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† CELEBRATING 153 YEARS AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP! †



Pastor  
Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



*When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly. (Matthew 2:10)*

*For unto you is born this day in the city of David  
a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. (Luke 2:11)*



Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio

BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ONE & ALL!



❖ CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE ❖

\* December 24 – 6:00 PM <Vigil Mass > Fr. Adrian

\* Fellowship follows after Mass\* Calendars are distributed\*

\* December 25 – 12:00 AM <Midnight Mass > Fr. Edgar

\* December 25 – 9:00 AM <Day Mass > Fr. Edgar & Fr. Adrian



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

JOY is the spirit of Christmas. We are filled with joy because Christ our Savior is born. He came to bring light that dispels the darkness of this world; he is the Prince of Peace who reconciles us with the Father and with one another. Around us are common signs and symbols of joy – the twinkling and dancing lights that adorn houses, trees and churches; lanterns hanging in the balcony of homes and church hallways; the colorful display of the manger; Christmas trees surrounded with gifts and the incessant playing of Christmas carols over the airwaves. We prepare for Christmas with joy. We attend the Simbang-Gabi or the 9 evening Masses that serve as our spiritual preparation for Christmas and almost fill up our church. We come dressed up with our new season costumes, wearing Santa Claus bonnets and gloves and participate in the age-old tradition with devotion and fervor joining in the lighting of the Advent candles, offering of gifts and singing joyful hymns. We cap every night with a festive fellowship of lechon and assorted native delicacies and dishes. With the sparkling and blinking lights around us we tap our fingers and feet to the rhythm of the endearing Christmas carols, some dance to the beat of *Mele Kalikimaka* and we keep greeting one another "Merry Christmas." Joy is contagious and everyone shares the joy.

Yes, we are happy because we are called to be happy. It is the mark of a true Christian. At the Nativity, the heavenly choir of angels sang "Glory to God in the highest; peace to all people of good will." There is an explosion of Joy to the World because Christ the Savior is born!

With joy and gratitude in our hearts, we, *Fr. Edgar and Fr. Adrian*, wish you all, dear parishioners, ministers, leaders, volunteers and staff a truly peaceful, meaningful and loveful Christmas. May we keep Christ in Christmas and never forget that Jesus is the reason for the season. Let us sing joyfully with the Virgin Mary: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Amen.



# Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



## Next Sunday's Reading

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

### First Reading

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 105:1-9

### Second Reading

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

### Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

**FOCUS:** God is the font of all blessings and salvation.

Today's readings make evident the goodness of the Lord, and that he is the source of all blessings. The Lord promises to build a house for David – one that will last forever. And from the lineage of David comes Jesus, God himself, to dwell among us. He is our shelter, our bodies are his temple, and his kingdom endures forever. We will soon celebrate the feast of his Incarnation and Nativity, while awaiting still, with joyful hope, the time when he will come again.



**First Reading:** 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14-16

In the first reading, David ruminates on building a house for the Lord. However, the Lord reminds David how he has favored him and states that it is God who will build a house for David.

**Second Reading:** Romans 16:25-27

In the second reading, Paul gives glory to Christ, acknowledging the prophets and wisdom through the ages that have all participated in this revelation.

**Gospel:** Luke 1:26-38

In the Gospel, the angel Gabriel announces that Mary will conceive a son – the Son of God – and Mary accepts the honor, saying, *may it be done to me according to your word.*



## NEW NORM REGARDING EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

*Bishop Silva* requests every parish to place the following announcement in its weekly bulletin for three consecutive weeks:

**In order to safeguard the sacredness of the Holy Eucharist, Bishop Silva has forbidden that the Eucharist be given to anyone presenting a pyx in the Communion line. Only those who are authorized by the parish priest to take Holy Communion to the sick may receive the Eucharist from the priest after the Communion of the faithful, and never during the Communion procession.**



## STEWARDSHIP EXPRESSIONS

### \*REPAINTING THE PARKING STRIPES

Two Sundays ago on December 10, *Kalolo Tuihalafatai*, repainted the stripes in the handicap parking area. It's certainly a beautiful gift for the Lord and the church on Christmas Day. We extend our deep gratitude and appreciation to *Kalolo*.

*Thank You*



# CHRISTMAS OCTAVE & SEASON

**DECEMBER 2023**

**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

24 6:00pm CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS

25 12:00am CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

9:00am CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

\*Parish calendars will be distributed to every family after each Christmas Mass.

