

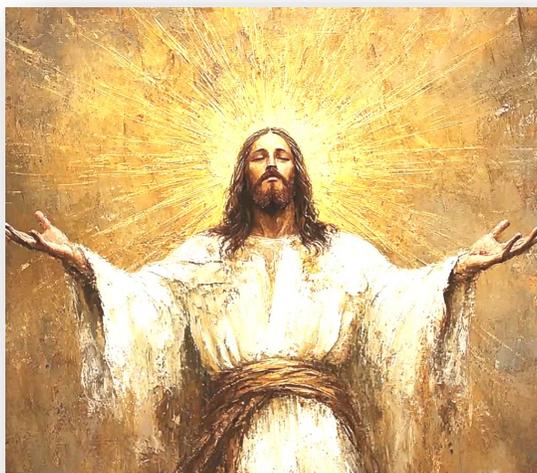
Our Lady of the Mount Church

Diocese of Honolulu

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Rev. Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes, Pastor



We can be a channel of God's love and mercy for others who are "asking," "seeking," and "knocking" when we support the ministries and programs that the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal makes possible.



Rev. Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio, Pastor - Emeritus

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Let's Celebrate!

February 15, 2026

GOOD NEWS FOR TODAY

FOCUS: My Rock! My Stronghold!



Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20 (76A)

Immense is the Lord's wisdom. The Lord God sees ever created thing and understands every human deed. Human beings have life and death before them, and they receive whichever they choose.

Second Reading: 1Peter 3:15-18

Paul wrote that real wisdom is God's hidden, mysterious, planned and prepared from the very beginning for the glory of those who love the Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Jesus said he came not to abolish the law but to fulfill it. He described such fulfillment as a matter not of legal argumentation but of holiness, reconciliation and the obedience of faith. Jesus encouraged the disciples to let their "Yes" mean "Yes" and their "No" mean "No."

CELEBRATING 155 YEARS AND RENEWING OUR FAITH IN GRATEFUL STEWARDSHIP

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 (22A)

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12,17-19

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 18

ASH WEDNESDAY ushers the season of Lent.

On this day is observed as a day of fasting & abstinence. Those aged 12-65 years old could eat only one full meal and avoid meat. Exceptions are those who are sick and under medications.

TWO MASSES WITH BLESSING & IMPOSITION OF ASHES at 7:00 AM & 6:00 PM

FIRST READING: JOEL 2:12-18 (219)

The Lord is slow to anger and rich in kindness. The faithful return with their whole hearts, fasting and repenting. All God's people gather together before the Lord for mercy.

SECOND READING: 2CORINTHIANS 5:20-6:2

Paul implored the Corinthians to be reconciled to God right away. As Christ carried their sins upon the cross, so can they bear his holiness within them, if they turn to him. "Behold, now is the very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 6:1-6, 16-18

Jesus warned the disciples against performing religious acts only to attract the attention of others. In giving alms, praying and fasting, Christians are to conduct themselves in such a way that no one will know, except God, who sees all things.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday of Lent beginning on February 20 at 7:00 PM, we do the Way of the Cross which is a traditional devotion during Lent to commemorate the sufferings of the Lord for our salvation. The prayers are led by the Councils, Committees, Ministries & Organizations following a schedule of their turn.

*A communal Penance service is scheduled on March 25 at 7:00pm in observance of Lent as a time for reconciliation and going back to the Lord thru the Sacrament of Confession. Priests from other parishes will join us to assist in hearing confessions of parishioners.

MALASSADAS DAY

February 17

Before entering the Lenten season on Ash Wednesday, people have been celebrating *MARDI GRAS (or Fat Tuesday) and *CARNIVALE (meaning Goodbye to Meat). These are celebrated in some famous cities and

countries like New Orleans, Venice and Brazil. At OLM, we call the day Malassadas Day after the famous Portuguese pastry, and indeed some Portuguese parishioners volunteer to share and serve malassadas on this day.

PRESIDENTS' DAY

February 16

This national holiday is celebrated to honor the birthdays of President George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. The tribute, eventually, is extended to all American presidents, past and present.



CELEBRATION OF WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

Holy Mass Honoring Married Couples

Our Lady of the Mount Church

February 22 at 5:00 PM

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

6:30 PM Reception to follow in the church hall

Please bring a special dish to share

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL A Call For Action

- ⇒ February 14 & 15—LAUNCH 2026 of CMAA for the Diocese of Honolulu
Bishop's video message, posters and promotional materials are posted and distributed.
- ⇒ February 21 & 22 IN PEW APPEAL that includes the filling up of every parishioner's pledge cards.



