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❖ CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP ❖



Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor



*"Whoever receives
one child such as this
in my name, receive
me; and whoever
receives me, receives
not me but the One
who sent me."*

Mark 9:37



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Pastor Emeritus

September 19

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

God bless our Catechists, Youth Ministers, Parents & Children

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

***September 19, 2021**

There is a commissioning of the parish catechists and youth ministers today at the 9:00am Mass. The first session will be held today. Parents and guardians are invited to join their children at the parish hall for informational presentations.

Side by side with the catechetical program in the parish is the Christian formation in the homes. Formation means the sharing of the Catholic way of life, and the Church and many people maintain that this life is nurtured first and foremost around the home table. We thank our dear parents and catechists for all their love and care for our children.

Parish Catechists: *Evangeline Bacani * Fe Go * Maryann Goloran * Fran Kovaloff * Lucille Mohika **

*Rosemary Mohika * Cathy Villanueva*

Youth Ministers: *Diana Peterson * Nicole Peterson * Nickolus Peterson*

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'OHANA IN CHRIST

THE ANNUAL APPEAL FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

Please support our Diocese and our many Catholic ministries by contributing to the 2021-2022 'Ohana in Christ Appeal. Your gift will especially help: *(Please read the Bishop's Letter)*

*PARISH PRIESTS AND DEACONS - recruitment, assignment, professional development, health and wellness needs

*YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY - developing faith formation groups, programs, events, and support for Catholic schools

*THOSE MOST IN NEED - resourcing for parish food and shelter programs, and for Catholic social ministry agencies serving our kupuna, keiki and migrant communities.

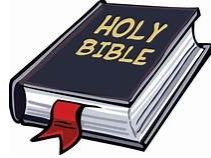
> Launching of the Appeal will be on October 2-3. You may give online at CatholicHawaii.org.

> Letters with pledge card and prayer card will be distributed to families. You can mail your offering to the Diocese or drop it in our Church collection.

> MAHALO for your Generous Support * All Gifts are Important and Appreciated!



Pastor's Corner



By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes

Next Sunday's Reading 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading
Numbers 11:25-29

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm: 19:8, 10, 12-14

Second Reading
James 5:1-6

Gospel
Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

FOCUS: Jesus calls us to humble service.

A common thread in today's readings is that the marks of faithfulness are humility, peacemaking, and service to the lowliest among us. In the midst of cynicism, which is so often the reality of our modern world, how can we better witness to the world the peace of Christ?

First Reading: *Wisdom 2:12, 17-20*

In this first Reading, the wicked speak of testing *the just one* until he sins or until God intervenes.

Second Reading: *James 3:16-4:3*

In this Reading, James says that *the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace.*

Gospel: *Mark 9:30-37*

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches about his passion but the disciples do not understand; he then demands humble service of his followers.

LIVE-STREAMED MASS

*25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – September 19 @ 9:00 AM Mass

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“Whoever wishes to be first will be the servant of all.”

***REMINDER:** The Bishop has lifted on April 3 the dispensation from attending the Holy Mass in person which was issued at the height of the covid pandemic. This means we are now obliged to be physically present in church to fulfill our Sunday obligation. However, for those who cannot go to church for serious health and life-threatening reasons, we are extending the livestreaming of the Holy Mass from our Church to bring them the Lord's Good News and blessings.



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

Even during this time of pandemic,

September is a month that offers hope for things to come:

our daily life has a new rhythm, there are new beginnings and a new energy.

In this month of accelerating activities,

keep us mindful that we live for Christ and not for ourselves,

and that to be good stewards of his Gospel should be our goal each and every day.

In this month of transition

help us find a deeper spiritual balance in our lives

that takes time for you and listens to the promptings of your Spirit.

We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.

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





ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
WITNESS TO JESUS

LETTER FROM BISHOP LARRY SILVA

July 22, 2021

Dear Fellow Priests,

Peace be with you!

As many of you are aware, the Diocese and several of our faith communities have faced significant financial challenges in recent years. Through it all we have continued to work together as 'Ohana in Christ, providing vital services, and supporting important ministries. I thank you very much for all your efforts and your prayerful stewardship of time, talent and treasure.

During the past year, I asked the Stewardship and Development Commission to form a sub-committee of clergy and lay leaders. Their task was to study ways to generate new funding streams to support areas formerly funded, in whole or part, by the *With Grateful Hearts* capital campaign. Specifically, these areas include our priests' needs, seminary formation, deacon formation, Youth and Young Adult Ministry, and those most in need through our various social ministries.

After meeting monthly and reviewing various options, it was evident that most initiatives would require time and an extended effort. Consequently, they recommended and I decided to move ahead with the proposal to re-brand the current Bishop's Circle Appeal and broaden its participation by asking each parish to play an active part by raising awareness of our wider church mission and services, as well as helping to raise the funds to sustain them through an annual diocesan appeal.

