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❖ JUBILEE YEAR 2020-2021 ❖

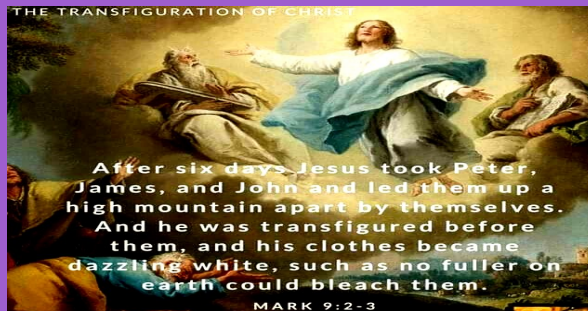
❖ CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP ❖

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.

Second Sunday of Lent



Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Pastor Emeritus

❖ HAVE A BLESSED LENT ❖



LIVE-STREAM: MASS & WAY OF THE CROSS

*2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

*February 28, 2021 * @ 9:00 AM

*STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Every Friday of Lent @ 6:30 PM

*Log in to www.Facebook.com/olmkalihi

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"I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living."

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

*Every Friday of Lent at 6:30 PM – Live-stream via Facebook.com/olmkalihi * License no. 734524-A

Come and join this traditional Catholic devotion that can help us experience the power and redeeming acts of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the Lord and lead us to a meaningful celebration of the Sacred Triduum and Easter.



BEATING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

*Please refer to the latest directives provided by the Diocese Office of Worship.

*The government has announced that we are now in Tier 3 of the covid restrictions but as we resume our public celebrations of the Holy Mass on days and weekends, we continue to observe 6-ft safe distancing, hand-washing and hygiene practices, wear face covering, and avoid large gatherings of more than 10 outside the church.

*When you come for Holy Communion, receive the Body of Christ only with your hand and take off your mask only when you actually consume it.

*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 April 1, 2021 but highly encouraged to join the televised or livestreamed mass.

*At OLM, we provide the live-streamed Mass on Sundays at 9:00am and the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30pm so as to enable those sheltered-in to fulfill their obligation. There are prayers available 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





Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading
Exodus 20:1-17

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 19:8-11

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel
John 2:13-25

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

This Reading depicts why Abraham is known as the "Father of Faith." One might question why Abraham did not struggle to defend his son's life. It is important to keep in mind what Isaac represents. Not only does he exist to engender the affection between a father and a son, he also stands as the gateway to the future. Since God had promised the aged Abraham that he would carve out a great nation from among Abraham's descendants, the death of Isaac would nullify God's covenant with Abraham. When Abraham ascends Mount Moriah with his son, God is able once again to speak words of blessing. God accepts Abraham's obedient faith and provides the ram by which Abraham is able to solemnly offer. Then God reiterates his promise to make of Abraham a great nation, with countless descendants.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31-34

In the Reading, Paul wants the Romans to be confident in all that God has done in handing over his own Son. If God is capable of permitting the suffering and death of his beloved, then surely God will not fail to provide for those who have been chosen through Christ.

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

This Gospel tells the story of the Transfiguration which must be understood as a visible manifestation of God's glory. Because Jesus is accompanied on the mountain by Peter, James and John, the dramatic change in the Lord's appearance is intended to be witnessed and carried forth to others. Just as Moses appears to the Israelites with his face transfigured (Exodus 34:29-35), giving witness to the intimate relationship he shares with God, so does the Transfiguration of Jesus testify to God's intimacy with his Son. When God speaks, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him," Peter, James and John should have no doubt that Jesus is God's son, a relationship of unbreakable intimacy. The Transfiguration of Jesus is not a dramatic revelation to be contained on the mountaintop; it is meant to be taken out into the world.



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!



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*)



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. Couples and Families of the same household with small kids may be seated together. Avoid congregating in large or crowded groups.

*Please go thru the infra-red thermometer for covid tracing and 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. As soon as you can, avail of the covid-19 vaccination.

*Let's strive to stay safe, healthy and holy as we come back to the house of God and gather as one blessed family.





Basic Stewardship Question: *Am I Searching for God?*

A priest told this story once to illustrate how important it is to identify what you truly value and then pursue it. He was a teenager, he said, and he and his cousin were playing basketball in his cousin’s driveway. Suddenly, the cousin realized he had lost a contact lens. This was before the era of disposable contact lens. Back in those days, you bought one pair of hard contact lens and kept them until the next time you had an eye exam. They were costly, and people often found themselves on all fours searching for a missing contact.

