



# OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

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† Celebrating 152 years and renewing our faith in grateful stewardship! †



## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Pastor  
Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes

*"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."  
Matthew 3:3*



Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio



**ADVENT SEASON**  
**+ COME, LORD JESUS COME +**

"Prepare the way of the Lord," Isaiah cries through John the Baptist's words. We continue to heed that call today. Isaiah himself expresses his longing for the day when the Lord's chosen one would arrive, and justice and harmony would blossom. We are called to prepare a place in our hearts and in our homes for the Lord, so that we may sing, like the Psalmist, of a new day of justice and peace for one and all.



### SOLEMN FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

DECEMBER 8 / THURSDAY — HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

2 MASSES > 7:00 AM & 6:30 PM

On this solemn feast, we honor our heavenly Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary and her immaculate conception. From her very conception, Mary was filled with God's grace. She was never stained by original sin. She was never separated from God's love, not even as she was born and grew up. God predestined Mary to be free from sin that she might give birth to Jesus to free us from our sins. Full of grace, she chose to accept God's will in bearing God's Son, impossible as it seemed at the time. Today we pray that the Virgin Mary becomes an example of fidelity to God's call and our guide in our journey of faith. May Mary who is sinless help us to sin less.



### STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Come, Lord Jesus!

Make us good stewards of Advent. Strengthen our faith; calm our fears.

Come, Lord Jesus!

We hear John the Baptist's cry. Open our hearts. Give us humility to repent.

Come, Lord Jesus!

Let us walk in your light! Show us how we prepare your way and make straight your paths.

Come, Lord Jesus!

We give you thanks and praise, for the shining star and angelic host, for Mary and Joseph, good stewards, both.

Come, Lord Jesus!

We rejoice and are glad! For the Good News you bring, and God's glory you revealed.

Come, Lord Jesus!

Amen.

*(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin, December 2022)*





## Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



### Next Sunday's Reading

3rd Sunday of Advent

#### First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-6, 10

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:6-10

#### Second Reading

James 5:7-10

#### Gospel:

Matthew 11:2-11

#### **FOCUS:** *Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!*

In the waters of baptism, we have been claimed for Christ. As we gather on this Advent Sunday, we recall and celebrate our rebirth in grace and our mission to prepare the way for the Lord. At the heart of this celebration is our repentance and our desire to be renewed with the spirit of the Lord.

#### **First Reading:** *Isaiah 11:1-10*

Isaiah foretells the advent of the Messiah: Upon him will rest the Spirit's gifts, and with him will come knowledge of the Lord.

#### **Second Reading:** *Romans 15:4-9*

Saint Paul challenges the community to live in harmony with one another and to *glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ*.

#### **Gospel:** *Matthew 3:1-12*

In the Gospel, John the Baptist preaches a message of repentance.

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

### \*Second Collection – December 10-11, 2022

Thousands of elderly Sisters, Brothers and Religious Order Priests spent years working in ministries – such as Catholic Schools, parishes, and hospitals – often for little or no pay. Today, many religious communities do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your donation helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for these aging members of religious communities who have given a lifetime of service to all. Please give generously.



## ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



*“Mother of God and our Mother, to your Immaculate Heart we solemnly entrust and consecrate ourselves, the Church and all humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine. Accept this act that we carry out with confidence and love. Grant that war may end and peace spread throughout the world. The ‘Fiat’ that arose from your heart opened the doors of history to the Prince of Peace. We trust that, through your heart, peace will dawn once more. To you we consecrate the future of the whole human family, the needs and expectations of every people, the anxieties and hopes of the world.”*

*“May your maternal touch soothe those who suffer and flee from the rain of bombs. May your motherly embrace comfort those forced to leave their homes and their native land. May your Sorrowful Heart move us to compassion and in-*

*spire us to open our doors and to care for our brothers and sisters who are injured and cast aside.”*

*“Through your intercession, may God’s mercy be poured out on the earth and the gentle rhythm of peace return to mark our days. Our Lady of the ‘Fiat,’ on whom the Holy Spirit descended, restore among us the harmony that comes from God. May you, our ‘living fountain of hope,’ water the dryness of our hearts. In your womb Jesus took flesh; help us to foster the growth of communion. You once trod the streets of our world; lead us now on the paths of peace. Amen.”*

*(Pope Francis “Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary,” St. Peter’s Basilica, March 25, 2022)*

For more news on the Act of Consecration to Mary, please visit [vaticannews.va](http://vaticannews.va).