To this point, a special appeal and collection is scheduled for the weekend of **October 2-3, 2021**. Each parish will be assigned a target goal of 25% of their assessment for the current year. Promotional resources, assistance, and some flexibility will be provided in year one. For a preview, attached are proofs of the poster and prayer card for:

'OHANA IN CHRIST
The Annual Appeal *for the Catholic Church in Hawaii*

I ask for your continued prayers. If successful, I would hope that future assessments can be kept in check, or possibly lowered, as we learn and grow together. Thank you for all you do to give witness to Jesus!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu



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.
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!



DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

LITURGICAL REMINDERS DURING THE TIME OF COVID-19

To: All Pastors and Parishioners

Date: September 17, 2021

*This message was sent with High importance.

Dear Fathers et al,

With the numerous inquiries to the Office of Worship and the Covid-19 Taskforce, we would like to send out the following liturgical reminders and clarifications:

- Parish churches, chapels, oratories, centers, and missions will continue offering in person services (i.e. Daily and Sunday Mass, Funeral Masses, Weddings, Baptisms, Confirmation/first Holy Communion Masses) and other spiritual services. During in-person spiritual services, Churches are exempt from the 10 indoor/25 outdoor restriction. Funeral and Wedding Liturgies fall under that exemption. The capacity may be the same as Daily and Sunday Masses.
- 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 norm.
- Holy Communion is to be given only under the species of Bread.
- Communion on the hand (one hand held open above the other) is encouraged for the greater health and safety of all, though Communion on the tongue is not prohibited. The Precious Blood will only be taken by the priest.
- All ministers of Holy Communion, including the clergy, will sanitize their hands immediately before distributing Communion and immediately after doing so. (A small table or stand may be placed next to each Communion station, so that if a minister feels his or her hands may have been contaminated, the paten/ciborium can be placed on the table momentarily while the minister sanitizes his or her hands.)
- Sanitization is to continue between Masses.
- 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.
- Homebound Ministry and administering the Anointing of the Sick is not prohibited and should continue. Please follow and maintain all proper safety protocols (i.e. wear mask/face shield at all times, gloves if applicable, no touching, hugging, kissing, stay 6' apart as much as possible) by the volunteers and/or ministers. We recommend to keep visits short (no more than 15 mins).

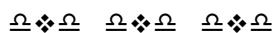
Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or the Covid-19 Taskforce Chairperson, *Deacon Keith Cabiles* (kcabiles@rcchawaii.org).

Your humbled servant in Christ,

Rev. Alfred Omar B. Guerrero

Director, Office of Worship

Roman Catholic Diocese of Honolulu

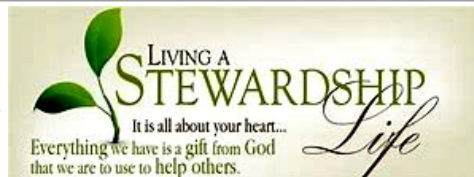


STEWARDSHIP EXPRESSIONS: True Greatness

In this Sunday's Gospel, we learn that the disciples of Jesus had been discussing among themselves who was the greatest. Jesus is about to turn their idea as well as our society's idea of "greatness" upside down. He embraces a child and tries to help the Twelve understand that to be great is to be focused on something other than themselves. Jesus teaches that true "greatness" lies in being a good steward for those who are not great - welcoming one who is not viewed as great by our society's standards, like the child, the innocent, the vulnerable, the suffering, those who are outside our comfortable circle of family, friends, companions and colleagues, those who need a welcome. Jesus redefines our notion of greatness.

How do we define greatness? Is our notion of greatness consistent with the teachings of Jesus Christ?

Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin, September 2021)



BEATING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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

*The State has announced that 70% of the population must get covid vaccination to lift the imposed restrictions. Meanwhile, as we resume our public celebrations of the Holy Mass on days and weekends, we continue to observe health and safety protocols of keeping 6-ft distancing, hand-washing and hygiene practices, wear face covering, until we reach the 70% level.

*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 lifted up by Bishop Larry Silva starting [April 3, 2021](#). However, those who feel not really able yet to come for reason of sickness are not forced to come. Nevertheless, they are highly encouraged to join the televised or livestreamed mass to fulfill their Sunday obligation.

*At OLM, we provide the live-streamed Mass every Sunday at the 9:00am Mass. 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***



DIOCESE OF HONOLULU MEMORANDUM NEW COVID GUIDELINES ON FUNERALS



To: Pastors

From: Rev. Alfred Omar Guerrero, Director of Office of Worship

Date: July 25, 2021

Subject: UPDATE - FUNERALS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Bishop Larry Silva has made the following change to the Diocesan Guidelines for COVID-19 effective immediately:

Funerals in churches are allowed with the body of the deceased present if the mortuary is permitted to transport the body.

