

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

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



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❖ January 18-25 > Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ❖

❖ January 19-27 > 9 Days for Life ❖

❖ January 23 > Feast-day of St. Marianne Cope ❖

❖ January 23 > Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children ❖



NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL: 2022-2025

CATECHESIS: "Jesus is with us at the Mass"

Most of us are familiar with Jesus' promise that He is always with us, wherever two or three are gathered in His name. This is truer at Mass than at any other gathering or worship space. He is present with us on multiple levels. He is present in our communion with each other, mystically pouring out Himself through our common prayer. He is present in the priest, who acts in the person of Christ as he offers the body and blood of our blessed Lord on the altar to His Heavenly Father. He is present in the Word proclaimed from the scriptures by the lectors and by the deacon and priest, for He is the Word made flesh and is present whenever that Word is proclaimed. But above all else, He is most profoundly present in the Eucharist itself. Inside every host and every drop within the chalice is His body, blood, soul, and divinity. This is not a symbol or a metaphor, but His actual physical self. Yes, it looks like bread and tastes like it, but with our faith, we know that this is His body and blood. Within that body and blood, Jesus is alive and present. It is Jesus who we see on the altar, who we receive on our hands and on our tongue, and who we consume into our very bodies so that we can take Jesus with us as we depart from the walls of the church and go forth into the world. God is in no way distant from us when we gather to worship at Mass. Rather, He is there with us and is so close to us that He allows us to take Him into our very selves so that we can be one with Him.

*(Lifted from Diocese of Honolulu, Teaching Mass, January 8, 2023. Sent by Fr. Ace Tui)



"Let's be Eucharistic People"

*In this year of the National Eucharistic Revival we shall strive to 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**



UPCOMING

LITURGICAL EVENTS

- Feb 22 Ash Wednesday
- Feb 24 Stations of the Cross (Fri)
- Feb 26 First Sunday in Lent
- Mar 5 Second Sunday in Lent
- Mar 12 Third Sunday in Lent
- Mar 19 Fourth Sunday in Lent
- Mar 25 Annunciation of the Lord
- Mar 26 Fifth Sunday in Lent
- Apr 2 Palm Sunday
- Apr 6 Holy Thursday
- Apr 7 Good Friday
- Apr 9 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
- Apr 16 2nd Sunday of Easter and Sunday of Divine Mercy
- Apr 23 Third Sunday of Easter
- Apr 30 Fourth Sunday of Easter
- May 7 Fifth Sunday of Easter
- May 14 Sixth Sunday of Easter
- May 21 Ascension of the Lord
- May 28 Pentecost Sunday



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading
Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 146:6-10

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 1:26-41

Gospel
Matthew 5:1-12

FOCUS: Our salvation is at hand.

In today's Liturgy of the Word, we read about God's power to fulfill promises. Acknowledging the darkness of life prior to the Messiah, the prophets assure us that there has always been the promise of our salvation. The Gospel proclaims this direct fulfillment of the words in Isaiah, and we know that it is only the beginning of what Jesus sets out to do. Our salvation is at hand.

First Reading: *Isaiah 8:23-9:3*

Isaiah proclaims a new time, where once there was darkness and despair there will now be light and joy.

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17*

In the second reading, Paul urges unity among the community in Corinth, reminding them that the Church is one Church in Christ.

Gospel: *Matthew 4:12-23*

In the Gospel, Jesus begins his ministry in Galilee, preaching that the kingdom of heaven is at hand.



9 DAYS FOR LIFE: JANUARY 19-27, 2023

Pray to Protect Human Life!

The USCCB requests that this novena for human life, **9 Days for Life**, is prayed by each parish from Thursday, January 19 to Friday, January 27, 2023 (<https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>).

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

REFLECTION: God has carefully, tenderly created every person in His own image and likeness, to be in a loving relationship with Himself. From each tiny child knit within a mother's womb, to every person approaching death, all are loved perfectly and completely by God: "It is therefore a service of love which we are all committed to ensure to our neighbor, that his or her life may be always defended and promoted, especially when it is weak or threatened [emphasis added]" (Evangelium vitae 77). In a world in which those who are most vulnerable are so often overlooked and disregarded, Christ calls us to embrace and uphold the unconditional dignity of every human life. In answering this call, we help to build "a new culture of life, the fruit of the culture of truth and of love" (EV 77). May the Holy Spirit continually renew us as we strive to faithfully defend God's gift of life.

