



2024  
HAPPY NEW YEAR

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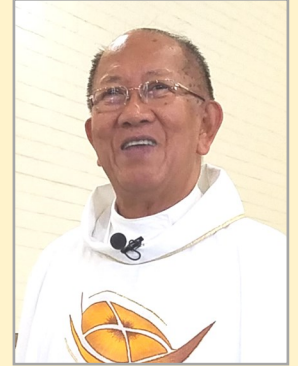
† CELEBRATING 153 YEARS AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP! †



Pastor  
Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



Simeon said to Mary,  
"Behold, this child is  
destined for the fall  
and rise of many in  
Israel, and to be a  
sign that will be con-  
tradicted - and you  
yourself a sword will  
pierce - so that the  
thought of many  
hearts may be  
revealed."  
Luke 2: 34-35



Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio

## ❖ HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY ❖



# HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE & ALL!



### NEW YEAR GREETINGS

*Dear Parishioners & Friends,*

I hope you are still filled with cheers and gladness as we continue to bask in the wonders of the Christmas season. It was great to see you in Church and celebrate with you our solemn *Simbang-Gabi* tradition and Christmas Masses followed with joyful sharing in the potluck fellowships. We truly tried to keep Christ in Christmas and upheld Jesus as the reason for the season. May the blessing of our newborn King come upon us all.

As the year comes to a close, I would like to express my sincere THANK YOU for being God's channels of blessing to our church and to Fr. Adrian and me in our priestly lives and ministry by your valuable prayers and encouraging support. You have been instrumental in helping us achieve our goals and overcome the challenges we faced year in and year out.

Despite the unprecedented difficulties and uncertainties caused by the global pandemic, unstable economic and political situation, ongoing wars and conflicts and threats of terrorism and street violence, you have shown remarkable resilience, adaptability, and faith in the care and providence of our loving God. You have also demonstrated a strong sense of teamwork, collaboration, and solidarity with your fellow ministers, coordinators and parish leaders in our growth as a vibrant faith community. Your financial contributions led to a healthy and balanced budget and have made a positive impact on our day-to-day operations and pastoral programs. And we have not been the last and the least in giving to the 'Ohana in Christ Diocesan Annual Appeal.

As we welcome the New Year, I hope and pray that you will continue to share your talents, ideas, and enthusiasm with us. I am confident that together, we can hurdle any obstacles and seize any opportunities that may arise. I look forward to serving our Lord and His Church with you in the coming year and beyond with zest and gusto.

On a more personal level, I wish to express my sincere gratitude for the wonderful gifts that Fr. Adrian and I received from you on occasions like our birthdays, priesthood anniversary and Christmas Day. It was very thoughtful and generous of you to think of us and surprise us with your lovely presents. We really appreciate your kindness, thoughtfulness and generosity. Your gifts mean a lot to us and we surely cherish them. I assure you of our special prayers every day in the New Year. May the Holy Spirit of God continue to empower you and guide you in your ministry and strengthen you in your endeavors.

I wish you and your loved ones a happy, healthy, and prosperous New Year 2024!

Sincerely,  
Fr. Edgar



# Pastor's Corner

By Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes



## Next Sunday's Reading *The Epiphany of the Lord*

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

**Responsorial Psalm**  
*Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13*

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

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

**FOCUS:** Imitate the Holy Family, the true model of life.

Even in their holiness, Mary, Joseph, and their child Jesus were not exempt from suffering, and the difficulties of life. Yet they never wavered in their commitment to God or to each other. There was a home where *the child [Jesus] grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.* Let us strive to make our homes a haven for others to grow in love, virtue, and favor.

**First Reading:** *Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3*

In the first reading, Abram puts his faith in God's promise of a child despite his and Sarah's old age.

**Second Reading:** *Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19*

In the second reading the author emphasizes all that Abraham did was by faith.

**Gospel:** *Luke 2:22-40*

In the Gospel, Joseph and Mary present Jesus at the temple, and meet Simeon and Anna who prophesy about the child.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE & ALL!

