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† Celebrating 153 years and renewing our faith in grateful stewardship! †



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Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



The woman at the well.
John 4:45-42



Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio



A Blessed Lent To All



Come & celebrate the -
Feast of St. Patrick - March 17
Stations of the Cross - March 17 & every Friday of Lent at 7:00 PM

STEWARDSHIP SAINT FOR MARCH > SAINT PATRICK

Saint Patrick, the "apostle to Ireland," is one of the world's most famous and celebrated saints. His missionary zeal arguably matched that of Saint Paul, whose missionary activities, though oftentimes a severe struggle, remained in the territories governed by Roman law. Saint Patrick, however, was the first recorded Christian missionary to evangelize beyond the bounds of Roman rule and into the darkness of what was then considered the end of the earth.

"Patricius" was born in Roman Britain around 385. His father was a public official and church deacon. He was kidnapped by Irish slave traders while in his mid-teens and forced into slavery; herding sheep on remote Irish hillsides under harsh conditions. Spending most of his time in solitude, he grew to trust in God and embrace a life of prayer. After six years, he made a dangerous and harrowing escape over land and sea that finally resulted in a return to his parents. They found him, at age 22, a serious visionary who sought holiness and friendship with Christ.

Patrick entered the priesthood, and in time, was sent to evangelize the Irish. He was appointed the bishop of Ireland in 435 and established his see at Armagh in the north.

The Irish were known to be wild, unrestrained and corrupt. But Patrick's success in making converts to Christianity was nothing less than astonishing, even to him. He traveled to most parts of Ireland, winning the hearts of the Celtic people by his deep faith, humility, simplicity and pastoral care. He took great measures to incorporate pagan rituals into his teachings on Christianity. Since the ancient Celts honored their gods with fire, Patrick used bonfires to celebrate Easter; and he placed the sun, a powerful Celtic symbol, around the Christian cross to create the now familiar Celtic cross.

Patrick's profound witness to the Gospel eventually brought an end to human sacrifices, trafficking of women, and slavery in general. He is the first person in recorded history to publicly oppose slavery; a protest that would not be taken up again for another millennium.

His writings reveal a keen understanding of stewardship as well. He wrote that whatever good he had been able to accomplish on behalf of the Lord, in his "meager, unlearned, and sinful state ... has been a gift from God." Over the centuries, Irish immigrants would spread their devotion to Saint Patrick as they established the Catholic faith around the world. He is thought to have died on March 17, 461, the date which became his feast day.

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Dispensation for St. Patrick's Day, 2023



Many people enjoy celebrating *St. Patrick's Day*, March 17, with corned beef and cabbage. In light of this tradition, *Bishop Silva* dispenses from the obligation of Lenten Friday abstinence from meat any Catholic living in or visiting the Diocese of Honolulu (State of Hawaii) for that day only. Those who take advantage of this dispensation should choose another day that week to abstain from meat.



Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Next Sunday's Reading Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

First Reading 1 Samuel 16:1. 6-7, 10-13	Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23:1-6
Second Reading Ephesians 5:8-14	Gospel John 9:1-41

FOCUS: *If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

Just as Jesus approaches the outcast Samaritan woman at the well with intimate knowledge of her history and her heart, so, too, does Christ approach us. He comes with the offer of living water that will forever satiate our thirst if only we soften our hearts to hear his voice.

First Reading: *Exodus 17:3-7*

In the first reading, the people are thirsty and complaining. Moses strikes a rock with his staff, and God provides flowing water for the people to drink.

Second Reading: *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*

Paul writes to the Romans that *we have been justified by faith*. In God's great love he sent Christ to die for sinners.

Gospel: *John 4:5-42*

In the Gospel, Jesus encounters a woman by a well in Samaria. He speaks of living water and knows her past; she believes he is the Messiah.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus' longest-recorded conversation with anyone is the one he has with the Samaritan woman at the well. She discovers she can be honest with Jesus and goes and tells others about him. She gives witness. She's not the most certain, thorough or even convincing witness. But her witness is enough. It is inviting, humble, non-judgmental and sincere. What is the quality of our witness? How do our words and actions give daily testimony on behalf of Christ? During this season of Lent, how might we do a better job at proclaiming the risen Lord in word and deed?

It is fitting that on this Lenten season of repentance we observe our traditional devotions of making the **Stations of the Cross**, participate in the **Rice Bowl** program under the auspices of the Catholic Relief Services of the US Bishops, and celebrate the **Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation**. The Stations of the Cross is held every Friday at 7:00 PM. The Lenten Confessions at OLM was done on March 9. For those who did not make it can always go to the neighboring churches when other priests come to help out with the Confessions. Whenever we have the opportunity let us observe the traditional Lenten disciplines of praying, fasting and almsgiving.