The Funeral Mass or Funeral Liturgy outside of Mass may be at full capacity with 6' social distancing and the indoor mask mandate enforced.

It should be noted that if the body is not permitted to be taken to the church, the Funeral Mass may still be celebrated without the presence of the body, and the rites of blessing the body and Commendation and Farewell can take place as a part of the Committal service. This should be at the discretion of the family of the deceased.

As a reminder, our Catholic funeral rites are intended to bring consolation to those who are grieving, affirm our faith in Jesus Christ and his victory over sin and death, and express our Christian hope in eternal life.

The three principal rites together - Vigil, Funeral Liturgy, and Committal - form an integrated sequence of rites. Pastors should ensure the Church's pastoral care for the bereaved.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

*Our parish catechists met for their first meeting on Sunday, August 29, to prepare for the coming Catechetical Year 2021-2022. They will undertake the *Rite of Commissioning* on September 19 which is *Catechetical Sunday*.

*Depending on how the Covid-19 is curbed or not, most likely the form of instruction will be as one group at the parish hall similar to last year where video materials will be presented. The parish subscribed to a new online program called "FORMED" which everyone - children, youth and parents – can enjoy. The gathering will commence on *Catechetical Sunday, September 19*.

*We urge our dear parents and guardians to enroll their children for this important faith formation. Those in Grade 2 and up who have not received the initiation sacraments will be prepared for Confirmation and First Communion. Kindly approach the Catechists for assistance.



YOUTH MINISTRY

*We welcome with joy our new Parish Youth Minister - *Diana Peterson*. She belongs to a family of long-time active parishioners and had attended youth leadership training together with her siblings, *Nichole* and *Nickolus*. We thank *Diana* for accepting the position. She will be announcing in time their future activities and calling on our young people

to join. According to the Comprehensive Youth Ministry program of the Diocese, they are part and collaborators with the Religious Education program for our children. The membership includes the students from Grade VI to XII. So, apart from their specific Youth activities, they join the Sunday group catechesis at the hall and help prepare those members who have not received the initiation sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion. The FORMED module has also relevant materials for young people.



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PRAYERS OF THE SACRED HEART SISTERS

The nuns of the Sacred Hearts sent this letter:

Dear Father,

You and your parishioners will be remembered expressly in the prayers and works of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts at Regina Pacis Convent during the week of September 19 to 25, 2021.

We are inviting those who have special intentions to let the Sisters know by phone, mail or e-mail: reginasscc@cs.com.

As sisters of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, our chapel is open daily from 7:00am to 5:00pm to anyone who wishes to spend some time in prayer. We also invite you to join in the Perpetual Adoration at home by uniting yourself with the Sister at adoration in our chapel.

Mahalo nui loa. May God bless your parish abundantly.

*Sincerely in the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,
Regina Pacis Community Tel: (808)737-5822
1120 Fifth Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96816*



MASS ATTENDANCE

	9/11-12/21	9/4-5/21
Sat 6:00pm	48A+2C	43A+0C
Sun 6:30am	60A+0C	75A+1C
Sun 9:00am	50A+5C	73A+12C

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 2,136.00	\$ 3,048.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 527.00	\$ 484.00
Haiti Emergency Fund Appeal		\$ 1,692.25
Catholic Univ of Am.	\$ 1,085.00	
Baptism/Certificate		\$ 100.00
Sunday School Registration		\$ 30.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 115.00	\$ 160.00
Membership Fee Knights of Columbus		\$ 15.00
Candles	\$ 566.83	\$ 115.00
Total	\$ 4,429.83	\$ 5,644.25

*"Whoever can be trusted with a little, can be trusted with a lot."
Luke 16:10*

DIOCESAN NEWS ✠✠✠ DIOCESAN NEWS

**MAHALO from THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA**

Thank you for your generous support to the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. We collected the amount of \$1,085.00. The Catholic University is a national research institution with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting both future Catholic leaders, religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional faith-rooted education and the

University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful.

For online giving: futurecatholicleaders.igivecatholicstogether.org.

**FAITH ACTION ✠ ✠**

Kathleen Jaycox jaycox@hawaii.edu

Tue 9/14/2021 – 10:47am

Aloha!

Our message this week is another reflection in observation of the 25th anniversary of Faith Action. This one comes from Christy MacPherson, former Executive Director (and-- many years earlier-- former organizer!)

Christy's message is attached here.