## ❖ NEW YEAR 2024 SCHEDULE ❖

**\*Jan 1 – 9:00am <Feast of Mary Mother of God> Fr Edgar & Fr Adrian**

**\*Blessing of Marian Images at the end of Mass\***

**\*Reminder: Please pick up your 2024 Stewardship Envelopes\***

**\*Office is closed on January 1 & 2\***

**\*January 14 – 3:00 PM <Santo Nino Fiesta Mass> Bishop Larry Silva**

**\*Procession \* 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.**

DIOCESAN NEWS ❖ DIOCESAN NEWS

**‘OHANA IN CHRIST**

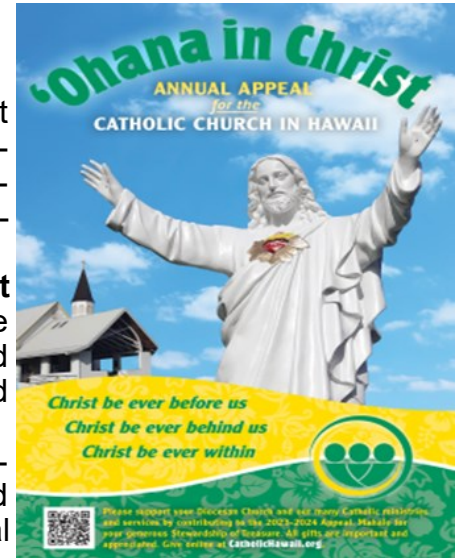
**APPEAL FROM BISHOP LARRY SILVA:**

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!





## STEWARDSHIP EXPRESSIONS

### \*REPAINTING THE PARKING STRIPES

*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*.



## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

### STEWARDSHIP & NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Stewardship is a commitment of mind and heart to the Lord; a way of life that needs constant renewal and transformation. This time of year has always been one of looking forward to a new year, reflecting on the changes we need to make in our lives and resolving to follow through on those changes. Perhaps those who seek to make resolutions to be better stewards might find inspiration in the following samples:

**Stewardship of Prayer:** Resolve to strengthen your relationship with the Lord. Notice how often you pray and what hinders you from praying. Commit to short, daily prayer times.

**Stewardship of Health:** Resolve to get those medical and dental checkups. Adopt healthier eating habits. Add exercise and other physical activity to your daily routine.

**Stewardship of Possessions:** Resolve to possess a little more "lightly" this year. Consider ways you can reduce the amount of all that stuff you own. Distinguish between those items that are necessary and those that are considered luxurious and unnecessary.

**Stewardship of the Parish Family:** Resolve to serve your faith community in some way this year such as at liturgy, in the parish's outreach or education and formation efforts.

**Stewardship of Money:** Resolve to render sacred your annual budget. Reprioritize your financial goals to ensure that the Lord comes first in your spending. Take positive steps to improve your financial health.

**Stewardship of Work:** Resolve to be faithful to your daily, work-related tasks and offer them up to the Lord. Cultivate your skills. Deepen your knowledge. Be mindful of how you are building the Kingdom of God.

**Stewardship of Family:** Resolve to set aside more time to stay connected with your family. Eat dinner together, schedule regular dates with your spouse, plan family outings, and go to Mass together.

**Stewardship of Mind:** Resolve to keep your mind active. Commit to being more informed on the issues of the day. Read your Bible. In the coming year of presidential elections in the United States, familiarize yourself with the Church's social teachings.

**Stewardship of Neighbor:** Resolve to be a person of hospitality; to make time and space for others who enter your life. Be more aware of those times when a neighbor, co-worker, fellow parishioner or stranger, needs a moment of kindness, a little attention or an affirming gesture on your part.

**Stewardship of the Poor:** Resolve to live with more compassion and in solidarity with those less fortunate. Remember the poor in prayer, and commit to helping relieve in some way the plight of those who are impoverished or marginalized.

*(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!**

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





**MASS ATTENDANCE**

	<u>12/17/23</u>	<u>12/24/23</u>
Sat 6:00 pm	(See Simbang Gabi below)	
Sun 6:30 am	52A+0C	56A+0C
Sun 9:00 am	72A+22C	90A-24C

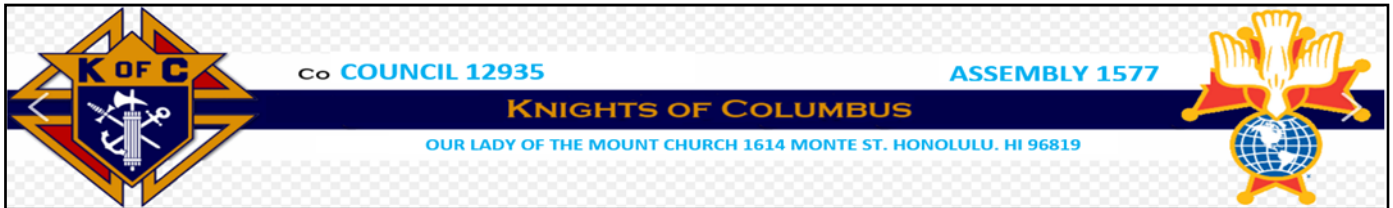
**SIMBANG-GABI**



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	96A+10C
12/24 Sun 6:00 pm	139A+23C
<b>MIDNIGHT MASS</b> 12/25/23	92A+3C
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b> 12/25 9:00 am	110A+15C

