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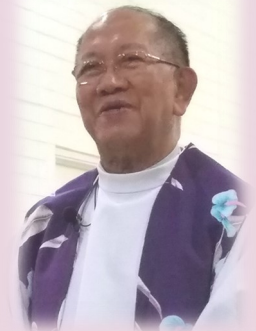


❖ CELEBRATING AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP ❖

First Sunday of Advent



Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Pastor Emeritus



ADVENT SEASON

“Prepare the Way of the Lord”

This weekend begins a new season and a new year in the life of the Church. This annual season of Advent draws our attention to what is most important in our faith life – God’s love revealed to us in the incarnation of His Son Jesus. We mark this time with a heightened awareness of God’s presence in our midst, so that we may truly prepare for the coming of the Lord into our hearts come Christmas Day. Familiar symbols will bring out this sense of anticipation such as the Advent Wreath with the gradual lighting of the four candles. There are also Advent Mission, Sacrament of Reconciliation and the traditional Misa de gallo or Simbang-Gabi celebrated in churches. Within the season are celebrated the Marian feasts of the Immaculate Conception (Dec 8) and Our Lady of Guadalupe (Dec 12) which are close to our hearts as parishioners dedicated to Our Lady. How blessed we are then at OLM to be visited by the Blessed Lady of Guadalupe thru the replica of her miraculous image on Dec 3. The US Bishops are requesting also all the faithful to hold a Holy Hour or whole night vigil for the intention of protecting the life of the unborn and putting an end to abortion of innocent lives. Amidst the persisting threat of the deadly covid variants and global pandemic as well as political and economic crisis, the Lord Jesus warns us to avoid both self-centered diversions and self-consuming anxieties. Instead, we his faithful disciples should confidently anticipate Jesus’ coming with redeeming mercy and prayerfully attend to Jesus’ presence among us thru the sacraments and liturgical services in Church.

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LIVE-STREAMED MASS

*FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – November 28 @ 9:00 AM Mass

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“Be vigilant at all times.”

*REMINDER: The Bishop has lifted 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 issues, we are extending the livestreaming of the Holy Mass from our Church to bring them the Lord’s Good News and blessings. *Log in to your computer at www.Facebook.com/olmkalihi

✠ NOVEMBER 1-30 ✠

COMMEMORATION of the FAITHFUL DEPARTED

✠ *“May they rest in peace. Amen!”* ✠



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading
Baruch 5:1-9

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 126:1-6

Second Reading
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel
Luke 3:1-6

FOCUS: In this graced Advent time, prepare for Jesus' coming. Advent is a season of preparation. It is easy to lose Advent in the swirl of Christmas lights and decorations. In this time of anticipation as we consider Christ's incarnation – his coming in the flesh – we also await his return in glory. Be ready: *stand erect and raise your heads*. Prepare your hearts to receive him. Don't miss the grace of Advent.

First Reading: *Jeremiah 33:14-15*

In this Reading, Jeremiah prophesies the coming of a promised messiah for the house of Israel and Judah.

Second Reading: *1 Thessalonians 3:12-42*

Saint Paul exhorts the Thessalonians to conduct themselves in a way pleasing to God.

Gospel: *Luke 21:25-28, 34-36*

In the Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples to stay vigilant and be prepared for the day when they will see the Son of Man *coming in a cloud with power and great glory*.

PRIESTS' CONVOCATION NOVEMBER 29 – DECEMBER 3, 2021 Theme: STEWARDSHIP OF THE PRIESTHOOD OF JESUS CHRIST

Speakers:

Fr. Michael B. Medas serves as a professional consultant with the Saint John Vianney Center providing religious workshops and convocations for Clergy and Religious across the country.

Fr. William Kunisch is a priest of the Diocese of Honolulu and pastor of Resurrection of the Lord Parish, Waipio.

All priests with diocesan assignments are required to attend the convocation. OLM Pastor, *Fr. Edgar*, is attending. OLM Pastor-Emeritus, *Fr. Adrian*, will be priest-in-charge celebrating the daily Masses.



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'OHANA IN CHRIST

THE ANNUAL APPEAL FOR THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

The **'OHANA IN CHRIST** appeal is asking for your generous support. Our Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve. Your generous gift will especially help our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. *Mahalo!*

Bishop Larry Silva: *"When you give to the 'Ohana in Christ appeal, your gift not only assists the diocesan mission, you also help support your parishes, pastors, schools, service agencies and communities. I truly appreciate your support of the Bishop's Circle, and humbly ask for your prayerful and generous gift to the 'Ohana in Christ annual appeal."*

> You may mail your donation and pledge card using the enclosed self-addressed envelope or drop it at the collection basket at Mass. You may also give online at CatholicHawaii.org. If you didn't get your 'Ohana in Christ packet in the mail you may get from the pamphlet holders in the church.