25-26 Christmas holidays

31 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH \* NEW YEAR'S EVE



**JANUARY 2024**

1 9:00am HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024 \* SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

\* Blessing of Marian Images

1-2 New Year holidays

8 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

14 FEAST OF SANTO NINO > 3:00 am Mass, Sinulog, Program & Fellowship



**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

Ilocano Mass > 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – 6:00 PM



**OLM 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 Mother of Perpetual Help and Holy Rosary at 7:00pm.**

**Every Friday – Novena to Santo Nino (Child Jesus) at 6:30pm.**



**SACRIFICIAL OFFERTORY**

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

	<u>12/ 17 /23</u>	<u>12/9-10/23</u>
Sat 6:00 pm		52A+2C
Sun 6:30 am	52A+0C	60A+0C
Sun 9:00 am	72A+22C	105A-25C

**SMBANG-GABI**



12/16 Sat 6:00 pm	115A+20C
12/17 Sun 6:30 pm	90A+3C
12/18 Mon 6:30 pm	92A+3C
12/19 Tue 6:30 pm	104A+7C
12/20 Wed 6:30 pm	92A+3C
12/21 Thu 6:30 pm	106A+3C
12/22 Fri 6:30 pm	92A+5C
12/23 Sat 6:00 pm	
12/24 Sun 6:00 pm	

	<u>12/16-17/23</u>	<u>12/9 - 10/23</u>
Offertory	\$ 2,657.00	\$ 3,244.11
Repair & Maintenance		\$ 20.00
Immaculate Conception	30.00	\$ 1,877.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	20.00	\$ 1,576.00
Car Blessing	40.00	
Donation - Bulletin		\$ 100.00
Wedding		\$ 520.00
Mass Intentions		\$ 220.00
Candles	\$ 375.00	\$ 96.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,122.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,653.11</b>



## STEWARDSHIP & CHRISTMAS: *Turning the World Upside Down*



For women in the ancient world, motherhood was prized and desired above almost all else. Sacred scripture tells of many women who pleaded with God to let them conceive. From Sarah, the mother of Isaac, to Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, the Bible is replete with women who finally, in their old age, were granted the gift of motherhood for which they had begged God. How marvelously significant it is, then, that in the town of Nazareth those many years ago, a young girl named Mary, unmarried and probably feeling altogether unready for motherhood, was visited by an angel who delivered God's plea: would she give God a child? Mary's response is a model par excellence for all those who aspire to be good stewards: "*Behold, I am the Lord's servant. Let it be done to me according to your word*" (Lk. 1:38).

And so the real mystery and beauty of Christmas is delivered: God turns the world upside down. In the words of the Magnificat, Mary proclaims the hope of every good steward: "*My soul magnifies the Lord*" (Lk. 1:46). He has dispersed the arrogant of mind and heart, lifted up the lowly, filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. Here is a new understanding of the God who desires not our begging and our pleas, but our 'yes' to God's invitation to be active stewards in his plan of salvation. For the Christian steward, the consumerism, the gaudiness, the excesses of our cultural Christmas can be overcome by answering the call to live simpler lives, to use less, to feed the poor, to quiet ourselves in stillness rather than grow louder in frenzied activity.

In her book *The Vigil: Keeping Watch in the Season of Christ's Coming*, Professor Wendy Wright from Creighton University writes: "*The ancient desert dwellers of our early Christian communities tell us that the surest way into the heart of God is to be still. In being still we learn to be attentive to the vast and hidden stillness that permeates all things.*"

In a world which prizes and desires wealth above so many things, the Christian steward finds in the stillness the true hope which lies at the heart of Christmas. Christ has come, and he comes again and again, and finally in the end, Christ comes. Once again, God implores us to receive this child in the stillness of our hearts, and respond to his call to transform the world's values – to turn the world upside down.