We invite every parishioner, young and adults, to join our services in church and make this season meaningful and spiritually fruitful to all of us.



LENTEN PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

On March 9, Thursday we celebrated our Lenten confessions at OLM. The communal service was preceded by a short video presentation titled "FORGIVEN" by Formed. We do appreciate the presence of the priest-confessors who came to help – *Fr. Paul Li* of St. Philomena Church, Salt Lake; *Fr. Mario Raquero* of St. Stephen Church in Nuuanu Valley and *Fr. Leonard Tubana*, Associate Pastor at Our Lady of Peace Cathedral-Basilica. Our priests, *Fr. Adrian* and *Fr. Edgar*, led the service. Below is the schedule of Penance services in the other churches of West Honolulu Vicariate:



Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa	March 14 @ 7:00 PM
St. Anthony	March 15 @ 7:00 PM
St. Stephen	March 22 @ 6:30 PM
St. Philomena	March 23 @ 6:00 PM
Blessed Sacrament	March 28 @ 7:00 PM
Cathedral-Basilica of Our Lady of Peace	April 1 @ 10:00 AM
St. John the Baptist	Every Friday during Lent @ 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Holy Family	Every Thurs @ 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM
Korean Catholic Community	Every day and or by appointment
Vietnamese Catholic Community	Regular schedule

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

Stewardship and the Power to be Transformed

*By Leisa Anslinger



The Lenten season is a perfect time to reflect on how you were first introduced to stewardship as a way of life. When did this spirituality first begin to shape the way you live, the decisions you make, and the way in which your faith directs your daily life? I have been thinking about this quite often of late, as I have reflected on the potential each of us has to touch others with the stewardship message.

Many years ago now, a friend who worked in publishing and I were talking about parish life. I was fumbling around, trying to explain the impact that stewardship was having on our parishioners and on the parish. My friend suddenly stopped me and said, "Well of course this is happening! Stewardship can really change our lives, can it not?" His comment broke through my stumbling thoughts, as his remark echoed the U.S. bishops' insight in *Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*. At the very beginning of the bishops' pastoral letter they write: "Stewardship is an expression of discipleship that has the power to change how we understand and live out our lives." What stunned me about my friend's comment was how passionately he expressed his understanding and how clearly he saw this. I realized that my experience of him as a giving and generous person was a result of his growth as a steward. His witness in the course of an everyday conversation between friends has remained with me for over ten years, and has urged me on in times when my own "disciple's response" has seemed weak or lagging.

It seems to me that if we are to lead others along the stewardship journey, we must ourselves live, grow and allow ourselves to be transformed by the power of stewardship. We must be prepared to witness to the ways in which stewardship has changed how we "understand and live out our lives." We may never know the impact our personal sharing or ministerial coordination will have on others, but I can tell you from my own experience of being touched by my friend that the potential is there for us to truly make a difference. What is your story? With whom might you share it during this Lenten season?

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STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR LENT

God of mercy,

You have given us this special time to reflect on our lives, embrace the Good News and draw closer to You.

During this season of Lent, help us use this time to fast and pray, be more generous and show others how to live in Christ.

Let us see each day of this season as a new opportunity to renew our lives and gain a deeper appreciation of Your active presence in our hearts and our community of faith.

Give us the grace to see Your face in others, especially the poor and those who suffer. And through your Spirit, enkindle in us the fire of Your love

so that we may be better stewards of Your redeeming work throughout the world.

We ask this through Jesus, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

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MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>2/25-26/23</u>	<u>3/4-5/23</u>
Sat 6:00pm	55A+2C	57A+4C
Sun 6:30am	56A+0C	55A+0C
Sun 9:00am	113A+22C	90A+35C

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING



	<u>2/25-26/23</u>	<u>3/4-5/23</u>
Offertory	\$ 4,049.00	\$ 4,433.55
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 15.00	\$ 698.00
Donation		\$ 130.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 1,744.00	\$ 20.00
Faith Formation	\$ 135.00	
Baptism		\$ 150.00
Funeral		\$ 400.00
Marriage		\$ 300.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 20.00	\$ 160.00
Candles		❖ WEDDING: Ed
Ryan Balbuena & Keila Lee	\$ 136.00	
Total	<u>\$ 5,963.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,427.55</u>



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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP



2022 Annual Stewardship Report: Message to Parishes

Dear Members of the Body of Christ,
Peace be with you!