ONE STEP FURTHER: Watching the news and reading headlines, we may often feel helpless in the face of heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. When our efforts to make a difference feel small, it's important to remember that changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts. It includes a willingness to be instructed by the Holy Spirit and a desire to be close to Jesus—the source of joy and love. *How to Build a Culture of Life* briefly explains where to start: [respectlife.org/culture-of-life](https://www.respectlife.org/culture-of-life).

PRAYER: *"Every Life is Worth Living"*

Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.

Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**(The prayer is also available to order or download at [usccb.org/worth-living](https://www.usccb.org/worth-living). Copyright © 2022, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, D.C.)*

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS



FOLLOWING JESUS

We follow all sorts of people and organizations on social media. Friends. Celebrities. A favorite author, athlete, charity, or business. At times, we may think before following: do we want the additional postings or emails? Typically, following a business or celebrity does not require much of a commitment. We may or may not read every post that comes through on our feed. We might respond, or we may not. Even when we do, our response is often as simple as hitting the “like” button. Following Jesus is a very different sort of thing.

To follow Jesus means to enter into a relationship with him and to exercise good stewardship over that relationship. When Jesus asks us to follow him, we know that doing so is to have an impact in our lives. As with any friendship, if our relationship with Jesus is to grow, we will have to spend time with and pay attention to him. At first, this might mean taking a few moments at the beginning or end of each day for prayer.

We may be more attentive during Mass; we may pause in the midst of our day’s activities to notice the beauty of creation, the blessing of family and friends, the gift of kindness and patience shared among co-workers. The best of friends also influence each other, for the better. Growing in relationship with Jesus will change us, leading us to think of others as well as ourselves, often putting the needs of others first. We learn to be mindful of those who need to know God’s love through our actions, serving them, sharing forgiveness, mercy, compassion, and faith.

Following Jesus is the work of a lifetime. At every step forward, one is challenged to go further in accepting and loving God’s will. Being a disciple is not just something else to do, alongside many other things suitable for Christians; it is a total way of life and requires continuing conversion (*Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response*, p. 15).

How will you follow Jesus now and into the future? How will you learn from and invite him to have an impact in your life? How will your stewardship of this relationship impact the way you live?

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



'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.catholicahawaii.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 July 2022 and June 2023. So far, from July 1 to January 5, 2023, we have raised \$7,890.00 which is 96% of our goal. Big mahalo for your prayerful support and kind donation towards beating our parish goal. Let us all pitch in to this stewardship appeal of the Bishop and help in the various important needs of our Diocese.



MASS ATTENDANCE

	1/14-15/23	1/7-8/23
Sat 6:00pm	53A+0C	47A+0C
Sun 6:30am	56A+0C	64A+1C
Sun 9:00am	80A15C	80A+15C
Sun 3:00pm Santo Nino Mass	190A+20C	

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

	1/14-15/23	1/7- 8/23
Offertory	\$ 2,840.79	\$ 3,289.20
Initial Offering	\$ 79.00	\$ 99.00
Santo Nino	\$ 1,109.00	
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 30.00	\$ 45.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,353.00
Funeral	\$ 400.00	
Mass Intentions	\$ 60.00	\$ 20.00
Religious Article		\$ 17.00
Candles	\$ 105.00	\$ 90.00
Total	\$ 4,723.79	\$ 4,913.20

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.

*Generous gifts to the Parish Fund & Repair & Maintenance Fund on Christmas and New Year came from *Alvin & Jane Baron* and *William & Mitronia Amoroso* with \$1000 donations each. *Omnia ad maiorem dei gloriam (All for the greater glory of God)!*

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

*****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 Daligon* for being the first to step up to donate for this project in the amount of \$2000.00.

> 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.

❖**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 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 * Marlyn 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! ❖

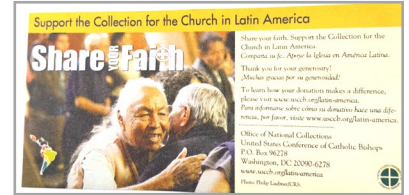


MISCELLANEOUS

SECOND COLLECTION – JANUARY 21-22

*COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA: "Share Your Faith"

Supporting this collection will make our Catholic faith a living reality for young people throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. It helps the Church to form true disciples who eagerly and knowledgeably share the love of Christ with their families, friends and neighbors. Guiding and strengthening young people's faith involves helping them fully live it through prayers, study, fellowship and service. The formation and outreach for youth leaders has taken this approach, combining seminars and workshops as well as activities that build community and help participants to serve the sick and imprisoned.



*BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION: "Building Our Mission to the Missions"

This collection exists to help diocesan communities to build up the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God. Their important priorities include - Enlivening parish life and catechesis * Empowering evangelizers * Helping educators reach kids * Encouraging vocations.



