, and the local regions to which we belong, we not only enjoy the right to vote, but we have a civic duty to do so to make our democracy a government *“of the people, by the people, and for the people.”* The following are offered as an invitation to prayer and discernment about some of the issues facing our community to help all discern God’s will regarding the persons we elect for public office. We urge you to pray over them in this time leading up to our November 3 elections.

***ONE NATION UNDER GOD - RELIGIOUS LIBERTY**

Our nation was founded on *“the laws of nature and nature’s God.”* Do we still share this fundamental belief? For those who do believe, is that belief fostered or threatened by our culture and its leaders? *“Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength.”* (Deuteronomy 6:4-5)

***THE SANCTITY OF LIFE FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL NATURAL DEATH**

Pope Francis has said that without the right to life, no other right has meaning. What can we do to halt and reverse the hidden Holocaust of abortion that is so accepted that it is protected by law? How can we assure that our leaders will work for a greater respect for life in all its stages, including the lives of convicted criminals, of the frail elderly, of the poor, and of other vulnerable persons?

“I call heaven and earth today to witness against you. I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that you and your descendants may live.” (Deuteronomy 30:19-20)

***UNITY OF THE RACES**

God has made every person in his image and likeness, yet we often live with biases, prejudices and closed hearts to people who are different from us. How can we all, as individuals and as communities, work toward justice, dignity and equality for all in our land?

“Glorious things are said of you, of city of God! Rahab and Babylon I count among those who know me. See, Philistia and Tyre, with Ethiopia, ‘This one was born there.’ And of Zion it will be said: ‘Each one was born in it.’” (Psalm 87:3-5a)

***WELCOMING NEWCOMERS**

Our country is a country of immigrants, and people are still coming here to escape persecution, oppression and debilitating poverty. How can we more effectively welcome immigrants as sisters and brothers and assist them in becoming integral members of our country of immigrants?

“You shall not oppress or afflict a resident alien, for you were once aliens residing in the land of Egypt.” (Exodus 22:20)

CARE FOR THE POOR AND HOMELESS

What can be done to provide all with good healthcare – mental and physical? How can we as a community put more people to work to restore their dignity and their ability to care for themselves and their families?

How can we work toward more affordable housing?

“And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.’” (Matthew 25:40)

Pray! Vote! Stay involved! God bless our country, our beloved islands, and all our communities!

[For more information, visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Faithful Citizenship website at <https://www.usccb.org/.../forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship>.]



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.



OFFICE OF WORSHIP

UPDATE ON DIOCESAN COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

(This message was sent with High importance)



MEMORANDUM

To: *Clergy, Parishes and Catholic Faithful*
 From: *Deacon Modesto Cordero, Director Office of Worship*
 Date: September 30, 2020

RE: COVID19 restrictions at Mass - Clarifications

**This message was sent with High importance.*

**Approved by Bishop Larry Silva*

Aloha,

Please see the following clarifications in response to concerns from our latest "Update on COVID-19 Protocols" dated September 23, 2020.

