

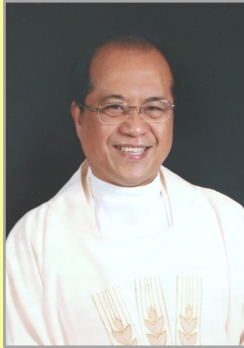


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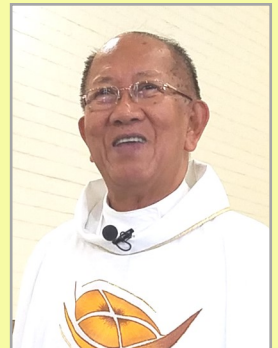
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## ❖ BLESSED FEAST OF THE LORD'S EPIPHANY ❖

### ❖ Happy ❖ Three ❖ Kings ❖



**JANUARY 8, 2023**  
**FEAST OF SANTO NINO**  
**+FIESTA MASS > 3:00 PM+**  
**\*SINULOG FOLLOWS THE MASS\***  
**Novena Devotions > December 30-Jan 7 @ 6:30 PM**  
**Spearheaded by the Santo Nino of Honolulu Devotees**

## FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

For the Catholic world, the Christmas season extends from Evening Prayer I of Christmas (*Christmas Eve*) through the *Baptism of the Lord* on January 9, 2023. In between is, among others, the Feast of the Epiphany which is celebrated this Sunday. Within the liturgy is the *Epiphany Proclamation* which is an ancient custom of announcing the dates of movable Feasts for the coming year. The blessing and distribution of calendars used to be connected with this proclamation.

The Gospel tells the story of the magi, to see the newborn king and do him homage as well. They journeyed a long distance from their kingdom in the East, but they reached Bethlehem with the guidance of a bright star in the sky and offered their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. This explains the plentiful use of incense in the Masses today.

In Catholic countries like Spain and Philippines, this day is also called *Feast of the Three Kings*, referring to the magi, and so, the greeting "*Happy Three Kings!*" The names of the three are well-known to many – *Melchor, Gaspar and Balthasar*. The figures of the magi are always added to the creche or nativity scene and their initials are even used in the traditional blessing of homes.

Incidentally, this day is also celebrated as the *Feast of the Santo Nino* which is a popular celebration throughout the Philippine Church. It depicts the fragile humanity, innocence and joy of the Christ-Child. His image was the sacred icon brought by the Spanish missionaries to the Philippine Islands and given as gift to the first baptized Christian natives. Almost every Christian family has the image in their homes or possession vested in various colorful ways considering it as source of divine blessings and even good luck.

Like the Magi, we all come together to search for Christ in our holy church to do him homage. We offer him as well our treasures – the love, faith and joy in our hearts, our hopes and dreams, our lives. There may not be a need of it for ourselves, but may we be that bright star, drawing our dear families, neighbors and friends, near and far, so that they too may find the precious treasure in the Lord.





# Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



EPIPHANY

## Next Sunday's Reading Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading**  
*Isaiah 49:3, 5-6*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Psalm 40:2-4, 7-10*

**Second Reading**  
*1 Corinthians 1:1-3*

**Gospel**  
*John 1:29-34*

**FOCUS:** The Lord shines his light on each of us for the good of all.

Today's feast illuminates God's particular revelations for the good of all. God chose one nation, the people of Israel, to be a light for all peoples. God revealed Jesus as king to the Magi in a feast we celebrate today. As God continues to touch and bless each of us, let us consider how his light may shine through us to others.

**First Reading:** *Isaiah 60:1-6*

The prophet Isaiah shares a vision of God's light shining upon Jerusalem and drawing nations toward it.

**Second Reading:** *Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6*

Saint Paul writes of God's revelation to the Gentiles as co-heirs of the Gospel.

**Gospel:** *Matthew 2:1-12*

In the Gospel, the Magi seek the king of the Jews and pay homage to the child Jesus.