So it was with the future priest and his cousin. They scoured the driveway and even looked in the surrounding grass. Alas, no contact lens was found, so they went inside to have a soda. In the house, they told the cousin’s dad what had happened. He immediately went outside and started to search. *“It seemed that he was out there forever,”* said the priest. *“He looked and looked and looked. And amazingly, he found that contact lens. Why did he find the missing lens and we didn’t? Because my cousin and I were looking for a contact, but my uncle was looking for a hundred dollars.”*

To the priest, this humorous memory held a deeper truth: when we know the value of something, and desire it enough, we will be relentless in our search for it. For Christian stewards, the search for God in our lives can never be a half-hearted, tepid response. It must be all or nothing. The search is a lifelong commitment. Thomas Merton offered a basic principle of stewardship: *“A life is either all spiritual or not spiritual at all.”* What is the stewardship question for me? Am I ready and willing to commit to the long search for God in my life?

**(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin, February 2021)*



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for February

Merciful God,
we embark on our journey of renewal through difficult and uncertain times; times of division and strife, and for many suffering and discouragement. But our journey is with your son, Jesus, who bore his cross and suffered in ways we cannot imagine. We journey with Jesus toward the great paschal feast of Easter, where we have the grace to experience the true joy of Resurrection. Teach us to be good stewards of your mercy and forgiveness, so that we may extend these gifts to others. Give us the strength to bear witness to your Son at all times, even during these times of stress and adversity. And fill our hearts with love that we may be faithful to the Gospel Jesus proclaimed and ready to celebrate our unity with him and each other. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>2/13-14/21</u>	<u>2/20-21/21</u>
Sat 6:00pm	54A+3C	50A+0C
Sun 6:30am	62A+0C	64A+0C
Sun 9:00am	68A+6C	74A+7C
Ash Wed. 2/17: 7:00am	58A+0C;	6:30pm 103A+8C

(A = Adults; C = Children)

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING



Offertory	\$ 2,529.00	\$ 2,494.50
Initial Offering	\$ 28.00	\$ 15.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 120.00	\$ 110.00
Donation-Sanitizer		\$ 500.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 35.00	\$ 1,556.00
Augustine Educ. Found.	\$ 612.00	
Funeral	\$ 500.00	
Candles	\$ 130.00	\$ 125.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 100.00	\$ 80.00
Total	\$ 4,054.00	\$ 4,880.50

*“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God.”
Colossians 3:17*

DIOCESAN NEWS ❖❖❖ DIOCESAN NEWS

IMPORTANT NOTICE - SAFE ENVIRONMENT BACKGROUND CHECK

This message was sent with High importance.

From: Kovaloff, Francisca

To: 23 Parish Ministers

Cc: Brillantes, Fr. Edgar; +1 other

Re: DEADLINE: APRIL 30, 2021

A PROGRAM AND SERVICE OF
THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC RISK RETENTION GROUP, INC.



All:
From the SAFE ENVIRONMENT OFFICE: You must complete the required background check by the deadline date to participate in the ministry you serve. Log into your VIRTUS account at www.virtusonline.org. The system will direct you to complete the required background check via **Selection.com**.
Please contact me if you have any questions.
Thank you for your commitment and cooperation.

Fran Kovaloff
OLM Safe Environment Coordinator
Cell: 808-228-2909



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Lent for Life - Rice Bowl Stories of Hope

From the Office for Social Ministry

Second Week of Lent: Accompanying Families in Madagascar

As we journey together through the second week of Lent, we encourage you to share the CRS Rice Bowl Stories of Hope that provide us opportunities to walk with families facing food poverty across the globe. During this coming week, let us reflect on those in the island country of Madagascar, where half of all children are undernourished. That means 50% of kids won't grow to reach their full potential. As we pray and encounter Jesus, we can consider the following reflection:

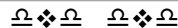
We all need food to nourish us and keep us healthy. Without food, we find it hard to concentrate, study, do our work or even play. Jesus often shared meals with friends and even strangers, and he teaches us to be generous in sharing what we have to eat with others.