*(Lifted from International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin, December 2023)*



## STEWARDSHIP PRAYER OF DECEMBER

**Come Lord Jesus!**  
**Make us good stewards of Advent.**  
**Strengthen our faith; calm our fears.**  
**Come Lord Jesus!**  
**We hear John the Baptist's cry.**  
**Open our hearts.**  
**Give us the humility to repent.**  
**Come, Lord Jesus!**  
**Let us walk in your light!**  
**Show us how we prepare your way;**  
**and make straight your paths.**  
**Come, Lord Jesus!**  
**We give you thanks and praise,**  
**for the shining star and angelic host,**  
**for Mary and Joseph, good stewards, both.**  
**Come, Lord Jesus!**  
**We rejoice and are glad!**  
**For the Good News you bring**  
**And God's glory you revealed.**  
**Come, Lord Jesus! Amen!**



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DIOCESAN NEWS ❖ DIOCESAN NEWS

**‘OHANA IN CHRIST**

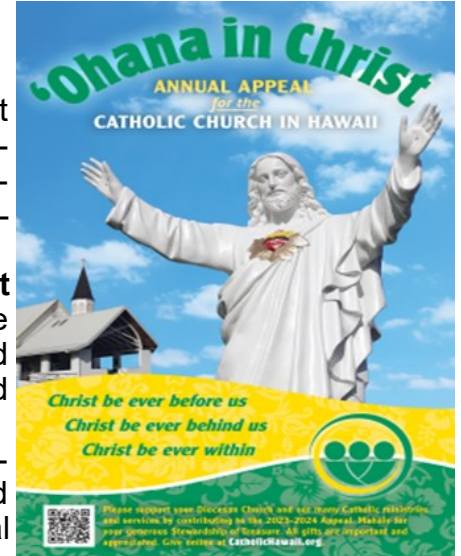
**APPEAL FROM BISHOP LARRY SILVA:**

Each day, the Catholic church in Hawaii shares the spirit of Christ throughout our ‘Ohana of parishes, schools, social agencies, and communities across the Islands. This is all possible thanks to your generous response to our Catholic mission and the call to “Witness to Jesus.”

Beyond the good works at each parish, the annual **‘Ohana in Christ Appeal** helps us respond to the material and spiritual needs of the greater church. Funds raised will support many important services and ministries throughout the Diocese that no single faith community could meet alone.

Once again, I humbly ask for you to prayerfully consider making a generous gift to this important appeal. Please know that I pray for you and your loved ones each day – and will remember all donors in a special Mass.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
*Most Reverend Larry Silva*



**‘OHANA IN CHRIST PROGRESS REPORT**

**‘OIC PROGRESS REPORT 2023-2024**

**Clark, Mark**

Tue 12/5/2023 12:04 PM

*Aloha Pastors et al,*

Kudos and appreciation for all you do!

The ‘OIC Appeal now at 43% of goal continues to pace ahead of last year.

Congratulations to the parishes meeting goal this past month:

\* Saint Damien of Molokai \* Holy Rosary, Pahala

Let me know of any questions, suggestions or requests for assistance.

A Blessed Advent to All!

*Mark*

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**‘Ohana In Christ 2023/2024**

PROGRESS REPORT AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2023

**Parish by Vicariate**

**Our Lady of the Mount Church – Honolulu**

**West Honolulu Total**

Collected	Goal	% vs. Goal
\$2,772	\$5,605	49%
\$71,989	\$168,312	43%

CONGRATULATIONS and MAHALO to all the parish team!

Blessings, with much appreciation for your Stewardship of Treasure.”

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

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

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





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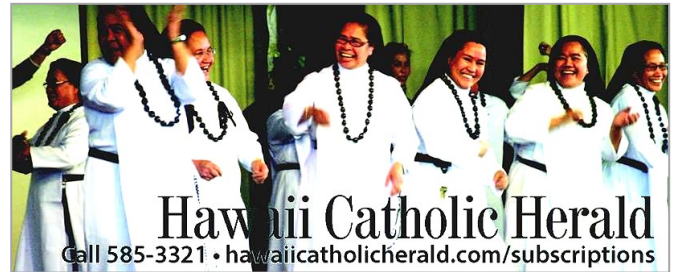
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❖ PICTORIALS ❖

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**SIMBANG-GABI – CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES OF 9 NIGHTS**



