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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.

Third Sunday of Lent



Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor



"Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." John 2:16



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Pastor Emeritus

❖ HAVE A BLESSED LENT ❖



LIVE-STREAM: MASS & WAY OF THE CROSS

*3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

*March 7, 2021 * @ 9:00 AM

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

*Log in to www.Facebook.com/olmkalihi

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

"Lord, You have the Words of everlasting Life."

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 Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 13:1-6

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel

John 3:14-21

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

This Reading is about the Ten Commandments, which is part of larger collection of regulations known as the Covenant Code. At the forefront of this law is what will be seen to require the greatest amount of adjustment on the part of the Israelites: how to understand their relationship with God. It was necessary for the Lord to make it clear that he alone is God. Thus he reveals that he, and he alone, is responsible for delivering the Israelites from the hands of the Egyptians. As a result, the people are to honor him alone. At the outset of the law, God lets Israel know that their relationship with him has lasting consequences; it will prove to be a relationship filled with both fortune and failure.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

This Reading tells that Corinth was a community divided over the expression of spiritual gifts. Paul devotes a major portion of this letter to the Corinthians warning them to avoid ranking one another according to such things as gifts of prophecy, speaking in tongues and healing. All spiritual gifts were to be directed to the one body of Christ, the Church and placed under the umbrella of love. For Paul, there can be no greater expression of love than the cross of Christ.

Gospel: John 2:13-25

The Gospel tells about Jesus cleansing the Temple. While the Jews who hear Jesus believe that he is threatening the destruction of the physical Temple in Jerusalem, Jesus is foretelling of his death and subsequent Resurrection, by which God will provide new life in abundance. They are incapable of seeing the sign of things to come and that Jesus views the world in a way far different from their perspective.



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.



Stewardship: Stewardship & Solidarity in a Time of Pandemic

The Year of Our Lord 2020 may go down in history as an *annus horribilis* (a horrible year) because of the devastation caused by the sudden, unexpected outbreak of the deadly COVID-19 pandemic. Not only have thousands of people lost their lives worldwide, but the economic and social implications of this modern-day plague have caused serious hardships for millions in countries covering the globe.

And yet, as Pope Francis has observed, these months of trial and adversity have also been a time of grace. It's been a time for giving and sharing, a time for healing, hope and prayerful support, especially for those who are most vulnerable. In short, this is a time for stewardship, which can be defined as *"taking care of and sharing all God's gifts."* During times of crises, we are reminded that no one is an island. We are not self-sufficient. We depend on God, and on each other, for everything we have and everything we are. The pandemic we are suffering now is a wake-up call, a stark reminder that unless we share our gifts and talents with all our sisters and brothers, we run the grave risk of being left alone in moments of serious need. Alone we are powerless, but united with other members of the human family we are capable of overcoming all obstacles. Stewardship is intimately connected to the concept of "solidarity." Vatican II's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, *Gaudium et Spes*, clearly identifies the Church's proper role in human society *"as a strong moral force stimulating the cooperation of all and urging the responsibilities we all have to serve the cause of human solidarity everywhere"* (#89). The Church cannot command unity (even among her own members), but she can continually call for unity and the pursuit of the common good *"that is to say, to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all"* (*Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, On Social Concern, #38). "Solidarity" was used by Pope St. John XXIII in his encyclical *Mater et Magistra* (Mother and Teacher, #157). According to the Holy Father, *"The solidarity which binds all men together as members of a common family makes it impossible for wealthy nations to look with indifference upon the hunger, misery and poverty of other nations whose citizens are unable to enjoy even elementary human rights. The nations of the world are becoming more and more dependent on one another and it will not be possible to preserve a lasting peace so long as glaring economic and social imbalances persist"* (#157). The concepts of stewardship and solidarity also appear in many post-conciliar encyclicals and apostolic exhortations of recent popes even if the terms are not used. (To learn more about papal teaching on stewardship and solidarity, read Part II of this article in the April stewardship ebulletin).



[\(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin, March 2021\)](#)*



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for March

Lord Jesus,

We journey with you this Lenten season, in a time of stress and uncertainty, ever closer to Jerusalem, ever closer to your death on the cross.