OUR LADY OF THE MOUNT CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

- Feb 7 |6:00pm RM +*Ermelinda Abinsay*
- Feb 8 |9:00am Birthday - *Mila Llantero; Marivic Palting* * Thanksgiving - *Joseph & Mila Llantero* *
RM +*Ermelinda Abinsay*
- Feb 9-11 |Healing & speedy recovery - *Jairrod Escalante; Linda Puzon; Julie Guillen; Eugene Arucan; Dolores Mateo; Juliet Tungpalan; Carlos Montanez; Stephanie Trang* *
Thanksgiving - *Ligaya Badua*
- Feb 10-12 |7:00am Successful procedure & speedy recovery - *Gladys Teruya*
- Feb 11-12 |7:00am Healing - *Rosario Valdez; Jairrod Escalante; Linda Puzon; Julie Guillen; Eugene Arucan; Dolores Mateo; Juliet Tungpalan; Carlos Montanez; Stephanie Trang; Ligaya Badua; All the sick, handicapped & elderly who are anointed today* * Thanksgiving -
Don & Maria Escalante * RM +*Romulo Layco; +Gaudencio Fabro Sr.*
- Feb 12 |7:00am Birthday - *Vangie Bacani; Audrey Peralta*
- Feb 13 |7:00am Birthday - *Steven Schwengler*
- Feb 14 |6:00pm Healing & speedy recovery - *Caridad & Gene Cortez* * Thanksgiving - *Andrea Baptista Trust & family; Jun & Caridad Cortez* * Special intentions - *Theresa Schwengler & family* *
RM *Michael Schwengler Sr; +Martin C Rodrigues; +Cecilia Leong; +Fran & Fred Duhaylonsod; +Alfredo Baptista; +Pio & Victoriana Bacani; +Ermelinda Abinsay*
- Feb 15 |6:30am (Missa pro populo) Birthday - *Mila Fernandez* * Healing & speedy recovery - *Mila Llantero; Linda Puzon; Logan Isidro* * Thanksgiving - *Rudy Feista; Adriano & Norma Daligcon; Joseph & Mila Llantero; Roger & Aida Isidro; Rudy Fiesta & family; Kalolo Tuihalafatai & Maintenance crew; Bill & Joann Amoroso* * RM +*Joseph Shorba*
- Feb 15 |9:00am Healing & speedy recovery - *Wilfredo Fabro; Audrey Peralta; Celia Morris; Ping & Emy Lopez; Nazario Balbuena; Fran Kovaloff; Ester Ramos; Marilyn Chee; Trini Agamao* * Thanksgiving - *Ligaya Badua; Silverio & Marivic Palting; Kalolo Tuihalafatai & Crew; Vicente & Luz Velasco; Benny Acosta & family; M/M Rodrigo Ulep* * Special intentions - *Leticia Bala; Rose Domingo; Keaka Pascua; Youth & Young Adult Ministry; the Board members of the Irmandade de Nossa Senhora do Monte* * Safe travel - *Juriz & Fe Go; Jaden delos Reyes; Chato Valdez* *
RM +*Gaudencio Fabro Sr; +Ricardo Pilien Sr; +Jose Manuel; +Remy Villanueva*
- Feb 16 |Healing & speedy recovery - *Jairrod Escalante; Linda Puzon; Julie Guillen; Eugene Arucan; Dolores Mateo; Juliet Tungpalan; Carlos Montanez; Stephanie Trang* *
Thanksgiving - *Ligaya Badua*
- Feb 17 |7:00am Successful procedure & speedy recovery - *Gladys Teruya*
- Feb 21 |6:00pm Special intention - *Theresa Schwengler & family* * RM +*Michael Schwengler Sr*
- Feb 22 |9:00am RM +*Elsa Tapaoan Cayetano*

LET US KEEP PRAYING FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF EVERYONE

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DEADLINE: Please submit your **Mass intentions** by Thursday if you want them printed on time for the weekend Parish Bulletin and for orderly inclusion at the Prayers of the Faithful. **MAHALO:** Thank you for your offering of \$10.00 per one (1) day Mass intention for the support of the charitable works of the church and the priests. *God bless you.*