> Please issue your gift-check to **'Ohana in Christ** - NOT OLM.

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

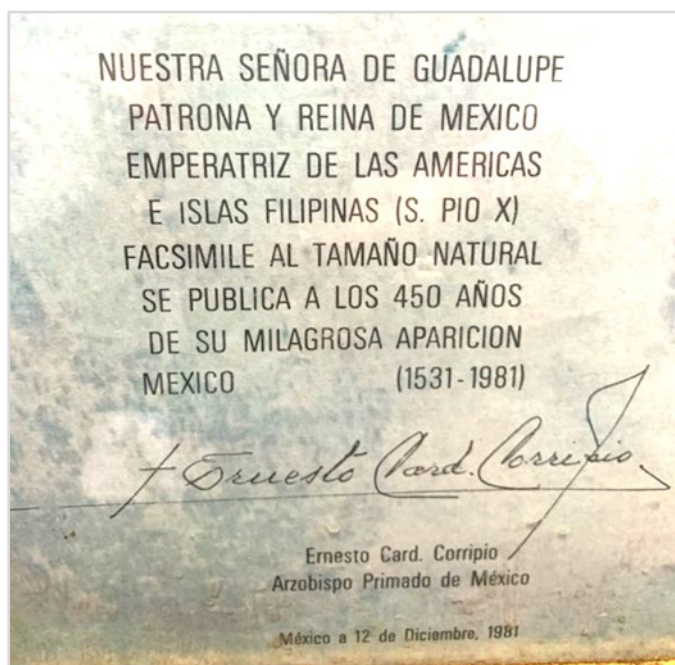


ADVENT PARISH MISSION RECOLLECTION: DECEMBER 3, 2021 "PREPARING THE WAY OF THE LORD WITH THE BLESSED MOTHER"

For our parish spiritual preparation in the season of Advent, we shall hold a Mission Recollection on December 3, Friday. It will be conducted by the Diocesan Evangelization Task Force headed by *Dominic Olaso*. The program will be as follows –

AM 6:00	Arrival of the Pilgrim Image of OL of Guadalupe
6:30	Praying of the Holy Rosary
7:00	Holy Eucharist
7:30-8:30	Holy Hour & Eucharistic Adoration
8:30-5:00PM	Veneration of the Replica of the Miraculous Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe – Various parish groups lead the rosary by the hour
PM 5:00	Novena to Santo Nino
6:00	Mission Talk: <i>Preparing the Coming of the Savior with Mary</i>
7:00	Advent Reconciliation & Confession
8:00	Fellowship & Home-Sweet-Home

Photo: Historical Marker indicating Our Lady of Guadalupe as Patroness and Queen of Mexico and Empress of the Americas and the Philippine Islands. (1531-1981)



The image of *Our Lady of Guadalupe* which the Blessed Mother herself imprinted on the cloak of *St. Juan Diego*. The original image is enshrined at the Basilica of Our Lady in Mexico which is drawing pilgrims from all over the world. A replica of the original image shall be brought to OLM on December 3 for the Advent Mission. Come and be blessed by our heavenly Mother.



DEVOTION TO SANTO NINO

The *Santo Nino Visayan Community* has started the novena in preparation for the feast day of Santo Nino in January 2022. They are holding their novena prayers at the Church for nine (9) Fridays starting November 12 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Everyone is welcomed to join.



MAHALO FROM CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

THANK YOU for your support to the *Catholic Campaign for Human Development* (CCHD) second collection. Our Parish raised \$705.00. CCHD is a national initiative of the U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) dedicated to empowering others, while carrying out the mission of Jesus Christ "to bring glad tidings to the poor..." (Luke 4:18) CCHD funds community programs that help low-income people help themselves by participating in decisions that affect their lives, their families and community. Unfortunately, issues of poverty among many communities have worsened in the past year due to job loss and domino effects stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic. Supporting the work of CCHD is more important than ever before! Thank you for your generosity.

