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Let's celebrate with joy and gratitude the Jubilee Year of OLM's 150th Anniversary of Foundation from August 16, 2020 to August 15, 2021.



❖ CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP ❖



Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Pastor Emeritus

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In the story of the Annunciation, the angel of the Lord announced to Mary that she would give birth to Christ through the intercession of the Holy Spirit. Mary allowed God's messenger to speak to her. She was attentive, not afraid to enter into a dialogue, then unconditionally obedient. Mary's acceptance of this mystery is a stewardship model for us. Good stewards remain open to the incursions of divine life into the normal course of their daily lives. How open are we to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our own lives? What might we do this last week of Advent to be more attentive to the Lord?



SIMBANG-GABI: December 16-24

Our **Simbang-Gabi** continues this week every 6:30 pm. On the 24th which is the **Christmas Vigil**, the Mass starts at 6:00 pm; followed by the **Midnight Mass** at 12:00 am. There are two **Christmas Day Masses** on December 25 > 6:30 am and 9:00 am. All our Simbang-Gabi Masses and Christmas Day Masses are live-streamed at **Facebook.com/olmkalihi**.

The Simbang-Gabi is a cherished tradition of preparing for our Savior's birthday on Christmas with the novena of Masses (9). Despite the threat of the covid-19 pandemic, many parishioners have been devotedly coming manifesting their joy and excitement to welcome as one parish *ohana* the birthday of the Messiah. We implore his continued blessings of health, peace and joy in our lives and world as well as deliverance from the coronavirus pandemic. Amidst all these, we follow the mandated health and safety protocols. The choir loft and the parish hall are prepared for extra accommodation with wi-fi hook up and power-point slides on wide TV screens. Those who cannot come due to health and safety reasons can join through the live-streamed Mass at **Facebook.com/olmkalihi**. We appreciate *Deacon Raffy Mendoza* for coming to assist on three occasions of the *Simbang-Gabi*.



LIVE-STREAMED MASS

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*December 20, 2020 at 9:00 AM

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"For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord." Psalm 89:2





Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

First Reading
Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm: 105:1-9

Second Reading
Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

Gospel
Luke 2:22-40

First Reading: *2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16*

This Reading tells that Samuel served as a figure of transition between the period of rule by judges to rule by a king. It was he who was chosen by God to anoint Saul as the first king of Israel and he will do the same for Saul's successor, King David. The transition to a peaceful monarchy was a difficult one, filled with rebellion against God, who wished to be understood as the true king of Israel. His power and wisdom were to be known as everlasting. King David was a successful king who governed with political savvy and strong military skills. Nevertheless, this sense of security leads him to ponder God's place in his success and desires to build a more fitting dwelling place for God. David turns to the prophet Nathan to reveal his plan and Nathan immediately assures him that God will bless his decision. There is no doubt that God is in charge.

Second Reading: *Romans 16:25-27*

This 16th verse is the last portion of Paul's letter to the Romans authored in Corinth before he traveled to Rome. It contains mostly greetings and encouragement to those in Rome who have responsibility over its infant Christian community. At the end of the letter, Paul adds words to strengthen the sense of authority and calls for an intense vigor to those who will follow the gospel and reveal to the nations the obedience of faith owed to God through Christ Jesus.

Gospel: *Luke 1:26-38*

In this Gospel Reading, Gabriel, whose name means, "God is my strength," appears to Mary and foretells the birth of her Son who "will be called great and will be called the Son of the Most High." Six months earlier Gabriel appeared to Mary's cousin, Elizabeth, who is barren, that she will give birth to a son who is to be called John. These announcements are meant to be seen as God's plan of salvation, the lowly are chosen by God in order to humble the mighty, and the poor are chosen to bear God's message to the rich who are stubborn of heart. Both Mary and Elizabeth fit this description perfectly. Both women cooperate with God's grace with little doubt, "For nothing is impossible for God." God's plan of salvation is not forced upon us; we must say yes to his designs.

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 February 16, 2021 but highly encouraged to join the televised or livestreamed Mass.**

***At OLM, we provide the live-streamed Mass on Sundays at 9:00am so as to enable those sheltered-in to fulfill their obligation. Our *Simbang-gabi* from December 16-24 will also be livestreamed. 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!



RE PROGRAM & STEWARDSHIP NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

December 20, Sunday – Last Sunday, after the 9:00am Mass, the children and the catechists celebrated the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** befitting the season of Advent.

Before the 6:00pm Christmas Eve Mass on December 24, Religious Education Coordinator, *Dorothy Pregil*, invites you to come watch a video presentation titled *“The Christ Child,”* a nativity story.

At all times, we shall continue to observe all mandated safety protocols vis-à-vis the covid pandemic. Everyone has 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 strive to stay safe and alive.



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/



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

You give us this blessed season of Advent as a gift of time to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child.

But all too often we turn this gift into a source of frenzy, stress and anxiety; a time when we're apt to prepare for a Christmas celebration looking perfect on the outside, but spiritually exhausting and without true meaning.

Restore in us that inherent quest for quiet expectation and hope.