- *What role has food played in your life?*
How can you help those who lack access to enough nutritious food?

Fortunately, you can be a part of CRS efforts to help parents in Madagascar learn how to keep their children healthy through nutritious "rainbow" diets of colorful fruits and vegetables grown in their own neighborhoods. This is particularly important for young children during their critical period of development.

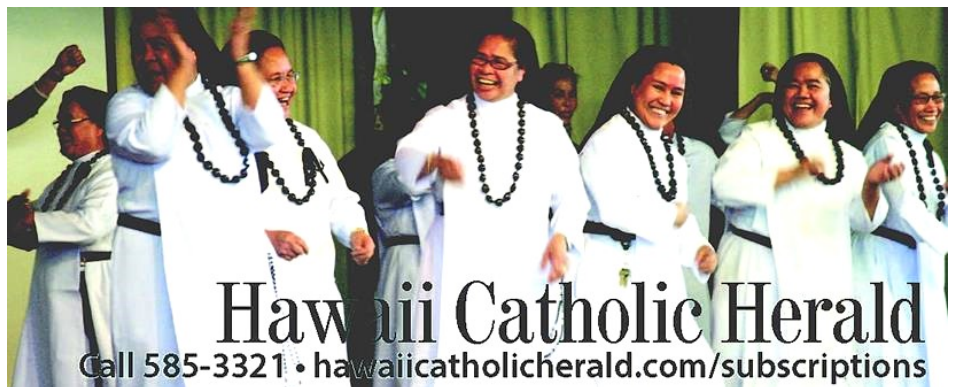
Learn how [CRS programs](#) offer solutions for families to address conditions which lead to hunger and malnutrition.

To learn more about CRS Rice Bowl efforts in Hawaii, visit the [OSM website](#).



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OFFICE OF WORSHIP
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU



MEMORANDUM

To: Clergy and Parishes

From: Deacon Modesto Cordero, Director Office of Worship

Date: Wed 2/24/2021 9:54 AM

UPDATES ON COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Good Morning!

Effective tomorrow, **Thursday, February 25, 2021** the City and County of Honolulu (**Oahu Island**) will move to Tier 3. All other counties (islands) need to continue observing the rules promulgated by their respective Mayor's offices. An official declaration from the Mayor of Honolulu office is not yet published, so we don't have too many details regarding how it will affect our spiritual services and current practices. However, the following is already known:

1. Spiritual Services (i.e., Sunday and daily Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, prayer groups, Stations of the Cross, etc.): **Allowed** at full capacity as long as we continue to maintain 6-foot distancing (not much change here from our current Tier 2 situation).
2. Social gatherings/meetings at church grounds: **Allowed** now for up to 10 people maintaining 6-foot social distancing.
3. Funeral Homes/Cemeteries: **Allowed** to have up to 25 people at their services (i.e. Vigil for the Deceased, Wakes, Funeral Liturgy outside Mass and burials).
4. Funeral Mass at Church continues with **an URN only** - at full capacity - as long as we maintain proper social 6-foot distancing (no change in this area).
5. Continue the **MANDATORY** use of mask/face shield by everyone at all times.
6. Continue the use of hand sanitizing and washing hands as often as possible.
7. Use of conference/breakrooms: **Allowed** – spaced 6-feet apart.
8. No change on current music/singing practices.
9. Religious Education continues as currently directed. Please check with the Office of Religious Education (*Jayne Mondoy*) and the Office of the YYAM (*Lisa Gomes*) for more information.

I will send more information out as soon as the new proclamation is issued by the office of the Mayor of Honolulu.

Peace!

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





ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

WITNESS TO JESUS

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

RE: "DISPENSATION TO ATTEND MASS EXTENDED TO HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1"

February 1, 2021

Dear People of God of the Diocese of Honolulu,

Peace be with you!