Remember in Prayer

GOOD HEALTH & SUCCESSFUL SURGERY

Rosario Valdez * Jairrod Escalante * Wilfredo Fabro * Gladys Teruya * Dolores Mateo * Juliet Tungpalan * Caridad & Gene Cortez * Julie Guillen * Eugene Arucan * Stephanie Trang * Erlinda Rosario * Caridad Dagdagan * Mila Llantero * Carlos Montanez * Ronnie McCamley * Dianne Penna * Nazario Balbuena * Ping & Emy Lopez * Aldirico Corba * Dolores Malla (surgery) * Ester Ramos * Nelson & Jeannie Tan * Armando Acidera * Linda Puzon * Robert Mondoy * Florentino & Franklyn Orcino * Bella Miranda * Luis Bautista * Theresa Schwengler & family * Fran Kovaloff * Ligaya Badua * Remy Velasco * Rita Gaspar * Mariano Facuri * Alfonso Villanueva * Marilyn Chee * Trini Agamao * Tom DeCorte * Rochelle Taylor * Aristone Tabora * Audrey Peralta * Hannah Leong * Celia dela Cruz Morris * Fr. Adrian Gervacio * Julieta Walsh * Cipriana Luczon * George Calizar * Federico Boy Bitonio * Nelie Puzon * Moses & Cristina Andres * Seitasi Ah Kui * Latai Holeva Manupuna * Bobbie Walker * Roselani Ramones * Logan Isidro * Marina Torio * Ruperto Pescador

Bonoan * Andrea Baptista * Condelita Pescador * Herminia Ferrer * Anjelica Mathis * Jane Mariano * Alex Pe Benito * Jan Nino Montaus * Kasiano * Fe Go * Timu Sole * Seitasi Ah Kui * Erlinda Rosario * Edna Gamiao * Juriz Go * Norma Daligcon * Shirley Dumot * Aiden Max Lucas * Lydia Felipe * Bryan Andaya * Marilyn Chee * Warren dela Rosa



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Anona & William Braceros (50) * Maria Luisa Montaus (40) * Alex & Marichu Pe Benito (10) * Renato & Cora dela Rosa (46) * Isidro & Tina Lumabao (63) * Emmanuel & Rosebelinda Artates * Marcelino & Clementina Ceria-Ulep (21) * Luis & Isidra Bautista (52)

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Fr. Steve Nguyen (26) * Fr. Alfred Guerrero (9) * Bishop Larry Silva (50) * Fr. Edgar Brillantes (45) * Fr. Romeo Tito Bonoan (45) * Fr. Augusto Gus Acob (45) * Fr. John Macalisang (39) * Fr. Adrian Gervacio (58)



GRADUATION

Andrew Joshua Caraang * Mark & Leilani Aguinaldo * Laynee Souza (Cal Poly) * Taylor Souza, PhD (Stanford) * Cara Paranada (BSN) * Rustee Paranada (BSN)



SAFE TRIP & VACATION

Kalolo & Yvonne Tuihalafatai * Marlene Calventas * Teresa Siruno * Olivia Mita * Chato Valdez



THANKSGIVING

Rudy Fiesta >Andrea Baptista Trust & Family >Ligaya Badua >Filomena Alop >Don & Maria Escalante >Jun & Caridad Cortez >Ronnie McCamley >Alex & Marjorie Quarto & family >M/M Rodrigo Ulep >Nelson & Jeannie Tan >Silver & Marivic Palting >M/M Teody & Imelda Naval >Benie & Dorie Mina family >Llamedo family >Rey & Minda Teocson >Fermin & Luida Susa >Beny Acosta & family >Luis & Isidra Bautista & family >Joseph & Mila Llantero >Thomas & Olivia Mita >Armelita Canoneo >Evangeline Bacani & family >Rose Marie D Domingo >Renato & Corazón dela Rosa >Liberato & Rosario



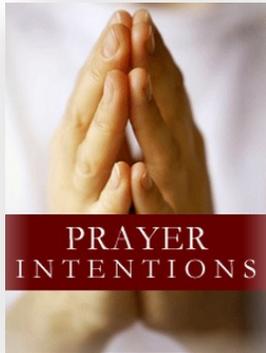
BIRTHDAYS

Mila Fernandez * Evangeline Bacani * Audrey Peralta * Avalyne Andaya * Marivic Palting * Steven Schwengler * Mila Llantero * Tita Calizar * Anthony Calizar * Fr Tito