## "Let's be Eucharistic people of God"

\*In this year of Eucharistic Revival we shall make the Holy Eucharist the center of our celebrations as a faith community. Christ did not only come to earth on his birthday on the first Christmas day nor on the Last Judgment but he comes to us daily in the Holy Mass where he is reborn in our hearts and lives.

\*In the Eucharist, we encounter Jesus and when we receive Him He truly becomes the *Emmanuel* which means "God-is-with-us."

\*As we sincerely appreciate each one for your full support and collaboration with your priests in the building of our faith and church we invite you all to continue serving the Lord and his church with the same zeal and dedication.

\*May the New Year 2023 be truly grace-filled, prosperous, and peaceful for every one of us.

*\*Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian*



## STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Lord of new life,

Thank you for the gift of a new year.

You have entrusted us with the coming days, weeks and months  
as stewards of your divine plan;

to live in gratitude, joy, and an ever-growing confidence in your Kingdom to come.

We ask for the humility to reform our lives;  
the courage to commit ourselves to you no matter the cost;  
and the wisdom to shine the light of faith on others.

Open our hearts,  
give us your Spirit

and show us how to share your love  
so that we may bring hope to a world  
in need of your justice and peace.

We pray to be a sign of your grace in this new year  
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, January 2023)*



**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS:**

**A NEW YEAR - NEW BEGINNINGS FOR THE CHRISTIAN STEWARD**



The practice of making New Year's resolutions goes back over 3000 years. The start of a New Year gives us the feeling of a fresh start, a new beginning, and new opportunities. It is a time when people feel that they can begin anew with their lives. Common New Year's resolutions are to lose weight, exercise more and eat healthier; or to spend more time with family. Still others include managing money better and being more organized.

Although there is nothing in the Bible or notable in Christian tradition about New Year's resolutions, many good stewards take advantage of this time of year to become closer to the Lord. They may re-commit themselves to pray more, to read the Bible, or to attend Mass more regularly. If you are looking for some ideas for your New Year's resolutions, here are a few to get you started:

**Practice gratitude** – Cultivating a grateful heart is the hallmark of a Christian steward. Every day, express thankfulness to the Lord and to others.

**Encounter the Lord each day** – Find time to be with the Lord each day, whether it be for an hour or ten minutes. Have a conversation with the Lord. Give your joys and worries to Him as well. Allow God's love to transform them. Our encounters will keep our eyes and ears open to the presence of Christ in our midst.

**Be present to others** – There is much celebration and mourning, joy and sorrow in peoples' lives. What a blessing it is to be able to share those times and not let others experience them alone. The gift of your presence to others is much more valuable than you realize.

**Resist overwork** – There is a pressure to produce, meet goals, be successful. But activities that lead us to overwork, constant fatigue and worry do not give glory to God. What God calls us to do we can do well. Be mindful that life requires balance, down time and letting go of unrealistic goals.

**Nurture friendships** – Our friends are those we choose to be with, those with whom we spend our evenings, with whom we vacation, to whom we go to for advice. Friends are gifts from God who give us a greater appreciation of God's love for us. Friends need our time and love.

**Give more** – Good stewards realize that everything they have is entrusted to them as a gift to be shared. There is no better place to begin than sharing with the community that gathers around the Lord's table at Mass. Consider what you are giving to your parish and local diocese and commit to an even greater contribution as circumstances allow.

**Make a difference in your parish community** – Believe it or not, your parish community can use your talents. Offering your talents to your faith community is one of the most effective ways to feel useful and connected to others, and it is a potentially life-changing New Year's resolution.

**Consider living more simply** – We cannot find fulfillment in possessions. They add nothing to our self-worth. Jesus blessed the "poor in spirit" in his Sermon on the Mount; and Saint Francis of Assisi urged us to live with only what was necessary, for that is how we begin to find God.

**Get healthy** – Studies show that most people in North America are accelerating their own decline into premature old age, owing to poor diet and lack of physical activity. Be a good steward of your body. If necessary, plan a complete overhaul of your diet and exercise habits.