We hear your Gospel mandate: "Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow me," but we are unsure of their meaning, or anxious about their true intent.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, give us the strength to deny the "self" that keeps us from being good stewards of your teachings, and of those who need our love and compassion.

Give us a deeper awareness of the cross in our own lives so that we may embrace it and join our sufferings with yours in a world in need of your redemption.

And give us the confidence to follow you no matter the cost; knowing that if we die with you, we will also live with you and eternally rejoice in your resurrection.

We humbly ask this of you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

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MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>2/27-28/21</u>	<u>2/20-21/21</u>
Sat 6:00pm	53A+1C	50A+0C
Sun 6:30am	57A+0C	64A+0C
Sun 9:00am	79A+12C	74A+7C

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING



Offertory	\$ 2,675.85	\$ 2,494.50
Initial Offering	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 39.00	\$ 110.00
Donation-Sanitizer		\$ 500.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 70.00	\$ 1,556.00
Religious article	\$ 2.00	
Candles	\$ 185.00	\$ 125.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 70.00	\$ 80.00
Total	\$ 3,046.85	\$ 4,880.50

"While we have the opportunity, let's do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of faith."

Galatians 6:10

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 Daligon* 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

*****CHURCH REPAIRS** – The successive days of rain caused leaks on the walls behind the sanctuary creating cracks and moldy floors. *Roger Isidro* and *Rudy Fiesta* came to the rescue doing some patching on the concrete wall inside and outside. They also included to re-strengthen the beams for the bells at the belfry.

*****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. 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*, *Nelie 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 plexi-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.



Rudy Fiesta sealing the leaks for rainwater on the concrete wall of the church. Together with *Roger Isidro* they worked on the interior and exterior walls of the sanctuary and afterwards fixed the bells on the belfry.

Photo by Fr. Edgar Brillantes

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PARISH STEWARDSHIP (Continued)+

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.

❖ **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!** ❖

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Feb 28 > 9:00am Birthday - *Wilson Montemayor; Avalyne Andaya * Good health - Jose Cadiz & family * RM +Avelina Madrona*

Mar 1-4 > 7:00am Healing - *Jewelle Reen Deuz*

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

Mar 2 > 7:00am RM +*Alfredo Baptista; +Ronald Chiril*

Mar 3-11 > 7:00am RM +*Nicanor Bucaneg*

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

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

Mar 5-13 > 7:00am RM +*Mariano F Mundala*

Mar 6 > 6:00pm Healing & speedy recovery - *Shirley Asentista; Guy Miranda; Those infected w/*

*covid-19 * Thanksgiving – Dr Leonard Odjinar * 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 +Excelcia Aczon; +Frances Ortiz Sardinha; +Jeffery Rabago; +Laura Gonzales; +Dolores Cachero; +Mariano Mundala; +Remedios Manzano; +Encarnacion Fontanilla +Nicanor Bucaneg; +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Deceased pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Mar 7 > 6:30am Birthday - *Caridad Dagdagan; Lawrence Flores; Filomena Emnacin * Good health - Melvin Pinera; Caren Soong; Norma Corba; Paul Valbuena; Guy Miranda, Caridad Dagdagan, Shirley Asentista; Audrey Peralta * Thanksgiving – Jun Flores & family; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Urbano & Cresencia Acosta & family; Mel & Anita Pinera * RM +Remedios Manzano; +Teresita Fontanilla; + Encarnacion Fontanilla; +Mariano Mundala; +Frances Ortiz Sardinha; +Filomena Bacalso; +Dolores Cachero; +Silvestre Marquez; +Laura Gonzales*

> 9:00am (Missa pro populo) * Birthday - Brandilyn Bacani Aczon * Healing - Jewelle Reen Deuz; Jose Cadiz & family; Ropati Liua; Lucille Mohika; Pamata & Sulia Liua; Amando & Palmas Flores; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Special intention - Donna Tabora Miller; 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 +Simplicio Canoneo; +Victor Momosea; +Nicanor Bucaneg; +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 8 > 7:00am Birthday - *Brenton Aczon*

