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150TH PARISH ANNIVERSARY (1870-2020)

JUBILEE THEME:

"CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP"



JUBILEE YEAR 2020-2021

Celebrate with us
the Jubilee Year of Our Lady of the Mount
on the occasion of its 150th Anniversary of Foundation
from August 16, 2020 to August 15, 2021.

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



NOVEMBER

† COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED †

Inscribe the names of your beloved dead in the Book of Remembrance
and they will be included in our daily Masses throughout the month.

† REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DEAD †

Throughout the month of **November**, we shall remember and pray for our beloved dead. A **Book of Remembrance** will be placed on the church table for anyone to inscribe the names of their deceased and we'll pray for them at every Mass throughout the month. Other ways to honor them include lighting candles for them (*there are two candlestands at the back of the church*), visiting their graves and praying and offering Masses for them. You can also bring their pictures and post them on the **Memorial Board**. There are *Offering Envelopes* for your use in honor of the dead placed on the table.



DIOCESAN CLERGY RETIREMENT COLLECTION

On November 7-8, the Diocese is conducting the **1ST Annual Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund Second Collection**. Our 23 retired priests dedicated themselves over many years to the service of God's people – celebrating thousands of Masses, baptizing, hearing confessions, anointing the sick, witnessing marriage of couples and just being there for us as spiritual father or counselor, visiting us in our homes and praying for us and blessing us. We are grateful for the service they have rendered to our community.

Your donations supplement the diocesan pension fund, covering the costs of sustenance, housing, medical and dental insurance, and other needs as our retired priests move on into their elder years.

THEY WERE THERE FOR US. BE THERE FOR THEM NOW.

Donation envelopes are available in church or donate online at www.catholichawaii.org/dprf.

A video presentation will be shown before the start of all Masses this weekend.



"Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face." Psalm 24:6



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



ALL SAINTS' DAY

Next Sunday's Reading Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading
Wisdom 6:12-16

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm: 63:2-8

Second Reading
Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel
Matthew 25:1-13

First Reading: *Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14*

In this Reading we read of a vision of the heavenly scene, a vision of salvation for members of the tribes of Israel and for multitudes from every nation. The inclusiveness of this vision results from the nature of the lives led by these holy ones; they are all those whose clothing has been washed by the blood of the Lamb. They have trusted in the saving power of Jesus' Death and Resurrection, even to the point of dying during persecution for the sake of their faith.

Second Reading: *1 John 3:1-3*

This first Letter of John contrasts the children of God with the children of the world who follow the devil. The world's children focus on materialistic things and mere human experiences that will not last. But the baptized focus on doing God's will, on deepening their relationship with their brother, the Son.

Gospel: *Matthew 5:1-12*

The Beatitudes of this Gospel do not have economic and social concerns as their central characteristics, rather the message is personal, the concerns spiritual. A person's disposition is all-important in determining who receives these blessing. They are directed at the humble ones, the "poor in spirit" and the "meek." Those who loath to make demands will be recipients of both heaven and earth. Likewise the innocent, the "pure in heart" will enjoy the splendor of God's presence. Those who bestow mercy will be reciprocated. The sense of aching that comes with sorrow and mourning will be eased. And finally, those persecuted for their faith can rejoice in heavenly reward.



NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 1-7, 2020 is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. NVAW began in 1976 when the U. S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the year for NVAW. In 1997, this celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13 in 2013. Beginning in 2014, NVAW was moved to the first full week of November.

Pictured are Seminarians of the Diocese of Honolulu who are preparing for the priesthood. There are, alphabetically: *Preston Castro, Kevin Clark, Lawrence Denis III, Kurt Meyer, Taylor Mitchell, Hai "Francis" Pham, Edgar Pobre, Deacon Dario Rinaldi, Arrior Rosales-Llantos, and Deacon Ese'Ese "Ace" Tui.* Not in the picture are: *Anthony K. Poore Jr. and Jongwoon "Pancratius" Yoon.* Bishop Larry Silva is wearing a hat.