As we continue our Eucharistic Revival throughout the United States, I am happy to present to you the 2022 Stewardship Report for the Diocese of Honolulu. It indicates just a fraction of the ways that all of you take seriously your understanding that you are truly members of the Body of Christ, who is present and active in the world today. In the Eucharist, we the members of the Body, with our diverse gifts and talents, come into intimate and holy communion with the Head of the Body and with each other. This weekly gathering for worship is essential to the mission of making Jesus Christ and his healing love present in the world, because in the Mass we encounter his Real Presence and go forth from there to continue his presence in the world.

We thank all of you who have contributed of your time, talent and treasure to your parishes, to the diocese, and to service of our community. Some do so as catechists, whether in the intimate setting of the home or in classrooms. Some serve by evangelizing the culture, bringing the light of Christ to a world that sometimes walks in darkness, whether by influencing legislators to enshrine a respect for all life in our laws or by working to eliminate chronic poverty and its root causes. Some offer much needed human support for those who suffer spiritually or emotionally, whether by offering a compassionate ear, preparing a meal at a difficult time, or praying and fasting for someone in need. Some clean our places of worship or give their money to help build and maintain them. We have many diverse gifts of time, talent and treasure, but you use them all to continue the work of the risen Lord Jesus by proclaiming the Kingdom of God.

We thank you for the support you give your parishes, but also for the support of the larger Ohana of the Diocese of Honolulu! As good stewards of all that is entrusted to us, we offer you this report of our diocesan services in 2022, and we give “thanks and praise” to God for all of you!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva, Bishop of Honolulu

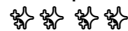


‘OHANA IN CHRIST

MESSAGE: A VITAL FUNDRAISER

This year, the Annual Diocesan Stewardship Report includes a spotlight on ‘Ohana in Christ, the annual appeal for the Catholic Church in Hawaii. Now in its second year, this important fundraiser is vital to diocesan operations along with the other sources of revenue listed in the charts on these pages. The need for additional funding arose with the ending of With Grateful Hearts, the previous capital campaign, as well as the severe impact of the COVID pandemic on parish collections. In turn, Bishop Larry Silva reduced parish assessments (the money parishes contribute to the diocese every year) to provide relief to parishes while maintaining nearly all diocesan operations. At the same time, Bishop Silva formed a special committee to explore new ways to meet the mounting financial challenge while keeping parish assessments low. The committee — made up of clergy, staff and lay leaders — considered another With Grateful Hearts-type campaign, launching an annual appeal like most other Catholic dioceses, or cutting costs by reducing ministries, programs and services. Bishop Silva wants to broaden financial support among the faithful. But even more he wants to raise awareness among island Catholics of the Church’s overall mission and the scope of its work across the Islands. Emphasizing the spirit of stewardship and our gratitude for God’s many blessings to our Hawaii family, it was decided to build on the existing Bishop’s Circle appeal, rebranding it as ‘Ohana in Christ, and asking each parish to accept the challenge of meeting an assigned target. In its first year, ‘Ohana in Christ delivered nearly \$1 million for the Catholic Church in Hawaii. A big MAHALO to all the parishes and the thousands of donors for your generous support. Special kudos to the parishes that met their target goal, as well as those parishes over the finish line so far this year. For more details and ways to contribute, please refer to the FAQs and progress update included in this report.

*By *Mark Clark*, Director of the Diocesan Office for Stewardship and Development.



‘OHANA IN CHRIST PROGRESS REPORT (As of February 28, 2023)

Wed 3/1/2023 2:47 PM

MAHALO Pastors & Parish Staff,

We continue to track slightly ahead of last year (+2.3%) as 18 parishes have now met/exceeded their target goal.

The preliminary report is posted at: <https://www.catholicahawaii.org/12075>

Special congratulations to these parishes recently over the top:

>Holy Rosary, Pahala>St. Anthony of Padua, Kailua>St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani>St. Philomena, Honolulu>St. Roch, Kahuku

>In this report **Our Lady of the Mount** has increased its contribution to \$9,360. It’s 114% of our goal of \$8,181.00.

Thanks again and let me know of any questions or requests for assistance.

Mark Clark

Stewardship & Development*808-203-6723



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CONGRATULATIONS, FR. ADRIAN HAPPY 56TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY!

MARCH 18 - We join Fr. Adrian Gervacio, our Pastor-emeritus at OLM, in praising and thanking God for the gift of the priesthood. May God bless Father with good health and abundant happiness and joy for his continued dedicated service of God's people.



NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL: 2022-2025



"Let's be Eucharistic People"

*We are in the midst of the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Eucharistic Revival, in which we are challenged to deepen our love for the great gift of the Eucharist in the life of the Church.