As we go through the pandemic, we are enjoying the lifting of some restrictions, even as we still need to observe others for the safety and health of our community. I had extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation through February 16, 2021. I wanted to restate the obligation beginning with Lent, but since we still need to maintain social distancing in our churches, ***I am hereby extending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass through noon on Holy Thursday, April 1, 2021***, which marks the end of Lent. However, this time I am strongly urging that all who take the dispensation engage in some other form of prayer or worship as suggested below. While none of these can be the equivalent of attending Sunday Mass, they will serve to keep us connected to worship, especially during the penitential season of Lent. As I said in my last communication regarding the issue of Mass attendance, I urge all who are able to attend Sunday Mass to do so. There is nothing that substitutes completely for our weekly encounter with the risen Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. Nevertheless, if you cannot attend Sunday Mass, you are strongly encouraged to do one or more of the following:

- Participate prayerfully in a live-streamed or televised Sunday Mass AND spend at least 15 minutes in meditation on the Scriptures, preferably those proclaimed at Mass. (These can be found at www.usccb.org/readings.)
- Attend, in person, a weekday Mass AND spend at least 15 minutes on Sunday reading and meditating on the Sacred Scriptures.
- Spend at least 30 minutes on Sunday prayerfully reading and meditating on the Sacred Scriptures.
- Pray at least two rosaries on Sunday, meditating on the Glorious Mysteries and one other set of Mysteries you choose (i.e. Joyful, Sorrowful, Luminous).

Note that anyone who is sick should not attend Mass and is not obliged to do so. The above alternative spiritual exercises are strongly urged for those who are physically able to fulfill them. As we prepare for Lent, I also urge you to celebrate the sacrament of Penance. Consult with your parish for opportunities for communal Penance services or individual confessions. The gift of the Lord's mercy and healing is readily available to us in this beautiful sacrament. May you have a holy and renewing Lent as you prepare for the great celebration of the Paschal Mystery of the Death and Resurrection of the Lord!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu

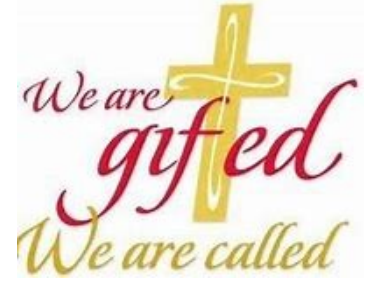


PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION OF DEACON ESE'ESE (ACE) TUI

From the Office of the Bishop+

Most Reverend Larry Silva has announced the date of **Friday, May 21, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.** at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa for the ordination to the priesthood of *Deacon Ese'ese (Ace) Tui*. (Also, the 157th Anniversary of Father Damien's ordination to the priesthood.)

Congratulations to *Deacon Ese'ese Tui* as he completes his journey to priesthood!



SACRED HEARTS ACADEMY VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

*February 28, 2021 > 11:00 AM

"Where girls who aspire become women who inspire."

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*Girl-focused academic curriculum and unique extended-learning opportunities

*Learning experiences structured to develop strengths, aspirations, confidence and empowerment.

*Visit www.sacredhearts.org/openhouse or call (808) 734-5058 ext 224.



FACE – FAITH ACTION NEWS

By *Kathleen Jaycox* > jaycox@hawaii.edu

Aloha!

Last week's message was an update from the chair of the Faith Action Housing Task Force. This week's message is an update from two members of the Faith Action Environmental Justice Task Force, Matt Geyer (chair) and John Kawamoto. It is focused on "*carbon cashback*," an issue which received media coverage via an Island Voices op-ed on February 7.

As always, thank you for all that you do on behalf of social justice.

Kathy for the Committee

FAITH ACTION ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE

The Environmental Justice Task Force was created early last year because of the interest expressed by Faith Action members in environmental issues; in particular, climate change. We are committed to increasing public awareness of environmental issues and establishing more effective public policy to help control climate change.

After organizing, we settled on the carbon fee and dividend idea because it would substantially reduce carbon admissions while also being consistent with Faith Action's spirit of socio-economic equity. For more details, please go to: <https://www.faihactionhawaii.org/post/environmental-justice-task-force>.

We invite all who are interested in improving the environment and doing more to control climate change to attend our Zoom meetings on Wednesdays at 5:00 PM. The Zoom link is on the Faith Action calendar on the website.





REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- ❖ **GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Shirley Asentista * Rosalina Valencia * Trinidad Bungcayao * Marie Schwengler * Mark Schwengler * Corazon Orcino * Jabez Goloran * Vladimir Salagovic * Doi Facuri * Ellis Ricks * Norma Corba * Amelia Pascual * Jose Cadiz * Paul Valbuena * Nathaniel Talon * Krystle Parinas * Mart, NB & Josie Alafonso * Ropati Liua * Caren Soong * Patrocina Siruno * Charlie Newman * Cipriana Luczon * Elizabeth Bautista * Avelina Bautista * Dolores Mateo * Ella Ucillos * Ernesto Papa * Clementina Ceria-Ulep * Caridad Dagdagan * Vladimir Skupovska * Fr Thomas Joseph * Dylan Calizar * Caroline Gruenhagen * Theresa Schwengler * Doren Gruenhagen * Juliet Hobson * Michael Schwengler Jr * Amando & Palmas Flores * Bob Wells * Lucille Mohika * Ernesto Fiesta * Fred Caballes * Guy Miranda * Pamata & Sulia Liua * Florentino Orcino * Andy & Marina Torio * Gwen Perry * Petronila Jandoc * Susan Reynon * Marilou Bruno * Lina Santos * Katrina Santos * Vicenta Baron * Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * Jesse Ulep * George Calizar * Marvin Moore * Clara Adlawan * Jeanne Oshiro
- ❖ **BIRTHDAY:** Nancy Coelho * Brandilyn Bacani Aczon * Brenton Aczon * Belen Quinto * Selwyn Madarang * Roger Mariano * Steve Oliveira * Rita Gaspar * Mila Fernandez * Jayson Malla (37) * Cecilia Bersamin * Evangeline Bacani * Steven Ramiscal * Susan "Kits" Baysa * Steven Schwengler * Audrey Peralta * Clemente Luczon Sr * Marivic M Palting (61) * Shane Balbuena * Mila Llantero * Matea Ranit (90) * Tita & Anthony Calizar * Marie Schwengler * Andrea Baptista * Condelita Pescador * Julieta Tabora * Mark Schwengler * Connie de Santos (95) * Logan & Tristan Isidro * Katelyn Aningat * Christina Andres * Alexia Jacinto * Mark McCamley * Elmer Ranit * Adela Rowena Bitonio * Aldrin Daligcon * Sharlene Daligcon * Doren Gruenhagen * Anjelica Schwengler * Herminia Ferrer
- ❖ **RELIGIOUS PROFESSION ANNIVERSARY:** Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC (58)
- ❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Joe & Julie Manuel (49) * Adriano & Norma Daligcon (43) * Renato & Corazon dela Rosa (41) * Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen (29)
- ❖ **SPECIAL INTENTION & THANKSGIVING:** **Thanksgiving** – M/M Curtis & Teresita Erese > Seed-Faith Tours > Matea Ranit > Joseph & Mila Llantero > Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > Anita & Melecio Pinera > Cathy Purganan > Gloria Rodrigues > Alona Afafe > Fanny Montemayor > Jose Cadiz & family > Renato & Cora dela Rosa > Silver & Marivic Palting > Thomas & Olivia Mita > Jaime & Medy Macalma & family > Urbano & Cresencia Acosta & family > Artates & Bacani families * **Special intention** – Schwengler family > Kathy Ferreira > Audrey Peralta * Special blessing for all supporters and donors of the "Save Our Convent" Fund Drive * For the success of the Stewardship campaign at OLM * For all Seminarians and increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese * For a meaningful and spiritually fruitful celebration of our 150th Parish Anniversary * For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 * For safe & effective covid-19 vaccine.
- ❖ **SAFE TRIP:** Audrey Peralta & Lisa * Wilfred Soong
- ❖ **DECEASED:** +Simplicio Canoneo * +Silvestre Marquez * +Aidan Long * +Dolores Cachero * +Frances Ortiz Sardinha * +Luisa Madarang * +George L. Trocio * +Jose Jandoc Sr (11th Anniv) * +Teresita Paranada Braceros (1st Anniv) * +Leticia Castillo * +Nico Mira * +Abraham Langit * +Shane Kawika Cruz * +Remedios Pascua Manzano * +Emiliano & Teodora Lumabao * +Juan & Basilisa Suazo * +Pio & Victoriana Bacani * +Excelcia Ramiro Aczon * +Dominador Agad * +Nicanor Bucaneg * +Arnulfo Bersamin, +Arthur Ferrer, +Ricardo Ferrer * +Martin Rodrigues, +Caroline Rodrigues * +Frances Duhalunsod * +Cecilia Leong * +Faustino Tabangcura, +Ignacia Tabangcura * +Peter Plawri * +Emelia Flores, +Faustino Flores Sr * +Marcos Bacalso, +Filomena Bacalso * +Maria Alma Flores, +Virginia Degamo * +Nicolas Sumagang, +Celsa Sumagang * +Teresa Dacullo * +Richard "Sonny" Peralta, +Elizabeth Ragaza * +Fabian Balbuena * +Pastor, Malwenda, Walter, +Max Balbuena, +Magdaleno Sanchez * +Ferdinand Brillantes * +Fr Pol Calicdan * +Tessie & Marilyn Lagasca * +Silvestre Tolentino, +Primitivo Llacuna, +Ananias Rivera * +Alfredo Cacpal * +Addie Freitas * +Fr Lawrence Mampaey * +Diana Carol Clark * +Cunegunda, Rosendo, Arceli, Aleth, Mario, Ruben * +Josie Pascua, +Apolinaria, Fely Llacuna * +Derrick Andres, +George Bartolome * +Martha Leialoha Castro * +Luz Neri * +Valentina Elliazar * +Sr Mary Matthew Damo * +Laurie Ann Pedro-Fonseca * +Alejandro Quarto, +Crisostomo Atendido, +Pedro, Ronilo & Edwin Pe Benito; +Danilo, Jaime, Marlita & Esperanza Quelnan * +Editha Macalisang * +Dominador Cacpal Sr * +Betty Santiago * +Ernesto Dumalan Sr, +Ismael Dumalan * +Proceso Dumalan Sr, +Encarnacion Dumalan * +Teresita Hernane * +Badegunda Valdez * +John Loo * +Apolonia Fontanilla * +Marcela & Tito Ulep * +Ricardo & Ana Francisca Mateo * +Marieta S. Quarto * +Leonarda, Jose, Sofia & Jacinta Palting * +Leonora Bautista, Victorio & Edison Bautista * +Honorio Gamiao * +Alfredo Baptista * +Christopher Flores * +Bessie Soong * +Ethel & Thomas Mita Sr, Fay Kodama * +Anastacio, Rosa, Paulina, Canuto & Pacita Umblas * +Gloria Batuga Datulayta * Pedro, Urbana, Orlando & Virgilio Artates * +Venasio Talia * +Francisco & Mary Rodrigues * +Francisco, Genara, Alfredo & Lito Cabral * +Francisca Isidro * +Fermin & Elaine Cruz * +Candido Puzon, Juliana Puzon, Agapita Arcega * +Marlene Facuri * +Ricardo Facuri * +Teresita Fontanilla * +Felix & Cresencia Edmalin * +For all the departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +The victims of the coronavirus.