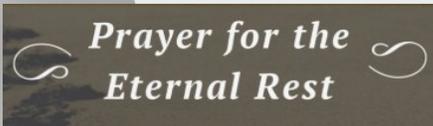
Remember in Prayer

Valdez & family >M/M Roger & Aida Isidro >M/M Adriano & Norma Daligcon >Myrna Balmilero >Jean Iida > Laura Ferreira >Segundo Facuri >Nazario & Alicia Balbuena >M/M Jaime & Medy Macalma >William & Mitronia Amoroso



SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Theresa Schwengler & family * Magdalena Leano * Leticia Bala * Keaka Pascua * Ador Padilla & son Adrian * Irmandade de Nossa Senhora do Monte * Fe Go & OLM FCC * OLM Pastoral Council officers & members * OLM Knights of Columbus Council 12935 * For Catechists & students * OLM Youth & Young Adult Ministry * For all Seminarians and increase of priestly vocations in the Diocese * For peaceful resolution of the war in Ukraine and Israel



DECEASED

+Romulo Layco * +Joseph Shorba * +Elsa Tapaoan Cayetano * +Benjamin Orcino * +Crisostomo Atendido * +Pio & Victoriana Baca-

ni * +Gaudencio Fabro Sr * +Michael Schwengler Sr * +Martin C Rodrigues * Cecilia Leong * +Fran & Fred Duhaylonsod * +Ricardo Pili-en Sr * +Ermelinda Abinsay * +Jose Manuel * +Percelina Kenui * +Antonio Diego Mateo * +Marcela, Tito, Manuela & Pepito Ulep * +Remy Villanueva * +Arsenio & Esperanza Balmores * +Febe Tacas * +Agapito & Apolonia Fontanilla * +Guadalupe Pili-en * +Honorio Gamiao * +Michael Schwengler Sr. * +Glir Dagdagan * +Ricardo Mateo * +Ana Francisca Mateo * +Roque Pascua Caraang * +Christopher Flores * +Amando & Palmas Flores * +Jon Jacques * +Jaycob Pabalan * +Gertrudis "Geri" Mina * +Maricel D Barayuga * +Jose Fernandez * +Arsenio Castro * +Imelda Ranit * +Benjamin B Batara Sr * +James Henry Rathkey * +John Nino Trocio * George Trocio * +Rosa & Anastacio Umblas * +Cresencia Acosta * +Valentina, Jesus, Emerson Tabios * +Marlene Facuri * +Cynthia Joy Rola * +Alfredo Baptista * +Simplicio Canoneo * +Arnel C Domingo * +Jose & Maria Goloran * +Teresita "Tessie" Fontanilla * +Religious, benefactors, donors & parishioners of OLM * +Victims of wars, crimes & natural disasters * +Holy Souls in purgatory

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for February

Merciful God,
We embark on our journey of renewal through difficult and uncertain times;
times of division and strife, and for many suffering and discouragement. But our journey is with your son, Jesus,
who bore his cross and suffered in ways we cannot imagine.
We journey with Jesus toward the great paschal feast of Easter, where we have the grace to experience the true joy of Resurrection. Teach us to be good stewards of your mercy and forgiveness, so that we may extend these gifts to others.
Give us the strength to bear witness to your son at all times, even during these times of stress and adversity.
And fill our hearts with love that we may be faithful to the Gospel Jesus proclaimed and ready to celebrate our unity with him and each other.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.
(Lifted from ICSC e-Bulletin February 2026)

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 † 3RD SUNDAY † 6:00 PM

✠MAY THEY REST IN PEACE✠

FUNERAL SERVICE

+JOSE PASION MANUEL, 82

*Funeral Mass – February 26, 2026, at 11:00 AM in OLM Church

*Interment – February 26, 2026, at 3:00 PM in the Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

+ELSA TAPAOAN CAYETANO

*Funeral Mass – March 2, 2026

*Interment – March 2, 2026

+ERMELINDA TEE ABINSAY, 75

*Funeral Service – March 4, 2026, at 11:00 AM in Valley of the Temples Mortuary Chapel

*Interment – March 4, 2026, at 2:00 PM in Valley of the Temples Memorial Park

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Metanoia: The Challenge of Lent