An accompanying photo came from Evie Hao. Take a look at the photo. It was taken in 1998, when more than 1,000 people attended our Founding Convention at Farrington High School. Can we regain that level of impact? It should certainly be our goal as people of faith.

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

**Kathy for the Committee* 🙏

**FAITH ACTION 25TH ANNIVERSARY REFLECTION**

"Energy I Could Feel Down to my Bones!"

by *Christy MacPherson*, immediate past FA Executive Director

As I look back on the last 25 years of *Faith Action for Community Equity's* existence, I can certainly say that we have gone through our powerful and not-so-powerful periods. Such is the ebb and flow nature of grassroots organizations like ours.

But one thing that always grounds an "organization of organizations" like Faith Action is our roots, our history. Whenever we struggle to find purpose or meaning in the work we are doing as people of faith fighting for social justice, we need only look to our beginnings - our formation and development, our first issue, our first leaders, our first action, our first victory! There are jewels in that.

I distinctly recall our *Founding Convention in October of 1998* when we gathered 1,000 people at Farrington High School auditorium. It was a culmination of the countless one-on-one conversations and hard work of the previous two years, including organizing the residents of Kalihi Valley Homes.

I got chicken skin from the energy I could feel down to my bones! We got then gubernatorial candidates *Ben Cayetano* and *Linda Lingle* to commit to renovations of KVH and it was then that we knew we really held power.

As we continue in our life together, let us take time to reflect at every crossroad and incorporate the wisdom gained from our experiences. May we keep moving forward by building and cultivating our relationships, calling each other and our leaders into accountability, and making OUR community what we want!



Looking Back: 25th Anniversary of Faith Action

Photo: "PLEDGING to work tirelessly for 'the voiceless and the outcast,' 1,000 members of Oahu churches gathered in Kalihi yesterday to christen a multi-faith group, *Faith Action for Community Equity (FACE)*, and seek commitments from the candidates for governor," reported *The Honolulu Advertiser* on Nov. 1, 1998. This was the *Founding Convention of FACE* held Oct. 31, 1998. Gov. *Ben Cayetano* and challenger Maui Mayor *Linda Lingle* were asked to pledge their support of long term care, Kalihi Valley Homes renovation, and requiring businesses that receive contracts from the state to give residents the first chance at job openings.



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.

***DONATIONS

Big MAHALO to –

**Felicidad G Orsino* for her donation of \$2000.00 for the church needs.

**William & Mitronia Amoroso* for their generous donation of \$1000.00 for the Parish Repairs & Maintenance Fund. We are looking into replacing the termite-ridden and weather-worn doors in the Church, sacristy and in the parish hall. We are grateful for everyone's support and voluntary assistance.

**Doi Facuri* donated for the second time \$338.89 for the purchase of sanitizers and disinfectants that we continue to use in the church and other places of gatherings. God bless *Doi Facuri* and all generous donors.

**Kalolo Tuihalafatai* purchased a weed whacker and battery to keep the cemetery grounds spruced up. He is donating both items to the Church.

**Anonymous donor* gave \$500.00 for the Repair & Maintenance Fund.

*Parish Fiesta Donations: ***Corazon Orcino* - \$200.00 ***Marivic Palting* - \$100.00 ***Urbano Acosta & family* - \$100.00

*****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.

*****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 IMPROVEMENTS** – *Roger Isidro* and *Rudy Fiesta* brushed on fresh paints on the sacristy and restroom doors making them look new again. Meanwhile, *Adriano Daligcon* took time to install new contemporary soap and towel dispensers in the church handicap restroom. We hope every user handles them gently so they will last longer. The convenience items were donated by the *Isidros* and *Daligcons*. Big *mahalo* to them.

We are looking into replacing the termite-ridden and weather-worn doors in the Church, sacristy and in the parish hall. We are grateful for everyone's support and voluntary assistance.

❖**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, Nelli Puzon, Bella Miranda, Ador Padilla, Doi Facuri, Gloria Rodrigues, Fran Kovaloff, Norma Daligcon, Aida Isidro, Medy Macalma, Olivia Mita, Marichu Pe Benito, Angie Sera and Corazon Orcino*.

We thank *Julie Manuel* for sharing her talent on sewing a curtain divider at the church storage room.

*The *Ilocano Ministry & Choir* donated a new *Holy Water tank* with metallic frame, cover and faucet. It was blessed by *Fr. Edgar* during their regular Thursday novena to *Our Mother of Perpetual Help*. *Mahalo* to every member of the group.

❖**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*, donated the Shure Microflex microphone as his stewardship offering 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.

(Continued)

PARISH STEWARDSHIP *(Continued)*

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 the Eucharistic 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.