## OLM 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.

\*\*\***STEWARDSHIP APPEALS** – Our appreciation and gratitude to *all dear Parishioners* who responded to our appeal during the covid-19 pandemic with 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** – There are some wall fans in the Church that stopped functioning due to wear and tear and need immediate replacement especially in this time of hotter and steamier temperature. With our parishioners' stewardship offerings and donations we should have sufficient funds to make the purchase as soon as possible.

>We are most grateful to *M/M Adriano & Norma Daligcon* for being the first to step up to donate for this project in the amount of \$2000.00.

>*Elpidio & Angelita Sera* pitched in \$100.00. Big *mahalo* to everyone for being good stewards.

>The securing and installation of the fans are handled by our parish volunteers – *Jun Cortez, Adriano Daligcon* and *Roger Isidro*. Our heartfelt gratitude goes to them.

### ❖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. Included in this dedicated group are *Silver & Marivic Palting, Ador Padilla, Julieta Walsh, Gil Bacani, Cely Villanueva, Norma Daligcon, Aida Isidro, Medy Macalma, Olivia Mita, Angie Sera, Renato & Cora dela Rosa, Cathy Purganan, Fe Go, Charito & Florencio Sipalay, Luz & Vicente Velasco, Marlene Calventas, Mary Ann Goloran, Connie Caraang, and Corazon Orcino*.

❖**LITURGY** - Our Music Director, *Mary Ann Llamedo*, is inviting interested members of the choir at Mass. Their practice is held every Saturday at 10:00am.

We are glad and grateful that *Zoie Peacock* and *Audrey Peralta* can come to assist Mary Ann in playing the organ especially in her absence.

We continue to have powerpoint projections of the readings and hymns on the TV monitors. We acknowledge the kind services of the *Llamedo family* and assisted by *Jun Cortez, Marc, Clem & Dave Ulep*.

❖**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 \* 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 Leah 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.

\*Under the hot & steamy sun of August, some members of the Ilocano Ministry spent gardening time at the Church makai side cultivating and replacing dried-up plants with new ones. Many thanks to *Renato dela Rosa \* Cora dela Rosa \* Julieta Walsh and Gil Bacani* for their hard work.

\**Frankie Cabral* trims the dried tree branches, and removes the dried leaves and dead flowers from the church grounds.



\*\*\*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.



**WE TAKE PRIDE IN SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT AND SERVICES AS GOOD AND FAITHFUL STEWARDS FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF OUR LOVING GOD.**

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





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**'OHANA IN CHRIST MONTHLY REPORT & UPDATE**

This message was sent with High importance.

Tue 11/1/2022 1:41 PM

**'OIC Progress Report 2022-2023**

*Aloha Pastors & Parish Staff,*

Mahalo for all your efforts with the October launch of this year's appeal. We're off to a good start with over \$308,000 collected/recorded through 10/28/22. Special kudos to the first parish over the finish line: St. George, Waimanalo. See attached preliminary report - also posted at: <https://www.catholichawaii.org/12075>

'Ohana In Christ 2022/2023 - Diocese of Honolulu

Support Your Parish and Those Most in Need. Our Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve.

[www.catholichawaii.org](http://www.catholichawaii.org)

For parishes planning to conduct in-church collections, see attached 'OIC envelope featuring the many languages of our Islands. Available now for delivery, simply email me a requested quantity.

Please let me know of any questions or additional requests for assistance. Many thanks again!

*Mark Clark*

Stewardship & Development > 808-203-6723

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**Our Lady of the Mount Church** is given a set goal of \$8,181.00 for the "Ohana in Christ which we hope to raise between October 2022 and June 2023. So far, up to this publication issue, we have raised \$2,465.00 from 9 parishioners which is 30% of our goal. Let us all pitch in to this stewardship appeal of the Bishop and help in the various needs of our Diocese.

**OUR PRAYER**



**O God, our loving Creator and giver of all good gifts,  
bless our Ohana, strengthen our faith,  
and grant us the spirit of Christian Stewardship  
so that we may give generously of our time, talent  
and treasure to the building of Your Kingdom.**

**We pray for your help in achieving success in this appeal,  
so that we can help others in our faith community  
and throughout the Catholic Church in Hawaii.**

**This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**



# STEWARDSHIP EXPRESSIONS

## ADVENT - A SEASON OF HOPE



Advent is a time of waiting and expectation; a season of quiet anticipation and preparation. We are waiting for our Lord to come into the world as the baby Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem. We are also preparing for His return, His second coming as the shepherd-king, to restore harmony and right relationship to all creation. Advent is a season yearning for God to come and set the world right with perfect justice, truth and peace. It is a season of hope.