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



2023 MARCH FOR LIFE

The OLM parishioners, *Fran Kovaloff*, *Gloria Rodrigues* and *Corazon Orcino*, attended the *Mass for Life* on January 19, 2023, 6:00 PM at the Co-Cathedral of St Theresa. The "Culture of Life Rally" at the State Capitol followed on Friday, January 20, 2023, beginning at 2:00 PM. They duly represented our parish as Respect Life Coordinators. Solidarity in the 'Culture of Life' is extremely important to demonstrate the importance of preserving the sanctity of life at all stages!



The "March for Life" Banner is hanging conspicuously on our parish hall side facing the parking lot. An "Unborn Memorial" plaque will soon be put up by the *Knights of Columbus* in support of the culture of life and to remind us to pray for the unborn children murdered thru abortion.

The US Bishops issued the "9 Days for Life" which is a novena of reflection and prayers and suggested actions to support the protection of human life.

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

God bless us all in our walk with Jesus!



January 22 – Corporate Mass * Holy Rosary * Business Meeting
Be Bold * Be Catholic * Be a Knight and Make a Difference!

✪ ✪ ✪ VIVAT JESUS! ✪ ✪ ✪



† REMEMBER IN PRAYER



❖ **GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Seitas Ah Kui * Lahaina S Shary * Palmas & Amando Flores * Sheila Bactol * Amando Flores Jr * Paolo Castillo * Juanita Palting Cacanindin * Nazario Balbuena * Estelito Umblas * Andrea Baptista * Martin Hee * Dolores Cabanit * Antonio Diego Mateo * Rochelle Taylor * Rosario Valdez * Mike, Theresa & Marie Schwengler * Nelie Puzon * Rachel Soong * Wilfred Soong * Connie de Santos * Cipriana Luczon * Bruce Anguay * Francisca Gascon * Alfredo Jandoc * Petronila Jandoc * Jose Jandoc Jr * Faith Ivy Claro * Belen Quinto * Rudy Balmilero * Juliet Hobson * 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:** Herminia Ferrer (91) * Connie de Santos * Doren Gruenhagen * Anjelica Mathis * Emmanuel Artates * Jesus Eusebio Balmores * Amanda Valdez * Feao Sole * Kit Samson * Alex

Pe Benito * Eugene Arucan * Liberato Valdez III * Edna Gamiao * Jose Rizal Go * Minda Teocson * Rayna Ann Teocson * Bryan Andaya * Jaymell Macalma * Krystle T Parinas * Fr Spa Silva * Margaret Telles * Lydia Felipe

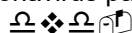
❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Maria Luisa Montaus (39) * Adriano & Norma Daligcon (45) * Isidro & Tina Lumabao (60) * Renato & Corazon dela Rosa (43) * Elias & Tina Fernandez (50) * Ely & Andrea Aguada (50) * Zosima (Revi) & Alfredo Acidera (52) * Emmanuel & Rose Belinda Artates (31) * Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen * Luis & Isidra Bautista (49)

❖ **SAFE TRIP & VACATION:** Silverio Palting * Fermin & Luida Susa * Jun & Caridad Cortez * Cathy Purganan * Adriano & Norma Daligcon * Mary Ann Goloran

❖ **SPECIAL INTENTION & THANKSGIVING:** **Thanksgiving** – Jose & Fe Go > Emmanuel & Rose Belinda Artates > Armelita Canoneo > M/M Jaime Macalma > 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

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 * +Marie Adam * +Theresa Nuoc Tri * +Arsenio L Balmores * +Dominator Cacpal Sr * +Vernon Cabasag * +Arcadio Cabatu * +Richard (Sonny) Peralta * +Tyler Paul Peralta * +Fr Lawrence Mampaey * +Adeline (Addie) Freitas * +Epigenia Alconcel * +Elsa Cabana * +Constantino Alconcel * +Estrelita Alconcel * +Orlando Alconcel * +Donato Culanay Jr * +Cecilia & Manuel Medeiros * +Norberto Montaus Jr * +Pedro Artates * +Betty Santiago * +Sr Joanna Connolly, SHF * +Ely Purganan * +Rosario Purganan * +Loreta Pascual * +Cesario Pascual * +Alan Lee Purganan * +Marcela Ulep * +Macaria Pascual * +Manuela Rebecca Cariaga * +Julian Lacuesta * +Evangeline Magaoay Salvador * +Corazon Abaya * +Ramon Bolanos * +Mary Datu * +Honorio Gamiao * +Melecio Pinera * +Avelina Orcino Fralade * +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 * +Victoriana Bacani * +Urbana Artates * +Teodulo & Maximo Balbuena * +Primitivo & Magdalena Teves Sanchez * +Tito Ulep * +Glir Dagdagan * +Filomena Galo Umblas * +Felix Umblas * +Romulo, +Eliseo, +Lourdes Brillantes * +Ferdinand Marcos * +Rizza Eugena Bactol Go * +Elaine Cruz * +Cresencia Acosta * +Rose Garcia * Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM * +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic, wars, crimes & natural disasters * +Holy Souls



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.