Mar 8-11 > 7:00am RM +*Remedios Pascua Manzano; +Nicanor Bucaneg*

Mar 8-13 > 7:00am RM +*Mariano Mundala*

Mar 12 > 7:00am Birthday - *Sr Clemence Mira, SPC*

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

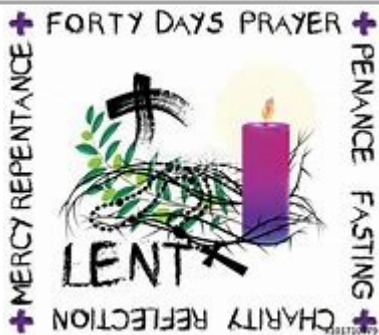
Mar 19-27 > 7:00am RM +*Dolores Cachero*

Mar 26-Apr 3 > 7:00am RM +*Faustina S Ea*



DEADLINE: Please submit your **Mass intentions** by **Thursday** if you want them printed on time for the weekend Parish Bulletin and for orderly inclusion at the Prayers of the Faithful.

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



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖ **GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Jewelle Reen Deuz * Jose Cadiz & family * 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 * Patrocinia 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:** Caridad Dagdagan * Lawrence Flores * Filomena Emnacin * Jocelyn Ramiscal * Julie Manuel * Medy Macalma * Nancy Coelho * Brandilyn Bacani Aczon * Brenton Aczon * Wilson Montemayor * Avalyne Andaya * 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 – Jun Flores & family > Dr. Leonard Odjinar > 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 Afable > 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** – Donna Tabora Miller > 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:** +Mariano F Mundala * Excelcia Ramiro Aczon * +Remedios Pascua Manzano * +Encarnacion Fontanilla * + Eddie Zanellato * +Victor Momosea * +Teresita Fontanilla * +Filomena Bacalso * +Alfredo Baptista * +Ronald Chiril * +Joe & Millie Josol * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Silvestre Marquez * +Avelina Madrona * +Angel Pascual * +Aidan Long * +Dolores Cachero * +Frances Ortiz Sardinha * +Tyler Paul Peralta * +Luisa Madarang * +George L. Trocio * +Jose Jandoc Sr (11th Anniv) * +Teresita Paranada Braceros (1st Anniv) * +Leticia Castillo * +Nico Mira * +Abraham Langit * +Shane Kawika Cruz * +Emiliano & Teodora Lumabao * +Juan & Basilisa Suazo * +Pio & Victoriana Bacani * +Dominador Agad * +Nicanor Bucaneg * +Faustino Tabangcura, +Ignacia Tabangcura * +Peter Plawri * +Emelia Flores, +Faustino Flores Sr * +Marcos Bacalso * +Maria Alma Flores, +Virginia Degamo * +Nicolas Sumagang, +Celsa Sumagang * +Teresa Dacullo * +Richard "Sonny" Peralta * +Fabian Balbuena * +Pastor, Malwenda, Walter, +Max Balbuena, +Magdaleno Sanchez * +Fr Pol Calicdan * +Tessie & Marlyn Lagasca * +Silvestre Tolentino, +Primitivo Llacuna, +Ananias Rivera * +Alfredo Cacpal * +Diana Carol Clark * +Josie Pascua, +Apolinaria, Fely Llacuna * +Martha Leialoha Castro * +Luz Neri * +Valentina Elliazar * +Sr Mary Matthew Damo * +Dominador Cacpal Sr * +Betty Santiago * +Ernesto Dumalan Sr, +Ismael Dumalan * +Proceso Dumalan Sr, +Encarnacion Dumalan * +Teresita Hernane * +Badegunda Valdez * +Leonarda, Jose, Sofia & Jacinta Palting * +Gloria Batuga Datulayta * +Orlando Artates * +Venasio Talia * +Fermin & Elaine Cruz * +Candido Puzon, Juliana Puzon, Agapita Arcega * +Marlene Facuri * +Ricardo Facuri * +For all the departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM; +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends; +The victims of the coronavirus