STEWARDSHIP EXPRESSIONS

***ADVENT REFLECTION**

On this first Sunday of Advent, the Gospel reading depicts Jesus warning his followers about the end-time. He urges them to pray, be vigilant, spiritually awake, avoid self-indulgence, spiritual malaise, and a preoccupation with anxiety. Jesus advises against a lifestyle of earthly pleasures and worry. These will not matter when the Lord asks for an account of our stewardship. Stewards realize their lives are not just about the here and now. They know themselves to be reflections of God's active presence in the world and witnesses of the Lord's promises. As we begin this season of hope, let us reflect on the practical effect of having every waking moment in our lives dedicated to the Lord.

***PSALMS OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING**

The Thanksgiving holiday is an excellent time to rediscover the psalms of praise and thanksgiving. When you find a quiet moment, sit and relax with your Bible. Think of a time when awe and gratitude overwhelmed you. Maybe it was a sunrise, or children playing in a park, an inspirational hymn at Mass, a family gathering, or a walk in the woods. Remember how you appreciated that special moment. Then, open your Bible to one of the psalms of thanksgiving and recite it to yourself. Take Psalm 118 for instance: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Listen to the words. Close your eyes. Let the psalm speak to you. Other psalms of praise and thanksgiving you might consider include Psalms 92, 95, 98, 100, 103, 104, 105, 107, 111, 117, 145, and 147. Whatever psalm you choose for that quiet moment, thank God for that special time of awe as well as all the good things in your life, and praise God for his glorious deeds.

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



A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Gracious and loving God,

**As the autumn season continues its transformation;
and the days become shorter, the earth cooler;
as we anticipate joining family and friends in joyful
celebration on Thanksgiving Day,**

**we pause to give You thanks and praise
for the abundant blessings
You have bestowed upon us:**

**For life and health, safety and comfort,
food and nourishment, we are sincerely grateful.**

**Through your Spirit, open our hearts
so that we may be even better stewards
of these rich and unmerited gifts.**

**Show us how to be a blessing for the poor,
sick, lonely and all who suffer.**

**And help us nurture the gift of faith,
revealed to us by your Son, Jesus Christ,
our greatest gift, who lives and reigns with You
and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.**

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MASS ATTENDANCE

	11/20-21/21	11/13-14/21
Sat 6:00pm	47A+2C	47A+2C
Sun 6:30am	70A+4C	75A+4C
Sun 9:00am	70A+11C	84A+15C
Thu 9:00am Thanksgiving Day	103A+0C	

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

Offertory	\$ 2,566.00	\$ 2,749.83
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 35.00	\$ 185.00
Donation	\$ 556.00	\$ 600.00
All Souls Day	\$ 35.00	\$ 320.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 210.00	\$ 112.00
Immaculate Conception		\$ 20.00
Catholic Comm. Camp.	\$ 705.00	
Baptism/Certificate	\$ 110.00	\$ 10.00
Funeral	\$ 300.00	
Mass Intentions		\$ 20.00
Knights of Columbus	\$ 30.00	
Parking	\$ 25.00	
Rebate	\$ 6.64	
Candles	\$ 90.00	\$ 95.00
Total	\$ 4,668.64	\$ 4,111.83



*"Do not forget to do good and to share with others,
for with such sacrifices God is pleased."*



DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
MEMO FROM THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Re: GOVERNOR IGE & MAYOR BLANGIARDI COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS UPDATE
This message was sent with High importance.
 Wed 11/24/2021 10:17 AM

Dear Pastors, Priests & Parish Office Managers/Secretaries (parishes only, schools may have their own separate directives):

In follow up to Governor Ige's and Oahu Mayor Blangiardi's news conferences today this is what we know:

*As of December 1, 2021 for OAHU parishes only, all venues will be open to full capacity WITH MASKING.

*Contract tracing in venues will stop as of December 1, 2021.

*As of December 1, 2021, each county will implement appropriate measures for social gatherings, restaurant operations, social establishments and other venues within their own counties.

*Therefore, we will need to wait to hear word from the mayors of the counties of Kauai, Maui and the Big Island when they will open to full capacity.

The Diocesan Covid-19 Task Force will be meeting soon and updated directives will be formally communicated to you in preparation for the second Sunday of Advent. Please do not make any changes to your processes or church capacity until the formal communication is provided.

Mahalo for your patience and cooperation as we navigate this changing environment.
 Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,
 Dara Perreira, PHR



FAITH ACTION MESSAGE

Kathleen Jaycox <jaycox@hawaii.edu>

Tue 11/23/2021 10:15 AM

Aloha and Thanksgiving Blessings!