**Don't give up** – People give up their New Year's resolutions because of perfectionism and unrealistic expectations. So take it slow, be kind to yourself and keep trying. Resist the urge to throw your hands up and quit. You succeed through small, manageable changes over time.

**Turn to the Lord** – Ask the Lord for guidance, strength and perseverance in achieving your resolutions. In his letter to the Philippians, Saint Paul writes: "I can do everything through Him who gives me strength" (Phil 4:13). If God is the center of our New Year's resolutions, they have a better chance for success.

*(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-bulletin, January 2023)*



**MASS ATTENDANCE**



**SACRIFICIAL OFFERING**

	<u>12/31/22-1/1/23</u>	<u>12/24-25/22</u>
Sat 6:00pm	74A+4C	105A+5C
Sun 6:30am	42A+0C	—
Sun 9:00am	98A+13C	125A+4C
Sat Dec 24 Midnight Mass		97A+5C
Simbang-Gabi 6:00pm * 6:30pm * 12:00am		
<b>12/16</b>	106A+2C	<b>12/21</b> 114A+14C
<b>12/17</b>	103A+3C	<b>12/22</b> 98A+1C
<b>12/18</b>	93A+2C	<b>12/23</b> 93A+3C
<b>12/19</b>	103A+3C	<b>12/24</b> 105A+5C

	<u>12/31/22-1/1/23</u>	<u>12/24-25/22</u>
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 3,720.00	
Holy Christmas		\$10,931.00
Initial Offering	\$ 105.00	\$ 38.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 103.00	\$ 904.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 145.00	\$ 290.00
Candles	\$ 449.05	\$ 134.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,522.05</b>	<b>\$ 12,297.00</b>

## 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 on-going 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.

We also acknowledge the continuing support of each one to the 'Ohana in Christ Annual Appeal that helps our parish meet its quota.

\*\*\***CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO THE CHURCH** – In the spirit of Christmas sharing, the following shared their blessings with our church:

> *Felicidad Orsino* made a Christmas donation of \$1000.00 to the Church to help defray its financial obligations.

> *Floribel & Robert Helin* offered \$260.00.

> *Anonymous donors teamed up to foot the bill for the parish calendar orders.*

> Many others stepped up as *Simbang-gabi sponsors* and offered whatever amount. May God reward you all abundantly.

\*\*\***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.

> 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.

> The parking lanes needed again some repainting and so *Kalolo Tuihalafatai* who had been doing it every two years came to do it and finished before the rain poured out. Big *mahalo* to everyone for being good stewards.

❖**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.

> Putting on the seasonal decorative Christmas lights in the church belfry, rectory, hall, pastoral center and the evergreen trees were *Frankie Cabral, Doi Facuri, Roger Isidro and Adriano Daligcon*.

❖**LITURGY** – Our Music minister, *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 keyboard especially in her absence.

We continue to have powerpoint projections of the readings and hymns on the TV monitors thru 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 \* Marichu Pe Benito \* Carolyn 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 and red 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 & Gil Bacani* for their hard work.

\*\*\*Our parish is always welcoming and open to any parishioner who wants to serve 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.



**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!❖**

## MISCELLANEOUS

### MAHALO TO LITO DULLIN



Mahalo Nui Loa!  
(Thank You Very Much!)

\*Our parish custodian and janitor, **Lolito Dullin**, is retiring from work. He is going back to his hometown in Iloilo City, Philippines. He started his job during the incumbency of *Fr. Adrian Gervacio* as Pastor. We thank *Lito* for his dedication and faithful service to our church at OLM. The replacement will be announced as soon as the Diocese gives its approval.



### NEW PRINTING MACHINE

\*From the parishioners' faithful stewardship, the parish was able to purchase a new printing machine with the CANON brand at the price of \$6,500. It was shipped from Japan and ordered by *Rico M.* of the *Pacific Business Company* who negotiated a one grand discount from the original price of \$7,500. The machine is mostly used for printing the parish bulletin, as well as program copies for special occasions, prayer pamphlets, communications from the Diocese, council, committee and ministry agenda and minutes of meeting, and the like. The old one was a SHARP copying machine leased by *Maunakea Integrated Solutions*. The five-year contract with them has elapsed.