1. **Wearing of mask or mask/face shields** - In response to the Office of the Governor's "13th Proclamation related to the COVID-19 Emergency" (dated September 22, 2020): "All persons must wear face coverings in compliance with county orders, rules and directives." Our diocesan directive stands as promulgated in our latest MEMO: "Face coverings (masks or mask/face shields) will be worn at **ALL** times by **ALL** who participate at the Mass during the liturgical celebration. For those ministers with respiratory issues the use of a face shield instead of a face mask is highly recommended.
2. **Singing at Mass**: Our latest directive reads: "*Singing is now allowed by using ONE instrumentalist and ONE cantor ONLY (both need to wear a face covering at all times). The congregation should not sing at this time. The use of wind instruments is still prohibited.*"
 - a. **UPDATE: The use of other "non-wind" instruments (e.g. guitars, violins, drums, piano, organ, etc.) are allowed to be used simultaneously.**
 - b. A distance of 10 feet between the cantor and the congregation needs to be observed as much as possible.
 - c. The use of instrumental music continues to be the **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** choice during any liturgical celebration. This will help with avoiding congregational singing. Most of the Mass part responses could be recited. The congregation could be invited to use the time to meditate when the cantor is singing (e.g., Entrance, Offertory, Communion and Leave-taking hymns).
 - d. **UPDATE: As much as possible we should avoid the use of an entire choir in our neighbor islands (e.g. Kauai, Maui, Big Island) at this time.** If the parish is using a choir they need to follow the rules for indoor singing as directed by the state ["Any person(s) singing shall maintain physical distancing of at least ten (10) feet from any other person(s) while singing. Members of the same performing group singing may be closer than ten (10) feet together while performing, provided the group consists of less than ten (10) persons. To the extent reasonable and practicable, a physical barrier (e.g., plexiglass) of sufficient size to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 shall separate any person(s) singing from any other person(s), but not including members of the same performing group.] **For the island of Oahu ONE cantor only rule still stands.**
3. **Funeral Mass**: The 10 people rule applies for wakes, prayer services and burials at Funeral Homes and cemeteries. Funeral Masses in church should follow the same protocols as our regular Masses.

Thank you for your support and understanding!

Deacon Modesto R. Cordero

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MEMORANDUM

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REMINDERS FROM PRIOR DIOCESAN DIRECTIVES AND/OR PROTOCOLS:

*Parish churches, chapels, oratories, centers, and missions will continue offering in-person services (i.e. Daily and Sunday Mass, Funeral Masses, Weddings, Baptisms, Confirmation/First Holy Communion Masses) and other spiritual services following the prior published directives and guidelines from the State, the CDC and the diocese.

*The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday continues to be dispensed through **October 31, 2020**.

*As an act of charity, anyone who is sick or who is particularly vulnerable to infection should not attend Mass at this time.

*We encourage parish priests to start/continue live-streaming their liturgies to their parishioners via social media platforms and to communicate to them the times of these services and log-in information for their parish's Facebook and/or website. 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.catholicahawaii.org.

*Face coverings (masks or mask/face shields) will be worn at **ALL** times by all who participate at the Mass during the liturgical celebration. For those ministers with respiratory issues the use of a face shield instead of a face mask is highly recommended.

*Priests are reminded that they can still hear confessions by appointment only. Please observe good spacing between the penitent and priest, while at the same time observing absolute privacy for the penitent. Confessions by phone or via the internet are not permitted. General absolution is not permitted, because it presumes a gathering of people.

*No social gathering (e.g. coffee and donuts) may be held after Mass or any religious services.

*Immediately after Mass or any religious event the church will be sanitized according to the protocol adopted by the parish.

*Religious Education, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and Faith Formation may continue following the proper guidelines provided by the Office of Religion Education and Faith Formation.

*All prior memos, directives and protocols are still in effect unless changed in this memo.

For any additional questions or concerns contact me at mcordero@rcchawaii.org or (808) 5853342.



OAHU EMPLOYMENT INFO

Parish Office Openings & Weekend COVID Contact

This message was sent with High importance.

Thu 9/24/2020 11:03 AM

Aloha Pastors and Parish Business/Office Managers of Oahu Churches:

Two announcements:

1. I will not be able to answer my phone or access emails from noon tomorrow, Friday 9/25 until 2:00 pm on Sunday 9/27. If you have a COVID-related report or incident, please contact our Acting Superintendent, *Dr. Llewellyn Young* at 808-313-2323. *Dr. Young* has been handling school COVID concerns and knows CDC guidelines as it relates to potential exposure.

2. Parish offices are now okay to re-open according to Mayor Caldwell's orders for the City and County of Honolulu. The order still encourages employees to work from home if possible, but employees may physically return to the office and church property.

Please remember the following for employees physically returning to the office:

-Employees must stay home if they are experiencing any illness or symptoms (fever, coughing, sore throat, trouble breathing, etc.)