Show us the way to a more peaceful, prayerful disposition that makes us more open to a conversion of heart.

And give us the courage to let go of things that are ultimately unimportant to the true meaning of Christmas.

Help us be good stewards of this Advent season, so that on the Feast of the Nativity, we will be ready with our own sacred space for the arrival of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we now pray.

Amen.

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

MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>12/5-6/20</u>	<u>12/12-13/20</u>
Sat 6:00pm	53A+1C	53A+1C
Sun 6:30am	60A+0C	55A+0C
Sun 9:00am	72A+6C	70A+9C
Simbang-Gabi 12/16	88A+5C	
12/17	80A+3C	
12/18	95A+3	

(A = Adults; C = Children)

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 3,287.00	\$ 3,241.04
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 379.00	\$ 45.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 30.00	\$ 1,384.00
Thanksgiving		\$ 5.00
Holy Christmas	\$ 50.00	
Retirement Fund for Religious		\$ 1,244.75
Candles	\$ 238.00	\$ 96.00
Religious Articles		\$ 9.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 230.00	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 4,214.00	\$ 6,024.79



“Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.”

Matthew 10:8



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:



MANUAL 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 to help defray the needs and expenses of the parish.

- **APPRECIATION GIFTS:** We are grateful to *Lafaele & Latai Holeva Manupuna and their family* for their recent cash donation of \$1000.00 to our Church. In gratitude to God and in honor of her late parents, *+Leonard & Shirley DeCorte, Evelyn Miyashiro* donated \$500.00 to the Church. May God bless them abundantly.

- **PARISH CALENDARS 2021:** Parish calendars for the New Year 2021 have been ordered and paid for by *Gloria Rodrigues* and *Francisca Kovaloff* as their Christmas gift of love in the amount of \$600.00. The calendars will be distributed after the Christmas Masses, one to every family. **We want to update our records and ask each family to fill out the card that is on the first page of the calendar, please include your email address, and mail to it the church office or drop it into the collection basket in a sealed envelope.** Thank you.

*****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

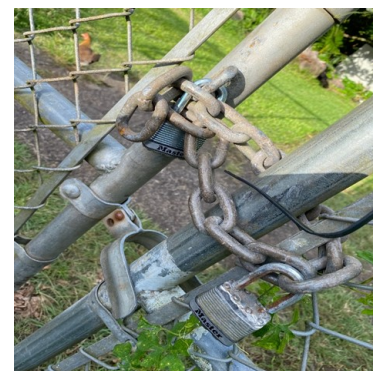
*****HANDICAP BATHROOM** – Parish volunteers, *Adriano Daligcon* and *Roger Isidro* repaired a leaking toilet bowl in the handicap bathroom by the sacristy and replaced a busted faucet in the rectory kitchen. We are grateful for their kind services.

*****CEMETERY ISSUES** – The cemetery caretaker, *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*, reported that an old *olo* tree fell to the ground because of strong winds last November. Another tree which is outside the perimeter fence is in danger of following suit. *Kalolo* recommended the cutting of the trees and look for a contractor to cut and dispose off the rubbish. Last week, *Kalolo* found out that the padlocks to the cemetery gate were extruded or removed intentionally by force. They have to be replaced so as to maintain the peace of the spirits resting there. A few days later, on December 15, one side of the gate was rammed and destroyed. *Kalolo* called the police officers to report the incident. He does not only maintain the up-keep of the area but also does some security responsibility and we are very grateful to him.

* (Photo shots by *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*)



These two photos show what happened to the padlock to the cemetery gate. It was sawed and severed from the chain and left on the ground. Inset on the photo to the right is the severed padlock left on the ground. It happened on the second week of December.



A tree within the cemetery grounds was felled by strong winds last November 24.



After the padlock was severed, the gate to the cemetery was rammed and destroyed last December 15. *Kalolo* called the police to report the incident.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP (contd)

***SECURITY CAMERAS – To augment security within the church compound, security cameras were purchased by *Fran Kovaloff* and installed as well as synchronized with the internet app by *Lambert Castillo*.

❖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. Included in this dedicated group are *Marivic Palting, Nellie Puzon, Bella Miranda, Ador Padilla, Doi Facuri, Gloria Rodrigues, Fran Kovaloff, Aida Isidro, Medy Macalma, Marichu Pe Benito and Corazon Orcino*.

Million thanks to *Myra dela Cruz* who supplies our church with fresh flowers that bedeck the sanctuary.

Linda Puzon and Fran Kovaloff have put up and decorated the Christmas tree in the Rectory while *Doi Facuri and Mark Correia* installed the Christmas lights and garlands in the rectory as well as around the church and other structures. The father and son tandem of *Alvin & Adam Baron* teamed up to ready the Nativity creche inside the church. *Roger Isidro* hang a white lantern on the façade of the Pastoral Center, and it gleams like a star that brightens the night. They surely enliven the otherwise gloomy atmosphere darkened by the covid pandemic.