## RED MASS

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.**

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF OUR LADY OF PEACE  
Downtown Honolulu (1184 Bishop Street, Honolulu, HI 96813)

### ANNUAL RED MASS

\*Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, Downtown Honolulu  
The Red Mass has been a tradition since 1955 for government officials and the community to gather at the beginning of the Legislative Session to pray together. *Bishop Larry Silva* will be the principal celebrant and this year will feature

guest speaker *Robert Van Tassel*, President and CEO of Catholic Charities Hawaii, on "75 years of hope that transforms, action that heals and charity that brings justice."

The general public is welcome to attend the Red Mass.

The Red Mass will be livestreamed at <https://honolulucathedral.org/live-stream/>



### CATECHISTS RETREAT 2023

Join us as we reflect upon Jesus, the Good Shepherd, who calls us by name; refresh ourselves in the joyful company of fellow catechists; and renew our catechetical approach to teaching about the Sacrament of Eucharist.

Our day will be filled with Sacred Scripture, peaceful silence, artful calligraphy, and practical new ways to teach about the Eucharist. Register online.  
Saturdays from 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

\*January 14: Immaculate Heart of Mary, Papaikou, Hawaii

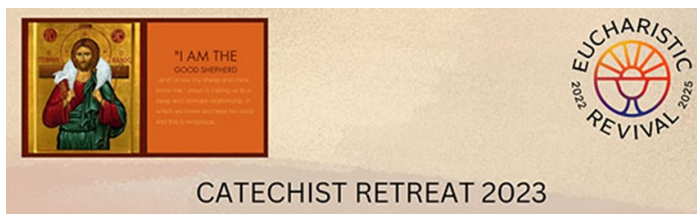
\*January 28: St. Theresa, Kihei, Maui

\*February 4: St. Stephen Diocesan Center, Oahu

\*March 11: St. Raphael, Kauai

\*March 25: St. Damien of Molokai, Molokai

\*April 29: Sacred Hearts, Lanai



CATECHIST RETREAT 2023

# MISCELLANEOUS CONTD.

## 2023 MARCH FOR LIFE INVITATION

Mon 1/2/2023 8:25 AM

To: Priests \* Deacons \* Respect Life Coordinators \* Knights of Columbus \* School Principals  
Others

From: Respect Life Office

Re: March for Life 2023

We request your active support to spread the word for the March for Life 2023 Activities: Thursday, January 19, 2023. 6:00 PM mass at St Theresa's Co-Cathedral followed by the "Culture of Life Rally at the State Capitol on Friday, January 20, 2023, beginning at 2:00 PM.

Further, we kindly request all priests and deacons mention and encourage attendance to these activities in their daily/weekly homilies. We also request that each parish and school, work with their respective Respect Life Coordinators to get the 'word' out on these activities by encouraging the youth and families to attend. Solidarity in the 'Culture of Life' is extremely important to demonstrate the importance of preserving the sanctity of life at all stages!

Val and I are personally delivering the "March for Life" Banners on Oahu. Banner delivery will be completed by Monday, January 2, 2023; please place this banner in a visible place and begin decorating your parish grounds and the "Unborn Memorial" with flowers and pinwheels. Banner to outer island will be mailed on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

Come join in the fun as we stand together in solidarity professing our faith and our belief that all life is precious from conception to natural death.

God bless you in your walk with Jesus!

*\*Deacon Gary and Valerie Streff*

(808) 673-3074



## PICTORIALS

Photos below: *Gloria Rodrigues* and *Doi Facuri* hang the banner for the "March for Life" and are ready to lead our parish in the march. Let's join the whole church in defending the sanctity of life especially of the unborn and the vulnerable.