Mass INTENTIONS

Jan 16 > 7:00am Healing - Nazario Balbuena; Andrea Baptista; Doi Facuri * Good health - Damon, Kian & Brielle * RM +Pedro Artates

Jan 16-22 > 7:00am RM +Arsenio L Balmores

Jan 17 > 7:00am Healing - Antonio Diego Mateo; Nazario Balbuena; Andrea Baptista * RM +Betty Santiago; +Melecio Pinera

Jan 17-25 > 7:00am Successful surgery & healing - Juanita Palting Cacanindin;

Jan 18 > 7:00am Healing - Antonio Diego Mateo; Nazario Balbuena * RM +Sr Joanna Connolly, SHF; +Melecio Pinera; +Marie Adam; +Theresa Nuoc Tri

Jan 18-25 > 7:00am Special intention - Christian Unity

Jan 19 > 7:00am Safe trip - Fermin & Luida Susa; Jun & Caridad Cortez; Silver & Marivic Palting * Birthday - Kit Samson * Heal-ing - Paolo Castillo * RM +Cecilia & Manuel Medeiros; +Melecio Pinera; +Marie Adam; +Theresa Nuoc Tri

Jan 19-27 > 7:00am Special intention - Respect for Life and legal protection of the unborn

Jan 20 > 7:00am Birthday - Emmanuel Artates; Herminia Ferrer (91) * Thanksgiving - Emmanuel & Rose Belinda Artates

Jan 20-28 > 7:00am Thanksgiving - Herminia Ferrer (91st birthday)

Jan 21-Feb 18 (Saturday Vigil Mass only) > 6:00pm Safe trip - Jun & Caridad Cortez

Jan 21 > 6:00pm Good health - Damon, Kian & Brielle * Healing & speedy recovery - Andrea Baptista; Margaret Telles; Bruce Anguay; Those infected w/ covid-19 * Safe trip - Jun & Caridad Cortez * Thanksgiving - 81st Women's Cursillo of Hawaii; Herminia Ferrer; Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families * Special intentions - Chester & Shantil Centino; Respect for Life and legal protection of the unborn; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic & the war in Ukraine * RM +Pope Benedict XVI; +Vernon Cabasag; +Arcadio Cabatu; +Pedro Artates; +Victoriana Bacani; +Urbana Artates; +Arsenio Balmores; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars & disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

Jan 22 > 6:30am Healing & Speedy recovery - Cipriana Luczon; Nelie Puzon; Rochelle Taylor; Connie de Santos; Alfredo Jandoc; Petronila Jandoc; Logan Isidro; Caridad Dagdagan; Roselani Ramones * Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero; Herminia Ferrer * Safe trip - Fermin & Luida Susa * Special intentions - Respect for Life and legal protection of the unborn; For the end of the covid pandemic & war in Ukraine * RM +Pope Benedict XVI; +Arsenio Balmores; +Dominador Cacpal Sr; +Macaria Pascual; +Glir Dagdagan; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters

> 9:00am Healing & speedy recovery - Seitas Ah Kui; Lahaina Shary; Nazario Balbuena; Palmas & Amando Flores; Sheila Bactol; Amando Flores Jr; Estelito Umblas; Antonio Diego Mateo; Rosario Valdez; Florentino Orcino; Jose Jandoc Jr; Juliet Hobson; Rudy Balmilero; Imelda Ruaburo; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; Jeanne Oshiro; all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Safe trip - Cathy Purganan; Silver Palting * Special intentions - For the OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935; For Respect for Life and legal protection of the unborn; For the end of the covid pandemic & the war in Ukraine * Thanksgiving - Jose & Fe Go; Nazario & Alicia Balbuena; Francisca Gascon & family; Armelita Canoneo; M/M Jaime Macalma; Renato & Cora dela Rosa; Silver & Marivic Palting; Benny Acosta; Thomas & Olivia Mita; Alex & Marichu Pe Benito * RM +Pope Benedict XVI; +Pilar, Sinforoso, Lutgarda & Rizza Eugena Go; +Marie Adam; +Theresa Nuoc Tri; +Epigenia, Constantino, Estrelita & Orlando Alconcel; +Elsa Cabana; +Norberto Montaus Jr; +Arsenio Balmores; +Donato Culanay Jr; +Manuela Cariaga; +Corazon Abaya; +Ramon Bolanos; +Mary Datu; +Oren Bernardino; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