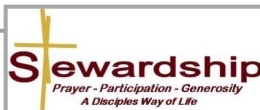
Advent is a time to emphasize preparation through prayer. While Lent emphasizes a spirit of repentance through prayer and fasting, Advent's prayers are prayers of humble devotion and commitment, prayers for deliverance, prayers of gladness and joyful expectation, prayers that await the light of Christ coming into the world.

We do not shrink from those Advent scripture readings that reveal a strong prophetic tone of accountability and judgment. Christ's disciples expect the Lord to hold them accountable for what has been entrusted to them just as a spouse, parent, teacher or supervisor holds us accountable. And just as the steward was found faithful in small matters by the master, we too are confident that we will be found faithful and will enter the joy of the Master. We have absolute trust in the Lord's councenance.

Assuredly, during Advent we anticipate the Lord's coming with hope. It is that hope, however faint at times, that keeps us from despair and the darkness of sin and its destructiveness. It is a hope that urges us to be kind, loving and compassionate toward one another. It is a hope that encourages our faith in a merciful God who continues to pour His grace upon us.

We don't know when Christ will come again to bring human history to its completion. But we celebrate with gladness the great promise of Advent and we rekindle that positive, joyful spirit within us because we know, as Zechariah prophesied, that the light of Christ will shine on all who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, and He will guide our feet into the way of peace.

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### SACRIFICIAL OFFERING



### † MASS ATTENDANCE

#### 11/19-20/22      11/26-27/22

Sat 6:00pm	44A+0C	53A+1C
Sun 6:30am	60A+0C	60A+1C
Sun 9:00am	95A+33C	96A+22C

Thanksgiving Day 11/24/2022  
Thu 9:00am 85A+2C

	<u>11/19-20/22</u>	<u>11/26-27/22</u>
Offertory	\$ 2,627.00	\$ 3,017.51
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 76.00	\$ 40.00
All Souls Day	\$ 100.00	\$ 15.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 41.50	\$ 2,112.00
Wedding Anniv. Mass		\$ 100.00
Mass Intentions		\$ 40.00
Cath. Camp. Human Dev.	\$ 1,177.00	
Faith Formation Reg. Fee	\$ 35.00	
Religious Article	\$ 14.00	
Filipino Catholic Club	\$ 50.00	
Candles	\$ 95.00	\$ 245.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,215.50</b>	<b>\$ 5,569.51</b>

## † REMEMBER IN PRAYER



❖ **GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Antonio D Mateo \* Rochelle Taylor \* Rosario Valdez \* Mike, Theresa & Marie Schwengler \* Nelie Puzon \* Alicia Balbuena \* Walter Caraang \* Doren Gruenhagen \* Wilmer D Diaz \* Frankie Cabral \* Rachel Soong \* Wilfred Soong \* Connie de Santos \* Cipriana Luczon \* Bruce Anguay \* Fuli Fernandez \* Kasandra Camille Mina Raquel \* Amando Sr & Palmas Flores \* Francisca Gascon \* Lawrence Ligot \* Alfredo Jandoc \* Grace Rivera \* Petronila Jandoc \* Jose Jandoc \* Avelina Orcino Fralaide \* Marie Therese Castillo \* Faith Ivy Claro \* Belen Quinto \* Rudy Balmilero \* Juliet Hobson \* Amando Flores Jr \* Vanessa Egan \* Matilde Serbania Pascua \* Roselani Ramones \* Benny Ursulum \* Logan Isidro \* Florentino & Jason Orcino \* Yvonne Fukumoto \* Maria Pascual \* Nicolas Ulep \* Imelda Ruaburo \* Paul Valbuena \* Ropati Liua \* Caridad Dagdagan \* Andy & Marina Torio \* Susan Reynon \* Marilou Bruno \* Katrina Santos \* Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* Jesse Ulep \* George Calizar \* Marvin Moore \* Jeanne Oshiro

❖ **BIRTHDAY:** Jeffrey Lucas \* Aiden Lucas \* Evangeline Trocio \* Daisy Serquinia \* Jeanne Oshiro \* Frankie Cabral \* Francisca Tabonda (98) \* Isabel Cadiz \* Armelita Canoneo \* Tim Johnson \* Marie Schwengler \* Catherine Sanchez (85) \* Pia Brillantes \* Mary Ann Llamedo \* Alfonso Villanueva \* Fr. Edgar Brillantes \* Rey Teocson \* Ropati Liua \* Rudy Balmilero \* Arnela Domingo (3) \* Robin Therese Johnson \* Andy Magbojos \* Conchita Magbojos \* Jay Magbojos \* Cesar Brillantes \* Cora dela Rosa \* Lolita Lucas \* Rachel Soong \* Bella Miranda \* Lucia Miranda

❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Roger & Aida Isidro (53) \* Rizal & Celerina "Mila" Fernandez (50) \* Segundo & +Marlene Facuri \* Edward & Teresita Dayoan (60) \* Virgilio & Lolita Lucas (48)

❖ **SAFE TRIP & VACATION:** Mary Ann Goloran \* Adriano & Norma Daligcon \* Rowena Adela Bitonio \* Tom & Becky Decorte \* Beth Pisbe

❖ **SPECIAL INTENTION & THANKSGIVING:** **Thanksgiving** – Mary Ann Goloran >Joseph & Mila Llantero >Cora, Bryan Andaya & family >Clemente Fontanilla >M/M Liberato & Rosario Valdez & kids >Benny Acosta >Nato & Adoracion Laguer >Virgilio & Lolita Lucas >Jaime & Medy Macalma >Kathy Ferreira >Jun & Caridad Cortez >Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families >Lito & Lia Centino >Cora & Renato dela Rosa >Teocson family >Armelita Canoneo >Cathy Purganan & family >Gloria Rodrigues >Silver & Marivic Palting >Alex & Marichu Pe Benito >Thomas & Olivia Mita

**Special intention** – Gwen Zanellato \* Diena & Nicole Peterson \* Alex & Marichu Pe Benito \* Nelson & Shirley Manlolo & family \* Andy & Chita Magbojos \* Gladys Sedeno & family \* OLM FCC officers & members \* Nazario & Alicia Balbuena \* Chester & Shantil Centino \* Bella Miranda & family \* For peaceful resolution of War in Ukraine \* OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935 \* For benefactors & donors of OLM Projects \* 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

❖ **DECEASED:** +Rizza Eugena Bactol Go \* +Nefoa Lemana \* +Uldarico Calso \* +Fr Etuale Etuale \* +Elizabeth, Jack & Faye Ragaza \* +Raquelita Fiesta \* +Jesusa Prado \* +Evangeline Salvador \* +Fr Vicente Avila \* +Fr Patrick Freitas \* +Cecilia Chica \* +Linda Kamai \* +Elaine Cruz \* +Candido, Romana & Charlie Puzon \* +Honorio Gamiao \* +Cresencia Acosta \* +Aurelio Raquedan Supapo \* +Pedro & Virgilio Artates \* +Simplicio Canoneo \* +Cesario, Loreta & Maria Pascual \* +Ely, Rose & Alan Lee Purganan \* +Gaudencio Garcia \* +Maurillo & Rosalinda Gregorio \* +Pio, Consuelo, Jovito & Bessie Alcantra \* +Conrado Benitez \* +Verlee Cadiz \* +Emilio Castillo \* +Raymond Sedeno Jr \* +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas \* +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues \* +Jose & Jabez Goloran \* +Orencio Bernardino \* +Felix Edmalin \* +Cresencia Edmalin \* +Juanito Carnate \* +Arsenio Dacanay \* +Mariano & Manuela Balmilero \* +Godofredo & Ignacia Diciamos \* +Alfredo Daguimol \* +Fr Harry Louis Yim \* +Magdaleno Teves Sanchez \* +Primitivo & Emiliana Teves \* +Clemente Luczon \* +Faustino & Ignacia Ursulum \* Deceased members of Tabangcura family \* +Rose Garcia \* +Tessie Fontanilla \* +Eufemio Sr & +Trinidad Cortez \* +Lino Raguine Cabico \* +Ernesto Fiesta \* +Rosita, Maximo, & Teodulo Balbuena \* +Guy Miranda \* +Ruby Rose Mohika \* +Fermin Cruz \* Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM \* +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic, wars, crimes & natural disasters \* +Holy Souls