LIVE-STREAMED MASS

- *Solemnity of All Saints
- *November 1, 2020 at 9:00 AM
- *Log in to www.Facebook.com/olmkalihi.
- *Please click "Like" for easier access to the site.



PRAYERS & PRACTICES DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

PRAYERS AND PRACTICES FOR REMEMBERING THE DEAD DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

*Provided by the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions | Resources for November 2020

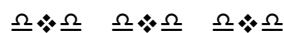


In countless cultures around the world, religious traditions honor those who have died. This is particularly prevalent in the month of November.

On November 1, Catholics celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints** on which we honor all the holy ones who have gone before us. (Traditionally, October 31 is “*All Hallows Eve*”). In some cultures, this day is also known as “*el Día de los inocentes*” or “*the day of the children.*”

On November 2, we celebrate *The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed* or **All Souls Day**. In some cultures, particularly in Mexico, the faithful celebrate the “*Day of the Dead*” or “*Día de los Muertos*” - on this day, it is believed that the souls of the dead return to visit their living family members. In the Eastern Orthodox churches, the Dead are commemorated several times a year.

Throughout the last weeks of the Roman Catholic liturgical year, the Church reminds us of the “*end times*” with particular eschatological readings which refer to the coming of the Lord and the unpredictability of death. This year, the world has been especially visited by death. At this writing, the coronavirus pandemic has taken over 1,154,068 lives worldwide – about 4000 per day. In the United States, we have reached over 224,339 deaths. These are not empty statistics; these are very real children of God who were loved and valued and will be missed by those who knew them. Therefore, this year, let us be even more attentive to prayer. Let us be mindful of the power of the liturgy to transform the lives of those who participate in it. Let us draw from our rich treasury of orations and Scripture in order to give comfort to our people. Most of all, let us commend the Dead to the merciful embrace of almighty God. May these prayers increase our faith and console those who mourn.



POPE FRANCIS EXTENDS INDULGENCES THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER 2020

PLENARY INDULGENCE DURING MONTH OF NOVEMBER: Due to the coronavirus pandemic and the need to avoid large groups, the Plenary Indulgence applicable to the deceased by those who visit a cemetery has been extended beyond the normal dates of November 1-8. This year, the indulgence can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally, on any day in November, and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

PLENARY INDULGENCE FOR FEAST OF ALL SOULS' DAY: Regarding the Plenary Indulgence attached to All Souls' Day, this year, it can be obtained not only on the preceding or succeeding Sunday, or on the actual Feast day, but on any other day of the month chosen by each member of the faithful. In this case, the indulgence is obtained by “*devoutly visiting a church or an oratory*”, along with the recitation of the *Our Father* and the *Creed*, and the other requirements associated with a Plenary Indulgence.

THE HOMEBOUND: For anyone who cannot leave their home for various reasons, including Covid restrictions, they too can obtain the Plenary Indulgence by “*uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful*”. In this case, the condition of being “*completely detached from sin*” and the intention of completing the other requirements for obtaining a Plenary Indulgence remain. These conditions are Sacramental Confession, reception of Holy Communion and a prayer for the Holy Father's intentions. The Decree suggests that such prayer take place before an “*image of Jesus or the Blessed Virgin Mary*”. Among the various prayers that are recommended are “*prayers for the deceased, Morning or Evening Prayer from the Office of the Dead, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditating on various Gospel passages proposed for the liturgy of the Dead, or completing a work of mercy by offering to God the suffering and discomforts of one's own life.*” Directing a word to priests, the Decree asks that they make the Sacrament of Confession generously available and that they make Holy Communion available to the sick. In addition, all priests are invited to offer three Masses on All Souls' Day.

[Adapted from an article by Sr. Bernadette Mary Reis, FSP for the Vatican News]



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>.]