*And so in this year of the National Eucharistic Revival we shall focus and strive to make the Holy Eucharist the center of our celebrations as a faith community. In the Liturgy of the Word, we listen to the Word of God himself, given to us in the Sacred Scriptures. In the Liturgy of the Eucharist, we receive the Lord who gives His own Body and Blood as our spiritual nourishment during our earthly pilgrimage.

*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 as good stewards with steadfast zeal and dedication.

*May the season of Lent be truly grace-filled and meaningful for every one of us.

SECOND COLLECTION > CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

*March 18-19, 2023

"Reveal Christ's Love"

Your support will assist organizations that provide housing for victims of natural disasters, pastoral ministries to travelers and migrants who lack consistent access to the sacramental life of a parish community, legal services to immigrants and asylum seekers and refugees displaced by the violence of war.

Thank you for revealing Christ's love to people living on the margins of society.

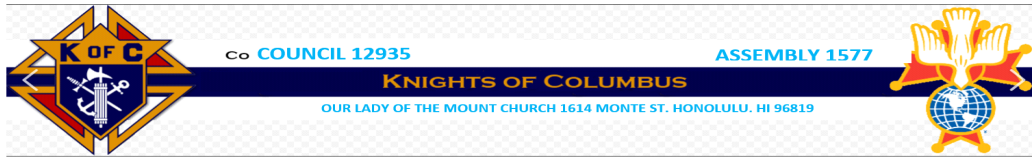
SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

HELP Jesus IN DISGUISE

The Catholic Relief Services Collection assists the vulnerable and marginalized around the world while promoting the sacredness of human life and the dignity of the human person.

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Be Bold * Be Catholic * Be a Knight and Make a Difference!
 ✨ ✨ ✨ VIVAT JESUS! ✨ ✨ ✨

40-DAYS FOR LIFE

*February 22-April 2

40 DAYS FOR LIFE
PRAY to END ABORTION
 February 22 - April 2
 "Join the Worldwide Mobilization to pray and fast to end abortion"

Through prayer and fasting | Community outreach | Peaceful all day vigil

40 days for life impact:
 1 million Volunteers | 9207 Campaigns | 20,000 Churches

With God's answered prayers:
 22,829 Babies saved from Abortion | 247 Abortion Workers quit | 132 Abortion centers closed

HELP SAVE LIVES please make a donation

Join us to pray 1 hour a week in front of the local abortion facility.
Sign up online or call us:
 Pray on the sidewalk outside:
 Planned Parenthood
 839 S. Beretania Street
 Honolulu, HI 96813

Praying Hours:
 7:00 am-7:00 pm daily
 February 22-April 2, 2023
 Spring Lenten Vigil

Sign-up to pray at:
www.40daysforlife.com/honolulu

For info, contact:
 Anne, 808-268-7143
anne40dfl@gmail.com or
 Agnes, amalavida.honolulu@gmail.com

40 Days for Life begins on Wednesday, February 22nd and runs through Sunday, April 2nd.

40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses.

To sign-up to pray in Honolulu, please visit www.40daysforlife.com/honolulu.

Learn more about **40 Days for Life** at www.40daysforlife.com.



PATHWAYS TO HOLINESS: RETREAT FOR YOUTH

Saturday, March 25, 2023
at 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
St. Stephen Diocesan Center,
Kaneohe

This retreat will help teens understand their current universal vocation and explore the possibilities of their personal vocations through the lives of the saints. Cost is only \$10 per person. We do have a limited number of scholarships available. If needed, please contact the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

More information here: <https://www.catholichawaii.org/ooyam/ym/retreat>. Retreat hosted by the Office of Vocations and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

Pathways to Holiness
for youth in grades 7-12
March 25, 2023
 at St. Stephen Diocesan Center (6301 Pali Hwy.)
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

More Info

Questions? Contact the OYYAM at ooyam@rcchawaii.org

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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.



REMINDERS IN THE TIME OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

*In the news recently, the President has set May 11 as the lifting up of the national public health emergency protocols versus the covid scourge. While we still remain vigilant and protective of ourselves, as we should, 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.

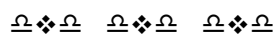
At the same time, she took prudent precautions of hygiene to assure that she and her Sisters would not be infected.

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!



† REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖ **GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Palei Sole * M Beltran * Lisiata Sole * Annie Ragus * Consolacion Caraang * Antonio Valdez * Michael Schwengler Jr * Belen Quinto * Antonio Valdez * Melissa Fernandez * John Victorino * John & Merilene Karratti-Abordo * Janice Vannatta * Latai Holeva Manupuna * Rachel Soong * Matea Ranit * Seitasi Ah Kui * Bobbie Walker * Petronila Jandoc * Jose Jandoc Jr * Palmas & Amando Flores * Sheila Bactol * Amando Flores Jr * Juanita Palting Cacanindin * Nazario Balbuena * Estelito Umblas * Dolores Cabanit * Rochelle Taylor * Rosario Valdez * Mike, Theresa & Marie Schwengler * Nelie Puzon * Wilfred Soong * Cipriana Luczon * Bruce Anguay * Francisca Gascon * Alfredo Jandoc * Faith Ivy Claro * 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 * Alfonso & Mary Villanueva * Jesse Ulep * George Calizar * Jeanne Oshiro



❖ **BIRTHDAY:** Emeline Chesser * Clemente Fontanilla * Sr Clemence Mira SPC * Coby Jay Jacinto * Walter Caraang * Medy Macalma * Diena Peterson * Ador Padilla * Guillermo Bacani * Kian Chesser * Brenton & Brandilyn Aczon * Grace Gumban * Avalyne Andaya * Wilson Montemayor * Ryan Mita * Angelita Sera * Adoracion Laguer * Grelyn Rosario * Steven Schwengler * Chato Valdez * Audrey Peralta * Aldirico Peralta * Tony Peterson * Kalolo Tuihalafatai * Florencio Sipalay * Vangie Bacani * Andrea Baptista * Tita Calizar * Juanita & Norman Baron * Marivic Palting * Evelyn Llena * Aida AVECILLA * Alexia Jacinto (18) * Alvin Pescador * Condelita Pescador * Linda Rosario * Mark McCamley * Elmer Ranit * Matea Ranit

❖ **56th ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY:** Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio

❖ **WEDDING:** Ed Ryan Balbuena & Keila Lee

❖ **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Fermin & Luida Susa * M/M Nato & Adoracion Laguer (48) * M/M Ramses Ignacio (1) * Maria Luisa & +Norberto Montaus (39) * Adriano & Norma Daligcon (45) * Isidro & Tina Lumabao (60) * Renato & Corazon dela Rosa (43) * Elias & Tina Fernandez (50) * Ely & Andrea Aguada (50)

❖ **SAFE TRIP & VACATION:** Fr Edgar * Vangie Bacani * Nenita Barroga & family * Noalei B Malacas & family * Angie Goodbody

❖ **SPECIAL INTENTION & THANKSGIVING: Thanksgiving** – Fermin & Luida Susa >Jun & Caridad Cortez >Linda Puzon >Victoria de Santos & family >Amian, Kikkawa & Nishimura families >Ronnie & Grace Grasparil >Jose & Fe Go >Emmanuel & Rose Belinda Artates >Armilita Canoneo >Medy Macalma & family >Nazario & Alicia Balbuena >Joseph & Mila Llantero >Carlito & Aurelia Centino >Thomas & Olivia Mita >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 >Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families >Cathy Purganan & family >Silver & Marivic Palting

Special intention – Judith D Ventura * Angelita Saga * James Wallace & pro-life activists * Keisha Umblas * Tom & Becky de Corte & the Kokua Ministry * Chester & Shantil Centino * Bella Miranda & family * OLM FCC officers & members * For Catholic Schools * For peaceful resolution of War in Ukraine * OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935 * For benefactors & donors of 'OIC Diocesan Appeal & 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:** +Msgr Thaddeus Mercado * +Julian Sacayanan Lacuesta * +Maria L Jandoc * +Cora Custado * +Leonora P Rarangol * +Victor Momosea * +Camer Coffin * +Glir Dagdagan * +Patricia Drummundo * +Eddie Zanelato * +Mary Sabog Alvaro * +Encarnacion Fontanilla * +Soledad Domrigue * +Marcos & Osmenia Galera * +Virginia Galera Faustino * +Steve Ramseyer * +Nick Amian * +Departed members of the Amian & Sao families * +Gerry del Rosario * +Pedro Beltran * +Tessie Fontanilla * +John Nino C Trocio * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Joseph Lawrence * +Jose & Shirley Asentista * +Kristine Joy Molina * +Ely Purganan * +Rosario Purganan * +Loreta Pascual * +Cesario Pascual * +Alan Lee Purganan * +Fr Jojo Junio * +Fr Mike Brillantes * +Ignacia Caraang Domingo * +Maximo Balbuena * +Magdaleno Teves Sanchez * +Joe & Millie Josol * +Macaria Juan Pascual * +Pio Alcantra * +Consuelo Alcantra * +Jovito Alcantra * +Conrado Benitez Sr * +Manuel & Mary Rodrigues * +Hilda Kelsom * +Victorina Aguada Racadio * +Anadenia Gaoiran Caraang * +James Soong * +Francisco Saga * +Antonio Diego Mateo Sr * +Pio Bacani * +Excelsia Ramiro Aczon * +Julieta Candida Tabora * +Erlinda Ferrer * +Nicanor Bucaneg * +Norma Arsenal Recta * +Remigio Damo Dumlaog * +Desy Serna Ipalari * +Caren Kanakaole * +Teodora Hombrebueno * +Lucia Hombrebueno * +Joseph Lanchenko * +Dominador Cacpal Sr * +Verlina Morales Fronda * +Richard (Sonny) Peralta * +Tyler Paul Peralta * +Fr Lawrence Mampaey * +Rizza Eugena Go * +Pedro Artates * +Evangeline Magaoay Salvador * +Melecio Pinera * +Avelina Orcino Fralade * +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas * +Oren Bernardino * +Victoriana Bacani * +Urbana Artates * +Elaine Cruz * Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM * +Victims of the coronavirus pandemic, wars, crimes & natural disasters in Turkey & Syria * +Holy Souls