-Face masks are mandatory

-Continue to social distance at least 6 feet apart

-Please be cautious of social distancing measures hallways and close quarters

-No shared or communal food allowed

-Please practice safe disinfecting measures including wiping down high touch surfaces before work, during and before you leave for the day

-No meetings with more than 5 people, continue to utilize GoToMeeting as an option for meetings

Please contact me right away if you have any COVID-related incidents or reports.

Sincerely,

Dara Perreira, PHR

Director of Human Resources - Catholic Diocese of Honolulu

808-585-3306 * www.catholicahawaii.org/about-us/careers

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM



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On October 11, Sunday we shall hold our first in-person catechism class. It will be for both children, parents and interested parishioners. A video on the sacraments will be presented at the parish hall. This will be counted as credit for all participants towards qualifying for the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion.

We shall be observing all mandated safety protocols. Everyone is expected to wear face mask, keep six-feet distancing and follow hygiene practices of washing hands and using sanitizer. The area will be disinfected before and after the session and if anyone feels sick, it is advised that they stay home and get well. We are all in this together and so we stay safe and stay alive.

Our catechists will group with their respective students as they check all required records and documents. In line with the thrust of the Diocese to make the Religious Education program family-oriented we urge the parents to join their children during the sessions so they could follow up in their homes and discussions whatever is presented. We look forward to a close collaboration among the church, the catechists and parents for a more effective faith formation of our children according to the vision of the Diocese.



TALK STORY: Connecting Parish Religious Education Coordinators and Directors

- When: Tue, 06 Oct 2020 @ 6:30 PM-8:30 PM

- Where: Online Event

More details coming soon!

- Tuesday, November 3, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

- Tuesday, December 3, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

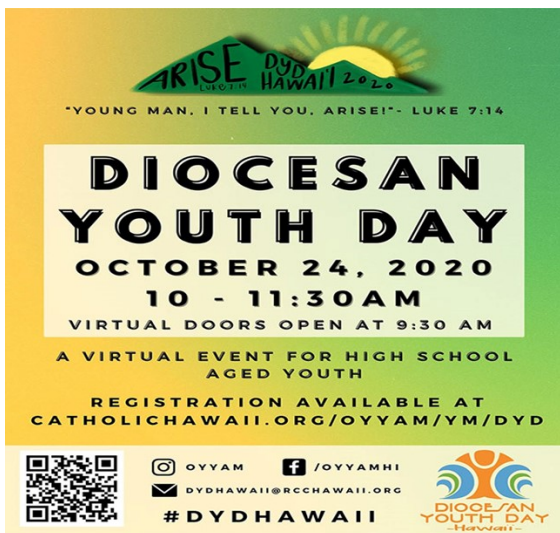
Contact *Chad Chun* at cchun@rcchawaii.org for meeting link. All sessions will be recorded and available at www.catholichawaii.org/ore/webinars.



DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY

Saturday, October 24, 2020 > 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Diocesan Youth Day is open to all high school aged youth and will be held as a virtual event this year. To register or learn more about Diocesan Youth Day,



visit www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/dyd.

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/



☪ **MORE PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** ☪



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 e-bulletin, September 2020)

FACE – Faith Action for Community Equity

***KAWAINUI MESSAGE**

City Council Rejects Kawainui Project

It was disappointing that the Honolulu City Council voted on Sept. 23 to reject the Kawainui Affordable Apartments project. For more information about this decision go to <https://www.faithactionhawaii.org/post/kawainui-affordable-housing-project-update>.