Our message for this week is from our newest task force - Transformative Justice. It consists of two parts - a summary of what happened on October 27 and a preview of the session coming up on December 1. We applaud the task force for sharing the voices of both those who have been incarcerated and those who enact the laws which impact the incarcerated.

May we all remember the many reasons we have to be thankful.

Kathy for the Committee



Cash Bail Panel 1 of 2: TALK STORY WITH FORMERLY INCARCERATED FOLKS

On October 27, 2021, the *Transformative Justice Task Force* hosted a panel discussion on cash bail. This panel was moderated by *Kat Brady*, a long-time community justice advocate and coordinator of the *Community Alliance on Prisons* (CAP). The four panelists: *Sara Gaspar*, *Michael Gaspar*, *Kano'eauna'inoa "Na'i" Awo* and *Candy Matautia* shared their personal stories about how cash bail laws impacted them and their communities when they were previously incarcerated. If you missed the panel you can view a recording here: [fb.watch/91EzYqI3qK/](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=91EzYqI3qK/)

Cash Bail Panel 2 of 2: LEGISLATORS

December 1, 2021, 6:00pm-7:30pm HST. Register: [tinyurl.com/bailreformHI](https://www.tinyurl.com/bailreformHI)

Join Faith Action for the second panel to discuss cash bail in Hawai'i. This time we will talk story with some legislators who are proposing bail reform bills. Come listen in, ask your questions, and find out how to get involved in the next session.

Panelists: *Senator Karl Rhoads*, *Representative Sonny Ganaden*, *Representative Scot Matayoshi* and Moderator TBD.

A more complete summary of the October 27 session, with remarks from some of the participants, is available at: <https://www.faithactionhawaii.org/post/cash-bail-panel-1-of-2-talk-story-with-formerly-incarcerated-folks>



BEATING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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

*As we resume our public celebrations of the Holy Mass on days and weekends, we continue to observe health and safety protocols of keeping 6-ft distancing, hand-washing and hygiene practices, wear face mask and secure recommended vaccination.

*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. However, those who feel not

really able yet to come for reason of health issues 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



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*)



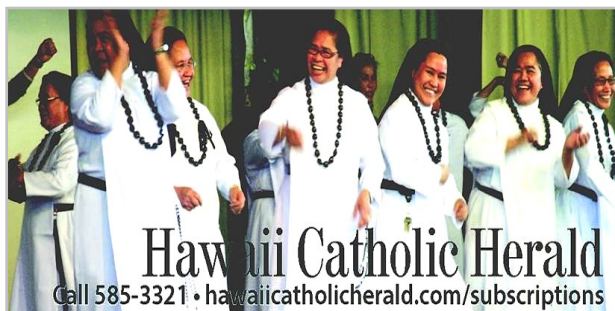
IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

*Please come to the church with your own face covering and observe the 6-feet 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 possible, 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.



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DIOCESE OF HONOLULU MEMORANDUM

To: Clergy, Parishes and Catholic Faithful
 From: Rev. Alfred Omar Guerrero, Director
 Date: November 10, 2021

Subject: UPDATED LITURGICAL DIRECTIVES FOR THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR DURING THE TIME OF PANDEMIC

The following are the updated liturgical directives and reminders that impact all Catholic churches, chapels, oratories, centers, and missions in the Diocese of Honolulu during the time of pandemic effective the First Sunday of Advent, November 28, 2021.

SINGING AT MASS: Singing by both a choir and congregation is now allowed. Masks must be worn as a mitigation effort. Other mitigation measures (e.g., increased physical distancing and improved ventilation) should be considered and implemented.

HYMNALS AND OTHER PRINTED MATERIALS: All hymnals and missalettes may be returned to the pews and used. Pastors may choose to continue printing Worship Aids and/or project Music texts while following copyright/licensing guidelines. Printed bulletins and other materials may be handed out.

COLLECTION BASKETS: Collection baskets should not be passed from person to person, but people may place their offering in a basket in front of the altar or in a locked box as they enter the church. As an alternative, ushers may use collection baskets with handles or may pass through the aisles while holding the baskets.