**SACRIFICIAL OFFERTORY**

	<u>12/16-17/23</u>	<u>12/23 - 24/23</u>
Offertory	\$ 2,657.00	\$ 2,270.25
Repair and Maintenance		\$ 121.00
Simbang-Gabi		\$ 2,854.00
Immaculate Conception	30.00	\$ 40.00
Retirement Fund for Religious	20.00	
Car Blessing	40.00	
Mass Intentions		\$ 160.00
Candles	<u>\$ 375.00</u>	<u>\$ 143.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,122.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,588.25</u>



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

◆ ◆ ◆ VIVAT JESUS! ◆ ◆ ◆

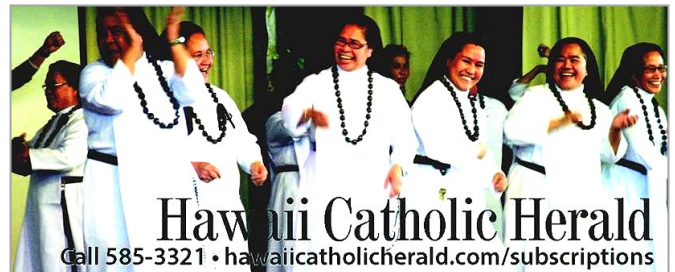
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**NEW NORM REGARDING EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TAKING COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND**

*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.**

# ❖ PICTORIALS ❖



## JOYFUL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

(By Church Organizations, Ministries, etc.)

### "Joy to the World, the Lord is Come"



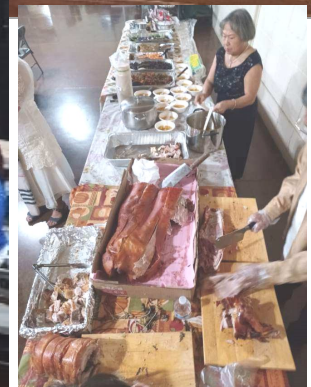
*The OLM Choir joyfully singing at the Midnight Mass.*



*The Youth & Young Adult Ministry gather before the "Christmas Story" presentation on December 24. Below are the beautiful nativity scene and tree in the parish hall that they decorated.*



*The Ilocano Choir Ministry at their Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help. Their Christmas celebration followed in the parish hall on December 28.*



## † REMEMBER IN PRAYER

❖**GOOD HEALTH / SUCCESSFUL SURGERY:** Guillermo Bacani \* Hannah Leong \* Matea Ranit \* Elmer Ranit \* Armin & Linda Goting \* Genie Bigornia \* Tina Hernando \* Lora Taa \* Lauretta Rabago \* 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 Lumantas \* 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 & Marina Torio \* Marilou Bruno \* Alfonso & Mary Villanueva \* Jesse Ulep \* Ruperto Pescador



❖**BIRTHDAY:** Edna Gamiao \* Jose Rizal Go \* Norma Daligcon \* Jesus Rabago \* Marianne, Junel & Jaymel Macalma \* 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 \* Francisca Tabon-da (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 & +Cresencia Acosta

❖**GRADUATION:** Britney Mina

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

❖**THANKSGIVING:** M/M Magdalena Leano & family >Margie Ancheta >Cora & Renato dela Rosa & children - Warren, Josh, Jewelle & Nester >Rosemarie Domingo >Cora Orcino >Lydia Felipe >Vicente & Luz Velasco >Olivia & Thomas Mita >Carlito & Aurelia Centino >Joseph & Mila Llantero >M/M Liberato Valdez & family >M/M Jaime Macalma >Andy & Chit Magbojos & family >Linda Puzon >Fe & Juriz Go >William & Mitronia Amoroso >Consolacion Caraang >Armelita Canoneo >Nazario & Alicia Balbuena >Alex & Marichu Pe Benito >Benny Acosta >Artates, Bacani, Chesser & Aczon families >Cathy Purganan & family >Silver & Marivic Palting >Rosita Dolormente >Cely Villanueva