# ❖ PICTORIALS #2 ❖



## SIMBANG-GABI – CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES OF 9 NIGHTS



# ❖ PICTORIALS #3 ❖



## SIMBANG-GABI – CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES OF 9 NIGHTS





# ❖ PICTORIALS #4 ❖



## SIMBANG-GABI – CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES OF 9 NIGHTS



# ❖ PICTORIALS #5 ❖



## SIMBANG-GABI – CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES OF 9 NIGHTS





# NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival



## CATECHISM SERIES ON HOLY EUCHARIST... THE EUCHARIST AND THE POPES

### Let Us Make Time for Adoration

**Pope Francis, Homily at the concluding Mass of the 52nd International Eucharistic Congress, September 12, 2021**

*How distant is the God who quietly reigns on the cross from the false god that we want to reign with power in order to silence our enemies! How different is Christ, who presents himself with love alone, from all the powerful and winning messiahs worshiped by the world!*

*Jesus unsettles us; he is not satisfied with declarations of faith, but asks us to purify our religiosity before his cross, before the Eucharist. We do well to spend time in adoration before the Eucharist in order to contemplate God's weakness.*

*Let us make time for adoration, a way of praying too frequently forgotten. Let us make time for adoration. Let us allow Jesus the Living Bread to heal us of our self-absorption, open our hearts to self-giving, liberate us from our rigidity and self-concern, free us from the paralyzing slavery of defending our image, and inspire us to follow him wherever he would lead us, not where I want."*



## DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

### - EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PILGRIMAGE STARTED ON NOVEMBER 1

This Year of Parish Revival is about falling deeper in love with the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus and following him more closely. Mirroring this internal journey with an external one is a beautiful way to connect body and soul in the pursuit of Christ. Most of us will not have the opportunity to join the Eucharistic Caravan on the mainland leading to the Eucharistic Congress on July 17, 2024 in Indianapolis.

We can participate in the revival here at home. Make the Honolulu Diocese Pilgrimage a part of your experience of revival by planning a self-led personal pilgrimage in the next months leading up to the beginning of the Eucharistic Caravan in San Francisco.

The Diocese of Honolulu offers a Hawaii Eucharist Revival virtual pilgrimage called **Hawaii Pilgrim** [HERE](#) or by getting the **Polarsteps - Travel Tracker app** for your digital device. Sign up for a free Polarsteps account. Enter "Hawaii Pilgrim" on the Explore (Search people & places) tab. Click on "Follow" and begin your journey. Use Hawaii Pilgrim to find church addresses, Mass, adoration and other regularly scheduled events when the church will be open.

\*In implementing the Eucharistic Revival program, the Dioceses and parishes have their point persons. In the Diocese of Honolulu, it is *Fr. Alfred Omar Guerrero* and in OLM Parish, *Fran Kovaloff* is the point person. *Fr. Ese'ese Tui* is the head of the Eucharistic Revival Task Force.



## EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL LOGO

**Tui, Fr. Ace**

Tue 11/7/2023 3:11 PM

Greetings all,

The Diocesan taskforce came up with a "local" design for the Eucharistic revival.

You will notice that the words on the logo is in the Hawaiian language. This is to help promote conversation if anyone ever ask what does it mean.

Here is the explanation of the Hawaiian phrase. Thank you, Dallas Carter to writing up this explanation.

### "Hō'eu'eu Eukalikia"

In the Hawaiian language, "Hō'eu'eu" means "to rouse" or "to stir up," and "Eukalikia" is a term referring to the Eucharist, the Christian sacrament of communion. Together, the phrase "Hō'eu'eu Eukalikia" can be translated as "To stir up the Eucharist."

In the context of our Hawaii diocesan Eucharistic revival, this phrase serves as a powerful reminder to reawaken our appreciation, understanding, and active participation in the Eucharist. It calls on us to deepen our connection with this sacred sacrament and to share its significance with others.

Your parish, vicariate, group may use the logo on your bulletins, social media, website and even shirts. Blessings.



## † REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖**GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Hannah Leong \* Lora Taa \* Arman Lloren \* Chita Lucero \* Roger Isidro \* Trini Agamao \* George Calizar \* Michael Schwengler Jr \* Simeon Ugot \* Sr. Clemence Mira, SPC \* Marilyn Chee \* Gladys Conrath \* Cipriana Luczon \* Evelyn Wordell \* Loreto Castillo \* Fran Kovaloff \* Bella Miranda \* Schwengler family \* Rochelle Taylor \* Arnie Kikkawa \* Michele Schwengler \* Walter Caraang \* Caroline Gruenhagen \* Jeromy Orcino \* Jhomalyn Racho Molina \* Marie Schwengler \* Rudy Balmilero \* Gene Luman-tas \* Federico Boy Bitonio \* Audrey Peralta \* Nelie Puzon \* Frances Gascon \* Moses & Cristina Andres \* Mavelyn Acosta \* Isabel Cadiz \* Myrna Agbayani \* Florentino Orcino \* Marina Pescador \* Gil Acido \* Seitasi Ah Kui \* Mila Beltran \* Belen Quinto \* Latai Holeva Manupuna \* Rachel Soong \* Bobbie Walker \* Petronila Jandoc \* Tom DeCorte \* Roselani Ramones \* Logan Isidro \* Maria Pascual \* Nicolas Ulep \* Imelda Ruaburo \* Ropati Liua \* Caridad Dagdagan \* Andy & Mari-na Torio \* Marilou Bruno \* Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* Jesse Ulep \* Ruperto Pescador



❖**BIRTHDAY:** Jose Rizal Go \* Bryan Andaya \* Brison Canoneo \* Vicente Velasco \* Fr Spa Siva \* Margaret Telles \* Lydia Felipe \* Liberato Valdez Sr \* Marilyn Chee \* Oliver Jacinto \* Ace Cabico \* Warren dela Rosa \* Federico Bitonio \* Miguel Canoneo \* Marichu Pe Benito \* Rosita Dolormente \* Roselani Ramones (92) \* Shannon Leong \* Winifred Kam \* Malia Balbuena \* Frankie Cabral Jr \* Frankie Cabral \* Evangeline Trocio \* Daisy Serquinia \* Fr. Manny Hewe \* Francisca Tabonda (99) \* Aiden Max Lucas \* Fanny H. Montemayor \* Armelita Canoneo \* Carly Rabago \* James Soong \* Oliver Jacinto \* Alberta Patoc \* Cathy & Noah Villanueva \* Mary Ann Goloran \* Arlyn Saga \* Jewelle Reen Deuz

❖**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen (32) \* Alfonso & Trini Agamao (67) \* Luis & Isidra Bautista (50) \* Alex & Marichu Pe Benito (9) \* Robert & Floribel Helin \* Rizal & Mila Fernandez (51) \* Benny & +Crescencia Acosta

❖**GRADUATION:** Britney Mina

❖**SAFE TRIP & VACATION:** Julie Manuel & family \* Bryan Andaya & family \* Rizal & Mila Fernandez \* Susan Mita

❖**THANKSGIVING:** Cora Orcino >Lydia Felipe >Vicente & Luz Velasco >Olivia & Thomas Mita >Carlito & Aurelia Centino >Joseph & Mila Llantero >M/M Liberato Valdez & family >Andrea Baptista >Andy & Chit Magbojos & family >Lucky & Roda Mercado >Linda Puzon >Fe & Juriz Go >William & Mitronia Amoroso >Consolacion Caraang >Armelita Canoneo >Nazario & Alicia Balbuena >Alex & Marichu Pe Benito >Cora & Renato dela Rosa >Benny Acosta >Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families >Cathy Purganan & family >Silver & Marivic Palting >Rosita Dolormente >Marlene Calventas & ohana >Cely Villanueva >Tina Lumabao & family

❖**SPECIAL INTENTION:** Caroline Gruenhagen \* Fran Kovaloff \* Jun & Caridad Cortez \* Chester & Shantil Centino \* Jervis Villa \* Matilde Abida \* Irmandade de Nossa Senhora do Monte \* Fe Go & OLM FCC \* Diena Peterson & OLM Youth Ministry \* Bella Miranda & family \* OLM Pastoral Council officers & members \* OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935 \* For the victims & survivors of the Maui disaster \* For benefactors & donors of 'OIC Diocesan Appeal & OLM Projects \* For all Seminarians and increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese \* For the success of the National Eucharistic Revival \* For the deliverance & healing of those afflicted with the covid-19 \* For peaceful resolution of the war in Ukraine and Israel