Jan 23 > 7:00am RM +Ely Purganan

Jan 23-25 > 7:00am Successful surgery & healing - Juanita Cacanindin * Special intention - Christian unity

Jan 23-28 > 7:00am Thanksgiving - Herminia Ferrer (91st birthday)

Jan 23-27 > 7:00am Special intention - Respect for Life and legal protection of the unborn

Jan 26 > 7:00am RM +Rosario Purganan

Jan 27 > 7:00am Birthday - Anjelica Mathis

Jan 28 > 6:00pm RM +Loreta Pascual; +Lawrence Mampaey

Jan 28-Feb 18 (Saturday Vigil Mass only) > 6:00pm Safe trip - Jun & Caridad Cortez

Jan 29 > 6:30am Birthday - Doren Gruenhagen * RM +Adeline Freitas

> 9:00am Birthday - Jesus Eusebio Balmores

Jan 31 > 7:00am Birthday - Connie de Santos (97) * RM +Richard (Sonny) Peralta; +Tyler Paul Peralta

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

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!



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.



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.

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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

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEAST DAY

- Jan 23** >Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
>St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
>St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr
- Jan 24** Memorial of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- Jan 25** Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
- Jan 26** Memorial of Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
- Jan 27** Memorial of St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Jan 28** Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

OTHER

- Jan 19-27** 9-Days for Life Novena, all Masses
- Jan 22** >Knights of Columbus, Corp, Mass, 9AM
>Happy Chinese New Year
- Jan 26** Mother of Perpetual Help holy hour prayers and rosary, 7:00pm
- Jan 27** Santo Nino holy hour prayers and rosary, 6:30pm

† 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 St. Peter's Basilica Crypt



+MELECIO PINERA, 89
 Funeral Mass: January 19, 2023, 11:30 AM, at St. Elizabeth Church, Aiea
 Interment: January 19, 1:30 PM at Mililani Memorial Park

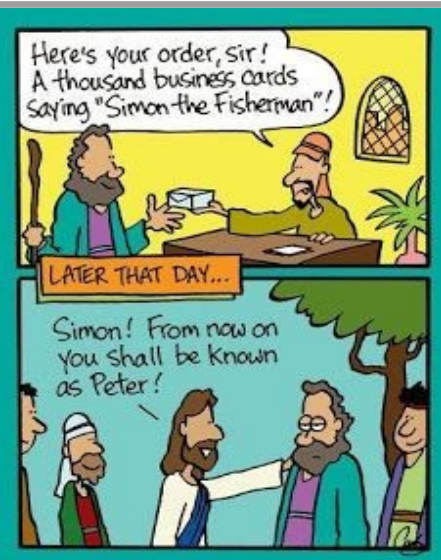
+MARIA GOLORAN, 61
 Memorial Mass: February 1, 2023, 5:30 PM at OLM Church

+NORMA ARSENAL RECTA, 61
 Funeral service: February 8, 2023, 12:00 Noon, at Valley of the Temples Main Chapel
 Interment: February 8, 1:00 PM at Valley of the Temples Mem. Park

+REMIGIO DURLAO, 73
 Wake service: February 9, 2023, 6:30 PM, at Valley of the Temples Chapel
 Funeral Mass: February 10, 2023, 11:00 AM, at Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
 Interment: Feb 10, 1:00 PM, at Valley of the Temples Mem. Park

+DESY SERNA IPALARI, 70
 Funeral service: February 25, 2023, 10:30 AM, at Mililani-Mauka Mortuary Chapel
 Interment: February 25, 11:30 AM at Mililani Memorial Park

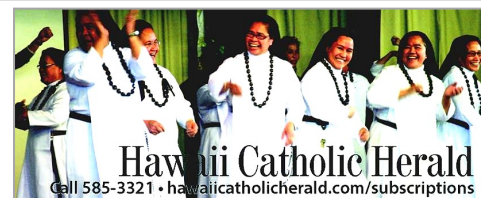
+JULIAN SACAYANAN LACUESTA, 100
 Funeral service: March 13, 2023, 10:00 AM, at Mililani-Makai Mortuary Chapel
 Interment: March 13, 1:00 PM, at Valley of the Temples Mem. Park
"Eternal rest grant unto the faithful departed, O Lord."
 Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.



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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.