

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME

Weekend of July 19-20, 2014



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Monday - Saturday 7:00 AM

Weekend Saturday (anticipatory) 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM

Ilocano Mass Last Sunday at 5:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 4:00 - 4:30 PM or anytime by appointment

Mission Established 1928

Parish Established 1939

MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID

I believe we need to offer a "mahalo" for the work of Mr. Kainoa Fukumoto, and his <u>Apologetics</u> series. This is a necessity today for Catholics and their faith life here, there and everywhere. The word "apologetics" does not mean "apologize" in the sense of being sorry for one's faith. It means speaking up for, or defending one's faith. But at heart, it is an invitation to know one's faith. There is a tendency to be too relaxed in this regard. People let their faith lie away like old magazines collecting dust in a corner somewhere. Then if someone should come and challenge them in their Catholicity, they panic. This series is meant to move one's faith from a childhood grasp to an adult's understanding.

I can sense, maybe wrongly, that Catholics are targets for some of the more bible-based newer churches that have sprung up in recent years on Oahu. Catholics may be perceived as weak in their faith, and are subject to approach from strangers. I say this because it seems that the largest denomination after Catholics...is "former Catholics". I believe there is a study somewhere that says this very thing. "Former Catholics" now attend other churches, where they feel at home.

The blame for all this cannot lie with anyone alone. Indeed, maybe some of us priests are not clear when trying to teach the faith through word and action. Part of the problem there is the Catholic inability to come to know and understand Sacred Scripture. Homilies are not helpful very often. However, many, many lay Catholics do not take an active stance in understanding and nurturing their faith. They know that they want to remain Catholic, but are unaware that faith is a *living* reality, which must be nurtured by prayer and study.

Last weekend, we had the story, the parable of the Sower and the Seed, from Matthew's Gospel. Do you remember it? The Sower threw his seed everywhere, not scouting out the good soil only. The seed is the Word of God, the presence of God that has come in to our lives. What has been our reception of this seed that we received from God, initially, so long ago? How have we prepared the soil of our lives, making it possible for it to grow abundantly? If we let the ground harden, the seed will just sit there, until someone takes it away.

Do not be fooled by those who say the bible alone suffices! There are many inconsistencies in the bible, even in the New Testament. For example, as the women come to the tomb of Jesus in the four gospels, we are not sure if they encounter one angel, two angels, one man, or two men. If your faith is based on the Bible alone, this can be a mess to try to explain. As Catholics, we let those details slide, and focus on the fact that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. Our Catholic Church utilizes both Scripture and Tradition.

So let us all be attentive to our Catholic faith, which is a precious gift from God. How will we treat this gift? Like a garden, it will serve us well, if we take care of it.

Fr. David, ss.cc.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jul 19 (Sat) Seminarian Education Fund Jul 20 (Sun) 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Seminarian Education Fund

10:30am Apologetic Series (PH) 10:30am WGH-LTC Pry Svc

St Lawrence of Brindisi Jul 21 (Mon)

> 6:30pm EDGE (Lib) 7:00pm YAM Faith Sharing

St Mary Magdalene Jul 22 (Tue)

EPIC Core Team Mtg (Conf Rm)

Jul 23 (Wed) St Bridget of Sweden Jul 24 (Thu) St Sharbel Makhluf

> 7:00pm OLS Prayer Group (Lib) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus (PH)

Jul 25 (Fri) St James

Jul 26 (Sat) Sts Joachim & Anne

9:00am Food Pantry

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Jul 27 (Sun)

10:15am Infant Baptism

10:30am Apologetic Series (PH) 12:00nn Choir Directors' Mtg (Lib)

5:00pm Ilocano Mass

NOTE: The parish offices will be closed on July 22 & 23. The staff will be attending a training session.

*OLS = Our Lady of Sorrows / CH = Church / PH = Parish Hall / Lib = Library / Sch = School MMP = Mililani Mortuary Park / WGH = Wahiawa General Hospital

Youth Ministry News

-If you an upcoming Freshman completed OLS' Edge Program or are a high school come and join OLS' vouth ministry program. We meet every Wednesday at 6:30 PM in Our next semester starts on August Room 8. 6th. Parents/teens, please see Udie Algoso or youth ministry members out on the lanai after each mass this weekend.

-9th-12 graders: Interested in singing, dancing or performing skits? Become a part of our Youth Praise & Worship team. Please see Udie Algoso or members out on lanai after each mass this weekend for more details.

FOR SALE 2010 Honda Civic Good Condition



Car may be viewed in the parish carport. Please contact Fr. Richard at the parish office at 621-5109 ext. 9721 if you are interested.



TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Green]

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Though you are the master of might. you judge with clemency.

Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit intercedes for the holy one according to God's will.

Matthew 13:24-43

He who sows good seed is the Son of Man.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Green] 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 · Romans 8:28-30 · Matthew 13:44-52

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEKEND OF July 12-13, 2014

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS	\$4,748.68
VOTIVE CANDLES	
OCCASIONAL OFFERINGS	250.00
BUILDING FUND	75.00
SCHOOL SUPPLIES	130.00
FOOD PANTRY	25.00
E.P.I.C. MINISTRY	5000
APOLOGETICS	39.00
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	60.00

MAHALO FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

Offertory Envelopes: Please call the bookkeeper at 621-5109 ext. 9722 if you are in need of a new box.



Kupuna Wellness Centers

E Komo Mai—Come and join us for a hot meal Wahiawa Recreation Center 1139A Kilani Ave. Are you in need of Home Delivered Meals?

Call Lanakila Meals on Wheels at 356-8519 See the bulletin board for more info

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Shirley Caban, Religious Education Coordinator (621-5109, ext. 9723)

First Communion and Confirmation group pictures are available for pick up at the Parish Office. Donations are appreciated for the building fund.

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND Second Collection—July 19-20, 2014

Our priests are our islands "Hope for the Future" and the Diocese of Honolulu invites the faithful to participate in providing for the training, formation, and education of seminarians – our future priests.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS!



Every Sunday at 10:30 AM in the parish hall

THIS SUNDAY'S TOPIC: "Confession & Scandals in the Church"

NEXT SUNDAY'S TOPIC: "Prayer to the Saints"

Visit www.olswahiawa.org for more details



As the second poorest area on Oahu, many Wahiawa children will be going back to school without required school supplies. You can help by donating some of the supplies that these needy children will require or by making a monetary donation. Please indicate "school supplies" on your check or envelope. Last year our parish led the community in its generosity for this worthy cause.

OHANA MASS

Attention families with members who have disabilities. Come to the OHANA MASS

Sunday, July 20th, 2:00 PM Resurrection of the Lord in Waipio Gentry.

The Mass is interpreted in sign language for persons who are Deaf and a dramatization about the Gospel is presented to help participants to understand the Gospel message. For more information, contact Iwie at the Ministry for Persons with Disabilities at 203-6702 or email itamashiro@rcchawaii.org.

See you there!

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MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Sorrows Church is a Catholic, faith-filled community united and founded on the teachings and love of Jesus Christ to serve the needs of all parishioners and, through its ministries, to foster and nurture their growth in faith.

Our Lady of Sorrows Church believes in stewardship as a way of Christian living. As stewards, it is our responsibility to give back to God the best that He has given us, by giving of our time, talent and treasure.

As a unified and welcoming parish of the Universal Church, we reach out to all of God's people through education, through social action, through worship and through proclaiming and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.