***MAKE SURE YOUR VOTE COUNTS FOR THE UPCOMING ELECTION!**

Learn "How to Vote by Mail" with a free online webinar co-sponsored by Faith Action. Topics include: time-frame for casting your ballot, mechanics of completing your ballot by mail, what to do if you do not receive your ballot or make a mistake on it, 'Can you still vote in-person?' and more! Register here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CSHPNv0dT_uLGLbwCO-5xQ

HAWAII CATHOLICS FOR
**WILDFIRE &
HURRICANE
VICTIMS**

Bishop Larry Silva asks Hawaii's faithful to prayerfully respond to the special appeal to support the USCCB Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund so that those most in need can receive assistance quickly. While not a formal second collection, we do ask that you consider this opportunity to help our brothers and sisters affected by these natural disasters.

www.catholicahawaii.org/support-relief

SPECIAL APPEAL

Most Reverend José H. Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles and President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is requesting a special appeal in support of the Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund. In the wake of disastrous emergencies (e.g. wildfires on U.S. West Coast and hurricanes impacting the US Gulf Coast), USCCB designated relief agencies respond to humanitarian, long-term recovery and Church needs. Such Disaster Relief is desperately needed now.

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Parishioners please write checks payable to the parish noting on the memo Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund.

Online donations can also be made by going to:
<https://www.catholicahawaii.org/support-relief>

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.)

MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>9/26-27/20</u>	<u>9/19-20/20</u>
Sat 6:00pm	48A+0C	43A+1C
Sun 6:30am	55A+0C	44A+0C
Sun 9:00am	54A+4C	55A+5C

(A = Adults; C = Children)



SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 2,395.94	\$ 3,541.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 31.00	\$ 409.00
Donation		\$ 500.00
Blessing		\$ 200.00
Candles	\$ 145.00	\$ 175.00
Religious Articles	\$ 15.00	\$ 2.25
Mass Intentions	\$ 35.00	\$ 110.00
Total	\$ 2,621.94	\$ 4,937.25

*"Whatever you do, do from the heart,
 as for the Lord and not for others."*

Colossians 3:23

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 +*Jose Jandoc Sr* * *M/M Alan & Priscilla Kubota* of Salt Lake - \$1000.00 * *Silver & Marivic Palting* - \$1000.00 * *Kathy Ferreira* - \$700.00 * *Luida Susa* - \$500.00 * *Robert & Darlene Theodore* - \$500.00; *Jeannette Bala* - \$300.00 * *Corazon Orcino* - \$300.00 * *Elma & Herminia Ferrer* - \$200 * *Urbano Acosta* - \$200.00; *Rev Fr Alfred Omar Guerrero* - \$150. *Andy Magbojos*, grand knight of the *OLM Knights of Columbus Council* - Keurig coffee-maker & 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*.

In compliance with the insurance requirement of our church properties under Catholic Mutual, a fire inspection was conducted by the licensed vendors and updated the installed fire extinguishers in all our buildings. *Roger Isidro* guided the inspector into our facilities last week.

❖**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*, *Nellie Puzon*, *Bella Miranda*, *Doi Facuri*, *Gloria Rodrigues*, *Fran Kovaloff*, *Aida Isidro*, *Medy Macalma* and *Corazon Orcino* for their dedication and devotion.

The current chairperson, *Roselani Ramones*, recommended *Corazon Orcino* to temporarily take the helm while *Marivic Palting* takes some time off to attend to family matters.

❖**LITURGY** - 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 during the Masses are – *Malia Balbuena* at the 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass, *Jun Cortez* at the 6:30am Sunday Mass while *Marc & Clem Ulep* and their kids, *David & Gerald*, 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 to do the task – *Becky DeCorte* * *Malia Gasio* * *Aida Isidro* * *Rosie Jacinto* * *Dorie Mina* * *Lynn Rivera* * *Reanne Rodillas* * *Linda Puzon* (*Coordinator*).

❖**GARDENING** – There are wonderful people who volunteer with the upkeep of the church grounds. *Clemente Fontanilla* mows the grasses. The couple-tandem of *Lito and Leah Centino* employ their gardening skills as they plant from their own nursery various decorative species such as bromeliads and Song of India by the side of the Hall and Rectory. They also tend the ginger plants and birds of paradise by the new Pastoral Center. *Eddie Lucero* and *Jun Flores* continue to keep the yellow hibiscus blooming with flowers thru regular pruning and watering. *Jun & Nida Flores* also added blooming flower plants at the foot of the church belfry. 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 PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 FOOD & FINANCIAL RELIEF ASSISTANCE

*CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII OFFERS NEW COVID-19 FINANCIAL RELIEF ASSISTANCE

Rent Relief & Housing Assistance Program

Are you eligible to receive rental assistance?