DEVOTIONS

Come and spend some time with the Lord in church as a community to pray for peace in the world, for the end of the covid pandemic and for God's blessings on your home and family.

Every First Friday – Eucharistic Adoration from 7:30am-8:30am.

Every Thursday – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Holy Rosary at 7:00pm.

Every Friday – Novena to Santo Nino at 6:30pm.



Mar 5 > 9:00am Birthday - *Medy Macalma* * Thanksgiving - *Amian, Kikkawa & Nishimura families* * Special intention - *Judith Ventura* * Healing - *Antonio Valdez* * RM +*Victor Momosea*; +*Camer Coffin*; +*Nick Amian & departed members of Amian & Sao families*

Mar 6-7 > 7:00am Safe Travel - *Nenita Barroga & family* * Safe trip & Graduation - *Noalei B Malacas & family* * RM +*Fr Jojo Junio*; +*Pedro Beltran*; +*Soledad Domrigue*; +*Marcos Galera*; +*Osmania Galera*; +*Virginia Galera Faustino*

Mar 6-10 > 7:00am RM +*Leonora Rarangol*; +*Julian Lacuesta*; +*Jose & Shirley Asentista*;

+*Glir Dagdagan*; +*Encarnacion Fontanilla*

Mar 6-11 > 7:00am Special intention - *Victoria de Santos & family* * RM +*Connie de Santos*

Mar 7 > 7:00am Safe travel - *Fr Adrian Gervacio* * +*Cesario Pascual*

Mar 7-9 > 7:00am Healing - *Consolacion Caraang*; *Annie Ragus*; *Juliet Hobson*; *Daniella*; *Palei Sole* * RM +*Tessie Fontanilla*;

Mar 9-10 > 7:00am Healing - *M Beltran*

Mar 10 > 7:00am Wedding anniversary - *Fermin & Luida Susa*

Mar 11 > 6:00pm Healing & speedy recovery - *Mila Beltran*; *Petronila Jandoc*; *Jose Jandoc Jr* * Safe trip - *Vangie Artates* * Thanksgiving - by *Jun & Caridad Cortez* for safe & successful trip & God's blessings * Special intentions - *Victoria de Santos & family*; *Chester & Shantil Centino*; For the end of the covid-19 pandemic & the war in Ukraine; For blessed & meaningful celebration of Lent * RM +*Julian Lacuesta*; +*Leonora Rarangol*; +*Joe & Millie Josol*; +*Connie de Santos*; +*Maria Jandoc*; +*Jose & Shirley Asentista*; +*Joseph Lawrence*; +*Msr Thaddeus Mercado*; +*Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters esp. in Turkey & Syria*; +*Deceased pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Mar 12 > 6:30am (Missa pro populo) Wedding anniversary - *Fermin & Luida Susa* * Birthday - *Sr Clemence Mira, SPC* * Healing & speedy recovery - *Annie Ragus*; *Palei Sole*; *Mila Beltran*; *Antonio Valdez*; *Michael Schwengler Jr*; *Cipriana Luczon*; *Nelie Puzon*; *Tom de Corte*; *Rochelle Taylor*; *Petronila Jandoc*; *Alfredo Jandoc*; *Logan Isidro*; *Caridad Dagdagan*; *Roselani Ramones*; *Bobbie Walker*; *Alfonso & Mary Villanueva* * Thanksgiving - *Fermin & Luida Susa*; *Linda Puzon*; *Joseph & Mila Llantero* * Special intentions - For the end of the covid pandemic & war in Ukraine; For solemn & meaningful celebration of Lent * RM +*Teresita Fontanilla*; +*Cora Custado*; +*Julian Lacuesta*; +*Leonora Rarangol*; +*Gerry del Rosario*; +*Connie de Santos*; +*Soledad Domrigue*; +*Marcos Galera*; +*Osmania Galera*; +*Virginia Galera Faustino*; +*Glir Dagdagan*; +*Pedro Beltran*; +*Jose & Shirley Asentista*; +*Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters esp. in Turkey & Syria*