**Nov 27-Dec 5 > 7:00am RM +Rizza Eugena B Go; +Evangeline Salvador**

**Nov 27-28 > 7:00am Healing & speedy recovery - Rosario Valdez; Avelina & Florentino Orcino**

**Nov 28> 7:00am Safe trip - Bella Miranda \* RM +Raymond Seden Jr**

**Dec 2 > 7:00am Birthday - Francisca Tabonda (98)**

**Dec 3 > 6:00pm Birthday - Isabel Cadiz \* Healing & speedy recovery - Bella Miranda; Frankie Cabral; Wilfred Soong; Connie de Santos; Petronila Jandoc; Jose Jandoc; Amando & Palmas Flores; Amando Flores Jr; Those infected w/ covid-19 \* Thanksgiving - Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families \* Special intention - For Chester & Shantil Centino; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic & the war in Ukraine \* RM +Rizza Eugena B Go; +Evangeline Salvador; +Rose Garcia; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic & disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM; +Souls of those listed in the Book of Remembrance and whose photos are posted in the Memorial Board**

**Dec 4 > 6:30am (Missa pro populo) Birthday - Jeffrey Lucas; Aiden Lucas \* Wedding anniversary - Roger & Aida Isidro (53) \* Healing & Speedy recovery - Rochelle Taylor; Nelie Puzon; Cipriana Luczon; Wilfred Soong; Connie de Santos; Fuli Fernandez; Alfredo Jandoc; Petronila Jandoc; Amando & Palmas Flores; Logan Isidro; Caridad Dagdagan; Roselani Ramones; Paul Valbuena; Benny Ursulum \* Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero \* Safe trip - Adriano & Norma Daligcon \* Special intentions - For the end of the covid pandemic & war in Ukraine \* RM +Elizabeth, Jack & Faye Ragaza; +Rose Garcia; +Deceased Victims of the coronavirus pandemic and disasters; +Souls of those listed in the Book of Remembrance and whose photos are posted in the Memorial Board**

**> 9:00am Birthday - Evangeline Trocio; Daisy Serquinia \* Healing & speedy recovery - Antonio Mateo; Rosario Valdez; Avelina & Florentino Orcino; Nelie Puzon; Walter Caraang; Wilmer Diaz; Amando Flores Jr; Bruce Anguay; Jose Jandoc; Juliet Hobson; Rudy Balmilero; Imelda Ruaburo; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; Jeanne Oshiro; all those infected by the coronavirus disease \* Special intentions - Renato & Corazon dela Rosa; For the end of the covid pandemic & the war in Ukraine \* Safe trip & Thanksgiving - Mary Ann Goloran \* Thanksgiving - Silver & Marivic Palting; Benny Acosta; Cora & Bryan Andaya & family; Olivia & Thomas Mita; Cathy Purganan \* RM +Rizza Eugena Go; +Evangeline Salvador; +Deceased Victims of the coronavirus pandemic and gun violence; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM; +Souls of those listed in the Book of Remembrance and whose photos are posted in the Memorial Board**

**Dec 5 > 7:00am Birthday - Frankie Cabral \* Special intention - Gwen Zanellato \* RM +Rizza Eugena B Go; +Evangeline Salvador**

**Dec 7 > 7:00am RM +Fr Patrick Freitas**

**Dec 8 > 7:00am Birthday - Jeanne Oshiro \* Healing - Mike, Theresa, & Marie Schwengler \* Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero \* RM +Fr Etuale Etuale; +Uldarico Calso**

*\*Let us continue praying for our pastor's complete recovery and for the health of everyone.*

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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!*

# RESPECT LIFE

*respect · love · protect*

## RESPECT LIFE NEWS - Mini Retreat

Saturday, December 10 from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

All Respect Life Coordinators and their team members and 40 Days of Life Supporters are invited

Where: St Elizabeth Parish

Schedule:

7:00am Mass

7:30am to 8:30am Breakfast

9:00am Confession

10:00am to 11:30am - Speaker (Father PJ Camiring)

11:30 - 12:30pm Lunch

12:30 - 1:30pm Adoration

## RESPECT LIFE UPDATE

**From:** alahoku@aol.com <alahoku@aol.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 9, 2022 4:16 PM

**40 Days for Life is now a 365-day campaign Join and Pray for our Unborn on Tuesdays, 8:30am after the 7:15 Mass, at Planned Parenthood 839 S. Beretania St.**

To sign-up contact: Anne at [anne40df@gmail.com](mailto:anne40df@gmail.com) (808) 268-7143, OR

Ximena at [xpsuarez7@gmail.com](mailto:xpsuarez7@gmail.com) (406) 417-9307



### \*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!







ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII  
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 WITNESS TO JESUS