OFFICE OF WORSHIP
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

UPDATE ON DIOCESAN COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

RE: **NEW PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS REGARDING FUNERALS**

To: Clergy, Parishes and Catholic Faithful
From: Deacon Modesto Cordero, Director Office of Worship
Date: Wed 10/21/2020 5:18 PM

Aloha,
Governor David Y. Ige’s latest FOURTEENTH PROCLAMATION RELATED TO THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY signed on October 13, 2020 (Exhibit H) directs **“any cemetery, cemetery authority, mortuary, mortuary authority, or person engaged in the provision of funeral services or who embalms bodies is prohibited from transporting a body to a residence or any other location, unless it is the location of burial authorized by law.”**

Therefore, **effective immediately and until further notice, all Funeral Masses in the presence of a body (casket) in the state of Hawaii are to be postponed OR celebrated without the presence of the body.**

Our clergy can still offer the Vigil for the Deceased and/or a Funeral Liturgy outside Mass at the mortuary/funeral home, or a Committal Service at the cemetery. As an **exception** during this time, a **Funeral Mass at church in the presence of an Urn or without the presence of the body may still be celebrated before the Committal.** In that case, the body should be blessed with holy water at the cemetery, and the Final Commendation and Farewell should be included in the Committal Service (See Order of Christian Funerals, Chapter 6.)

For any additional information contact my office.
Peace!

Cordero, Dcn. Modesto
Thu 10/22/2020 12:25 PM

Aloha,
I have received various calls asking for clarification on the reason for the new pandemic restrictions regarding funerals that I sent yesterday.

On Governor Ige’s 14th Proclamation, Exhibit H (RULES RELATING TO MORTUARIES, CEMETERIES, EMBALMERS, UNDERTAKERS AND MORTUARY AUTHORITIES) signed on October 13, 2020, he explains the purpose for the change:

§1 Purpose and Authority.

These rules are adopted pursuant to section 127A-12, 13, 25, 29, and 31, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to respond to the COVID-19 emergency declared by the Governor and have the full force and effect of law. The following are necessary to enable the Department of Health to effectively prohibit gatherings to view a decedent’s body outside of mortuaries and cemeteries governed by Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 11, Chapter 22. To the extent anything in these rules conflicts with Title 11, Chapter 22, these rules shall control during the emergency period.

§2 Prohibition on transporting a body to residences and other places.

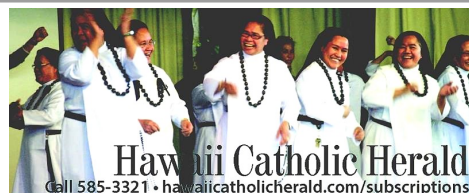
Any cemetery, cemetery authority, mortuary, mortuary authority, or person engaged in the provision of funeral services or who embalms bodies is prohibited from transporting a body to a residence or any other location, unless it is the location of burial authorized by law.

Here is the link for the entire proclamation:

https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2010095-ATG_Fourteenth-Proclamation-for-COVID-19-distribution-signed.pdf

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WITNESS TO JESUS

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

***Subject: INVITATION TO RETURN TO MASS AND EXTENDED DISPENSATION FROM OBLIGATION**

To: All Members of the Diocese of Honolulu
 From: Bishop Larry Silva
 Date: October 13, 2020

Aloha, Sisters and Brothers! Peace be with you!

This year of 2020 has brought us many unprecedented experiences and major adjustments to our lives and livelihoods due to the coronavirus pandemic. While we must not let down our guard and continue to observe prudent hygiene measures, we also want to look optimistically to the future. With Advent and Christmas coming, it is very important that we prepare ourselves well for these high holy days in which we celebrate the great gift of the Word of God taking flesh and dwelling among us. Therefore, I ask all the parishes to plan their Advent and Christmas schedules in such a way as to accommodate as many people as possible throughout these days.

Since mid-March through October 31, 2020 I have issued a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. I am hereby extending that dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation through **December 31, 2020**. As I do so, however, I urge everyone who is able to return to Mass, without undue risks to their health or the health of others, to do so. Please note that in the Diocese of Honolulu, besides all Sundays, the holy days of obligation are the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on Tuesday, December 8; and Christmas on Friday, December 25. Again, while all are dispensed from the obligation of attending, I urge you to do so if you can.