Reminders from previous diocesan directives and/or protocols:

- Face coverings (masks or mask/face shields) will be worn at ALL times by all who participate at the Mass during the liturgical celebration. For those ministers with respiratory issues the use of a face shield instead of a face mask is highly recommended.
 - The priests, deacons and anyone assisting in the distribution of Communion will sanitize their hands just before and just after distribution of Communion. If they feel their hands are contaminated during Communion, they may pause and sanitize their hands before resuming.
 - Priests may administer the Anointing of the Sick and Viaticum, especially in situations where there is the danger of death. Priests, deacons and other duly commissioned extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion may take Communion to the homebound, always exercising proper hygiene procedure and wearing masks.
 - Parishes may celebrate communal penance services and/or reinstate specified hours of reconciliation. Please observe good spacing between the penitent and priest, while at the same time observing absolute privacy for the penitent. Confessions by phone or via the internet are not permitted. Private confession is an essential element for ongoing conversion and growth in holiness. General absolution is not permitted and only be imparted under grave circumstance.
 - 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.
 - Churches may remain open during the day for private prayer at the discretion of the pastor and observing whatever guidelines he may establish.
 - As an act of charity, anyone who is sick or who is particularly vulnerable to infection should not attend Mass at this time.
 - We encourage parish priests to 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. Daily and Sunday Mass are currently being livestreamed from various parishes in our diocese. For a comprehensive and updated list please visit our website at www.catholicahawaii.org.
- All prior memos, directives and protocols are still in effect unless changed in this memo. For any additional questions or concerns contact the Office of Worship.

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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!



Nov 21 > 9:00am Wedding anniversary - *M/M Urbano & Crescencia Acosta* * Thanksgiving - *Ronnie Grasparil & family* * RM +*Simplicio Canoneo*

Nov 25 > 9:00am Thanksgiving - *Joseph & Mila Llantero; Rose Domingo & family; Cathy Purganan & family* * RM +*Tito Ulep & Marcela Ulep; +Ely, Rosario & Alan Lee Purganan; +Gaudencio Garcia; +Cesario, Loreta & Maria Pascual*

Nov 27 > 6:00pm Healing & speedy recovery - *Guy & Wayne Miranda; Those infected w/ covid-19* * Special intention - For the protection of the unborn & respect for life in all its stages; For our Bishop & Priests attending the Clergy Convocation; For a fruitful & spirited Advent Mission & Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin of Guadalupe; For successful 'Ohana in Christ appeal; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic * RM +*Urbano Fontanilla; +Fortunato & Aniceta Capino; +Socorro Pasamonte; +Ruben Villarin; +Ana Aleth Francisco; +For all the souls in the Book of Remembrance & Memorial Board; +For all those we are praying and offering*

for in this Mass; +Deceased Victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

Nov 28 > 6:30am (Missa pro populo) Birthday - *Thaddeus James Capino Mares; Patrocenia Aguda; Shelly Marquez* * Healing - *Kristin Leandro; Maria Pascual; Alice Schwengler; William "Bill" Amoroso; Amando Flores; Caridad Dagdagan; Paul Valbuena; Guy & Wayne Miranda, Audrey Peralta; Ernesto Fiesta* * Special intention - For our Bishop & Priests attending the Clergy Convocation; For a fruitful & spirited Advent Mission & Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin of Guadalupe; For successful 'Ohana in Christ Appeal; For the end of the covid pandemic * Thanksgiving - *Joseph & Mila Llantero* * RM +*Crescencia Acosta; +Fortunato & Aniceta Capino; +n; +Reo; +Fr Etuale Etuale; +Nene Panganiban; +For all the souls in the Book of Remembrance & Memorial Board; +Deceased Victims of the coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

> **9:00am** Birthday - *Genevieve Atendido* * Healing - *Rudy Balmilero; Lino & Aurora Cabico; Jewelle Deuz; Avelina Fralaide; Nicolas Ulep; Imelda Ruaburo; Jose Jandoc; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva & all those infected by the coronavirus disease* * Special intention - For the speedy resolution of mortgage issue of *Alfreda Bucaneg*; For our Bishop & Priests attending the Clergy Convocation; For a fruitful & spirited Advent Mission & Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin of Guadalupe; For successful 'Ohana in Christ Appeal; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic * Thanksgiving - *Novelyn Maneja; Ronnie Grasparil & family; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Silver & Marivic Palting; Cathy Purganan & family; Jose Cadiz & family; Benny Acosta & family; Thomas & Olivia Mita* * RM +*Verlee Cadiz; +Tito Ulep & Marcela Ulep; +Crescencia Acosta; +Ely, Rosario & Alan Lee Purganan; +Gaudencio Garcia; +Cesario, Loreta & Maria Pascual; +Nicanor Bucaneg & deceased relatives; +Simplicio Canoneo; +Encarnacion Fontanilla, Flaton Fontanilla & Johnathan Tanaid; +Felix, Catalina & Luciano Cabico; +Fausto & Elvira Raquino; +Cipriano, Maria, Calixto & Florencia Cadaoas; +Anastacia Cabito; +Fr Etuale Etuale; +Isabela Kalua; +Espernito Agarma, Rogelio Ramos, Pablo, Maria & Ernesto Fernandez, Wilson Salva; +Amante Tabios; +Deceased victims of coronavirus pandemic; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Nov 29-Dec 7 > 7:00am RM +*Aurelio Raquedan Supapo*