## UPDATED COVID-19 LITURGICAL DIRECTIVES AND COLD & FLU GUIDELINES

### Memorandum

TO: All Clergy, Religious Communities, and Parishes  
 FROM: *Rev. Alfred Omar Guerrero*, Director, Office of Worship  
 DATE: November 7, 2022  
 RE: Updated Covid-19 Liturgical Directives and Cold & Flu Guidelines

With the state of Hawaii loosening its COVID restriction policies, it seems timely that we do the same for the Diocese. After discussing this with the Presbyteral Council at its October meeting and with the approval of Bishop Larry Silva, all remaining Covid-19 liturgical restrictions are lifted except for the suspension of the distribution of the Precious Blood to the congregation. However, if you have individuals in your parish who have Celiac disease and can only receive Communion from the cup, a simple means of allowing them to receive from the cup should be planned. The use of a face mask is optional. The cold and flu seasons are unpredictable in several ways. Although epidemics of the flu happen every year, the timing, severity, and length of the season vary from one year to another.

At this time, it has been decided not to put any restrictions at Mass except for the temporary suspension of the distribution of the Precious Blood to the congregation. Local pastoral discretion and care should be practiced as necessary. It is important to remind the faithful that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass does not apply to those who are ill, especially those who suffer from a contagious disease. It is a sign of charity and consideration for themselves and others that those with flu-like symptoms remain at home. Ministers also become ill; therefore, to avoid celebrating Mass when ill, priests should consider alternatives that may be available to them in such circumstances.

A short list of priests who could be called in case of need should be prepared at all parishes. Within the parishes, common sense and maintaining good habits must be used:

- Check and fill hand-soap dispensers in all restrooms of the church. Have available hand sanitizer in your church vestibule.
- Maintain clean, fresh holy water and holy water fonts. While blessing oneself with holy water is a commendable practice to recall our Baptism, it is not necessary and can be omitted by those who do not feel comfortable sharing the font.
- Clean and sanitize places and things in the church that are touched frequently.

Below are a few resources which may be helpful, including:

- A suggested announcement for the beginning of Mass.
- Sample bulletin announcements, which you are free to revise in any way you find pastorally helpful.

Please feel free to contact me at the Office of Worship, 808-585-3342 or email at [alguerrero@rcchawaii.org](mailto:alguerrero@rcchawaii.org) should you have any questions.



### REMINDERS IN THE TIME OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

\*Those parishioners who feel not really able yet to come for reason of health issues are not obliged to come. If you feel sick, please don't force yourself to come to church. Stay home and get well. You are dispensed from the obligation. Nevertheless, you are highly encouraged to join the televised or livestreamed mass to fulfill your Sunday obligation.

\*We need to keep connected with our Almighty God who can put a definitive end to this pandemic and allow us to return unscathed to our normal lives.

\*Let's come back to church and celebrate in person God's love and presence in the liturgy especially in being nourished spiritually by His Word in the Scriptures and His Body and Blood in Holy Communion. Let's strive to stay safe, healthy and blessed as we gather as a parish *ohana* in church. Let us continue to pray for one another and for the whole world.

**\*LET US KEEP PRAYING FOR DELIVERANCE FROM VIRUS INFECTIONS  
 AND FOR THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF EVERYONE\***





## 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*  
 Faith Formation Program Coordinator - *Francisca Kovaloff*  
 (Meeting 3rd Sunday of the Month, after class)  
 Technology Consultant - *Jun Cortez*  
 Bookkeeper - *Deacon Rafael Mendoza*



### PERSONNEL

Custodian - *Lolito Dullin*  
 Music Director & Choir Ministry - *Mary Ann Llamedo*

### COMMITTEE \* MINISTRY \* ORGANIZATION \* CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council (Meeting 4th Wednesday of the month, 6:00pm)  
 / Stewardship Committee - *Marcelino Ulep*  
 Education Committee - *Marichu Pe Benito*  
 Finance Council - *Rebecca Jandoc*  
 Liturgy Committee (Meeting 1st Tuesday of the Month, 6:00pm),  
 Respect Life Ministry & Safe Environment Ministry — *Francisca Kovaloff*  
 \* Altar Server Ministry - *Alvin Baron*  
 \* Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Comm. 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*  
 Website & myParish App Administrator - *Mary Ann Llamedo*  
 Ilocano Ministry & Choir - *Silverio Palting (Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help and Rosary, Thursdays at 7:00pm)*  
 Filipino Catholic Club - *Fe Go (Meeting 2nd Sun of the Month, after the 9:00am Mass)*  
 Knights of Columbus - *George Roberts*  
 Corporate Mass 9:00am, 4th Sun of the month; meeting after  
 Prison & Hospital Ministries - *Wilfred Soong*  
 Stewardship Counter & Receptionist - *Linda Puzon*  
 Cemetery Maintenance - *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*  
 Santo Nino Devotion & Visayan Ministry - *Florencio Sipalay*  
 Parish Bulletin Editor - *Francisca Kovaloff*  
 Youth Ministry / Young Adult Ministry - *Diena Peterson*