Our Lady of the Mount Church
“Celebrating and Renewing Our Faith in Grateful Stewardship”
150TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT
PRE-SALE ORDER FORM
Must Order by May 2, 2021 Deadline

NAME					DATE
ADDRESS					
PHONE NO.			EMAIL		
Adult Sizes Only	Pre-sale Price \$	Qty Women’s	Qty Men’s	Total Shirts	Amount Due
Extra Small	\$15				
Small	\$15				
Medium	\$15				
Large	\$15				
X Large	\$15				
1 X	\$17				
2 X	\$17				
3 X	\$17				
4 X	\$17				
5 X	\$17				
COMMENTS:			AMOUNT DUE		\$
			MAILING FEE* See below		\$
			TOTAL DUE		\$
Paid: Cash _____ Check #: _____					
Receipt #:		By:		Date:	
Will pick up shirts at Mass time:		Picked up by: <i>(Complete on day of pick up)</i>			

Note: Estimated distribution of shirts is June 2021

Number of shirts (all in one package or box)	Mailing Fee* (include with payment)
One to Two	\$8.55
Three to Six	\$15.50
Seven to Ten	\$21.90

Payment method – Cash or Check payable to: Our Lady of the Mount Church

If mailing payment, please DO NOT SEND CASH.

Mail Check with this completed order form to:

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH
 Attn: T-Shirt Committee
 1614 Monte Street
 Honolulu, HI 96819

GROUND SALE PRICES – Additional shirts will be ordered. Sizes and quantities will be limited. Please see below.

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XS, 3X, 4X and 5X. Additional shirts in these sizes will not be ordered and must be preordered.

Mahalo for your support! God bless you!

DIOCESAN NEWS ❖❖❖ DIOCESAN NEWS



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!



OPERATION RICE BOWL

Lent for Life Week 3 - Rice Bowl Stories of Hope

March 1, 2021

Third Week of Lent, Sustainability in El Salvador *"For I was thirsty and you gave me drink."* (Matthew 25)

Water is a basic necessity for human survival; yet many of our brothers and sisters in Christ do not have access to this essential resource. Drought has become an increasing problem across El Salvador, making it difficult for farmers to produce enough crops to support their families. However, new farming techniques and a new generation of young farmers are making a difference.

This week, through [Catholic Relief Services Stories of Hope](#) we are introduced to 17-year old Edwin Carlos who gains experience and technical skills to help farmers restore the health of their land. As the land conditions improve, farmers are able to yield bountiful crops to feed their family and the community.

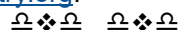
"When you know what to do to make things better, it's your responsibility to help solve the problem." ~Edwin Carlos

As we reflect on our own Lenten journey, let us consider the plight of those who suffer challenges around the world:

- What would you do if your livelihood was threatened?
- How can you support young people in your community and around the world?

More than a principle of Catholic Social Teaching, Caring for God's Creation is necessary because we believe that people deserve to live in conditions that uphold their *God-given dignity*. *When the environment suffers, human beings suffer too.*

The Holy Father Pope Francis reminds us that "We are called not only to respect the natural environment, but also to show respect for, and solidarity with, all the members of our human family. These two dimensions are closely related ..." (Papal Audience, June 5, 2013). Learn how [CRS programs](#) offer solutions for families to address conditions which lead to hunger and food insecurity. *To view this week's Story of Hope from El Salvador, click [here](#). For more on CRS Rice Bowl in Hawaii, go to www.officeforsocialministry.org.*



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WITNESS TO JESUS

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

MEMORANDUM

RE: "RESUMPTION OF SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION"

To: All Pastors and Parishioners

From: Bishop Larry Silva

Date: March 5, 2021

Peace be with you!

As we continue on our Lenten journey, we look forward to the joyful celebration of the Paschal Mystery, the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest event in the history of the world. We have been living in this strange time of the pandemic, and now with decreasing numbers of cases, increasing accessibility to vaccines, and "herd immunity" on the horizon, we should be able to celebrate Easter in a more normal fashion this year. Since our Sunday encounter with the Risen Lord in the Eucharist is the source and summit of who we are as Christians, it is important that we return to our weekly celebrations.