Nov 29-30 > 7:00am RM +*For all the beloved dead in our Memorial Book and Board; +For the souls offered for at Mass; +For those who have nobody to pray for them; +Holy souls in purgatory*

Dec 2 > 7:00am Birthday - *Francisca Tabonda*

Dec 3 > 7:00am For healing from illness; For end of the covid pandemic; For a fruitful & spirited Advent Mission & Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin of Guadalupe

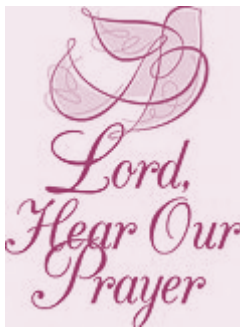
Dec 4 > 6:00pm RM +*Elizabeth Ragaza*

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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:** Patrocenia Agudal * Kristin Leandro * Maria Pascual * Alice Schwengler * Pablo Collo * Cresencia Acosta * William "Bill" Amoroso * Brian Okada * Rudy Balmilero * Lois Miyashiro-Tong * Jewell Deuz * Kimberly Ann Verzosa * Marie Schwengler * Cleo Bala-Casino * Fr Thomas Joseph * Gwen Zanellato * Sharon Underwood * Mark Andrus * Amando Flores * Alejandria Gabriel Bautista * Caroline Gruenhagen * Kaleikaumaka Downey * Nicolas Ulep * Paula Manz * Ron Brillantes * Wayne Miranda * Guy Miranda * Amelia Pascual * Michael Schwengler Sr * Michael Schwengler Jr * Patricia McKinney * Jose Ceria * Imelda Ruaburo * Jose Jandoc * Ernesto Fiesta * Wally Aina * Avelina Fralalde * Florentino Orcino * Jason Orcino * Jake Andrew Afualo * Patricia Schwengler * Mark Schwengler * Norma Corba * Paul Valbuena * Ropati Liua * Audrey Peralta * Caridad Dagdagan * Caroline Gruenhagen * Doren Gruenhagen * Andy & Marina To-

rio * Gwen Perry * Petronila Jandoc * Susan Reynon * Marilou Bruno * Lina Santos * Katrina Santos * Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * Jesse Ulep * George Calizar * Marvin Moore * Jeanne Oshiro

❖ **BIRTHDAY:** Francisca Tabonda (97) * Genevieve Atendido * Thaddeus James Capino Mares * Gerard Jesse Magbojos * Austin Jarret Gamiao * Ofelia Agliam * Teresa Siruno * Krystine Angela Bitonio Corrales * Kimberly Ann Bitonio Verzosa * Abraham Pascual * Cathy Sanchez * Marie Schwengler * Rudy Balmilero * Mary Charibine Arucan * Anderson Ramiscal * Maryann Llamedo * Alfonso Villanueva * Fr Edgar Brillantes * Rey Tecoson * Ropati Liua * Lafaele Lakalaka Manupuna * Arnela Domingo * Wilfred Soong * Andy Magbojos * Corazon dela Rosa * Sandra Ramiscal * Bella Miranda (94) * Harry Brillantes * Lucia Miranda * Karl Maneja * Jayrick Macalma * Rose Belinda "Susan" Artates * William "Bill" Amoroso (89) * Cipriana Luczon (94) * Thomas Mita

❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Urbano & Cresencia Acosta * Edward & Teresita Dayoan (59) * Virgilio & Lolita Lucas (47) * Tony & Ana Rarangol (50) * Oliver & Jessica Jacinto (19) * Kevin & Diana Ibera * Nazario & Alicia Balbuena (14) * 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** – >Cathy Purganan & family >Shelly Marquez >Novelyn Maneja >Ronnie Grasparil & family >Artates, Bacani, Aczon & Chesser families >Joseph & Mila Llantero >Alex & Marichu Pe Benito >Andy, Chit & Gerard Magbojos >Jose & Fe Go >Alika Balbuena Luague for passing the BAR exam >Mona Jane Rumbaoa for passing USRN Exam >Armelita Canoneo >M/M Jaime & Medy Macalma & family >Rose Domingo & family >Felicidad G Orsino >Linda Puzon >Gloria Rodrigues >Corazon Orcino >Belen Quinto >Jose Cadiz & family >Silver & Marivic Palting >Thomas & Olivia Mita >Urbano & Cresencia Acosta & family