**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.

**Faith Formation Classes:** After the 9:00am Mass

(Summer break—May 29 to September 11, 2022)

Catechists: *Evangeline Bacani, Fe Go, Mary Ann Goloran, Francisca Kovaloff, Lucille Mohika, Rosemary Mohika, Cathy Villanueva*

**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.

### myParish App - Be smart!

Have instant access to what is happening in our parish and have \*prayers, \*scripture readings and \*current church news in the palm of your hands through *myParish App*. Go to your app store and **search for "myparish" or you can text "app" to "88202"** and you will receive a link to download. Once installed you can choose *Our Lady of the Mount* as your parish and view the app; download is **free**.



**Update**

**Youth & Young Adult Ministry**

Visit us on Facebook or Instagram to know more details about the OLM Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

**Social Media Platforms**

Facebook: Our Lady of the Mount Youth & Young Adult Ministry  
 Instagram: @ourladyofthemount\_youth

Contact:  
 Diene Peterson  
 Email: dpeterson@rcchawaii.org  
 Phone: (808)861-7660



# HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES - WEST HONOLULU VICARIATE

"Prepare the Way of the Lord!"

Let us taste and see the goodness of the Lord throughout the season of advent and prepare for the joyous birth of our Savior. The appropriate way to enter its spirit is through the Sacrament of Confession and Reconciliation. It is the place where mercy is most profoundly experienced. It is where the human misery of sin is healed and banished. It completes our preparation for Christmas.



December 5	St. Philomena Church, Salt Lake	6:00 PM
December 6	Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa	7:00 PM (6:00 PM > Spiritual Conference)
December 7	St. Anthony Church, Kalihi Kai	7:00 PM
December 12	St. Stephen Church, Pali Hwy	6:30 PM
December 13	Blessed Sacrament Church, Pauoa	7:00 PM
December 14	St. John the Baptist Church, Kalihi Uka	6:00 PM
<b>December 15</b>	<b>Our Lady of the Mount Church, Kalihi Valley</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>
December 17	Cathedral-Basilica of Our Lady of Peace	10:00 AM
Every Thursday of Advent	Holy Family Church, Airport	6:30 PM



## ADVENT 2022 - WREATH CANDLE LIGHTERS - Pls see Fran Kovaloff if you wish to participate.

<b>1st Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Nov 26</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<i>Evangeline &amp; Guillermo Bacani</i>
	<b>Nov 27</b>	<b>6:30 AM</b>	<i>Diana Peterson &amp; Nicole Peterson</i>
		<b>9:00 AM</b>	<i>Alex &amp; Marichu Pe Benito</i>
<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Dec 3</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<i>Angie Sera and Tina Lumabao</i>
	<b>Dec 4</b>	<b>6:30 AM</b>	<i>Adriano &amp; Norma Daligcon</i>
		<b>9:00 AM</b>	<i>Renato &amp; Corazon dela Rosa</i>
<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Dec 10</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<i>Carlito &amp; Aurelia Centino</i>
	<b>Dec 11</b>	<b>6:30 AM</b>	_____
		<b>9:00 AM</b>	_____
<b>4th Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Dec 17</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<i>Cora Orcino and Linda Puzon</i>
	<b>Dec 18</b>	<b>6:30 AM</b>	_____
		<b>9:00 AM</b>	<i>Thomas &amp; Olivia Mita</i>



## SIMBANG GABI - Ministries / Organizations: Assign Wreath Candle Lighters - \* Sun to Fri-6:30pm \* Sat 6:00pm

(Lead Ministry/Organization prepare Hall \* Everyone, please bring a food item, snack, and/or drink to share after Mass)

- 1 - Dec 16 (Fri) Pastoral Council / Stewardship Committee / Finance Council \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 - Dec 17 (Sat) Eucharistic Ministers / Lectors - Cora Orcino and Linda Puzon \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 - Dec 18 (Sun) Knights of Columbus \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 - Dec 19 (Mon) Filipino Catholic Club \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 - Dec 20 (Tue) Ilocano Choir \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 - Dec 21 (Wed) Catechists / Youth & Young Adults \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 - Dec 22 (Thu) Hospitality / Music Ministry \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 - Dec 23 (Fri) Altar Servers / Decorating Committee \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 - Dec 24 (Sat) Parishioners / Ministries / Organizations \_\_\_\_\_