❖**SPECIAL INTENTION:** Caroline Gruenhagen \* Robert Fernandez \* 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:** +Emilio Aranda \* +Francisca Aranda \* +Leticia Rivera \* +Pedro Aranda \* +Aquilina Aranda \* +Luciano Lucero Jr \* +Vicente Guerrero \* +Maria Guerrero \* +Ceferino Aranda \* +Mercedes Aranda \* +Rosario Asuncion \* +Lilia Cerezo \* +Santos, Karen & CherryAnn Cadiz \* +Blas, Laureana, Alfonso & Lydia Cadiz \* +Honorio Gamiao \* +Lil Perry \* +Ruth Saito \* +Stephen & Gregory Rodrigues \* +Roque Caraang \* +Romana Puzon \* +Ricardo Mateo \* +Anthony Gutierrez \* +George Trocio \* John Nino Trocio \* +Alfonso Agamao \* +Caroline & Martin Rodrigues \* +Derna Kim \* +Helen & Jack Tui \* +James & Bessie Soong \* +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas \* +Canuto & Paulina Umblas \* +Valentina Umblas \* +Monaliza, Julieta & Isidro Tabora Jr \* +Oscar & Vilma Umblas \* +Melchora, Celestino & Clavelina Umblas \* +Jennifer Ortiz \* +Glenn Miranda \* +Editha Ugale Yago \* +Purie Cortez \* +Sueko Hirasaki \* +Richard Sabin \* +Delfin Barsatan \* +Esperidion & Flordeliza, Macal-isang \* +Sabino Florentino \* +Courteney-Ann Kanani Pregil \* +Rizza Eugena Go delos Reyes \* +Glir Dagdagan \* +Constance DeSantos & Regina DeSantos \* +Tessie Fontanilla \* +Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM \* +Victims of the covid-19 pandemic, wars, crimes & natural disasters \* +Holy Souls in purgatory



# Mass INTENTIONS

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

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

Dec 25 > 12:00am Birthday - Jesus Rabago, Marianne Macalma \*  
Healing - Lauretta Rabago; Armin & Linda Goting; Hannah Leong;  
Matea & Elmer Ranit \* Thanksgiving - Alex & Marichu Pe Benito;  
Joseph & Mila Llantero \* Special intention - Robert Fernandez \* RM  
+Constance & Regina de Santos

Dec 25 > 9:00am Birthday - Marianne Macalma \* Healing - Hannah  
Leong; Matea \* Elmer Ranit \* Thanksgiving - M/M Jaime Macalma \*

Special intention - Robert Fernandez

Dec 26-28 > 7:00am Healing - Hannah Leong; Matea \* Elmer Ranit

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

Dec 27-31 > 7:00am Healing - Genie Bigornia; Tina Hernando

Dec 28 > 7:00am Birthday - Norma Daligcon \* Special intention - Ilocano Ministry \* Wedding anniversary - Caroline & Doren Gruenhagen (32)

Dec 28-Jan 5 > 7:00am RM +Christobal Quintana

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

Dec 29-Jan 6 > 7:00am RM +Honorio Gamiao

Dec 30-Jan 2 > 7:00am RM +Santos, Karen & CherryAnn Cadiz; Blas Laureana, Alfonso & Lydia Cadiz

Dec 30 > 6:00pm Healing - Guillermo Bacani; Genie Bigornia; Tina Hernando; Hannah Leong; Matea & Elmer Ranit \*  
Special intention - Chester & Shantil Centino; For peace in the world; Blessing for our families \* Safe travel - Bryan Andaya & family; for the safety of travelers, vacationers & deployed military personnel \* RM +Honorio Gamiao; +Roque Caraang; +Christobal Quintana; +Santos, Karen & CherryAnn Cadiz; Blas, Laureana, Alfonso & Lydia Cadiz; +Departed pastors, benefactors & parishioners of OLM.