Catholic Charities Hawai'i has partnered with the State of Hawai'i to assist eligible renters and homeowners who have experienced a reduction in income due to the COVID-19 pandemic and are at risk of eviction or foreclosure.

Eligible renters will receive monthly rent payments of up to \$2,000 per household on O'ahu, or \$1,500 per household in the Counties of Hawai'i, Maui or Kaua'i.

You may be eligible if you:

- Are a full-time Hawai'i resident
- Have a valid and current lease agreement for primary residence in the State of Hawai'i
- Can demonstrate a loss of income directly resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Are 18 years of age or older
- Can demonstrate that your current household income does not exceed 100% Area Median Income, as defined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for 2020.

For more information about this program and to apply visit: www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/housinghelp/



CATHOLIC CHARITIES HAWAII

Catholic Charities Hawai'i (CCH) offers help to renters who are financially impacted by COVID-19 and are at risk of eviction. CCH's new [Rent Relief and Housing Assistance Program](#) provides assistance to eligible renters and homeowners who have experienced a reduction in income and are at risk of eviction or foreclosure.

For eligibility, FAQs and our online application visit us at: www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/housinghelp/.



*FARM FRESH FOODS FOR LOW-INCOME SENIORS

From the Office for Social Ministry



Kupuna in need will now have more time to redeem their unused fresh food vouchers! Thanks to the government-funded [Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program](#) (SFMNP), eligible kupuna with coupons that are set to expire on September 30 will now have until **November 30** to purchase locally-grown fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey at select farmers markets around the state.

We thank all our parish food pantries for working hard to feed the hungry, especially during this pandemic. But since many foodbanks typically distribute only non-perishable items, it is even more vitally important for kupuna to access fresh nutritious food while also supporting local farmers.





MASS INTENTIONS

Sept 27 > 9:00am Wedding anniversary - *Nazario & Alice Balbuena* * Thanksgiving - *M/M Florencio Sipalay; Silverio & Marivic Palting; M/M Liberato Valdez & family*

Oct 3 > 6:00pm Birthday - *Gwen Zanellato* * Healing & recovery - *Bob Wells; 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 - *Leo & Myra dela Cruz; Bacani family; For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year* * RM +*Timothy Barroga; +Agapita Noble; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Vicenta & Glicerio Sanchez, Magdalena Teves Sanchez, Primitivo & Emiliana Teves; +Segunda, Romana & Juan Ferrer, Lucia & Romualdo Lisondra, Angela & Nicolas Balbuena & deceased members of the Baluena family*

Oct 4 > 6:30am Birthday - *Justin Ramiscal* * Healing - *Theresa Schwengler; Linda Puzon: Mila Llantero; Ernesto Fiesta; Guy Miranda, Caridad Dagdagan; Marc Morimatsu* * Thanksgiving - *Urbano Acosta; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Corazon Orcino; For the blessings, sponsors and donors of our Parish Jubilee Year* * RM +*Timothy Barroga; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Bernabe Fiesta; +Teodoro, Geralda, Aurelio, Aleja & Feliza Acosta; +Purie Cortez; +Violeta Pe Benito*