# DIOCESAN NEWS ✦ ✦ ✦ DIOCESAN NEWS

## 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 inspire 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).



**Be Bold \* Be Catholic \* Be a Knight and Make a Difference!**



## 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.

## † REMEMBER IN PRAYER



❖ **GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Andrea Baptista \* Martin Hee \* Dolores Cabanit \* Fr Edgar \* Antonio D Mateo \* Rochelle Taylor \* Rosario Valdez \* Estelito Umblas \* Mike, Theresa & Marie Schwengler \* Nelia Puzon \* Rachel Soong \* Wilfred Soong \* Connie de Santos \* Cipriana Luczon \* Bruce Anguay \* Amando Sr & Palmas Flores \* Francisca Gascon \* Alfredo Jandoc \* Petronila Jandoc \* Jose Jandoc Jr \* Faith Ivy Claro \* Belen Quinto \* Rudy Balmilero \* Juliet Hobson \* Amando Flores Jr \* Vanessa Egan \* Roselani Ramones \* Logan Isidro \* Florentino & Jason Orcino \* Yvonne Fukumoto \* Maria Pascual \* Nicolas Ulep \* Imelda Ruaburo \* Ropati Liua \* Caridad Dagdagan \* Andy & Marina Torio \* Susan Reynon \* Marilou

Bruno \* Katrina Santos \* Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* Jesse Ulep \* George Calizar \* Jeanne Oshiro

❖ **BIRTHDAY:** Edna Gamiao \* Jose Rizal Go \* Minda Teocson \* Rayna Ann Teocson \* Bryan Andaya \* Jaymell Macalma \* Krystle T Parinas \* Fr Spa Silva \* Margaret Telles \* Lydia Felipe \* Brison Canoneo \* Miguel Canoneo \* Roselani Ramones \* Marilyn Chee \* Marichu Pe Benito \* Jacob Roberts \* Concepcion Castro \* Jeffrey Lucas \* Aiden Lucas \* Evangeline Trocio \* Daisy Serquinia \* Jeanne Oshiro \* Frankie Cabral \* Francisca Tabonda (98) \* Isabel Cadiz \* Armelita Canoneo

❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Renato & Corazon dela Rosa (43) \* Elias & Tina Fernandez (50) \* Ely & Andrea Aguada (50) \* Zosima (Revi) & +Alfredo Acidera (52) \* Emmanuel & Rose Belinda Artates (31) \* Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen \* Luis & Isidra Bautista (49) \* Alex & Marichu Pe Benito \* Roger & Aida Isidro (53) \* Rizal & Celerina "Mila" Fernandez (50)

❖ **SAFE TRIP & VACATION:** Sole family \* Mary Ann Goloran \* Armelita Canoneo

❖ **SPECIAL INTENTION & THANKSGIVING:** Thanksgiving – Veronica Shirai > Nazario & Alicia Balbuena > Joseph & Mila Llantero > Carlito & Aurelia Centino > Nelmina D Andrada > Thomas & Olivia Mita > Jessica Aguirre Asai > Jhon & June Genevieve Asai Aguirre > M/M Jaime Macalma > Alex & Marichu Pe Benito > Cora & Renato dela Rosa > Cora, Bryan Andaya & family > Clemente Fontanilla > M/M Liberato & Rosario Valdez & kids > Benny Acosta > Nato & Adoracion Laguer > Jun & Caridad Cortez > Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families > Teocson family > Cathy Purganan & family > Silver & Marivic Palting > Alex & Marichu Pe Benito