❖PRE-CHRISTMAS CLEANING – Parishioner-volunteers have finished cleaning up the church and other living areas. Following the government advisory of avoiding large gatherings, they did their assigned tasks in small groups or by families on different times of the day or days of the week. The *Artates and Bacani* families with the *Altar Ladies* worked together on the jalousie windows and interior decors while *Andy & Maryann Llamedo* dusted off the light bulbs. *Marc & Clem Ulep* and their two boys, *Gerald and David*, mopped and cleaned the parish hall and the church. The *Knights of Columbus* worked on the KC Conference Room and some parts of the Pastoral Center. The *Finance Council members* cleaned up the kitchen in the parish hall. Thanks to *Maryann Llamedo* who coordinated the pre-Christmas general cleaning.

❖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*. The Simbang-Gabi masses will also be live-streamed. The items for power-point projection at Mass include the readings and responses together with sacred graphics. For added health protection, *Andy Llamedo* installed a flexi-glass barrier at the lectern. A new microphone on the lectern has been installed by *Jun Cortez*. His son, *Gene Cortez*, paid for the Shure Microflex microphone in the amount of \$236.17 as his stewardship offering to the Church.

There is a wi-fi hook-up to the parish hall in case of an overflow in the church. 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 operation. 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.

For the power-point slides and peoples' viewing delight in the hall, a new Hisense LED LCD 50" TV unit was recently donated as Christmas gift by *Silverio Palting*. The TV base and support were assembled by *Jun Cortez &* supervised by his faithful co-worker and wife, *Caridad*. The choir loft is also prepared for additional accommodation. In both areas, the faithful can attend the Mass and ministers can go to give Holy Communion to them.

❖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 * Carolyn Rivera * Reanne Rodillas * Linda Puzon (Coordinator)*. The newest recruit to this ministry is *Marichu Pe Benito*.

❖GARDENING – There are wonderful people who volunteer with the upkeep of the church grounds. *Clemente Fontanilla* mows the grasses.

Frankie Cabral single-handedly trimmed the overhanging tree branches of the evergreen cypress trees in front of the parish hall and overgrown shrubs around the church then hung the Christmas lights around the trees. He has also put up the usual Christmas lights at the belfry from top to bottom ready to brighten the season.

The couple-tandem of *Lito and Leah Centino* continue to tend and beautify the side of the Hall, Rectory and Pastoral Center with garden plants from their own nursery.

Eddie Lucero and Jun Flores are faithfully keeping the yellow hibiscus blooming with flowers thru regular pruning and watering. *Jun & Nida Flores* replaced the seasonal flowering plants with African daisies at the foot of the church belfry and along the makai side of the church. 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.

heartfelt
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

❖ TO ALL THE GOOD STEWARDS, OUR SINCERE THANK YOU ❖





† REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖ **Good Health / Successful Surgery:** Joshua Standifer * Ropati Liua * Clementina Ceria-Ulep * Caridad Dagdagan * Caren Soong * Fr Scott Bush * Lolita Honorio * Jose Cadiz * Vladimir Skupovska * Laureta & Mario Parilla * Alfreda & Nicanor Bucaneg * Fr Thomas Joseph * Dylan Calizar * Caroline Gruenhagen * Gladys Sedeno * Rudy Castillejos * Pauline Cristal Cobarrubias * John Martinez * Theresa Schwengler * Doren Gruenhagen * Juliet Hobson * Michael Schwengler Jr * Amando & Palmas Flores * Bob Wells * Marie Schwengler * Lucille Mohika * Ernesto Fiesta * Mila Llantero * Fred Caballes * Venasio Talia * Guy

Miranda * Pamata & Sulia Liua * 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

❖ **Birthdays:** Christian dela Cruz * Liberto Valdez * Lydia Felipe (90) * Ruperto Pescador * Connie Starkey * Krystle Parinas * Glenn Isidro * Roselani Ramones (90) * Miguel Canoneo * Fr Etuale Etuale, Jeanne Oshiro * Nida Flores * Luis Go * Marichu Pe Benito * Daisy Serquinia, Evangeline Trocio * Frankie Cabral Jr * Francisca Tabonda (96) * Gerard Jay Magbojos * Armelita Canoneo * Genevieve Atendido * Sharon Cardenas * Teresa Siruno * Marie Schwengler * Florencio Sipalay * Rey Teocson * Susan Mita * Chita Magbojos

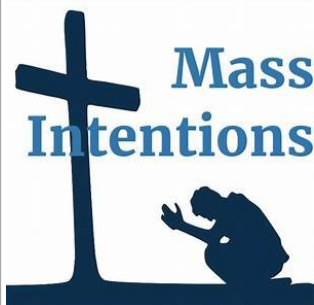
❖ **Ordination Anniversary:** Bishop Larry Silva (15th Episcopal Ordination Anniversary) * Fr. Edgar Brillantes (40th) * Fr. Adrian Gervacio (53rd)

❖ **Wedding Anniversary:** Luis & Isidra Bautista (47) * Alex & Marichu Pe Benito * Rizal & Mila Fernandez (48) * Roger & Aida Isidro (51) * Urbano & Cresencia Acosta (51) * Edward & Teresita Dayoan (58) * Tony & Ana Rarangol (49)