❖**DECEASED:** +Roque Caraang \* +Romana Puzon \* +George Trocio \* John Nino Trocio \* +Alfonso Agamao \* +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues \* +Derna Kim \* Helen & Jack Tui \* +Bessie Soong \* +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas \* +Canuto & Paulina Umblas \* +Valentina Umblas \* +Julieta & Isidro Tabora \* +Oscar & Vilma Umblas \* +Celestino & Clavelina Umblas \* +Editha Ugale Yago \* +Purie Cortez \* +Sueko Hirasaki \* +Richard Sabin \* +Delfin Barsatan \* +Esperidion & Flordeliza, Macalisang \* +Sabino Florentino \* +Courtney-Ann Kanani Pregil \* +Francisco Velasco \* +Avelina Orcino \* +Pio & Victoriana Bacani \* +Pedro & Urbana Artates \* +James & Bessie Soong \* +Fr Etuale Etuale \* +Flaton & Encarnacion Fontanilla \* +Tito Ulep \* +Rizza Eugena Go delos Reyes \* +Glir Dagdagan \* +Helen Canoneo \* +Mary Alice Barranco \* +Eric & Luz Neri \* +Evangeline Magaoay Salvador \* +Jessie P Pascual \* +Constance DeSantos & Regina DeSantos \* +Benjamin Orcino \* +Magdalena Pasion \* +Marina Valdez \* +Isabelo Orcino \* +Martina Orcino \* +Tessie Fontanilla \* +Lisiate Sole \* +Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM \* +Victims of the covid-19 pandemic, wars, crimes & natural disasters \* +Holy Souls in purgatory



# Mass INTENTIONS

Dec 17 > 6:30pm (Simbang-gabi) RM +Editha Ugale Yago; +Mary Talon  
 Dec 18 > 6:30pm RM +Pio & Victoriana Bacani; +Pedro & Urbana Artates \* Special intention - For all fathers that they may be good providers and model to their children  
 Dec 18-20 > 6:30pm RM +Courtney-Ann Pregil \* Special intention - For married couples that they may remain steadfast in their vows of love and fidelity to one another.  
 Dec 18-26 > 6:30pm RM +Romana Puzon

Dec 19 > 6:30pm Birthday - Liberato Valdez Sr; Marilyn Chee \* Healing - Roger Isidro; Alfonso Agamao; Armand Lloren; Chita Lucero \* Safe trip - Julie Manuel \* Thanksgiving - Silver & Marivic Palting \* Special intention - For the Pope, Bishops, Priests and Church leaders that they may be models of deep faith in God's Word

Dec 21-22 > 6:30pm Birthday - Vicente Velasco \* Healing - Lora Taa \* RM +Alfonso Agamao

Dec 22 > 6:30pm Birthday - Bryan Andaya; Brison Canoneo; Lydia Felipe \* Healing - Hannah Leong \* Safe travel - Bryan Andaya & family \* Special intention - For musicians and professional singers that they may praise and honor God with their talents

Dec 22/Jan 1-3-2024 > 6:30pm Safe travel - Bryan Andaya & family

Dec 22-30 > 6:30pm RM +Roque P Caraang



Dec 23 > 6:00pm (Simbang-Gabi) Healing - Hannah Leong \* Special intention - Chester & Shantil Centino; For a spiritually fruitful Simbang-gabi & Christmas Novena; Blessings for the Mass sponsors & fellowship hosts; potluck sharers; ministers & donors in the Simbang-Gabi; For peace in the world and end of wars in Ukraine & Israel \* Safe travel - Bryan Andaya & family; for the safety of travelers, vacationers & deployed military personnel \* RM +Romana Puzon; +George Trocio; +John Nino Trocio; +Roque Caraang; +Editha Ugale Yago; +Departed pastors, benefactors & parishioners of OLM.

Dec 24 > 6:30am (Missa pro populo) Birthday - Fr Spa Silva; Margaret Telles \* Healing & speedy recovery - Roger Isidro; Trini Agamao; George Calizar; Cipriana Luczon; Loreto Castillo; Rochelle Taylor; Marina Pescador; Logan Isidro; Caridad Dagdagan; Roselani Ramones; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; Moses & Cristina Andres \* Safety of all travelers & vacationers & those deployed in the military \* Thanksgiving - Lydia Felipe; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Bill & Joan Amoroso \* Special intentions - For a spiritually fruitful Simbang-gabi & Christmas Novena; Blessings for the Mass sponsors & fellowship hosts; For peace in the world and end of wars in Ukraine & Israel \* RM +Romana Puzon; +Alfonso Agamao; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Glir Dagdagan; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters

> 9:00am Healing & speedy recovery - Lora Taa; Walter Caraang; Rudy Balmilero; Seitasi Ah Kui; Belen Quinto; Latai Holeva Manupuna; Imelda Ruaburo; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; all those infected by the coronavirus disease \* Safe travel of Bryan Andaya & family; Safety of travelers, vacationers & deployed military personnel \* Thanksgiving - M/M Liberato Valdez & family; Cora Orcino; Thomas & Olivia Mita; Silver & Marivic Palting; Vicente & Luz Velasco; Cathy Purganan \* Special intentions - For a spiritually fruitful Simbang-gabi & Christmas Novena; Blessings for the Mass sponsors & fellowship hosts; For peace in the world and end of wars in Ukraine & Israel \* RM +Avelina Fralalde; +Roque Caraang; +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas; +Canuto & Paulina Umblas \* +Valentina Umblas \* + Julieta & Isidro Tabora \* +Oscar & Vilma Umblas \* +Celestino & Clavelina Umblas; Richard Sabin; +Delfin Barsatan; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

> 6:00pm (Christmas Vigil) Thanksgiving - Clem Fontanilla' Chester & Shantil Centino; For a spiritually fruitful Christmas Vigil; Blessings for the Mass sponsors & fellowship hosts, ministers & donors to our Church; For Love & Harmony in homes & families; For peace in the world and end of wars in Ukraine & Israel \* for the safety of travelers, vacationers & deployed military personnel \* RM +Departed pastors, benefactors & parishioners of OLM.

Dec 25 > 12:00am (Midnight Mass) \*Healing & speedy recovery – Roger \* Safety of all travelers & vacationers & those deployed in the military \* Thanksgiving - Josep \* Special intentions - For peace in the world and end of wars in Ukraine & Israel \* RM +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues; +Romana Puzon; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters

> 9:00am Birthday - Olive \* Healing & speedy recovery - Walter Caraang; Rudy Balmilero; Seitasi Ah Kui; Belen Quinto; Latai Holeva Manupuna; Imelda Ruaburo; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; all those infected by the coronavirus disease \* Safety of travelers, vacationers & deployed military personnel \* Thanksgiving - Thom \* Special intentions - For peace in the world and end of wars in Ukraine & Israel \* RM +Avelina Fralalde; +Romana Puzon; +Richard Sabin; +Delfin Barsatan; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

> 6:30pm (Simbang-Gabi) Blessings for the Mass sponsors & fellowship hosts; For the spirit of humility and courageous Christian witnessing

Dec 18-26 > 7:00am RM +Romana Puzon

Dec 26-Jan 3 > 7:00am Safe travel - Bryan Andaya & family

Dec 22-30 > 7:00am RM +Roque P Caraang

Dec 28 > 7:00am Wedding anniversary - Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen (32)

Dec 29 > 7:00am Birthday - Winifred Kam \* RM +Derna Kim; +Helen & Jack Tui; +James & Bessie Soong

\*Let us continue praying 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!*



# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## FEAST DAY

- Dec 25** Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord / Christmas Day
- Dec 26** Feast of St. Stephen, the First Martyr
- Dec 27** Feast of St. John, Apostle & Evangelist
- Dec 28** Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- Dec 29** St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr
- Dec 31** Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
- Jan 1** Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother Of God \* Blessing of Marian images; 9:00AM Mass

## OTHER

- Jan 1-2** New Year holidays. The office is closed
- Jan 5-13** Santo Nino Novena, 7:00PM
- Jan 14** Feast of Santo Nino, 3:00PM, Sinulog, program & fellowship
- Jan 7** Religious Education classes resume



## 2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES



The 2024 envelopes are at the front of the Church. Please take your assigned box of envelopes home with you. If you don't see a box assigned to you or if you want a box of Offering Envelopes, please write your name, address and contact information on the sign-up sheet. The Office will have envelopes made for you and will contact when they are ready for you to pick up. Your donations are needed and appreciated!



## † OBITUARY +RICHARD SABIN INURNMENT SERVICE

January 3, 2024, 10:30 AM at Punchbowl Cemetery

*"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them."  
We extend our heartfelt prayers and sympathy to the grieving families.*



Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unending love and his wonderful deeds for men, for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

— PSALM 107: 8-9 NIV

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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

Third Sunday after the 9:00am Mass

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday - 7:00am  
Weekend Masses: Saturday (Vigil) - 6:00pm \* Sunday - 6:30am & 9:00am  
Ilocano Mass: 3rd Sunday - 6:00pm

## 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.