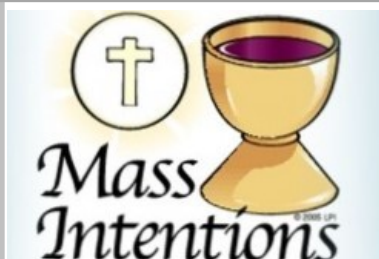
**Clemente Fontanilla* mows the grasses.

*With joy and devotion, *Lito and Lia Centino* tend and beautify the side of the Hall, Rectory and Pastoral Center with garden plants which look robust and blooming.

**Eddie Lucero* is faithfully keeping the yellow hibiscus blooming with flowers thru regular pruning and watering.

*****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!** ❖



Sept 9 > 7:00am Safe travel - *Janett Macalma*

Sept 12 > 6:30am RM +*Mildred Pedro*

> **9:00am** Healing - *Norma Agatep*

Sept 12-20 > 7:00am RM +*Trinidad Pamani Sr.*

Sept 13 > 7:00am Birthday - *Vicky Chee Hiramoto * RM +Lucila Quelnan Quemi*

Sept 13-17 > 7:00am RM +*Teresita Fontanilla*

Sept 13-30 > 7:00am RM +*Leonarda Palting, Jose & Sofia Palting, Flor & Victoria Barruga*

Sept 14 > 7:00am Birthday - *Brielle Victoria Bacani Aczon * Thanksgiving - Chris & Emeline Chesser*

Sept 14-22 > 7:00am RM +*Jose Cabanting Sr*

Sept 16 > 7:00am RM +*Donald Gomes*

Sept 17 > 7:00am Wedding anniversary - *Nazario & Alicia Balbuena * RM +Jose & Lydia Criste; +Teresita Fontanilla*

Sept 18 > 6:00pm Birthday - *Olivia Mita * Healing & speedy recovery - Guy & Wayne Miranda; Those infected w/ covid-19 * Thanksgiving - Aurelia & Carlito Centino & family * Special intention - For the parish catechists & success of the Religious Ed program; end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +Jose Cabanting Sr; +Trinidad Pamani Sr; +Romeo & Esther Chua; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Leonarda Palting, Jose & Sofia Palting, Flor & Victoria Barruga; +Deceased Victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Sept 19 > 6:30am (*Missa pro populo*) Healing - *Sr. Clemence Mira; Caridad Dagdagan; Nene Panganiban; Paul Valbuena; Guy & Wayne Miranda, Audrey Peralta * Special intention - Soong family; Kathy Ferreira; For the parish catechists & success of the Religious Ed program * Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Domingo & Diaz families; Clemente Fontanilla; Felicidad Orsino * RM +Nela, Eliseo, Demetria & Betty Agbayani; +Ernesto & Dolores Viernes; +Gervacio & Febe Tacas; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Mildred Pedro; +Caren Soong; +Deceased Victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

> **9:00am** Birthday - *Olivia Mita; Paul George Trocio * Wedding anniversary - Nazario & Alicia Balbuena * Healing - Norma Agatep; Imelda Ruaburo; Amelia Pascual; Umblas family; Ron Brillantes; Jose Jandoc; Ropati Liua & all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Special intention - For the parish catechists & success of the Religious Ed program; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic * Thanksgiving - Benny Acosta & family; Corazon Orcino; Thomas & Olivia Mita; Fanny Montemayor * RM +Jose Cabanting Sr; +Trinidad Pamani Sr; +George Trocio & Fidela Madarang; +Pacita Claunan & Petronila Pacubat; +Leonarda Palting, Jose & Sofia Palting, Flor & Victoria Barruga; +Joanne Toluao; +Shirley Lavilla; +Deceased victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Sept 20 > 7:00am RM +*Trinidad Pamani Sr.*

Sept 20-22 > 7:00am RM +*Jose Cabanting Sr*

Sept 20-30 > 7:00am RM +*Leonarda Palting, Jose & Sofia Palting, Flor & Victoria Barruga*

Sept 24 > 7:00am RM +*Francisco Bustillos Sr*



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) day 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:** Norma Agatep * Members of Pascual, Lorenzana, Usana & Tacderan families * Paula Manz * Maria Bustillos * Ron Brillantes * Umblas family * Wayne Miranda * Guy Miranda * Venerable, Nenita & Jennifer Panday, Mharlon Romero * Amelia Pascual * Michael Schwengler Sr * Michael Schwengler Jr * Patricia McKinney * Generoso Laguatan * Evelyn Ranit * Henry Cadiz & family * Jonathan Cadiz & family * Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC * Leonard Quito * Jose Ceria * Imelda Ruaburo * Jose Jandoc * Ernesto Fiesta * Josh & Katie Davies * Walily Aina * Avelina Fralade * Florentino Orcino * Jason Orcino * Jake Andrew Afualo * Nene Panganiban * Patricia Schwengler * Marie Schwengler * Mark Schwengler * Norma Corba * Paul Valbuena * Ropati Liua * Audrey Peralta * Charlie Newman * Caridad Dagdagan * Caroline Gruenhagen * Doren Gruenhagen * Andy & Marina Torio * Gwen Perry * Petronila Jandoc * Susan Reynon * Marilou Bruno * Lina Santos * Katrina Santos * Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * Jesse Ulep * George Calizar * Marvin Moore * Jeanne Oshiro