Dec 31 > 6:30am (Missa pro populo) Healing & speedy recovery - Genie Bigornia; Tina Hernando; Roger Isidro; Trini Agama; George Calizar; Cipriana Luczon; Loreto Castillo; Rochelle Taylor; Marina Pescador; Evelyn Wordell; Caridad Dagdagan; Roselani Ramones; Alfonso & Mary Villanueva; Moses & Cristina Andres \* Safety of all travelers & vacationers & those deployed in the military \* Thanksgiving - Joseph & Mila Llantero: M/M Magdalena Leano & family; Bill & Joan Amoroso \* Special intentions - Robert Fernandez; For peace in the world; Blessing for our families \* RM +Emilio & Francisca Aranda; +Leticia Rivera; +Pedro & Aquilina Aranda; +Honorio Gamiao; +Christobal Quintana; +Bessie Soong; +Alfonso Agama; +Teresita Fontanilla; +Glir Dagdagan; +Santos, Karen & CherryAnn Cadiz; Blas Laureana, Alfonso & Lydia Cadiz; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters

> 9:00am Healing & speedy recovery - Gil Bacani; 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 Magdalena Leano & family; Margie Ancheta; M/M Liberato Valdez & family; M/M Alex & Marichu Pe Benito; Renato & Cora dela Rosa & family; Silver & Marivic Palting; Vicente & Luz Velasco; Cathy Purganan \* Special intentions - Blessing for our families; For peace in the world \* RM +Luciano Lucero Jr; +Roque Caraang; +Anastacio & Rosa Umblas; +Richard Sabin; +Julieta, Monaliza & Isidro Tabora Jr; +Deceased Victims of the covid pandemic, wars and disasters; +Departed pastors, benefactors and parishioners of OLM

Jan 1 > 7:00am Birthday - Edna Gamiao \* Special intention - Clem Fontanilla; Marian devotees; Peace in the world; New Year blessing for our parish and families \* RM +Lil Perry; +Ruth Saito; +Stephen & Gregory Rodrigues

Jan 1-2 > 7:00am RM +Santos, Karen & CherryAnn Cadiz; Blas Laureana, Alfonso & Lydia Cadiz

Jan 1-3 > 7:00am Safe travel - Bryan Andaya & family

Jan 1-5 > 7:00am RM +Christobal Quintana

Jan 1-6 > 7:00am RM +Honorio Gamiao

\*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!*





# NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival



## CATECHISM SERIES ON HOLY EUCHARIST...

### HOLY EUCHARIST: JESUS' GIFT OF PERSONAL AND ENDURING RELATIONSHIP

*I always admire individuals from other Christian denominations confessing with joy that they have a personal relationship with Jesus. However, what could get us into a more intimate relationship with Jesus than receiving him, the fullness of his humanity and divinity, in the Holy Eucharist? What could get us more personal than communion with his Body and Blood? Such a relationship is not just being imagined or confessed in words but a gift of Jesus who said, "This is my Body, this is my Blood; eat and drink" (cf Mat 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24). If we receive his offer in faith, our whole being belongs to him, and he too is in us.*

*Before the Blessed Sacrament, we bow profoundly. When the ciborium, contained with the presence of the Lord, passes before us, we bow reverently. I call it ritual reverence, which is a meaningful gesture. But this reverence should continue to others. Remember, we receive Jesus in Holy Communion, so our body contains Jesus' presence. It calls for reverence not because we now possess the presence of Jesus but because we now belong to his presence. It calls for a humble reverence because sometimes we only see the actual person.*

- Fr. Manny Hewe



## DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

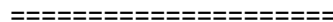
### - EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PILGRIMAGE STARTED ON NOVEMBER 1

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**

Greetings all,

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 Eukalika" 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.



# PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



### FEAST DAY

- Jan 1** Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother Of God \* Blessing of Marian images; 9:00AM Mass
- Jan 2** Memorials of Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church
- Jan 3** Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Jan 4** Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
- Jan 5** Memorial of St. John Neumann, Bishop
- Jan 6** Memorial of St. Andre Bessette, Religious

### OTHER

- Jan 1-2** New Year holidays. The office is closed.
- Jan 5-13** Santo Nino Novena, 6:30PM
- 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

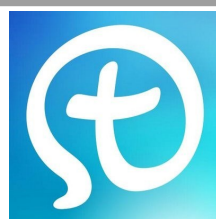
**+RICHARD W. SABIN, 63**  
**INURNMENT SERVICE** – January 3, 2024, 10:30 AM at National Memorial Cemetery, Punchbowl

**+ALFONSO CAINGLET AGAMAO, 91**  
**FUNERAL MASS** – January 20, 2024, at OLM Church  
**INTERMENT SERVICE** – January 20, 2024, 2:00 PM at Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

*“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.*



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**L.O.L.**  
*(Laugh Out Loud)*  
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### myParish App - Be smart!

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

### 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.