As we prepare ourselves for the beginning of Lent (Ash Wednesday, February 18), we might consider a Greek word that resonates during the season: *metanoia*. Just the sound of it is challenging and commands our attention. Literally, the word means “to change one’s mind.” In our Christian tradition it has come to be connected with repentance and more importantly, to conversion. But perhaps the online Merriam-Webster dictionary defines it most beautifully: *metanoia* - a transformative change of heart. To Catholic stewards, that phrase perfectly defines our yearning during Lent. We yearn to be transformed by a change of heart. Actually, that kind of change can be a scary proposition. It sounds risky. It’s certainly life-changing. If *metanoia* actually took place within us, if we allowed that kind of heart-based transformation into our lives, would our lives be different? On the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (January 11) the Gospel reading revealed to us that Jesus walked down to the Jordan River and asked John the Baptist to baptize him. There were two men, utterly transformed. John would call others to repentance in preparation for the coming of the Messiah. Jesus would be led by the Holy Spirit into the desert before embarking on a ministry that

proclaimed the Kingdom of God. John would be beheaded for his ministry; Jesus would be crucified.

Are we ready to be transformed during this Lenten season? Yes, we want to be good during Lent, attend extra Masses, lay off the chocolate, make sure the family attends Holy Week liturgies. But *metanoia*?

Transformation alters us, opens our hearts in radical ways. We witness it in the doctor who travels to Sierra Leone to take care of Ebola patients during his vacation time; in the couple who adopted, with very little time for discernment, three kids who had been orphaned and needed to be kept together; in the family that makes a decision to tithe despite their financial worries. Transformation requires courage. It is not a thing casually approached.

Perhaps our Lenten resolve shouldn’t be limited to the usual small sacrifices or token pieties, but to a deep commitment to a daily prayer that asks for the courage to be transformed by a change of heart. Let this simple prayer suffuse our Lent: “*Even if it takes time, Lord, make me smaller in the world, bigger in the kingdom.*” *Metanoia* – let us rise to the challenge of the Christ who beckons us to follow him this Lent into the desert. (Lifted from ICSC e-Bulletin February 2026)



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OFFICERS OF OLM KOC COUNCIL 12935

KoC Religious Appreciation Banquet, February 16, 5:30-9:00 PM at the Kroc Center

Herman Monico ✠ Grand Knight ✠ **George Roberts** ✠ Deputy Grand Knight

Melvin Cervantes ✠ District Deputy

WE INVITE ALL CATHOLIC GENTLEMEN TO JOIN THE WORLDWIDE MOVEMENT.

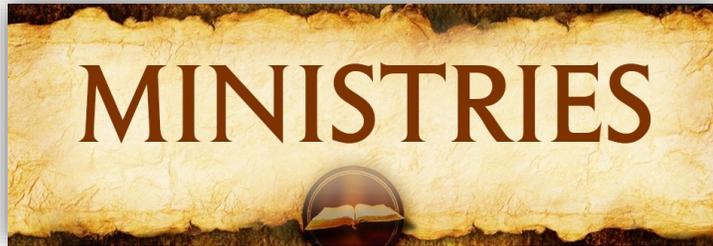
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✠✠VIVAT JESUS!✠✠

OLM COMMUNITY

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CLERGY & STAFF

Pastor: Reverend Fr. Edgar B. Brillantes
Pastor-Emeritus: Reverend Fr. Adrian R. Gervacio
Office Coordinator: Fran Kovaloff
Office Assistant & Receptionist: Gloria Rodrigues
Website & MyParishApp: Mary Ann Llamedo

Religious Education Program Coordinator:
Fran Kovaloff
Bookkeeper: Deacon Rafael Mendoza
Computer Tech Assistant: Fidel Flores

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Pastoral Council: Ropati Liua
(Meets 4th Wednesday of the Month)
Finance Council: Rosemary Mohika
Stewardship Committee: Marcelino Ulep

Education Committee: Fe Go
Liturgy Committee: Francesca Kovaloff
Parish Planning & Maintenance Committee: Roger Isidro

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
Cleo Bala-Casino
Lector Ministry: Gloria Rodrigues
Altar Server Ministry: Alvin Baron
Environmental Decoration: Cora Orcino

Church Cleaners: Ilocano Ministry (4 groups)
Hospitality: Mark Correia
Sacristan: Segundo Facuri
Altar linen: Mary Ann Goloran