> 9:00am (*Missa pro populo*) Thanksgiving - *For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year* * Birthday - *Janice Vannatta* * Healing - *Juliet Hobson; Lucille Mohika; Mila Llantero; Venasio Talia; Pamata & Sulia Liua; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease* * Special intention - *Ropati Liua* * Thanksgiving - *Gerard Magbojos; M/M Florencio Sipalay; Silverio & Marivic Palting; M/M Liberato Valdez & family; Renato & Cora dela Rosa; Tom & Olivia Mita* * For Deliverance from & end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +*Crescencia Edmalin; +Policarpo Agustin; +Agapita Noble; +Segunda, Romana & Juan Ferrer, Lucia & Romualdo Lisondra, Angela & Nicolas Balbuena & deceased members of the Balbuena family; +Vicenta & Glicerio Sanchez, Magdalena Teves Sanchez, Primitivo & Emiliana Teves; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors and parishioners of OLM*

Oct 5-10 > 7:00am RM +*Timothy Barroga*

Oct 5-11 > 7:00am RM +*Agapita Noble*

Oct 5 > 7:00am Birthday - *Thomas Mita* * RM +*Crescencia Edmalin; +Segunda, Romana & Juan Ferrer, Lucia & Romualdo Lisondra, Angela & Nicolas Balbuena & deceased members of the Balbuena family; +Vicenta & Glicerio Sanchez, Magdalena Teves Sanchez, Primitivo & Emiliana Teves*

Oct 9 > 7:00pm Birthday - *Steve Tapat*

Don't Miss the **DEADLINE!** Please submit your **Mass intentions** by Thursday if you want them printed on time for the weekend Parish Bulletin and for orderly inclusion at the Prayers of the Faithful.

MAHALO: Thank you for your offering of \$10.00 per one (1) Mass intention for the support of the charitable works of the church and for the personal needs of the priests. *God bless you.*



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖**Good Health / Successful Surgery:** Theresa Schwengler * Marc Morimatsu * Encarnacion Palting Melchor * Kamahela Malone * Doren Gruenhagen * Juliet Hobson * Michael Schwengler Jr * Amando & Palmas Flores * Teodora Cabe * Gladys Goo & Mario Parilla * Bob Wells * Marie Schwengler * 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 * Venasio Talia * Guy Miranda * Pamata & Sulia Liua * Jane Pe Benito * Caridad Dagdagan * Florentino Orcino * Andy & Marina Torio * Gwen Perry * 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

❖**Birthday:** Thomas Mita * Gwen Zanellato * Justin Ramiscal * Steve Tapat * Cipriana Luczon * Janice Vannatta * Michael Schwengler Sr & Jr * Aurelia T Centino * Earl Gamiao * Olivia Mita * Jaime Macalma * Gaston Gosselin * Marianne "Mary" Maneja * Gianne Atendido * Maria Goloran (99) * Gaston Gosselin * Vicky Hiramoto * Fr Adrian Gervacio * Anita Pinera * Helen Platiro * Paula McHardy * George Calizar * 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

❖**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:** Melecio & Anita Pinera (50) * Nazario & Alice Balbuena (17) * Jayson & Bridget Canoneo (21) * Eddie & Cita Lucero (50) * Jose Rizal & Fe Go (42) * Steve & Heidi Abrigo (26) * Raymond & Gladys Sedeno (60) * Lisiate & Feamoeta 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 protection and safety from California wildfires of Evelyn Ranit & family * For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 * Thanksgiving by - Gerard Magbojos * Silverio & Marivic Palting > Leo & Myra dela Cruz > Robert & Darlene Theodore > Urbano Acosta > Florencio Sipalay & family > M/M Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > Thomas & Olivia Mita > Corazon Orcino & Florentino Orcino > Renato & Cora dela Rosa > Bacani family > M/M Priscilla & Alan Kubota > M/M Joseph & Mila Llantero * For successful medical board exam of John W.K. Leong * Special intention - Ropati Liua