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 to help defray the needs and expenses of the parish.

- **APPRECIATION GIFTS:** We are grateful to *Bill & Joanna Amoroso* for their generous gift of \$1000.00 towards the *Building Fund*. Sharing their blessings on their 43rd wedding anniversary, *Adriano & Norma Daligcon* donated a new waste disposal for the kitchen sink at the parish rectory which *Adriano* himself installed. He also repaired the rectory office bathroom.

*****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

*****HOME REPAIRS** – *Roger Isidro* did some odd jobs of fixing the door latch, hinges and lock at the doorway, cabinets and storage room in the parish hall.

*****CEMETERY MAINTENANCE** – The Catholic cemetery caretaker, *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*, reported the completion of the cutting and hauling away of the storm-felled eucalyptus tree on the cemetery ground. With the approval of the Parish Facilities & Maintenance Committee *Puli Construction* was awarded the contract and did a great job of clearing the area of other rotting trees, stumps and debris. The contract price for labor, materials and equipment was \$5,200.00.

❖ **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, Angie Sera and Corazon Orcino*.

MAHALO to *Myra dela Cruz* who supplies our church with fresh flowers that bedeck the sanctuary. BIG THANKS also to *Tom & Olivia Mita* for donating 3 infra-red thermometers for use in covid-tracing. Likewise, to *Luida Susa* for donating \$500.00 for sanitizers and other needed paraphernalia for disinfection.

❖ **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 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. Much mahalo to *Gene! Jun* and wife, *Caridad*, installed wires for wi-fi connection and clearer live-streaming from the rectory to the church.