MINISTRIES † ORGANIZATIONS † SERVICES

Youth & Young Adult Ministry: Ropati Liua
Respect Life Ministry & Safe Environment Liaison:
Fran Kovaloff
Prison & Hospital Ministries: Wilfred Soong
Kokua Ministry: Becky Decorte
Filipino Catholic Club: Norma Dalicon
Ilocano Ministry: Silverio Palting
Santo Nino Visayan Ministry: Florencio Sipalay
Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight Herman Monico
(KoC Corporate Mass: Every 4th Sunday of the Month at 9:00 AM)

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA):
Ropati Liua
Stewardship Counter & Receptionist: Linda Puzon
Parish Bulletin Editor: Fran Kovaloff
Interim Bulletin Editor: Maryann Llamedo
Cemetery Maintenance: Kalolo Tuihalafatai
Church Grounds Maintenance: TBD
Parking Attendant/Traffic Controller: Nato Laguer

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 (Holy Infant Jesus) at 6:30pm in the Chapel.

LAUNCHING OF THE HAWAII CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

In All Masses on February 14-15, 2026

The **Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal** replaces the O'hana in Christ Annual Appeal which the Diocese of Honolulu had been undertaking until last year. With this new initiative, every Catholic is given a chance to live out their faith by supporting the Church's mission of spreading the Gospel and forming disciples. By sharing God's gifts, together we can reach more people in need and deepen the faith of our community.

The Appeal will support Clergy needs such as Deacon & Seminarian formation, Retirement and Medical. It also supports the Pastoral & Social Ministry of the Church especially in the area of Affordable Housing, Homeless Services, Respect Life, Hospital and Prison Ministries. The Evangelization Ministries will receive for the Appeal for Religious Education, Sacramental Preparation / Adult Initiation, Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Adult Faith Formation Program, Family Ministry and Schools. It supports the area of Communications which is mainly covered by the Hawai'i Catholic Herald.

On February 14-15 is the **Kick Off Weekend**. Some activities include showing the CMAA video, displaying the posters, distributing prayer cards and making Special Intercessions in the Holy Mass.



DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL BEGINS THIS MONTH

02/12/2026 From: *Hawaii Catholic Herald*
By **Lisa Dahm**

The Diocese of Honolulu's new annual appeal officially gets underway this month, giving parishioners across the state an opportunity to invest in the future of the church.

The Hawaii Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal, "*Sharing God's Gifts*," begins the first weekend of Lent, Feb. 21-22, and runs through June 30. It will benefit diocesan ministries and services including youth and young adult evangelization and catechesis; hospital ministry; prison ministry; food and housing assistance; the Respect Life Office; and Catholic schools. The annual appeal will also help the diocese meet current operational needs to support clergy retirement as

well as vocations, including deacon and seminarian formation.

The goal for the CMAA is \$1.5 million — the former annual appeal's goal of \$1.125 million plus \$375,000 for clergy retirement and vocations.

The Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation, which manages funds to be used solely for the Diocese of Honolulu and its parishes and parochial schools, is overseeing the annual appeal.

HCCF is a nonprofit corporation independent of the diocese that's governed by a board of directors, whose members include both clergy and laypeople representing a wide swath of the business and financial industries. The HCCF board is led by *President T. Michael Hogan Jr.* Other members include *Ouida Yvonne Morris*, vice president; *Deacon Ronald Choo*, treasurer; *Paul DeVille*, secretary; *Ed Haik*, director; *Bob Harrison*, director; *Arnold Martines*, director; and *Bishop Larry Silva*, ex officio.

Donation motivation

Each parish in the diocese has a fundraising goal for the annual appeal. Diocesan Finance Officer Lisa Sakamoto said it will be important for people to select their parish when they donate, because parishes will be credited for any funds that exceed their goal.

"When (parishioners) donate online, there is a drop-down menu where they select their parish," said Terra Jones, HCCF account administrator. "That's how we keep track of where the funds go automatically."

Sakamoto said she also hopes to see 100% participation from diocesan employees and clergy by the time the appeal gets underway.

Once the campaign begins, parishes will receive an in-depth, monthly progress report on their donations until the appeal ends and funds are dispersed.

For this appeal, people will be able to scan a QR code with their smart device to reach the secure donation page on HCCF's website.

Scan the QR codes to watch a video promoting the annual appeal and to reach the donation page. Parishioners can also go to

www.hawaiicatholiccommunityfoundation.org/catholic-ministries-annual-appeal for more information and to donate.

Watch The Video



Scan To Donate



BRING YOUR OLD PALM OR OLIVE BRANCHES TO THE CHURCH FOR BURNING

The ashes will be used for the celebration of Ash Wednesday on February 18.