It is highly recommended that those who do avail themselves of the dispensation substitute some other prayer experience so that worship of God does not lose its primary focus in our lives. One could do a home holy hour, pray the rosary, celebrate the Liturgy of the Hours, or do some reading of spiritual books and articles, especially the lives of the saints. Of course, we also encourage anyone who cannot attend Mass to watch a live-streamed Mass. Sites are posted on our diocesan website at www.catholichawaii.org.

We encourage everyone to reach out to those who may not hear this message on their own and invite them to "Come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord!"



STEWARDSHIP & PUBLIC LIFE

> BRINGING THE GOOD NEWS TO ALL CREATION

With the presidential election upon us, it is more important than ever for mature Catholics to be mindful of their responsibilities to exercise good stewardship over their neighborhoods, communities and society by participation in the public life of our country.

Jesus said that we, his disciples, are the light of the world. We must not hide that light under a bushel basket (see Matthew 5:16) or in the privacy of our homes or in a church building. We must let it shine so that all men and women can see it. Stewards understand that living out their faith in public life is part of their responsibility to go into the world and proclaim the Gospel to all creation (Mark 16:15); and that their relationship with Jesus Christ and their desire to please him should inform all of their moral decisions, including how they participate in public life and how they vote.

Stewards strive to make prudent choices, vote and encourage others to vote. These are just a few of the ways stewards can help bring the Good News to all creation.

How should stewards exercise their responsibilities as citizens? One way of course, is to inform themselves of the political issues of the day and to vote. Voting is literally the least one can do to promote Gospel values in our communities, state and nation. Stewards are not found wanting in this vital area of their stewardship. The teachings of the church help us understand our responsibility to make informed choices about issues that concern our society and world, especially as it relates to peace and justice and the most vulnerable of our sisters and brothers.

The Bishops of the United States have again provided important guidance through their statement: *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility*. Developed by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, this document continues a tradition by the bishops of encouraging Catholics to use the values of their faith to shape their participation in political life. It focuses on helping Catholics form their consciences so they can make sound moral judgments about public choices. (See www.faithfulcitizenship.org)

Stewards commit to prayer, reflection and discussion among others in their community of faith about how to bring the Gospel to public life. They believe in continued conscience formation and conversion, take the teachings of the Church seriously, and keep themselves informed on the political issues of the day. Stewards also strive to make prudent choices, vote and encourage others to vote. These are just a few of the ways stewards can help bring the Good News to all creation.

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



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 December 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

(On October 11, 1962, Saint Pope John XXIII prayed the following prayer to open the Second Vatican Council. Thereafter, the bishops at the Council continued to pray this prayer together before every session.)

We stand before you, Holy Spirit, conscious of our sinfulness, but aware that we gather in your name.
 Come to us, remain with us, and enlighten our hearts.
 Give us light and strength to know your will, to make it our own, and to live it in our lives.
 Guide us by your wisdom, support us by your power, for you are God, sharing the glory of Father and Son.
 You desire justice for all:
 enable us to uphold the rights of others;
 do not allow us to be misled by ignorance;
 or corrupted by fear or favor.
 Unite us to yourself in the bond of love
 and keep us faithful to all that is true.
 As we gather in your name may we temper justice with love,
 so that all our decisions may be pleasing to you,
 and earn the reward promised to good and faithful servants.
 You live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God,
 forever and ever. Amen.

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

MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>10/25-11/20</u>	<u>10/17-18/20</u>
Sat 6:00pm	48A+1C	43A+1C
Sun 6:30am	49A+0C	64A+0C
Sun 9:00am	99A+10C	71A+8C

(A = Adults; C = Children)

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 2,451.28	\$ 2,186.90
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 65.00	\$ 105.00
All Souls Day	\$ 150.00	
World Mission Sunday		\$ 822.00
Donation (Rosary for Our Lady of Fatima)	\$ 20.00	\$ 115.00
Baptism	\$ 140.00	
Funeral	\$ 300.00	\$ 500.00
Religious Ed. Donation	\$ 70.00	\$ 100.00
Religious Article		\$ 20.00
Candles	\$ 170.00	\$ 105.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 220.00	\$ 00.00
Total	\$ 3,586.28	\$ 3,953.90



"Serve each other with love."