❖ **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 – Medy Macalma & family > Ronnie McCanley, Matea Ranit, Audell Currie > Keith, Connie & Isaiah Starkey > Jose & Lolita Cadiz & family > Jun Cortez & family > Dolores Ramiscal > Alfreda Bucaneg, Maryann & Maria Goloran > Silverio & Marivic Palting > Leo & Myra dela Cruz > Urbano Acosta > Florencio Sipalay & family > Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > Thomas & Olivia Mita > Corazon Orcino > Renato & Cora dela Rosa > Artates & Bacani families > Joseph & Mila Llantero * Special intention – Kathy Ferreira > Audrey Peralta * Blessings for Rosary Warriors * Success of Anna Young Hwa Kwon

❖ **Safe Trip:** Maria Luisa Montaus

❖ **Deceased:** +Romana Puzon * +Lemoto, Sisitauleva & Maka Manukeu * +Cresencio Sabanal * +Gloria Datulayta * +Patricia Manahan * +Glir Dagdagan * +Purie Cortez * +Edgar Aurelio * +German Lamayo * +Policarpo Agustin * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues; +Antone & Olivia Fivella; +Antone & Veronica Schwengler; +Francisco & Mary Rodrigues; +Shirley Ann Alvaro * +Tomasa Tapat * +Philip Martin * +Ricardo Regidor Stabilio * +Elaine Claire Ulep * +Jose Asentista * +Teodorico Calso * Fr Jack Ryan * +Francisco, Genara, Alfredo & Lito Cabral * +Socorro Pasamonte * +Elizabeth Ragoza * +Cecilia Datugan * +Verlie Cadiz, Loreto Duma, Abner & Francisco Duma * +Gertrudes Nimer, Celestino & Angelina Cadiz, Isidora Trocio * Andrew Joseph Madarang Salcedo, Precious Serquina, Maximo & Luisa Madarang * +George & Fulgencio Trocio, Luisa Madarang, Luis & Marcela Cantiveros * +Francisca Isidro * +Ramil Domingo Ramirez * +Teresita Paranada Braceros * +Firmo Dayao * +Cecilio Buan * +Roland & Maria Bueno * +Ana Aleth, Mario, Cunegunda, Rosendo, Arceli * +Rocky Arios * +Espernito "Boy" Agarma * +Marcela & Tito Ulep * +Ely, Rose & Alan Purganan * +Gaudencio Garcia, Cesario & Loreta Pascual, Maria Pascual * +Arsenio Leonardo Lloren * +Elaine Cruz * +Ren Ferrer * +Paulino Corpuz * +Candido Puzon, Juliana Puzon, Agapita Arcega * +Marlene Facuri * +Ricardo Facuri * +Mariano Talon * +Oriol, Dolores, Edgar, Jerry, Amante & Larry Aurelio * +Bert Aguinaldo, Casimiro, Dominica & Maxima Susa * +Alfredo Baptista * +Pedro & Urbana Artates * +Orlando & Virgilio Artates * +Pio Enrico * +Pio, Consuelo & Jovito Alcantra, Conrado Benitez Sr * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Jane Pe Benito & Violeta Pe Benito * +Teresita Fontanilla * +Emerita Billena * +Felix & Cresencia Edmalin * +Fr Leobardo Lorenzo * +Fr Tony Abuan * +Fr Olivette Rojas * +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 * +Fermin Cruz * +For all the departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +The victims of the coronavirus pandemic * +Those who have nobody to pray for them; +Souls in purgatory



MASS INTENTIONS

Dec 13 > 7:00am RM +Deceased family & relatives of Celerina Pamaylaon - Maria, Norma, Pedro, Abnomian, Herbie, Carmen, Jesusa, Linda, Clarin, Francisca, Meliton, Kerina, Antonio

Dec 14-17 > 7:00am/6:30pm RM +Tomas Tapat

Dec 15-23 > 7:00am/6:30pm RM +Policarpo Agustin

Dec 15 > 7:00am Birthday - Roselani Ramones (90) * Good health - Caridad Dagdagan * Thanksgiving - Ronnie McCanley; Matea Ranit * RM +Policarpo Agustin; +Patricia Manahan; +Glir Dagdagan; +Tomas Tapat

Dec 16 > 6:30pm Birthday - Krystle Parinas; Ruperto Pescador * Thanksgiving - Ronnie McCanley; Audell Currie * RM +Purie Cortez

Dec 16-24 > 6:30pm Thanksgiving - Sponsors, donors & ministers of the Simbang-Gabi Masses

Dec 17-26 > 6:30pm RM +Romana Puzon

Dec 19 > 6:00pm Birthday - Liberto Valdez * Healing & speedy recovery - Joshua Standifer; Aurora Maala Barnachea; Guy Miranda; Those infected w/ covid-19 * Special intention - For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for all essential workers in the crisis * Birthday - Marilyn Chee * Thanksgiving for God's graces & blessings - For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * RM +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