ILOCANO MASS

6:00 PM

You are all invited to join the Mass in Ilocano. Bring yourself and your family to be blessed. There's fellowship in the Parish hall after Mass.



NEW CHURCH SCREEN MONITORS IN CHURCH

We are grateful to *Silverio Palting* for donating two new units of huge 75" LG TV OLED to replace the aging screen monitors in Church. These are valuable equipment that enhance our liturgical celebrations by projecting the sacred readings and lyrics of hymns for more active participation. We appreciate *Silver* and his family for their generosity. *Andy Llamedo, Mandy Llamedo, Ryan Ragus, and Lance de los Reyes* teamed up to take out the old units and install the new ones. God bless our good and faithful stewards.

MAHALO TO THE PARISH BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The committee uncovered a seriously leaking drainage pipe from the second floor bathrooms in the Pastoral Center. It has damaged the ceiling of the second floor and caused the skyrocketing of our water and sewage bill. The combined crew of *Adriano Daligcon, Kalolo Tuihalafatai* and *Roger Isidro* solved the problem and fixed the leaking pipe with their expertise. The damaged ceiling and floor will have to be replaced and parishioner *Vicente Velasco* was tapped to do it. We do appreciate our able and vigilant volunteers who exhibit such generous and faithful stewardship.

LETTER FROM MSGR. TERRENCE WATANABE

Sharing with you a mailed letter from the Pastor of St. Anthony Church in Wailuku, Maui, Rev. Msgr. Terrence A. M. Watanabe, with a very appreciative and encouraging message. He also enclosed a \$200-check as his personal donation to OLM. We heartily thank the Monsignor for his very kind heart.

MAHALO from the Augustine Educational Foundation

The second collection last weekend is for the **Scholarships for Students in Hawaii Catholic Schools**. Our

Catholic schools provide a quality education to students from all ethnic, religious, and financial backgrounds. The Augustine Educational Foundation provides tuition scholarships to students with a financial need in our Hawaii Catholic Schools in grades K-12. Thank you for giving the gift of education and make a difference in a student's life.

Your gift to our Second Collection goes to support tuition scholarships in your parish and/or vicariate for the 2026-2027 School Year. For more information, please call (808) 203-6748 or visit www.augustinefoundation.org.



NEW FILIPINO CATHOLIC CLUB (FCC) OFFICERS

Last January, the OLM FCC Unit held their election of new officers. They will be installed this Sunday, February 15, at the 9:00 AM Mass.

The newly elected officers are the following:

- *President – Norma Daligcon
- *Vice President – Marivic Palting
- *Recording Secretary – Consolacion Caraang
- *Corresponding Secretary – Corazon dela Rosa
- *Treasurer – Aida Isidro

The outgoing President, *Fe Go*, served in that capacity for 10 years. We do appreciate her leadership and for steering the OLM FCC Unit to significant achievements. They have been consistent in actively serving the parish as ministers and coordinators in programs and spiritual activities such as the *Flores de Mayo*, involved in novenas, fellowships and clean-ups; in raising funds for students' scholarships, in fielding candidates for the Annual Charity Queen competition. After the back-to-back reigns of *Queen Becky Jandoc* and *Queen Jennifer Jandoc* 37 years ago, OLM won again the Charity Queen competition in 2024 thru *Queen Norma Daligcon*. *Fe Go*, herself garnered the highest award from the Diocesan Convention of Filipino Catholic Clubs (DCFCC) the *Monsignor Osmundo Calip founder's Award*.

The Filipino Catholic Clubs in parishes are recognized as mandated organization of lay faithful in the Diocese with the Bishop as the over-all Spiritual Director. We wish the new officers all the best in leading the OLM FCC to greater heights for the glory of the Lord and the growth of His Church.