There is a wi-fi hook-up to the parish hall on the Sunday Eucharistic celebration 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. More operators have been recruited to assist in case of need – *Luis Joseph & Nathaniel Culao; Adam & Mitchell Baron*.

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*. Recently, the parish purchased 2 chrome books to make the livestreaming and power-point presentation at the hall even better.

The choir loft is also prepared for additional accommodation. In both areas in the choir loft and parish hall, the faithful can attend the Mass and ministers can go to give Holy Communion to them.

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP (Continued)

❖ **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 * Marichu Pe Benito * 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.

**Frankie Cabral* assisted by *Roger Isidro* and *Joseph Llantero* continues to trim the overgrown palm tree branches around the rectory and shrubbery around the church.

*With joy and devotion, *Lito and Lia Centino* 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 ewa 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.

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

✦ FORTY DAYS PRAYER ✦ **MASS INTENTIONS**

✦ MERCY REPENTANCE ✦ **LENT** ✦ PENANCE FASTING ✦ CHARITY REFLECTION ✦

Feb 20 > 6:00pm RM +*Jose Jandoc Sr*
Feb 21 > 6:30am RM +*Jose Jandoc Sr*
 > **9:00am** Thanksgiving - *M/M Curtis & Teresita Erese * RM +Jose Jandoc Sr*
Feb 22-25 > 7:00am Thanksgiving - *Matea Ranit*
Feb 22-26 > 7:00am Healing - *Corazon Orcino; Caren Soong * RM +Tyler Paul Peralta*
Feb 23-25 > 7:00am RM +*Silvestre Marquez; +Luisa Madarang; +George Trocio; +Aidan Long; +Arthur Ferrer*

Feb 24-25 > 7:00am RM +*Dolores Cachero*

Feb 27 > 6:00pm Birthday - *Fr Danny Laeda * Healing & speedy recovery – Shirley Asentista; Guy Miranda; Those infected w/ covid-19 * Thanksgiving - Matea Ranit * Special intention - For a meaningful & blessed celebration of Lent; For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for a safe and effective vaccine to end it all * RM +Frances Ortiz Sardinha; +Laura Gonzales; +Dolores Cachero; +Excelcia Aczon; +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Feb 28 > 6:30am * Good health - Melvin Pinera; Trinidad Bungcayao; Rosalina Valencia; Caren Soong; Norma Corba; Paul Valbuena; Guy Miranda, Caridad Dagdagan, Shirley Asentista * Safe trip - Audrey Peralta * Thanksgiving - Mel & Anita Pinera; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Urbano & Cresencia Acosta & family; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Matea Ranit * RM +Frances Ortiz Sardinha; +Teresita Paranada Bracerros; +Dolores Cachero; +Remedios Manzano; +Silvestre Marquez; +Tyler Paul Peralta; +Laura Gonzales; +Teresita Fontanilla

> **9:00am (Missa pro populo) * Birthday - Belen Quinto; Selwyn Madarang; Fr Danny Laeda * Healing - Jose Cadiz; Ropati Liua; Lucille Mohika; Pamata & Sulia Liua; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Special intention - For deliverance from covid-19 pandemic and for safe & effective covid-19 vaccine * Thanksgiving - M/M Curtis & Teresita Erese; Cathy Purganan; Jose Cadiz & family; Ferrer & Ricks families; Silver & Marivic Palting; Thomas & Olivia Mita; Urbano & Cresencia Acosta & family * For Deliverance from & end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +Luisa Madarang; +George Trocio; +Fabian Balbuena; Maximo Balbuena, Magdaleno Sanchez; +Ernesto Sr & Ismael Dumalan; +Proceso Sr & Encarnacion Dumalan; +Teresita Hernane; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors and parishioners of OLM**

Mar 1-11 > 7:00am RM +*Remedios Manzano*

Mar 4 > 7:00am RM +*Simplicio Canoneo; +Joe & Millie Josol*

Mar 5 > 7:00am Birthday - *Nancy Coelho*

Mar 6/13/20/27 > 7:00am RM +*Excelcia Ramiro Aczon*

Mar 7 > 7:00am Birthday - *Brandilyn Bacani Aczon*



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.*

YOU ARE INVITED

500 YEARS OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES – Hawaii Celebration

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, Downtown Honolulu

Join this special Mass of Thanksgiving celebrating 500 years of Christianity in the Philippines celebrated by *Bishop Larry Silva*.