Dec 20 > 6:30am Birthday - Connie Starkey * Good health - Joshua Standifer; Guy Miranda, Caridad Dagdagan * Thanksgiving - Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Sponsors and donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * RM +Edgar Aurelio; +Patricia Manahan, Glir Dagdagan; +Teresita Fontanilla

> 9:00am (Missa pro populo) Birthday - Grace Lumabao * Healing - Joshua Standifer; Ropati Liua; Clementina Ceria-Ulep; Fr Scott Bush; Fr Thomas Joseph; Lolita Honorio: Jose Cadiz; Lucille Mohika; Mila Llantero; Venasio Talia; Pamata & Sulia Liua; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease * For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for discovery of effective vaccine against covid * Thanksgiving - Medy Macalma & family; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Corazon Orcino; Urbano Acosta; For the blessings, sponsors & donors of our Parish Jubilee Year * For Deliverance from & end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +Policarpo Agustin; +Lemoto Manukeu; Sisitauleva & Maka Manukeu; +Gloria Datulayta; +Deceased family & relatives of Celerina Pamaylaon; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors and parishioners of OLM

Dec 20 / 9:00am RM +Laureana Pasion Domingo and +Ramil Ramirez

> 6:00pm (Simbang-Gabi) Birthday - Christian dela Cruz * Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero; Medy Macalma & family * RM +Romana Puzon; +Policarpo Agustin

Dec 19-31 Healing—Joshua Standifer

Dec 21 / 6:30pm RM +Shirlyn Villahermosa Ramirez and +Ramil Ramirez

Dec 21-23 > 6:30pm RM +Policarpo Agustin

Dec 21-26 > 6:30pm RM +Romana Puzon

Dec 22 > 6:30pm Birthday - Lydia Felipe (90) * RM +Cresencio Sabanal

Dec 25 > 6:30am RM +Teresita Fontanilla

Don't Miss the

DEADLINE!

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



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 (Live-streamed)

*Simbang-Gabi Masses (Dec 16-24) Mon-Fri – 6:30 PM * Sat-Sun – 6:00 PM (Live-streamed)



IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

*Please come to the church with your own face covering and observe the 6-foot distancing when you get out of your car, walk into the church and take your seat at the marked areas. Families of the same household with small kids may be seated together. Avoid congregating in large or crowded groups.

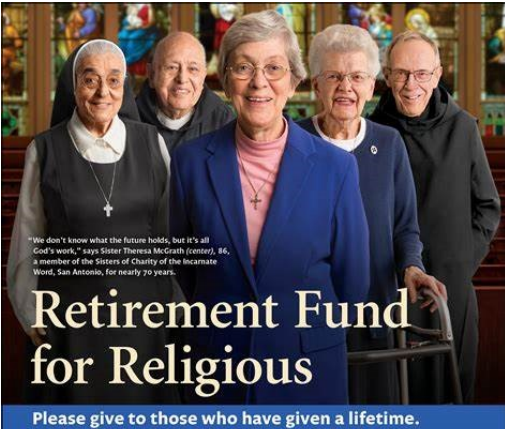
*Please use the sanitizers by the entrance doors when you come inside the church. You may bring disinfectant wipes for use in your seat before and after the service.

*If you feel sick, please don't force yourself to come to church. Stay home and get well. 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.



MORE PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



MAHALO: RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (RFR) SECOND COLLECTION

In good times and bad, senior Catholic Religious Sisters, Brothers and Religious Order Priests have dedicated themselves to service, missionary work and acts of mercy. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care and other necessities for elderly care.

Our second collection at OLM for this cause amounted to \$1,244.75. You really made a difference in helping our Elders who have given a lifetime. Thank you for your generosity.

For more information, please visit the escCB.org/nrro.



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

In good times and bad, Sister Theresa and the senior religious shown here have devoted themselves to God's work. Together with nearly 30,000 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests, they educated the young, tended the sick, and ministered to the needy. Today, they pray for a hurting world. Yet many US religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Covid-19 has only increased these challenges. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

Please give at your local parish.

To donate by mail:
National Religious Retirement Office
2311 Fourth Street NE
Washington DC 20017-1194
Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.

retiredreligious.org



From the Office for Social Ministry

IMPORTANT UPDATES FOR EMERGENCY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

***Support for Facing Food Insecurity in Hawaii**

For many years, Hawaii had one of the lowest rates of unemployment throughout the U.S. Nine months since Hawaii's initial COVID-19 shut down, many local residents continue to struggle with navigating the Unemployment Insurance process leaving more families financially vulnerable and food insecure. Additionally, beginning January 2021, the Governor is proposing to impose 2 furlough days a month on all unionized state workers. Each worker will experience a 9.2% pay cut. So putting food on the table is a very serious stress and challenge for many Hawaii households. The Hawaii Food Bank is continuing to schedule "**Pop-Up Food Distribution**" events on Oahu and Kauai. December dates that aren't yet FULL are as follows:

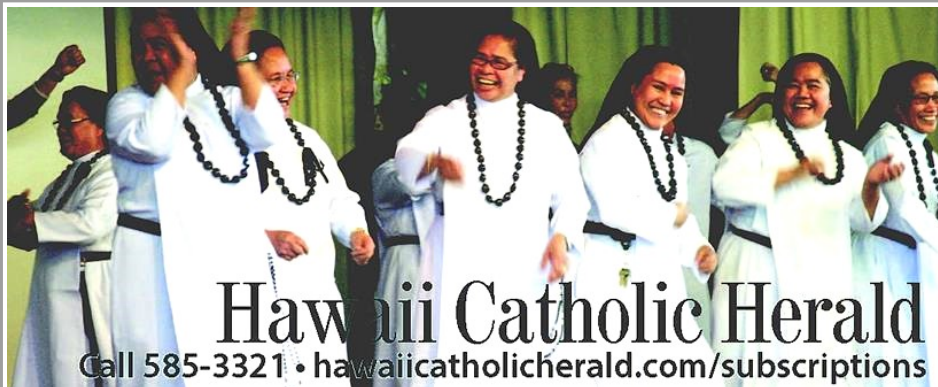
KAUAI

- December 19th @ Kauai Philippine Cultural Center in Lihue, 10 AM till Noon. They will be providing food for 250 households. To register, go to <https://app.mobilecause.com/f/34py/n?vid=f9z6a>

OAHU

- December 23rd @ Ewa Pu'uloa Park, 9:00 – 11:00 AM. They will be providing food for 400 households. Registration opens December 16th at 9:00 AM. Click on the December 23rd date at <https://hawaiifoodbank.org/pop-up/>
December 30th @ Waianae District Park, 9:00 – 11:00 AM. They will be providing food for 400 households. Registration opens December 23rd at 9:00 AM. Click on the December 30th date at <https://hawaiifoodbank.org/pop-up/>.

Locally grown produce can help to *freshen-up* non-perishable food items given at pantries and other distribution events. Please check it out to see if it may help you and if you can help these efforts to support all facing food insecurity during this difficult time! *Mahalo!*



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DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

WITNESS TO JESUS

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

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

To: All Parishioners of the Diocese of Honolulu
 From: Bishop Larry Silva
 Date: December 6, 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Peace be with you!

One of the most difficult decisions I have had to make as a bishop was the suspension of public Masses due to the coronavirus pandemic from mid-March to late May, 2020. Since then, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days has been dispensed. In light of the ongoing pandemic, **I am extending the dispensation through Tuesday, February 16, 2021, the day before Ash Wednesday.**

While I am extending this dispensation for the sake of those who are at higher risk if they should be infected with the COVID-19 virus, **I would like to urge all our parishioners who can safely do so to return to worship at Sunday Mass.**

Why does the Church put such great importance on our celebration of Sunday Mass that it is a serious obligation for all Catholics to attend every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation? It is because the Eucharist is our unique physical encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ, who longs to be one with us and to strengthen us for our mission of living in his love and sharing his Good News with others. The Eucharist is not simply a series of rituals in which we engage, but it is the Memorial that Jesus himself left us in which he makes himself present to us. He offers himself to us in a physical manner, hidden under the guise of bread and wine, which by the power of the Holy Spirit invoked by the priest in the midst of his beloved Bride, the Church, become his Body and Blood. Jesus died on the cross for us, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven. But he is the "living bread come down from heaven," who offers himself as real food and real drink to give us eternal life. (See the Gospel of John, Chapter 6.)

When his disciples first encountered the risen Jesus, it changed them from deserters and cowards into bold proclaimers of his Gospel who found joy even in offering their lives for him. So Jesus wants to encounter us to transform us so that we can proclaim to a world gone astray that he is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Yes, we can encounter Jesus in our private prayer, in reading the Scriptures, in feeding the poor and doing the works of mercy – and we must do these things! – but there is nothing compared to a physical encounter with him in the Eucharist. This is why the Church insists that all its members, whenever they are not legitimately impeded, come together in intimate communion with the Body of Christ in the Eucharist, so that the Body of Christ can renew and transform our world with renewed vigor of the living Christ Jesus.

Yes, under our current circumstances, we do have to make adjustments and live a "new normal." But there is nothing that compares to the great gift of his Real Presence that Jesus offers us in the Eucharist. We look forward to welcoming you back!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
 Bishop of Honolulu



OFFICE OF WORSHIP
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

MEMORANDUM

To: Clergy and Parishes
From: Deacon Modesto Cordero, Director Office of Worship
Date: December 7, 2020
RE: LITURGICAL DIRECTIVES FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON DURING THE TIME OF PANDEMIC

The following are liturgical directives and reminders that impact all Catholic churches, chapels, oratories, centers, and missions in the Diocese of Honolulu for the Christmas Season during the time of pandemic.

* The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is extended through **February 16, 2021** (Tuesday before Ash Wednesday).

* **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 continue not to sing at Mass as much as possible. The use of wind instruments is still prohibited.*"

* The use of other "non-wind" instruments (e.g. guitars, violins, drums, piano, organ, etc.) is allowed to be used simultaneously.

* The use of a small choir is permitted during the Christmas season. If the parish is using a choir, choir members 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.*"

* A distance of 10 feet between the cantor and the congregation needs to be observed as much as possible.