> **9:00am** Birthday - *Coby Jay Jacinto*; *Diena Peterson* * Healing & speedy recovery - *Seitasi Ah Kui*; *Palei Sole*; *Mila Beltran*; *Consolacion Caraang*; *Belen Quinto*; *Latai Holeva Manupuna*; *Antonio Valdez*; *Palmas & Amando Flores*; *Sheila Bactol*; *Amando Flores Jr*; *Florentino Orcino*; *Jose Jandoc Jr*; *Rudy Balmilero*; *Imelda Ruaburo*; *Alfonso & Mary Villanueva*; *Jeanne Oshiro*; all those infected by the coronavirus disease * Special intentions - *Judith Ventura*; For the end of the covid pandemic & the war in Ukraine * Thanksgiving - *Medy Macalma & family*; *Amian, Kikkawa & Nishimura families*; *Evangeline Trocio*; *Marivic & Silverio Palting*; *Thomas & Olivia Mita*; *Renato & Cora dela Rosa*; *Armelita Canoneo*; *Alex & Marichu Pe Benito*; *Cora Orcino* * RM +*Teresita Fontanilla*; +*Victor Momosea*; +*Camer Coffin*; +*Nick Amian & departed members of Amian & Sao families*; +*Encarnacion Fontanilla*; +*Msr. Thaddeus Mercado*; +*Gerry del Rosario*; +*Pedro Beltran*; +*Simplicio Canoneo*; +*Joe Lanchenko*; +*Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters esp. in Turkey & Syria*; +*Deceased pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM*

Mar 13 > 7:00am RM +*Mary Sabog Alvaro*; +*Eddie Zanellato*

Mar 13-15 > 7:00am Healing - *Mila Beltran*

Mar 15 > 7:00am Birthday - *Emeline Chesser*; *Clemente Fontanilla* * Safe trip - *Fr Edgar*

Mar 17 > 7:00am RM +*Patricia Drummundo*

Mar 18 > 6:00pm 56th Ordination Anniversary - *Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio*

Mar 19 > 6:30am Birthday - *Caridad Dagdagan* * RM +*Glir Dagdagan*; +*Maria Jandoc*

Mar 25 > 6:00pm Birthday - *Ador Padilla*; *Guillermo Bacani*; *Kian Chesser*

Mar 27 > 7:00am RM +*Alan Lee Purganan*

*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!*

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.

*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 were able to make the urgent purchase of new units and installed them thru the volunteer efforts of skilled parishioners.

*****NEW PRINTING/COPYING MACHINE** – For our office use, we purchased a new Canon Printing and Copying machine to replace the old Sharp machine that we leased for 5 years and has expired.

*****NEW HOUSE & GROUND MAINTENANCE MAN** – *Carlito Centino* is the new parish grounds and building maintenance man on the job. He is an OLM parishioner and together with his wife, *Lea*, they currently serve as Eucharistic ministers. They also have been volunteering in tending the garden plants around the church buildings. We welcome *Carlito* and thank him for offering his time and skills in maintaining order and cleanliness within our church property. He started working on February 1, 2023.

❖**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 * 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.



***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! ❖





OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CATHOLIC CHURCH
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2023 LENT & HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Feb 22 ASH WEDNESDAY > Fasting & Abstinence
 7:00am – Morning Mass with Imposition of Ashes / 6:30pm – Evening Mass with Imposition of Ashes

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Fridays 7:00pm

LEAD GROUPS

Feb 24 Pastoral Council * Finance Council * Stewardship Committee
March 3 Filipino Catholic Club * Santo Nino Group
March 10 Catechists * Youth and Young Adults * Outreach
March 17 Knights of Columbus
March 24 Ilocano Choir
March 31 Liturgy Committee

March 9 LENTEN VIDEO PRESENTATIONS - 6:00 PM, followed by:
PENANCE & RECONCILIATION SERVICE - 7:00 PM



March 25 PRE-EASTER PARISH CLEAN-UP - 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon; lunch to follow; sign-ups after Mass 3/11-12, 3/18-19

April 4 CHRISM MASS - 7:00 PM at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral
 *Parish Representatives for Holy Oils: Lisiate & Feaomoeta Sole