❖ **BIRTHDAY:** Olivia Mita * Paul George C Trocio * Vicky Chee Hiramoto * Maria Goloran (100) * Fr Adrian Gervacio * Dennis Lewellen Jr * Anita Pinera * Brielle Victoria Bacani Aczon * Nicolasa & Silvestre Tolentino * Lolita Cadiz * Froilan Rumbaoa * Leonida Rumbaoa * Michael Ramiscal * Rusella Atendido * Reyden Fernandez * Francisca Kovaloff * Darnell Gamiao * Paula McHardy * Luida Susa * Juliet Walsh

❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Nazario & Alicia Balbuena * Jayson & Bridget Canoneo (22) * Jose Rizal & Fe Go (43) * Raymond & Gladys Sedeno (61) * Bill & Joan Amoroso (63) * Mike & Theresa Schwengler (65)

❖ **SPECIAL INTENTION & THANKSGIVING:** **Thanksgiving** – Domingo & Diaz families > Clemente Fontanilla > Chris & Emeline Chesser > Felicidad G Orsino > Dennis Lewellen & family > Joseph & Mila Llantero > Artates, Bacani, Aczon & Chesser families > Leo & Myra dela Cruz > Linda Puzon > Gloria Rodrigues > Corazon Orcino > Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > Cathy Purganan > Belen Quinto > Fanny Montemayor > Jose Cadiz & family > Renato & Cora dela Rosa & family > Silver & Marivic Palting > Thomas & Olivia Mita > Urbano & Crescencia Acosta & family > M/M Jaime & Medy Macalma & family
Special intention – > Kathy Ferreira * OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935 20th Anniversary * 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 Patronal Feast & 151st Parish Anniversary * For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 * For the end of the covid pandemic

❖ **SAFE TRAVEL:** Janett Macalma * Adriano & Norma Daligcon

❖ **DECEASED:** +Jose Cabanting Sr * +Trinidad T Pamani Sr * +Francisco Bustillos Sr * +Nela, Eliseo, Demetria & Betty Agbayani; +Ernesto & Dolores Viernes * +George L Trocio, Fidela L Madarang * +Teresita Fontanilla * +Pacita Clauan & Petronila Pacubat * +Jose & Lydia Criste * +Gervacio & Febe Tacas * +Romeo & Esther Chua * +Sr Anita Mendoza, SHF * +Donald Gomes * +Hilda Kelsom * +Lucila Quelnan Quemi * +Ricardo Manuel Baltazar * +Mildred M Pedro * +Leonarda Palting, Jose & Sofia Palting, Flor & Victoria Barruga * +Mauricio Sr & Guada Agustin * +Joseph Rodrigues * +Francisco Rodrigues * +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas * +Leopoldo Hombrebueno, +Jose Hombrebueno, +Benny Montemayor * +Verlee Cadiz, +Avelina Madrona * +Caren Soong * +Joanne Kapisi Toluao * +Shirley Lavilla * +Veronica Burgos Basioa * +Sumiko Onaga Higa * +Helen & Ray Platiro * +Sydney Leroy Mercado * +Esperanza Nartatez * +Charlie Puzon * +Crescencia Edmalin * +Molly S Correia * +Loretta Tabin * +Martin Caberto * +Ely Purganan * +Edwin F Brion (1st anniv) * +Rosita Tungpalan Pedro * +Florencia Cabebe Cadaoas * +Ricardo Mateo Sr & Ana Francisca Mateo * +Jose Goloran * +Leonardo Arsenio Lloren * +Lori Anne Ornellas * +Arnel C Domingo * +Fr Frederick Fabian * Patrocinio Alconcel Siruno * +Manuel Foronda Lazo * +Vicenta Jandoc Baron * +Rolando Saniatan * +Isabel Lamayo * +Rufino Canoneo Sr * +Andres & Francisca Hombrebueno * +Estela Mercado Hernandez * +Lolita dela Rosa Laguatan * +Fermin Cruz Sr * Rosela Ramirez Madriaga * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Sulpicio Ranit * +Macaria de Vera Ceria * +Amy & Daniel Galicinao * +Encarnacion Fontanilla * +Elaine Cruz * +Marlene 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 pandemic



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 it's available, 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.