**Special intention** – Keisha Umblas \* Good health for Damon, Brielle & Kian \* Tom & Becky de Corte & the Kokua Ministry \* 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:** Pope Benedict XVI \* +Marcela Ulep \* +Macaria Pascual \* +Manuela Rebecca Cariaga \* +Avelina Orcino Fralade \* +Corazon Abaya \* +Ramon Bolanos \* +Mary Datu \* +Honorio Gamiao \* +Melecio Pinera \* +Edith, Henry, Anthony Santos \* +Joselito Tabios \* +Tessie Fontanilla \* +Romana Puzon \* +Roque Caraang \* +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas \* +Oriol, Dolores, Edgar, Amante, Larry, Jerry & Bert Aguinaldo \* +Teresa Vilorio \* +Oren Bernardino \* +Remigio Dasalla \* +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues \* +Purie Cortez \* +Victoriana Bacani ^ +Urbana Artates \* +Teodulo & Maximo Balbuena \* +Primitivo & Magdaleno Teves Sanchez \* +Tito Ulep \* +Glir Dagdagan \* +Filomena Galo Umblas \* +Felix Umblas \* +Rizza Eugena Bactol Go \* +Evangeline Magaoay Salvador \* +Elaine Cruz \* +Candido & Charlie Puzon \* +Cresencia Acosta \* +Cesario, Loreta & Maria Pascual \* +Ely, Rose & Alan Lee Purganan \* +Rose Garcia \* Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM \* +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic, wars, crimes & natural disasters \* +Holy Souls





# Mass INTENTIONS

**Jan 1 > 9:00am** Thanksgiving - *Jose Cadiz & family \* RM +Verlee Cadiz*

**Jan 1-9 > 7:00am/9:00am** RM +*Pope Benedict XVI*

**Jan 2-6 > 7:00am** RM +*Honorio Gamiao*

**Jan 2-10 > 7:00am/9:00am** RM +*Avelina Orcino Fralaide*

**Jan 3-5 > 7:00am** Thanksgiving - *Veronica Shirai \* Healing - Margaret Telles \* RM +Melecio Pinera; +Joselito Tabios: +Eliseo, +Romulo, & +Lourdes Brillantes; +Ferdinand Marcos*

**Jan 7 > 6:00pm** Healing & speedy recovery - *Andrea Baptista; Margaret Telles; Nelie Puzon; Those infected w/ covid-19 \* Thanksgiving - Carlito & Aurelia Centino; Felicidad Orsino; Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families \* Special intentions - Chester & Shantil Centino; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic & the war in Ukraine \* RM +Pope Benedict XVI; +Avelina Orcino Fralaide; +Victoriana Bacani; +Urbana Artates; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars & disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

**Jan 8 > 6:30am** Healing & Speedy recovery - *Cipriana Luczon; Nelie Puzon; Rochelle Taylor; Connie de Santos; Alfredo Jandoc; Petronila Jandoc; Amando & Palmas Flores; Logan Isidro; Caridad Dagdagan; Roselani Ramones \* Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero; Veronica Shirai \* Special intentions - For the end of the covid pandemic & war in Ukraine \* RM +Pope Benedict XVI; +Macaria Pascual; +Honorio Gamiao; +Romana Puzon; +Glir Dagdagan; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters*

**> 9:00am** Healing & speedy recovery - *Martin Hee; Francisca Gascon; Antonio Mateo; Estelito Umblas; Rosario Valdez; Florentino Orcino; Amando Flores Jr; Jose Jandoc Jr; Juliet Hobson; Rudy Balmilero; Imelda Ruaburo; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; Jeanne Oshiro; all those infected by the coronavirus disease \* Special intentions - For the end of the covid pandemic & the war in Ukraine \* Thanksgiving - Nazario & Alicia Balbuena; Veronica Shirai; Renato & Cora dela Rosa; Silver & Marivic Palting; Benny Acosta; Cathy Purganan; Thomas & Olivia Mita; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito \* RM +Pope Benedict XVI; +Marcela Ulep; +Avelina Orcino Fralaide; +Corazon Abaya; +Ramon Bolanos; +Mary Datu; +Macaria Pascual; +Manuela Rebecca Cariaga; +Oren Bernardino; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

**> 3:00pm (Santo Nino Fiesta Mass)** Thanksgiving - *Nazario & Alicia Balbuena; Santo Nino of Honolulu Devotional Group*

**Jan 9 > 7:00am** RM +*Pope Benedict XVI*

**Jan 9-10 > 7:00am** RM +*Avelina Orcino Fralaide*

**Jan 11 > 7:00am** RM +*Edith, Henry, Anthony Santos*

*\*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!*





**'OHANA IN CHRIST APPEAL**  
**'OIC Progress Report (7/1/22 - 1/5/23)**  
Clark, Mark  
Thu 1/5/2023 5:42 PM

**Aloha Pastors & Parish Staff,**

Happy New Year! And many blessings for all your efforts as we continue to track ahead of last year (*slightly*).