UPCOMING

Mark Your Calendars

EVENTS



- February 7-8, 2026 | Second Collection for Augustine Educational Foundation
- February 10, 2026 | Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 6:00 PM
- February 11, 2026 | Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes * Anointing of the Sick & Elderly in Church
- February 14, 2026 | St. Valentine's Day
- February 14-15, 2026 | Kick-off of the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal
- February 15, 2026 | Installation of New Filipino Catholic Club Officers at the 9:00 AM Mass
| Mass in Ilocano at 6:00 PM
- February 16, 2026 | President's Day—Office is Closed
| KoC Priests & Religious Appreciation Reception, 5:30-9:00 PM at Krocs Center
- February 17, 2026 | Malassadas Day > Martedi Grasso (Mardi gras – Fat Tuesday) * Carnivale (Goodbye to meat)
- February 18, 2026 | Ash Wednesday – 2 Masses with imposition of Ashes
7:00 AM * 6:00 PM / Day of fasting and Abstinence
- February 18, 2026 | Youth & Young Adult Ministry 7:00 PM
- February 20, 2026 | Friday Stations of the Cross begins
- February 22, 2026 | Knights of Columbus Corporate Mass 9:00 AM
- February 21-22, 2026 | Launching of In-pew Appeal for Catholic Ministries
- February 22, 2026 | Rite of Election for Catechumens at the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa, 1:00 PM.
| Honoring Married Couples in celebration of World Marriage Day & Valentine's Day
with Holy Mass & Renewal of Vows at 5:00 PM followed by 6:30 PM Reception
- February 25, 2026 | Youth & Young Adult Ministry 7:00 PM
- February 26, 2026 | Funeral Mass +Jose Pasion Manuel, 82
- February 27, 2026 | Friday Stations of the Cross
- February 28, 2026 | First Death Anniversary of +Umaga Pamata Liua

Jesus certainly shook things up with his ministry. He declares, very clearly, that he is replacing the laws of Moses from the Old Testament with a new Law. Yet, Jesus, who was raised in a devoted Jewish family, also makes clear that he is not abolishing God's laws but fulfilling them. As the

Son of Man, he has the authority to deepen the laws Moses established. The new era that Jesus is ushering in holds believers to a higher standard than what the scribes and Pharisees practice.



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Luckily, God doesn't expect perfection from us. Though made in His image and likeness, we are human. Thus, we are flawed. Even though we fall short of living according to our Heavenly Father's laws, our desire to try – our good intentions – please God. And through grace, the Lord provides the strength to follow the new commandments that Jesus sets forth in today's Gospel. We just need to remember to call on God to be our help: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened" (Matthew 7:7-8).

We can be a channel of God's love and mercy for others who are "asking," "seeking," and "knocking" when we support the ministries and programs that the *Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal* makes possible.


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OFFICE OF THE PASTOR

Rev. Edgar B. Brillantes, Pastor
 Our Lay of the Mount Church
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Dear Fr. Edgar,

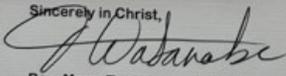
Congratulations on the 155th Anniversary of Our Lady of the Mount Church in Kalihi Valley. What a wonderful milestone this is for you and all your parishioners. OLM has been a beacon of hope, love and service for our Church in that community. For this I am most grateful. Please extend my congratulations to your wonderful community of lay men and women who are actively living their faith and bringing Christ to the world.

Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers as you celebrate 155 Years of loving service and deep faith. Thank you for sending me your beautiful book on the history and life of your parish from 1870 to the present. It is a wonderful history and great for us to see how the parish has continued to grow over the years and respond to the needs of our people through time.

Mahalo for being a model parish for the rest of us in the Diocese of Honolulu and may Our Lady of the Mount Church continue to be blessed by the Lord and radiate His light to all for another 155 years.

With warm best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,



Rev. Msgr. Terrence A. M. Watanabe, Pastor
 St. Anthony Church and School

February 1, 2026



HOSPITALITY * PRAYER * FORMATION * SERVICE



Thank you Good and Faithful Stewards PARISH BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Thank you Rev. Msgr. Terrance A. M. Watanabe
 Pastor, St. Anthony Church and School

Stewardship	February 7 and 8		January 31 and February 1	
	Adults	Children	Adults	Children
Mass Attendance				
Sat 6:00 pm	50	5	47	3
Sun 6:30 am	28	0	68	0
Sun 9:00 am	45	20	75	22

Sacrificial Offertory	Feb 7 and 8	Jan 31 and Feb 1
Offertory	\$3,864.09	\$2,861.00
Initial Offering		\$5.00
Repair & Maintenance	\$40.00	\$925.00
Ilocano Mass		\$163.00
Augustine Educ. Foundation	\$304.00	
Black & Indian Mission		\$250.80
Church in Latin America		\$200.25
Miscellaneous	\$894.44	
Candles		\$115.00
Mass Intention		\$40.00
TOTAL	\$ 5,102.53	\$ 4,560.05



A Blast From The Past Happy Valentine's Day