✠ CLERGY, STAFF, MINISTRIES, COMMITTEES, & ORGANIZATIONS ✠

CLERGY AND STAFF

Pastor - *Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes*
 Pastor Emeritus - *Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio*
 Office Coordinator - *Bella Miranda*
 Religious Education Program (*Catechists' Meeting 3rd Sunday of the Month*)
 Bookkeeper - *Deacon Rafael Mendoza*
 Technology Consultant - *Jun Cortez*

PERSONNEL

Custodian - *Lolito Dullin*

Music Director & Choir Ministry - *Mary Ann Llamedo*

COMMITTEE * MINISTRY * ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council (*Meeting 4th Wednesday of the month*)
 / Stewardship Committee - *Marcelino Ulep*
 Education Committee - *Vacant*
 Finance Council - *Rebecca Jandoc*
 Liturgy Committee (*Meeting 4th Saturday of the Month*),
 Respect Life Ministry & Safe Environment Ministry -
Francisca Kovaloff
 * Altar Server Ministry - *Alvin Baron*
 * Eucharistic Ministry - *Cleo Bala-Casino*
 * Environmental Decoration Ministry - *Cora Orcino*
 * Hospitality Ministry - *Mark Correia*
 * Lector Ministry & Receptionist - *Gloria Rodrigues*
 Outreach Coordinator & Family Fun Night - *Tom DeCorte*
 * Kokua & Food Pantry Ministry - *Becky DeCorte*
 Parish Planning and Building Committee - *Vacant*
 Youth Ministry / Young Adult Ministry - *Diena Peterson*
 Website & myParish App Administrator - *Mary Ann Llamedo*
 Ilocano Ministry & Choir (*Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help and Rosary Thursdays at 7:00pm*) - *Silverio Palting*

COMMITTEE * MINISTRY * ORGANIZATION CHAIRPERSONS, contd.

Filipino Catholic Club (*Meeting 2nd Sunday of the Month*) - *Fe Go*
 Knights of Columbus (*Meeting 3rd Wednesday of the Month; Corporate Mass on the 4th Sunday of the month*) - *Herman Monico*
 Prison & Hospital Ministries - *Wilfred Soong*
 Stewardship Counter & Receptionist - *Linda Puzon*
 Cemetery Maintenance - *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*
 Santo Niño Devotion & Visayan Ministry - *Cleto Patoc*
 Parish Bulletin Editor - *Francisca Kovaloff*
Rosary: Before the weekday and Sunday 6:30am Masses
Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction: After the First Friday 7:00am Mass
Mother of Perpetual Help Novena & Rosary: Thursdays, 7:00pm in the Church
Reconciliation: Saturday: 5pm - 5:30pm or by appointment.
Religious Ed. Classes: Beginning 9/19, Sundays, after the 9:00am Mass.
 Catechists: *Evangelina Bacani, Fe Go, Mary Ann Goloran, Francisca Kovaloff, Lucille Mohika, Rosemary Mohika, Cathy Villanueva; Diena, Nikolas & Nicole Peterson*
Confirmation & First Holy Communion: Candidates must be baptized.
Anointing the Sick: Please call the Office for a priest. For emergency at the hospitals, please call 808-597-8779. The Chaplain for Straub and Kaiser Permanente Medical Center is *Fr. Francis Sanchez (808-738-2260)*. The Chaplain for Queen's and Kapiolani Medical Center is *Fr. Rico Benandez (808-295-3209)*.
Kokua Ministry & Food Pantry: Temporarily closed due to COVID restrictions..
Contact the Rectory Office for the following:
 Telephone / Fax: 808-845-0828 * Email: olm@rcchawaii.org.
 >**Baptism:** Third Sunday of the month. No baptism during Lent
 * Baptism Team - *Mary Ann Goloran, Cathy Villanueva & Francisca Kovaloff*
 >**Marriage:** Couples are required to make arrangements *four months* before the wedding date. Diocesan policy requires couples to attend an Engagement Encounter Weekend.
 >**Wake and Funeral Services:** Before making arrangements with the mortuary.

PRAYING FOR PEACE ON INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

From the Office for Social Ministry

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" - Matthew 5:9

Ever since the 9/11 terrorist attacks in 2001, the United Nations has declared September 21st as the official **International Day of Peace**. It is a special time to observe at least 24 hours of continuous non-violence and cease-fire around the world. As we commemorate and remember the lives lost and sacrificed 20 years ago both in New York and Pennsylvania, our need for unity, hope and healing is even greater than before.

The Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church states, "Before being God's gift to man and a human project in conformity with the divine plan, peace is in the first place a basic attribute of God: 'The Lord is peace' (Jdg 6:24). Creation, which is a reflection of the divine glory, aspires to peace. God created all that exists, and all of creation forms a harmonious whole that is good in its every part."