Special kudos to the five additional parishes that have met their goal over the last month:

**\*Holy Family, Honolulu \*Sacred Heart, Waianae \*St. John Vianney, Kailua \*St. Mary, Hana \*St. Stephen, Honolulu**

See preliminary report attached, including changes previously noted:

-Number of "Direct Gifts" no longer reflected

-leading parish in each Vicariate is highlighted

The report will also be posted at: <https://www.catholichawaii.org/12075>

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**\*Our Lady of the Mount Church** is given a set goal of \$8,181.00 for the "Ohana in Christ Appeal which we hope to raise between October 2022 and June 2023. So far, from July 1 to November 30, 2022, we have raised \$3,180.00 which is 39% of our goal. Big mahalo for your prayerful support and kind donation towards our parish goal. Let us all pitch in to this stewardship appeal of the Bishop and help in the various needs of our Diocese.



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

\*In the news, there is another covid strain coming out. While we should remain vigilant, 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\***



**\*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!





## 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

Maintenance and Grounds Keeper - *To be Announced*

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: Diena Peterson

Email: dpeterson@rcchawaii.org

Phone: (808)861-7660



# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FEAST DAY

- Jan 9 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
- Jan 13 Memorial of St. Hilary, bishop & doctor of the Church
- Jan 14 Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## OTHER

- Dec 30 - Jan 7, 2023 - Visayan Group 9-day Novena, 6:30 PM
- Jan 8, 2023 - 3:00 PM Fiesta Mass, Sinulog
- Jan 8 >Faith Formation classes resume after the 9:00 AM Mass
- >Filipino Catholic Club meeting after the 9:00 AM Mass
- Jan 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, holiday, Office is closed

## 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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## † OBITUARY

### +POPE BENEDICT XVI, 95

Death: December 31, 2022, at the Vatican City  
 Funeral Mass: January 5, 2023, 9:30am at the St. Peter's Basilica  
 Interment: January 5, 2023, at the Vatican Gardens

### +OREN PASCUA BERNARDINO, 93

Wake service: January 9, 2023, 6:30 PM, at Mililani Mortuary Mauka Chapel  
 Funeral Mass: January 15, 2023, 11:00am at St. Elizabeth Church, Aiea  
 Interment: January 15, 12:30 PM at Mililani-Waipio Memorial Park

### +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

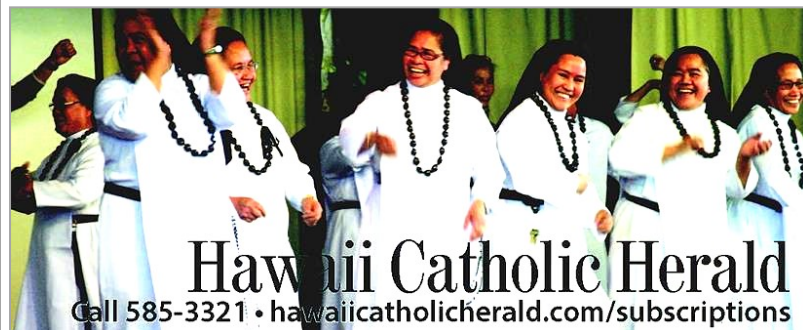
### +DESY SERNA IPALARI, 70

Funeral service: February 25, 2023, 10:30 AM, at Miliani-Mauka Mortuary Chapel  
 Interment: February 25, 11:30 AM at Mililani Memorial Park

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



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*(Laugh Out Loud)*  
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### OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Thu 9:00am-4:00pm \* Lunch 11:30am-12:30pm \* Fri 9:00am-11:30am.  
 Closed: Sat, Sun, Holy Days, State and Federal Holidays

### 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; 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 & spirituality.