Effective Easter Sunday, April 4 (or as of the Easter Vigil, April 3), I am ending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, which has been in effect since mid-March, 2020. However, anyone who is sick, may have been exposed to anyone with COVID19, or who has a health condition that would endanger themselves or others by being present in church, continues to be dispensed.

In order to better accommodate larger numbers of people, especially on Easter Sunday, pastors are to determine whether extra seats can be added on lanais, additional Masses can be added to the schedule, or live-streaming in the parish hall can be done and Holy Communion taken to those who participate by this means. If anticipated numbers simply cannot be safely accommodated in a particular parish, a pastor can dispense from the Sunday Mass obligation, either for individual parishioners or certain groups of parishioners, and for a specified period of time not to exceed two months without consultation with the Bishop of Honolulu.

At the same time, I realize that we must stay vigilant about our health protocols, and so the following norms must continue to be observed:

- Masks must be worn by all who attend Mass or other liturgical services.
- Social distancing and no-touch greetings and Sign of Peace remain the norms.
- Holy Communion is to be given only under the species of Bread.
- The use of a small choir is permitted during Holy Week and the Easter season. If the parish is using a choir, choir members need to continue following 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 Holy Week and the Easter season, observing the proper precautions.
- Sanitization is to continue between Masses.
- Social gatherings after Mass should still not take place.
- We encourage parish priests to start/continue live-streaming their liturgies to their parishioners via social media platforms and to communicate to them the times of these services and log-in information for their parish's Facebook and/or website.

Any questions about these protocols should be referred to *Deacon Modesto Cordero* of the Office of Worship: mcordero@rcchawaii.org.

God bless you all, and have a blessed Lent, a joyful Easter Triduum, and a grace-filled Easter season!

+ Larry Silva

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: 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.

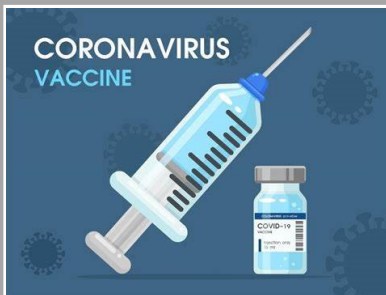


150TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRT

PRESALE ORDERS NOW BEING TAKEN

To receive the presale prices, you must complete a presale order form and submit full payment by Sunday May 2, 2021. A limited number of shirts and sizes will be ordered and sold at ground sale prices. Estimated distribution of the shirts is June 2021. Presale shirt orders may be picked up after one of the weekend masses or you can have them mailed to you (additional fees will apply). Please refer to the presale order form inserted in today's bulletin for prices and additional information.

A big Mahalo to *Anthony Calizar* for creating the beautiful t-shirt artwork. Anthony is the son of parishioners *Tita and George Calizar*.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS AT ST. THERESA (3/6) AND FILCOM (3/11) *(Our Lady of the Mount Coordinator, Dr. Clementina Ceria-Ulep)*

Fri 3/5/2021 4:02 PM

Announcing the COVID-19 vaccination at *Fil-Com Center* this coming Thursday, 3/11/21. There are 150 slots. This is a collaboration between *Fil-Com Center* and *Kaiser Permanente*. The details are all provided in the flyer along with the number to call for an appointment. *(The telephone numbers are: 808-432-2273 or 808-432-2260.)*

The above is after the vaccination event at *Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa* on Saturday, March 6. *Bishop Larry Silva* himself will be receiving his vaccination tomorrow at Co-

Cathedral St. Theresa.

That event is being sponsored by *Diocesan Congress of Filipino Catholic Clubs, Oahu Council of Filipino Catholic Clubs along with Fil-Com Center-Fil-Com CARES, State of Hawaii Department of Health, UH Manoa.*

----- Forwarded message -----

From: FilCom CARES <filcomcares@filcom.org> Date: Thu, Mar 4, 2021 at 8:44 PM

Subject: Vaccination Clinics at St. Theresa (3/6) and FilCom (3/11)

VACCINATION CLINICS AT ST. THERESA & FILCOM

Aloha All!