A few of our Catholic parishes and schools around the Diocese, including St. Catherine parish and school on Kauai, have erected Peace Poles on their properties. The Peace Pole bears the message, "**May Peace Prevail on Earth**" in different languages and is an internationally-recognized symbol of the hopes and dreams of the entire human family, standing vigil in silent prayer for peace on earth.

Every New Year's Day, our Holy Father delivers his special message marking the World Day of Peace, a tradition begun by Pope Paul VI in 1967. This year Pope Francis marked the 54th World Day of Peace with a message entitled, **A CULTURE OF CARE AS A PATH TO PEACE:** "In many parts of the world, there is a need for paths of peace to heal open wounds. There is also a need for peacemakers, men and women prepared to work boldly and creatively to initiate processes of healing and renewed encounter." To read the Pope's message in its entirety, click [here](#).

To celebrate International Peace Day in Hawaii, please consider joining the [Ring Your Bell for Peace Celebration](#) with special guest appearances by Jake Shimabukuro and Melveen Leed singing "*Let there be Peace on Earth.*" We also ask you to consider including these petitions for upcoming [Prayers of the Faithful](#) to promote peace both on January 1, September 21 and every day as we stand in solidarity, working and praying for world peace.

RING YOUR BELL FOR PEACE DAY, SEP 21 - Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 9:01 a.m. via Zoom

The Buddhist temples of Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawai'i invite all to **Ring Your Bell for Peace Day** from your temple, church, school, or favorite place on the International Day of Peace, [Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 9:01am](#). *Bishop Larry Silva* encourages our Catholic parishes and schools to participate in this annual event.

Join this live Zoom event at <https://hongwanjihawaii.com/peaceday2021/>



PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

From: Honorio, Fr. Gregorio <ghonorio@rcchawaii.org> **Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2021 3:44 PM
Aloha All,



Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the central role of the priesthood in the Church's life. This special day specifically honors priests, without whom the Holy Sacraments could not be conferred. This nationwide event is coordinated and sponsored by the US Council of Serra International.

Mahalo, Fr. Gregorio Honorio Jr., Vicar for Clergy, Diocese of Honolulu

***PARISHIONERS:** *This is your opportunity to show your appreciation for our priests, **Fr. Edgar Brillantes and Fr. Adrian Gervacio**, by presenting them with tokens and/or words of appreciation. On behalf of Bishop Larry Silva and Monsignor Gary Secor, thank you for your expressions of gratitude.*

FEAST DAYS

- Sep 20** Memorial of Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, martyrs
- Sep 21** Feast of St. Matthew, apostle and evangelist
- Sep 23** Memorial of St. Pius of Pietrelcina, priest
- Sep 25** Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

OTHER

- September** - National Hispanic Heritage Month
National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month
- Sep 19** > Catechetical Sunday; Catechists Commissioning at the 9:00am Mass
> RE classes begin, after the 9:00am Mass, parish hall
- Sep 21** International Day of Peace
- Sep 26** Priesthood Sunday
- Oct 2&3** 'Ohana in Christ - Annual Appeal for the Catholic Church in Hawaii
- Oct 3** Respect Life Sunday
- Oct 3** Diocesan Rosary Congress Rally- 12noon to 6:00pm

✠ OBITUARY



+SHIRLEY LAVILLA, 84

Gravesite Service: September 24, 2021, 11:00am at Hawaii State Veterans Cemetery

+JOANNE KAPISI TOLUAO, 50

Funeral Service: September 25, 2021, 6:00pm at Oahu Mortuary * **Interment:** TBD

+MILDRED M PEDRO, 98

Wake Service: October 5, 2021, 6:00pm at Borthwick Mortuary Maunakea Chapel
Funeral Mass: October 6, 2021, 11:00am at OLM Church
Interment: October 6, 1:00pm at Punchbowl (National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific)

+RON GALICINAO

Memorial Mass: October 14, 2021, 10:00am at OLM Church
Inurnment: October 14, 1:00pm at Punchbowl (National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific)

+RICARDO MANUEL BALTAZAR, 85

Funeral Service: November 8, 2021, 10:00am at Mililani-Waipio Makai Chapel
Interment: November 8, 12:30pm at Mililani-Waipio Mem Park
"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)
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"Mommy, was Joan of ark married to Noah?"



ROOM FOR RENT

Unfurnished room in house to rent. \$650. Downstairs, shared bathroom, living room and kitchen. Washer and dryer. Near bus stop. Call 282-9171.

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

BAPTISM

3rd Sunday after the 9:00am Mass

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday—5:00pm-5:30pm
or by appointment