Special intention – Alfreda Bucaneg * For the protection of the unborn & respect for life in all its stages; For our Bishop & Priests attending the Clergy Convocation; For a fruitful & spirited Advent Mission & Visit of the Pilgrim Virgin of Guadalupe * OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935 * Special blessing for all supporters and donors of the "Save Our Convent" Fund Drive * For the success of the 'Ohana in Christ Appeal & Stewardship campaign at OLM * For all Seminarians and increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese * For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 * For the end of the covid pandemic

❖ **SAFE TRAVEL:** Corazon Orcino * Gerard Jesse Magbojos

❖ **DECEASED:** +Cresencia Acosta * +Aurelio Raquedan Supapo * +Isabela Kalua * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Paulino Corpuz * +Encarnacion Fontanilla, Flaton Fontanilla & Johnathan Tanaid * +Nicanor Bucaneg * +Ruben Villarín, Ana Aleth Francisco * +Felix, Catalina & Luciano Cabico * +Fausto & Elvira Raquino * +Cipriano, Maria, Calixto & Florencia Cadaoas * +Anastacia Cabico * Fortunato & Aniceta Capino * +Amante Tabios * +Socorro Pasamonte * +Espernito Agarma, +Rogelio Ramos, +Pablo, +Maria & +Ernesto Fernandez, +Wilson Salva * +Castle Kalani Koa Perez * +Elaine Ulep * +Jerome Agliam * +Pedro, Urbana, Virgilio, Orlando & Allan Artates * +Elaine Cruz * +Nene Panganiban * +Fr Etuale Etuale * +Mu Afe * +Mone Liutolo * +Deacon Andy Calunod * +Urbano Fontanilla * +Ricardo Manuel Baltazar * +Cecilio Buan * +Gerardo & Rogelio Agcaoili * +Ciriaco Madriaga * +Rosela Madriaga * +Pilar Ramirez * +Teresita Fillon * +Deceased family & relatives of Jose & Lolita Cadiz * +Reymundo, Maria, Leonora & Santos Acido * +Juan, Crisanta, Erlinda, & Pedro Tangonan * +Robert Kunichika * +Esperanza Ramos Nartatez * +Felicitas Aquino Kolo * +Fe Villareal Pintor * +Jerry Bristol Galupe * +Charles & Helen Newman * +Marlene Facuri * +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues, +Molly Green * +For all the departed founders, Pastors, Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM * +Our deceased family members, relatives and friends in the Memorial Book and Board * +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic, conflicts, crimes & natural disasters * For those who have nobody to pray for them * +Holy Souls in purgatory

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:



***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 –

**Silver & Marivic Palting* for their thoughtful donation of a new Samsung Smart TV Crystal UHD 70" for use in the Parish Hall for RE instruction and movie-viewing for the parishioners. It replaces the second-hand 75" Sony TV donated by *Fr. Adrian* in 2018.

**Thomas & Olivia Mita* for their donation of \$500.00 for the church and classroom doors repair project.

**Segundo Facuri* for his fourth-time donation of \$279.33 for the purchase of sanitizers and disinfectants used in the church.

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

**William & Mitronia Amoroso* for their generous donation of \$1200.00 (10/3/21) for the Parish Repairs & Maintenance Fund.

*****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** – 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, Nelie 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*.

***The Christmas lights were already put in place by *Frankie Cabral* up and around the cypress trees in front of the hall and from top to bottom of the belfry. *Doi Facuri* started installing the lights and decors in the Rectory. The hall interior and around the church and classrooms are next, *Roger Isidro* and *Adriano Daligcon* hung the star lantern on the Pastoral Center. Big *mahalo* to one and all!

❖**LITURGY** - The livestreaming of OLM Sunday Mass at 9:00am for the sake of those sheltered-in during the covid-19 lockdown will continue on via the OLM Facebook account and thru the kind services of the *Llamedo family*. The power-point projection at Mass includes the readings and responses together with sacred graphics. For added health protection, *Andy Llamedo* installed a flexi-glass barrier at the lectern.

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.

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 that are 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. Fathers are a blessing, and we thank them for blessing us with lives of dedication, endurance, and love.