* In addition to the Entrance, Offertory, Communion and Leave-taking hymns – the Kyrie, Gloria, Responsorial Psalm, Gospel Acclamation and the rest of the Mass part responses could be sung during the Christmas season, observing the proper precautions.

* **LITURGICAL PROCESSIONS** – Entrance and recessional processions from and back of the church are allowed. It is recommended to keep them simple (e.g. clergy and altar servers only).

* **ALTAR SERVERS** – The use of altar servers at Mass may be reinstated at this time, especially to help with the entrance and recessional processions, use of incense and ringing of the bells during the Mass.

* **RECONCILIATION** – Parishes can celebrate communal penance services and/or reinstate specified hours for reconciliation as much as possible. 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.

***REMINDERS FROM PRIOR DIOCESAN DIRECTIVES AND/OR PROTOCOLS:**

* **WEARING OF MASK OR MASK/FACE SHIELD** - 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.*"

* Priests, deacons and other duly commissioned extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion – who are not at high risk of infection themselves - may continue to take Communion to the homebound, always exercising proper hygiene procedures and wearing masks.

* In-person church meetings may continue (with no more than 5 people), IF proper social distancing and the wearing of masks is observed. Otherwise, meetings should continue to be conducted virtually.

* We encourage parish priests to start/continue live-streaming their liturgies (especially during the Christmas season) 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 Masses are currently being livestreamed from various parishes in our diocese. For a comprehensive and updated list please visit our website at www.catholichawaii.org.

* **FUNERAL SERVICES:** In compliance with the Office of the Governor's "14th Proclamation related to the COVID 19 Emergency" (dated 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, 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.)

* 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) 585-3342.

***Approved by Bishop Larry Silva on December 6, 2020.**



COVID-19 VACCINE

Tue 12/15/2020 10:20 PM > This message was sent with High importance.

To: Our Lady of the Mount Church

Aloha,

Please read and refer people with concerns and/or questions about the morality of the COVID19 vaccine to the U.S. Bishops Chairman for Pro-Life and Doctrine Address Ethical Concerns on the New COVID-19 Vaccines (USSCB) article at: <https://www.usccb.org/news/2020/us-bishop-chairmen-pro-life-and-doctrine-address-ethical-concerns-new-covid-19-vaccines>.

Also the last issue of the Hawaii Catholic Herald has an article about it at: <https://www.hawaiicatholicherald.com/2020/12/09/use-of-covid-19-vaccines-morally-acceptable-say-bishops/>



The USSCB article reads:

On December 14, Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades of Fort Wayne-South Bend, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Doctrine, and Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Pro-Life Activities, issued a statement on the new COVID-19 vaccines. In their statement, the bishops address the moral concerns raised by the fact that the three vaccines that appear to be ready for distribution in the United States all have some connection to cell lines that originated with tissue taken from abortions.

"In view of the gravity of the current pandemic and the lack of availability of alternative vaccines, the reasons to accept the new COVID-19 vaccines from Pfizer and Moderna are sufficiently serious to justify their use, despite their remote connection to morally compromised cell lines."

"Receiving one of the COVID-19 vaccines ought to be understood as an act of charity toward the other members of our community. In this way, being vaccinated safely against COVID-19 should be considered an act of love of our neighbor and part of our moral responsibility for the common good."

With regard to the AstraZeneca vaccine, the bishops found it to be "more morally compromised" and consequently concluded that this vaccine "should be avoided" if there are alternatives available. "It may turn out, however, that one does not really have a choice of vaccine, at least, not without a lengthy delay in immunization that may have serious consequences for one's health and the health of others," the bishop chairmen stated. "In such a case ... it would be permissible to accept the AstraZeneca vaccine."

At the same time, the bishops also warned that Catholics *"must be on guard so that the new COVID-19 vaccines do not desensitize us or weaken our determination to oppose the evil of abortion itself and the subsequent use of fetal cells in research."*

For more information read the entire article on the above link.

Advent blessings!

Deacon Modesto R. Cordero
Director - Office of Worship



FAITH ACTION UPDATE

Dec 15, 2020: CARBON CASHBACK

You are invited to a presentation explaining the Carbon Cashback legislation proposed by Faith Action's Environmental Justice Task Force. It is one of the elements of the legislative agenda recently adopted by Faith Action. Carbon Cashback would assess a fee on gasoline and other fossil fuels in order to discourage their use and return all of the revenue in equal shares to the people of Hawaii. The presentation will be given on Zoom on Dec. 23 at 5:30 p.m. Here is the link to the Zoom meeting:

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89740349698?pwd=TKVGdFBSNUtqSG1JYm1VK2ZMRHRmUT09>

Meeting ID: 897 4034 9698

Passcode: gogreen

Dial in by phone:

Dial 1-669-900-9128, then enter 89740349698#

HOLIDAY GREETING

Dear members and friends of *Faith Action*,

Aloha kākou. Greetings to all of us as we enter this holiday season, this season of "Holy Days."