Galatians 5:13

⌘ **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** ⌘



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

November 1, Sunday – The catechesis this Sunday will focus on the life of **Blessed Carlo Acutis**. Carlo was born in London on May 3, 1991 but grew up in Milan, Italy. As a child, Carlo was very interested in his faith. He loved going to church and showed a deep love for the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. He received his First Communion at the age of seven.

Carlo loved computers and his PlayStation but limited his video game time to only one hour a week. He applied himself to creating a website dedicated to cataloguing all the reported Eucharistic miracles in the world and completed this in 2005.

When he contracted leukemia, he offered his suffering to the Lord for the Pope and the Universal Church. He died on October 12, 2006 at the age of 15 and was buried in Assisi, Italy, the home of St. Francis.

Carlo is remembered for his cheerfulness, computer skills and deep devotion to the Eucharist. He was beatified on October 10, 2020 and is given the title "Blessed."

The children and their parents as well as the catechists and any interested parishioner are welcome to attend. We shall continue to observe all mandated safety protocols vis-à-vis the covid pandemic. Everyone has to wear face mask, keep six-foot 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.



TALK STORY: Connecting Parish Religious Education Coordinators and Directors

Online Event

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.



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.

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FACE – Faith Action for Community Equity

REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Faith Action's Environmental Justice Task Force has voted to support legislation at the state and federal levels that would put a fee on fossil fuels to reduce the burning of fossil fuels, thereby reducing the emission of greenhouse gases. The money collected from the fee would be distributed directly to people, similar to the recent federal stimulus checks. This will reward consumers and producers for becoming more environmentally friendly. For more information about the proposed federal legislation, see: <https://citizensclimatelobby.org/energy-innovation-and-carbon-dividend-act/>.

Anyone who is interested in joining this community organizing and advocacy effort may contact Matt Geyer at keepoilintheground@gmail.com.

MORE PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOTER'S PRAYER GUIDE FOR 2020 ELECTIONS

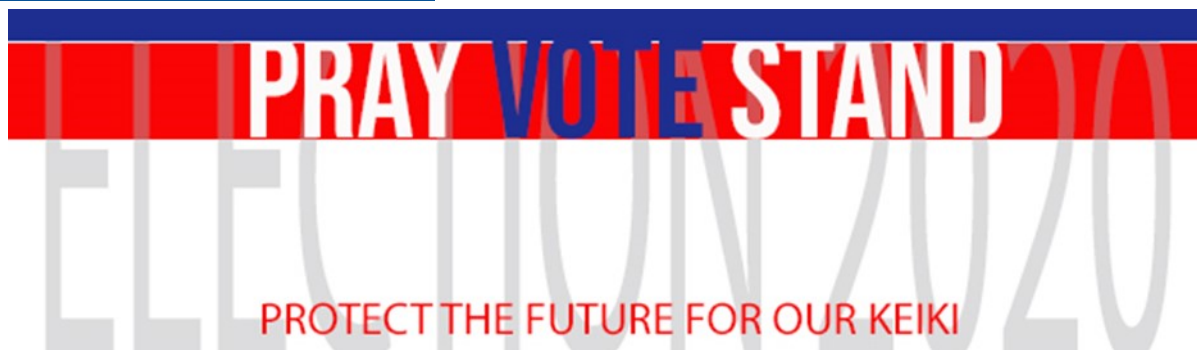


VOTING in our November 3 elections is extremely important. To help us discern the Lord's will as we express our preferences in the election, *Bishop Larry Silva* offers his *Reflections from the Word of God to Prepare for the 2020 Elections* printed on page 3. We urge all to use these reflections and Scriptures to inform your decisions about the candidates and issues so that our community may live in the Way, the Truth, and the Life God knows will bring us happiness and peace. Pray over them individually, with family members, or with friends, taking time to ponder on each issue.

***Let us pray to God for a peaceful and orderly election.**

ELECTIONS AND VOTING

Elections are Just a Few Short Days Away!