❖**Deceased:** +Agapita Noble * +Vicenta & Glicerio Sanchez, Magdalena Teves Sanchez, Primitivo & Emiliana Teves * +Segunda, Romana & Juan Ferrer, Lucia & Romualdo Lisondra, Angela & Nicolas Balbuena, deceased members of the Balbuena family * +Teresita Fontanilla * +Timothy P Barroga * +Bernabe Fiesta * +Felix & Crescencia Edmalin * +Florencio Barnachea, Pacifico dela Cruz * +Deceased members of Pang family - Rudy, Helen, Grandal & Chad * +Priscilla Sternberg * Stanley & Martha Castro * +Fr Olivette Rojas * +Donald Gomes * +Ken Larsen * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Deceased family & relatives of Celerina Pamaylaon * +Mardonio & Don Orsino * +Mauro & Felomina Garingo * +Ildelfonso & Flora Orsino * +Eladio & Tecla Garingo * +Lucas & Teresa Arcibal * +Estefanio & Maura Padua * +Quon Yao & Dorothy Lee * +Janice Valdez * +Teodoro, Geralda, Aurelio, Aleja & Feliza Acosta * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues * +Francisco & Mary Rodrigues * +Leonarda Palting * +Jose Palting * +Flor & +Victoria Barruga * +Malwenda, Pastor & Walter Balbuena; Magdalena Sanchez * +Feliberto S Eder * +Santiago & Vicenta Cabanting * +Edwin Brion * +Arsenio Bornios * +Purie Cortez & Violeta Pe Benito * +Deceased relatives of Florencio Sipalay * +Charlie Puzon * +Ely Purganan * +Jose Goloran, Jeffrey Goloran * +Cres Marinas Paranada * +Gerardo Agcaoli * +Fermin Cruz * +Christopher Flores * +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

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEAST DAYS

- Oct 5** Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, priest
- Oct 6** St. Bruno, priest
Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, virgin
- Oct 7** Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
- Oct 9** St. Denis, bishop & Companions, martyrs
St. John Leonardi, priest
- Oct 10** Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

OTHER

- Oct 3-9** Diocesan Rosary Congress
Oct 4 - OLM, 12:00noon to 6:00pm
- Oct 4** Respect Life Sunday
- Oct 8** Financial Review West Honolulu Vicariate virtual meeting, 10:00am

† OBITUARY



+TIMOTHY PAJARILLO BARROGA SR, 87

Funeral Service: October 2, 2020
 > 10:00am at Borthwick Mortuary
 Interment: October 2, 2020
 > 1:00pm at Hawaiian Memorial Park

+CRESENCIA EDMALIN, 96

Funeral Mass: October 17, 2020
 > 11:30am at OLM Church
 Interment: October 17, 2020
 > 1:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

+TERESITA MARINAS FONTANILLA, 82

Funeral Mass: October 19, 2020
 > 11:00am at OLM Church
 Interment: October 19, 2020
 > 1:00pm at Mililani Memorial Park

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



CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA Second Collection, October 3/4

Your donations help the University conduct critical research that will serve parishes and dioceses throughout the country.

† BAPTISM

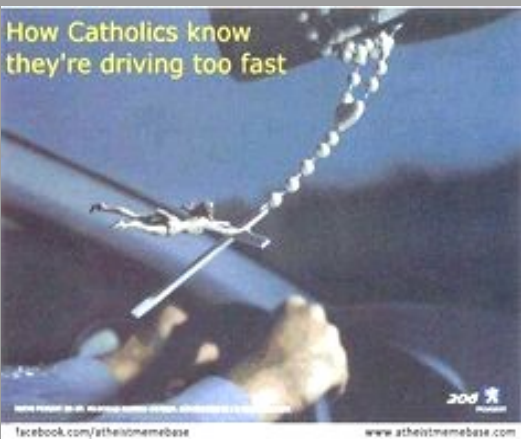
*September 27, 2020



Child – YZAVELLE CECILIA GILONGOS ARUCAN
 Parents – Jay Magarro Arucan & Lucy Tayo Gilongos
 Godparents – Mary Ann S Goloran & Jose Rizalino C Go

*Sacramental preparation by: *Mary Ann Goloran, Cathy Villanueva and Fran Kovaloff*

How Catholics know they're driving too fast



L.O.L.
(Laugh Out Loud)



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-feet 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.

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