We are pleased to announce two COVID-19 vaccination clinics that are scheduled. The first one will be held this Saturday, March 6th from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm in partnership the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa and Kalihi-Palama Health Center. The response has been overwhelming and all the appointment slots are filled thanks to the volunteers who registered the church members this past weekend.

There are 150 slots for the vaccination at Filipino Community Center on March 11th that will be held from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm in partnership with Kaiser Permanente. Please disseminate widely and inform people to leave a message with their name and phone number on the voice mail if they are unable to speak with a staff.

Our mailing address is:

Bayanihan Power

PO Box 61626, Honolulu, HI 96839-1626



FACE – FAITH + ACTION UPDATE

By *Kathleen Jaycox* > jaycox@hawaii.edu

Aloha!

This week's update has news from our Long Term Care Committee, chaired by Dr. Clementina Ceria-Ulep. As always, thank you for all that you do on behalf of social justice. *Kathy* for the Committee

FAITH ACTION LONG-TERM CARE (LTC) TASKFORCE REPORT

Dr. Clementina D. Ceria-Ulep, Chair

For 2021, Long Term Care Taskforce is focusing on the following:

1. **Caregiver Training and Certified Nurses' Aide (CNA) Training:**
 - a. *Caregiver Training.* A volunteer, Regina Rivera, also an RN, will train prospective care givers in knowledge and best practices in caring for persons with dementia and/or diabetes.
 - b. *CNA Training.* Eleven persons interested in becoming nurses' assistants attended an informational session held at Our Lady of the Mount Church on 2/20/20. Care giver and CNA trainings are on hold until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.
2. **Legislation 2021.** We are pushing for \$1.5 million funding of the Kupuna Caregivers Program. Our partners in this effort are The Kupuna Caucus and the Alzheimer's Association.
3. **Aging in Place Community: Ibasho Café concept.** Hawaii was chosen as one of three pilot sites in the United States - San Francisco, CA and Colorado. Training for and establishment of Ibasho in Hawaii will cost \$48,000 for 8 months; and \$66,000 for 12 months. Potential funders include the Atherton Family Foundation, CARES Act Fund, Hawaii Community Foundation, Lion's Club, UH SEED grant, Weinberg Foundation. Dr. Peggy Perkinson, Ashleigh Loa, Lauren-Jessica Urban Higuchi, and I are preparing the grant applications to the various possible funders.

For more information, go to: <https://www.faithactionhawaii.org/post/faith-action-long-term-care-ltc-taskforce-report>



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
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TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021 | 6:00PM
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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.

marriage encounter

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
- (Apr 2 Good Friday at 12:00pm)

FEAST DAYS

- Mar 8 St. John of God, religious
- Mar 9 St. Frances of Rome, religious

OTHER

- Mar 6 Baptism Catechesis for Parents & Godparents, 9:00am, Hall
- Mar 7, 14, 21 Baptism, after the 9:00am Mass
- Mar 10 Baptism Catechesis for Parents & Godparents, 6:00pm, Hall
- Mar 11 Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help & Rosary, 7:00pm
- Mar 13 and 20 Pre-Easter Church Clean-up



BAPTISMS

Welcome to the children to the Sacrament of Baptism:

**Congratulations to the loving
Parents and Godparents!**

March 7, 2021

❖Child: **BRINLEY JULIET DeCASTRO PONCE**
 Parents: *Bradley Dela Cruz Ponce & Nichole Arios DeCastro*
 Godparents: *Clarita Tano & Mary Jane Duldulao*

March 14, 2021

❖Child: **KALEIYA REIGN IBARRA-MATEO**
 Parents: *Teddie Terrence Mateo & Farrah Leigh Tangonan*
 Godparents: *Bryson Mateo & Mary Grace Tangonan*

March 21, 2021

❖Child: **MELAR TUSCANO LLOREN**
 Parents: *Arman Avila Lloren & Melodia Sotto Tuscano*
 Godparents: *Florencio Sipalay & Rosario Sipalay*



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✚ OBITUARY



+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.



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L.O.L.
*(Laugh
 Out
 Loud)*
 ☺

*We'd better do these in increments of ten —
 These people have terrible attention spans.*

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