Because of the coronavirus and everything else taking place in our nation and island community, we are facing the darkest of nights. In hope and expectation, we are waiting for the dawn to break.

We are thankful to belong to a community organization, *Faith Action*, which for us represents a light that shines in the darkness. As we have continued to work for justice and equity in our beloved Hawai'i, we have done so in the hope that our efforts will make a difference. It has not been an easy year for us, simply because we prefer to meet face to face in a way that serves to strengthen our relationships with one another. That is not always easy to do on Zoom. But we have done our best to further our mission and purpose.

May this season serve to fill us with the hope and peace, the love and joy that are so necessary for our struggle to do what is just and right. Let us continue to be that light in the darkness that will make a difference.

The blessings of this holy season be with you.



PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



FEAST DAYS

- Dec 21** St. Peter Canisius, priest & doctor of the Church
- Dec 23** St. John of Kanty, priest
- Dec 25** Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
- Dec 26** St. Stephen, the First Martyr

OTHER

- Dec 20** Religious Ed Class, after the 9:00am Mass
- Dec 16-24** Simbang-Gabi Masses
- Dec 27-Jan 9** RE classes will be on winter break; classes will resume on Jan 10, 2021. *Mele Kalikimaka, everyone!!*

ADVENT CANDLE BEARERS

This weekend, these couples and individuals are designated to light the Fourth Advent candle - Love:



- > 6:00pm Jessie & Marilou Malaab
- > 6:30am Rudy & Lita Lucas
- > 9:00am Medy Macalma & Cora Orcino

The **fourth candle** symbolizes **love** and represent purity. Love, plays a vital role in the Christmas story. The story tells of Joseph's love for Mary. Mary has a natural motherly love for Jesus, and ultimately, we see God's love for everyone by sending his son for us. Jesus focused on preaching love throughout his ministry. Two of his greatest commands involve love: Love God, love your neighbor.

✝ OBITUARY

+PHILIP MARTIN, 69

Funeral Service: December 17, 2020, 4:30pm at Oahu Cemetery
 Cremation: December 18, 2020

+RICARDO REGIDOR STABILIO, 74

Memorial Mass: December 30, 2020, 10:00am at OLM Church

+ELAINE CLAIRE PASAMONTE ULEP, 61

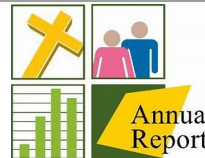
Funeral Service: January 4, 2021, 10:45am at Valley of the Temples Trousdale Chapel
 Interment: January 4, 2021, 1:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

+JOSE NUEVA ASENTISTA. 94

Memorial Mass: January 6, 2021, 10:00am at OLM Church
 Funeral Service: January 8, 2021, 11:30am at Borthwick Mortuary
 Interment: January 8, 2021, 2:00pm at Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery

"Eternal rest grant unto the faithful departed, O Lord."

Heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.



Annual Report

FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE PARISH COMMUNITY

Last weekend the OLM Finance Council under the chairmanship of *Rebecca Jandoc* released the parish financial statement of income and expenses for the Fiscal Year - July 2019 to June 2020. This is the same report submitted to the Diocese. It came as an insert in the Parish Bulletin. Kindly take time to go over the items and figures and if you have questions, you may approach *Becky Jandoc* or *Fr. Edgar*. We are grateful to all our dear parishioners for keeping our financial state sound and stable through your faithful stewardship. We do appreciate the hardworking members of the Finance Council and to our parish bookkeeper, *Deacon Raffy Mendoza*, for preparing the report.

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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



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◆ JUBILEE YEAR 2020-2021 ◆

◆ CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP ◆

Let's celebrate with joy and gratitude the Jubilee Year of OLM's 150th Anniversary of Foundation from August 16, 2020 to August 15, 2021.



Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor

Merry Christmas!



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Pastor Emeritus

Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian wish one & all A SAFE & BLESSED CHRISTMAS!

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS DAY) > FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2020

In today's Christmas Mass the Gospel reading reveals that God has entered quietly into the world. Not into the great city of Jerusalem, but into a small village about five miles south in Bethlehem. Not into a noble family, but to an outcast couple keeping the newborn in a manger. Not announced by royal edicts, but to common shepherds, the first human heralds of Christ's birth. As Christian stewards we simply allow Christ to live in us no matter what our circumstances happen to be. We allow Christ to share his love with us and reflect that love out to others. We now are the heralds of Christ's Incarnation. What an unimaginable gift from a generous Lord! Good stewards rejoice in this gift and give glory to God.



CHRISTMAS 2020

✝ SCHEDULE ✝

- December 24 > Christmas Vigil – 6:00 PM * Midnight Mass – 12:00 MN
- December 25 > Christmas Dawn – 6:30 AM * Christmas Day – 9:00 AM
- December 26 > Feast of St. Stephen, the First Martyr
- December 27 > Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
- December 28 > Feast of the Holy Innocents

LIVE-STREAMED MASS

- *THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD * CHRISTMAS
- *December 24 * Vigil @ 6:00 PM * Midnight @ 12:00 AM
- *December 25 * Dawn @ 6:30 AM * Day @ 9:00 AM
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