HOLY WEEK

Cover all images and crosses with purple cloth

April 1 Vigil Mass Saturday - PALM SUNDAY
6:00pm Mass & Blessing of Palms at the Church entry (Fr. Adrian)

April 2 PALM SUNDAY
6:30am Mass & Blessing of Palms at the Church entry (Fr. Edgar)
9:30am Mass w/Blessing & Procession of Palms from Hall to Church (Fr. Edgar)

April 6 HOLY THURSDAY
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian)

+Washing of the Feet: Members of Filipino Catholic Club (12)

+Presentation of the Holy Oils by the Parish Representatives * Place basket on both sides of altar for Rice Bowl drop off
(After distribution of Communion, the ciboria of consecrated hosts for Good Friday are processed to the Hall for Adoration)

8:00pm -12:00am (Midnight) – SOLEMN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION / LEAD GROUPS

***8:00pm-9:00pm** – All Priests, Office Staff, Catechists, Altar Servers, Music Ministry & Choir, & Parishioners

***9:00pm-10:00pm** – Pastoral Council, Finance Council, Stewardship Committee, & Parishioners

***10:00pm-11:00pm** – EMs of Holy Communion, Lectors, Hospitality Ministry, Liturgical Environment Committee, Outreach Ministry (Kokua), & Parishioners

***11:00pm-12mn** – Knights of Columbus, Ilocano Ministry & Choir, Santo Nino Ministry, Filipino Catholic Club, Respect Life Ministry, Parish Bulletin Staff, & Parishioners

April 7 GOOD FRIDAY
12:00pm – Stations of the Cross (Ministry: Gloria Rodrigues, Coordinator)
7:00pm – Good Friday Services of the Passion of the Lord (Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian)

+Passion Narrative * Veneration of the Cross – Place an offering basket on both sides of the Cross to place the offertory envelopes for the Holy Father * Holy Communion * after the Mass, Divine Mercy Novena (4/7 to 4/15)

April 8 HOLY SATURDAY
7:00am Divine Mercy Novena
6:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian)
 +Blessing of Fire * Lighting of Paschal Candle * Exultet * Solemn Scripture Readings * Blessing of Water * Baptismal Promises
 * Place filled bottles of water at the water font for blessing.

April 9 EASTER SUNDAY – SOLEMN FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
6:30am Mass (Fr. Adrian) * 9:00am Mass (Fr. Edgar)

PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FEAST DAY

- Mar 17** Memorial of St. Patrick, Bishop
- Mar 18** Memorial of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

OTHER

- Mar 12** *Filipino Catholic Club mtg, after 9am Mass
*FF Confessions after 9:00am Mass
- Mar 13-20** No public school – Spring Break
- Mar 25** Pre-Easter Parish Clean-up; 8:00am-noon; lunch to follow. Sign-up all Masses, 3/11-12 and 3/18-19
- Mar 26** Knights of Columbus Corporate Mass, 9:00am; meeting to follow in the parish hall
- Mar 27** Prince Kuhio Day, holiday; Office is closed; no public school

(The 2023 Lent & Holy Week Schedule is enclosed)



CRS RICE BOWL - INTENTION FOR WEEK #3
 We pray for Raul and Rhodora and for all families.
 May they have nutritious food on the table each day
 so that their children and grandchildren can grow,
 learn, and study hard.
 Amen.

PASTOR'S SPRING BREAK



Our pastor, *Fr. Edgar*, is taking a two-week break from March 15-30 in the Philippines. In his absence, our Pastor-emeritus, *Fr. Adrian Gervacio*, will be in-charge of the parish, dispensing pastoral and spiritual services. *Fr. Francis Sanchez* of the Diocesan Hospital Ministry will come to cover some Sunday Masses. Let's pray for our pastor's safe trip and enjoyable break.



† WEDDING †
 March 4, 2023

Congratulations..

ED RYAN VILLARIN BALBUENA
KEILA KAORI LEE



† OBITUARY



+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 Memorial Park

+VICTORINA AGUADA RACADIO, 81
 Wake Service: March 13, 2023, 6:30 PM at Valley of the
 Temples Chapel
 Funeral Mass: March 14, 2023, 10:00 AM, at OLM Church
 Interment: March 14, 12:00 PM at Valley of the Temples
 Memorial Park

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



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 PASSOVER IS A TIME OF CELEBRATION
 INCLUDING A FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD,
 BITTER HERBS AND ... UH OH

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L.O.L.
*(Laugh
 Out
 Loud)*
 ☺

OFFICE HOURS

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

BAPTISM

Will resume after Lent

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday - 7:00am
 Weekend Masses: 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.