NOT REGISTERED? YOU CAN STILL VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION: REGISTER AND VOTE FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION AT A VOTER SERVICE CENTER

Up until November 3rd, if you would like to vote in the GENERAL ELECTION, you may register and vote in-person at any voter service center operated by your Clerk's Office but you must vote immediately after completing the voter registration process. [Click here to find a voter service center within your county.](#)

OLM PARISH CEMETERY REPORT



Photos 1 & 2: Some unknown persons encroached on the church cemetery property cutting thru the wire fence and helped themselves with the *olo* fruits. The cemetery caretaker, *Kalolo Tuihalafatai* (pictured at left), reported the incident to the police and together with his family fixed the breached fence while parishioner, *Rudy Fiesta*, donated a roll of wire to replace the destroyed segment. The following Sunday, *Kalolo* distributed bags of *ulu* fruits (breadfruit) harvested from the cemetery property to parishioners.

Reminder: The cemetery is a sacred place where we honor our beloved dead and where they rest in peace.

Photo 1



Photo 2



MORE PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 FOOD & FINANCIAL RELIEF ASSISTANCE

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

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/.



From the Office for Social Ministry



FREE GRAB & GO MEALS FOR ALL KEIKI!

As part of a national effort to ensure no child ever goes to school hungry, the Hawaii Department of Education has launched a new program to feed ALL students for FREE for the remainder of the Fall 2020 semester. Thanks to additional funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, [Free Grab & Go meals](#) will be available for pickup at 203 public schools across the state during regularly scheduled school days through Friday December 18. Distributions will be given to all keiki, regardless of whether or not they are enrolled in public school or have received free or reduced meals before the pandemic. Even children who are homeschooled or attend private schools are included. Please visit the [DOE website](#) for a complete list of participating campuses. Schools that are not listed will continue to provide meals during normal school schedules at the regular price.

If parents or guardians are picking up meals, they must provide one of the following verification documents:

- Official letter or email from school listing child(ren) enrolled
- Recent student report card(s)
- Attendance record(s) from parent portals of school websites

- Birth certificate(s) of child(ren)
- Student ID card(s)
- Driver's permit(s)/license(s) for high school students
- State-issued ID of the student

Meals are distributed at lunchtime only. Breakfast for the following day will also be given at that time. Children who require modified meals must email or call a request at specialdiets@k12.hi.us or call (808) 784-5500.

Hopefully students can focus more on their studies instead of their hunger. For more information on COVID-19 resources, please visit our [OSM website](#).



OLM OUTREACH REPORT

Due to the spread and uncertainty of the coronavirus the **Outreach Ministry** (including the **Kokua Ministry**) has been limited in our ability to serve our community and the less fortunate the way we would like to.

The **Kokua Ministry** has shut its doors for the time being for obvious health concerns. The safety that is expressed by our Diocese and our own concern for safeguarding our parishioners, most of which are up in age, is at the height of our concern.

Although these precautions are in place, we continue to reach out in whatever way we can or when the opportunity provides. For example, a couple of months back **Kokua Ministry** had the opportunity to provide food baskets through the help of **Iwie Tamashiro** and the Office of Social Ministry. **Father Edgar** can give more insight to this event.

In a new approach to feeding the homeless at the **Next Step Shelter** we have been advised by the NSS Staff to just drop off the food and they will serve it. So along with our Partners at St. Philomena Church we continue to serve the homeless every other month in that way. Our next feeding or drop off is on Dec. 2nd.

In a more personal message, *Becky* and myself want to thank our faithful and dedicated *Outreach members and supporters* who give so much of themselves to make Outreach work. Their sharing of time, talents and treasures is inspiration for us all to be priests, prophets, and kings to those that need us the most.

Also, thanks to *Fr. Edgar* and our ministries that have continued along with the Evangelization Task Force to keep us fed through the Sunday masses. The church looks awesome, the parishioners the greatest on the planet. They say when the going gets tough... the tough gets going. I guess you could say we are a small parish, but we are TOUGH.

May God bless us all in our respected efforts and keep us all safe.

Sincerely submitted,

Tom DeCorte, Outreach Ministry Head



Becky & Tom DeCorte with Fr. Edgar Brillantes

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.