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!**❖



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CONGRATULATIONS OLM COUNCIL 12935: Recipient of 4 Award categories -

***Star Council Award *Father McGivney Award *Founders Award *Columbian Award * Safe Environment Compliant: (COMPLETED)**

FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP EXTENDED TO DEC 31, 2021

Since 1882, membership in the Knights of Columbus has been open to men 18 years of age or older who are "practical" (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. Since that time, the Knights of Columbus has understood "practical catholic" to mean a Catholic who accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.

REMEMBERING THE DEAD

In the month of November, the Knights are offering Mass intentions for all their deceased members. *Vivat Jesus!*

CORPORATE MASS

The OLM KC Council 12935 will hold their regular Corporate Mass this Sunday at 9:00am.



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 - *Francisca Kovaloff (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 - *Diana 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: *Evangeline Bacani, Fe Go, Mary Ann Goloran, Francisca Kovaloff, Lucille Mohika, Rosemary Mohika, Cathy Villanueva; Diana, 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.

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEAST DAYS

- Nov 30 St. Andrew, Apostle
- Dec 3 St. Francis Xavier, Priest

OTHER

- Nov 24 Ilocano Choir Novena and Rosary, 7:00pm
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving Day, Mass at 9:00am; you may bring your food items to be blessed and non-perishable foods to be distributed to the needy in the community
- Nov 27 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, after the 6:00pm Mass - Prayers for the U.S. Supreme Court and a pending pro-life decision

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTERS

- Nov 27 6:00 PM - Vangie & Guillermo Bacani
- Nov 28 6:30 AM - Estrella Bringas
9:00 AM - Renato & Cora dela Rosa
- Nov 28 Knights of Columbus Corporate Mass, 9:00am
- Dec 3 Advent Parish Mission Recollection conducted by The Diocesan Evangelization Task Force headed by Dominic Olaso.
 - AM 6:00 Arrival of the Pilgrim Image of OL of Guadalupe
 - 6:30 Praying of the Holy Rosary
 - 7:00 Holy Eucharist
 - 7:30-8:30 Holy Hour & Eucharistic Adoration
 - 8:30-5:00PM Veneration of the Replica of the Miraculous Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe – Various parish groups lead the rosary by the hour
 - PM 5:00 Novena to Santo Nino
 - 6:00 Mission Talk: *Preparing the Coming of the Savior with Mary*
 - 7:00 Advent Reconciliation & Confession
 - 8:00 Fellowship & Home-Sweet-Home

THE HISTORY OF THE ADVENT WREATH

By Rev. William Saunders, Catholic Education Resource Center, Potomac Falls, Virginia



The Advent wreath is part of our long-standing Catholic tradition. However, the actual origins are uncertain. There is evidence of pre-Christian Germanic peoples using wreaths with lit candles during the cold and dark December days as a sign of hope in the future warm and extended-sunlight days of Spring.

By 1600, both Catholics and Lutherans had more formal practices surrounding the Advent wreath.

The symbolism of the Advent wreath is beautiful. The wreath is made of various evergreens, signifying continuous life. Even these evergreens have a traditional meaning which can be adapted to our faith: The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering; pine, holly, and yew, immortality; and cedar, strength and healing. Holly also has a special Christian symbolism: The prickly leaves remind us of the crown of thorns, and one English legend tells of how the cross was made of holly. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life found in Christ. Any pine cones, nuts, or seedpods used to decorate the wreath also symbolize life and resurrection. All together, the wreath of evergreens depicts the immortality of our soul and the new, everlasting life promised to us through Christ, the eternal Word of the Father, who entered our world becoming true man and who was victorious over sin and death through His own passion, death, and resurrection.

† OBITUARY

+FE VILLAREAL PINTOR, 65
 Funeral Mass: November 27, 2021, 10:00am at OLM Church
 Interment: TBD



+JERRY BRISTOL GALUPE, 49
 Funeral Service: December 6, 2021, 12:00am at Valley of the Temples Chapel
 Interment: December 6, 1:00pm at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

+CRESENCIA ACOSTA, 80
 Funeral Mass: December 18, 2021, at OLM Church
 Interment: December 18, 2021

*Eternal rest grant unto the faithful departed, O Lord.”
 Heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.*

☺L.O.L. (Laugh Out Loud)☺



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 spiritual-

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 7:00am
 Saturday (Vigil): 6:00pm
 Sunday: 6:30am & 9:00am

RECONCILIATION

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