- 8 (Thu) Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception: Masses - 7:00 AM & 6:30 PM
- 24 (Sat) Christmas Vigil Mass 6:00 PM \* Blessing of the Manger and Christmas Trees
- 25 (Sun) Midnight Mass - 12:00 AM \* Christmas Day - 9:00 AM Mass \* No FF classes
- 29 (Thu) Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help 7:00 PM
- 30 (Sun) Visayan Group Santo-Nino 9-day novena, Dec 30, 2022 to Jan 7, 2023
- 31 (Sat) New Year's Eve - 6:00 PM Mass Vigil, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

## JANUARY 2023

- 1 (Sun) Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God \* 6:30 AM \* 9:00 AM Blessing of BVM images
- 6 First Friday Adoration/Benediction after 7:00 AM Mass
- 8 (Sun) >FF classes resume  
>Visayan Group Santo Nino Fiesta

# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FEAST DAY

- Dec 6 St. Nicholas, bishop
- Dec 7 St. Ambrose, bishop & doctor of the Church
- Dec 8 Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Dec 9 St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
- Dec 10 Our Lady of Loreto

## OTHER

- Dec 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
2 Masses at 7:00 AM and 6:30 PM
- Dec 11 Faith Formation Program, Reconciliation Service after the 9:00 AM Mass
- Dec 15 Advent Penance Service, 6:00 PM

## 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

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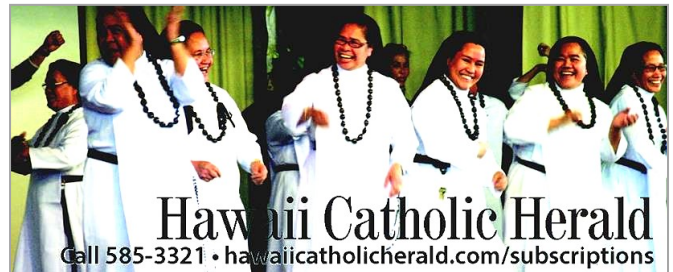


**+RIZZA EUGENA BACTOL GO, 44**  
 Funeral Mass: December 3, 2022,  
 11:00 AM, at Our Lady of the Mount Church  
 Interment: December 12, 11:00 AM  
 at Valley of the Temples

**+EVANGELINE MAGAOAY SALVADOR, 74**  
 Funeral Mass: January 14, 2023, 10:00 AM,  
 at Our Lady of the Mount Church  
 Interment: January 14, 12:00 PM  
 at Valley of the Temples

*"Eternal rest grant unto the faithful departed, O Lord."  
 Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.*

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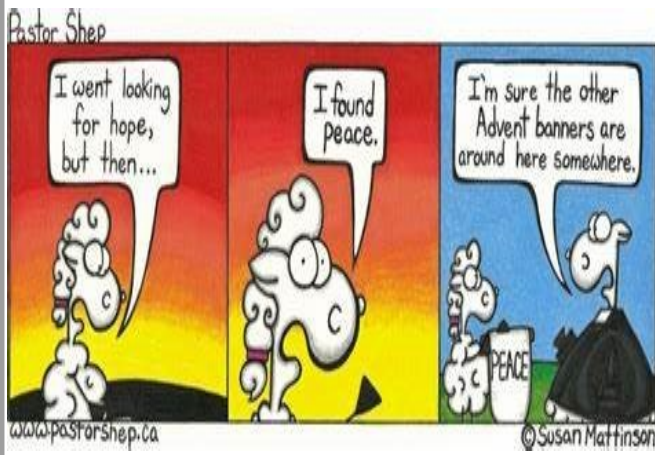
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## FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP BEWARE OF SCAMMERS

If someone phones, texts, or emails you saying that the bishop or a member of clergy needs you to purchase gift cards for him, it is probably a scam, and you are advised not to respond.



## 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

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday - 7:00am

Weekend Masse: Saturday (Vigil) - 6:00pm \* Sunday - 6:30am & 9:00am

## RECONCILIATION

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

## 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

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, please contact Fran Kovaloff, bulletin editor, at [fkovaloff@rcchawaii.org](mailto:fkovaloff@rcchawaii.org) or (808) 228-2909.