Due to the pandemic, in-person participation is by invitation only. Seating may become available as the date approaches. The Mass will be live-streamed on the Cathedral Basilica social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Hawaii Catholic TV).

**500 YEARS OF CHRISTIANITY
IN THE PHILIPPINES - HAWAII CELEBRATION**

**MASS of
THANKSGIVING**
TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021 | 6:00PM
CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF PEACE
1084 BISHOP STREET, HONOLULU, HAWAII

gifted to give
500 YEARS OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES
1521 - 2021
HAWAII CELEBRATION

CELEBRANT: MOST REVEREND LARRY SILVA
Bishop, Diocese of Honolulu

HOMILIST: REV. PASCUAL G. ABAYA IV
Rector, Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

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"LANGUAGES OF LOVE" MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT, MAR 20

Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.
via Zoom

This free virtual marriage enrichment will teach about the "Languages of Love" based on the book *The Five Love Languages* by Dr. Gary Chapman. This event is brought to you by the West Hawaii Vicariate and WWME-Hawaii.

Register at [Languages of Love Registration](#). For more information email 2lovenenjoy@gmail.com.



A FREE VIRTUAL MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

Languages of Love

Based on the book
The Five Love Languages by Dr. Gary Chapman,
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March 20, 2021
9:00 am to 2:30 pm
via Zoom

- ♥ Words of Affirmation
- ♥ Quality Time
- ♥ Receiving Gifts
- ♥ Acts of Service
- ♥ Physical Touch

To register and get the ZOOM link
Email: 2lovenenjoy@gmail.com

Brought to you in collaboration with West Hawaii Vicariate and WWME-Hawaii. We are faithful to the Roman Catholic Church's teaching that marriage is a covenant that exists between one man and one woman. Any reference to marriage or couple made is in this context.

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



LENT

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays @ 6:30pm

- Feb 19** Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Stewardship Comm.
(Feb 21 Religious Education Program, after the 9:00am Mass)
- Feb 26** Filipino Catholic Club * Ilocano Choir
- Mar 5** Catechists * RCIA * Visayan Group
- Mar 12** Outreach * Kokua Ministry
- Mar 19** Knights of Columbus
- Mar 26** Liturgy Committee

FEAST DAYS

Mar 3 St. Katherine Drexel, virgin

OTHER

- Feb 28** Religious Ed Class after 9:00am Mass
- Mar 4** Mother of Perpetual Help Novena & Rosary, 7:00pm
- Mar 5** First Friday, Holy Hour & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, after the 7:00am Mass
- Mar 6** Baptism Catechesis for Parents & Godparents, 9:00am, Hall
- Mar 7** Baptism, after the 9:00am Mass
- Mar 14** Baptism, after the 9:00am Mass

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* utilities included * walking distance to
Our Lady of the Mount Church and Kalihi
Uka School * \$2200/mo. Available now.
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Lady of the Mount as your parish and view the app; download is **free**.

Note: You may also access the parish bulletins via the OLM website at ourladyofthemountkalihi.org. If you need assistance, please call the Office.

✠ OBITUARY

+NICANOR S. BUCANEG, 79

Memorial Mass: February 20, 2021, 10:30am at OLM Church

Funeral Service: February 27, 2021, 10:00am at Borthwick Mortuary Mauka Chapel

Interment: February 27, 2021, 1:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park



+FRANCES ORTIZ SARDINHA, 95

Funeral Service: March 10, 2021, 10:00am at Hawaiian Memorial Park Chapel

Interment: March 10, 2021, 11:00am at Hawaiian Memorial Park Cemetery

+REMEDIOS PASCUA MANZANO, 89

Funeral Service: March 11, 2021, 12:00pm at Valley of the Temples Chapel

Interment: March 11, 2021, 1:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

+LAURA GONZALES, 94

Gravesite Service: March 12, 2021, 2:00pm at Valley of the Temples Chapel

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

Heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.



"Hey! — are you eating again already?" "Oh, yeah — I fast really fast!"

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L.O.L.
(Laugh Out Loud)
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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thu 9:00am-4:00pm
Lunch 11:30am-12:30pm
Fri 9:00am-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