*****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

*****HANDICAP BATHROOM** – Parish volunteer, *Adriano Daligcon*, repaired a leaking toilet bowl in the handicap bathroom by the sacristy. We are grateful for his kind services.

❖**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 a leave.

❖**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!

MASS INTENTIONS



Oct 26 > 7:00am RM +Margaret Kang Espindola

Oct 29 > 7:00am Birthday - Rey Teocson

Oct 31 > 6:00pm Healing & speedy recovery - Joe Lazo; Guy Miranda; Those infected w/ covid-19 * Special intention - For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for all essential workers in the crisis; For peaceful & orderly general election * Thanksgiving for God's graces & blessings - Brenton & Brandy Aczon; Chris & Emeline Chesser; For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * RM +Pedro & Urbana Artates; +Orlando & Virgilio Artates; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors and parishioners of OLM

Nov 1 > 6:30am Birthday - Arnel Domingo * Healing - Theresa Schwengler; Ernesto Fiesta; Guy Miranda, Caridad Dagdagan * Thanksgiving - Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Corazon Orcino; For the blessings, sponsors and donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * Special intention - For peaceful & orderly general election * RM +Pio Enrico; +Glir Dagdagan, deceased members of the Dagdagan, Aspili & Erice families; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Emerita Billena; +Jane Pe Benito; +Arnel Domingo; +Bernabe Fiesta

> 9:00am (Missa pro populo) Healing - Ren Ferrer; Juliet Hobson; Lucille Mohika; Mila Llantero; Venasio Talia; Pamata & Sulia Liua; Abraham Pascual; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Special intention - Ropati Liua; Robert Fernandez; For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for discovery of effective vaccine against covid; For peaceful & orderly General Election * Thanksgiving - Silverio & Marivic Palting; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Renato & Cora dela Rosa; Tom & Olivia Mita; For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * For Deliverance from & end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +Simplicio Canoneo; +Fr Olivette Rojas; +Arsenio Leonardo Lloren; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors and parishioners of OLM

Nov 2 > 7:00am RM +Alfredo Baptista

Nov 4 > 7:00am Special intention - Audrey Peralta

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.

DEADLINE!

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:** Caroline Gruenhagen * Gladys Sedeno * Rudy Castillejos * Ren Ferrer * Fr Steve Nguyen * Pauline Cristal Cobarrubias * John Martinez * Joe Lazo * Abraham Pascual * Theresa Schwengler * Encarnacion Palting Melchor * Kamahale Malone * Doren Gruenhagen * Juliet Hobson * Michael Schwengler Jr * Amando & Palmas Flores * Teodora Cabe * Bob Wells * Marie Schwengler * Acosta family * Imelda Mateo Ruaburo * Ruben Villarin * Lucille Mohika * Adelina Sebastian * Ernesto Fiesta * Mila Llantero * Yvonne Amoroso Motilla * Fred Caballes * Venasio Talia * Guy Miranda * Pamata & Sulia Liua * 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:** Rey Teocson * Susan Mita * Chita Magbojos * David Smith * Feamoeta Sole * Arnel Domingo * Maryann Llamedo * Alfonso Villanueva * Fr. Edgar * Wilfred Soong * Anderson Ramiscal * Robin Therese Johnson * Cora dela Rosa * Elsa T Cayetano * Andy Magbojos * Moises Andres (81) * Bella Miranda (93) * Rachel Soong & Carin * Susan Artates * Sandra Ramiscal * Thomas Mita * Gwen Zanellato * Justin Ramiscal * Steve Tapat * Cipriana Luczon * Janice Vannatta * Michael Schwengler Sr & Jr * Aurelia T Centino * Earl Gamiao * Olivia Mita

❖ **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:** Edward & Teresita Dayoan (58) * Tony & Ana Rarangol (49) * Oliver & Jessica Jacinto * Melecio & Anita Pinera (50) * Nazario & Alice Balbuena (17) * Jayson & Bridget Canoneo (21) * Eddie & Cita Lucero (50) * Jose Rizal & Fe Go (42)

❖ **Special intention & Thanksgiving:** Special blessing for all supporters and donors of the "Save Our Convent" Fund Drive * For the success of the Stewardship campaign at OLM * For all Seminarians and increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese * For a meaningful and spiritually fruitful celebration of our 150th Parish Anniversary * For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 * Thanksgiving by - Brenton & Brandy Aczon > Chris & Emeline Chesser > Fred & Gloria Albino Arucan > Gerard Magbojos > Silverio & Marivic Palting > Leo & Myra dela Cruz > Robert & Darlene Theodore > Urbano Acosta > Florencio Sipalay & family > Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > Thomas & Olivia Mita > Corazon Orcino & Florentino Orcino > Renato & Cora dela Rosa > Bacani family > M/M Joseph & Mila Llantero * Special intention - Ropati Liua > Audrey Peralta > Blessings for Rosary Warriors

❖ **Safe trip:** Jun & Nida Flores

❖ **Deceased:** +Alfredo Baptista * +Pedro & Urbana Artates * +Orlando & Virgilio Artates * +Pio Enrico * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Arnel Domingo * +Jane Pe Benito * +Teodorico Reyes * +Teresita Fontanilla * Glir Dagdagan & deceased members of Dagdagan, Aspili & Erice families * +Manuel Bringas * +Marlene Facuri * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues, Molly Green * +Francisca Garay * +Rolando de Leon, Venancia Aceret, Expectacion Rosario, Veronica Acierto, Camilo & Miguel Acob * +Emerita Billena * +Fausto Teofilo de Guzman * +Pedro Domion Sr * +Lorraine Freitas * +Agapita Noble * +Molina Poliga, Arsenio Leonardo Lloren, Jesus Justo * +Emilia Taqueban * +Marc Morimatsu * +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 * +Priscilla Sternberg * +Stanley & Martha Castro * +Fr Leobardo Lorenzo * +Fr Tony Abuan * +Fr Olivette Rojas * +Donald Gomes * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Deceased family & relatives of Celerina Pamaylaon * +Mardonio & Don Orsino * +Mauro & Felomina Garingo * +Ildefonso & Flora Orsino * +Eladio & Tecla Garingo * +Lucas & Teresa Arcibal * +Estefanio & Maura Padua * +Quon Yao & Dorothy Lee * +Janice Valdez * +Teodoro, Geralda, Aurelio, Aleja & Feliza Acosta * +Francisco & Mary Rodrigues * +Leonarda Palting * +Jose Palting * +Flor & +Victoria Barruga * +Santiago & Vicenta Cabanting * +Arsenio Bornios * +Purie Cortez & Violeta Pe Benito * +Deceased relatives of Florencio Sipalay * +Charlie Puzon * +Ely Purganan * +Jose Goloran, Jeffrey Goloran * +Crescencia Parana * +Gerardo Agcaoili * +Fermin Cruz * +Christopher Flores * +Robert Walsh * +Ronald Palce, Pio & Victoriana Bacani * +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

- Nov 2** Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day), 7:00am Mass
- Nov 3** St. Martin de Porres, religious
- Nov 4** St. Charles Borromeo, bishop
- Nov 7** Blessed Virgin Mary

OTHER

- Nov 1** Religious Education Class, after the 9:00am Mass, parish hall
- Nov 3** General Election Day; Office is closed
- Nov 6** First Friday, Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, after the 7:00am Mass

✠ OBITUARY

+EMERITA BILLENA
 Funeral Service: TBA
 Interment: TBA



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

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.



HOME INTERNET SECURITY TRAINING FOR PARISHIONERS AND FAMILIES

Office of the Information Technology
 Kung, Francis
 Tue 10/27/2020 12:32 PM
 Aloha,

In addition to the Cybersecurity Awareness Training we're doing for all Diocesan rcchawaii.org email users, below is a link and password that you can share with your parishioners and families for Home Internet Security training, as internet safety is vital in church and personal endeavors. There is no charge and no limit on how many people can take this training.

To get started, click on this link, <https://www.knowbe4.com/homecourse>, enter the password: **homecourse** and click "Submit." Mahalo

Don't wait for six strong men to take you to church.



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L.O.L.
(Laugh Out Loud)
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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