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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 See Weekly Schedule

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Saturday at 4:00 - 4:45 PM or anytime by Appointment (Call office for appointment)

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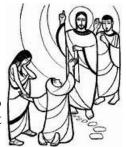
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# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekend of August 19 - 20, 2023

# A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Gospel today from Matthew reminds us to trust in Him even when it seems He is not answering our prayers.



God wants to lead us to the joy of heaven to spend eternity with Him. For that, we must be strong in faith and live our lives as an act of love and gratitude to Him. In other words, we must allow Him to transform us into saints. This is what the stewardship way of life is meant to do. Sometimes, that will feel painful to us. Often, it will be challenging.

Jesus certainly challenged the Canaanite woman in today's Gospel passage from Matthew. She called out to Him on behalf of her daughter, who was being tormented by a demon. What did Jesus do in reply to this mother's desperate plea? Nothing. He "did not say a word in answer to her." Undeterred, the woman continues to call out to Him, yet He still does not give her what she asks for. Instead, He continues to challenge her faith.

And she rises to the challenge to such an impressive degree that Jesus exclaims, "O woman [a term of deep respect in that day], great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." Imagine hearing those words proclaimed over us by God. Truly there could be no higher honor than hearing our Lord say that to us.

So we must accept the difficulties that come with the stewardship way of life. Some days will be a true challenge to our trust in God. But those are the days when God is making saints of us. Let's embrace the hard days during these difficult times. The deep joy that eventually comes, the eternal reward He promises, will be so worth it.

But when we embrace the stewardship way of life, letting go of a tight hold over our money, time, and talents, our lives become a grand adventure, rooted firmly and gratefully in the God Who always cares for us.

- Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

### LAST DAY TO DONATE SCHOOL SUPPLIES: AUGUST 27



Help our students that do not have the necessary supplies for school! A list of supplies needed can be found on the bulletin board or website. To date we have collected 75 lbs. in supplies and \$560.00 in monetary donations! Thank you for your continued donations!

# **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

Aug 19 (Sat) St. John Eudes

Admission Day Holiday

FiF Lanai Sale after 5:00 PM Mass (CH Lanai)

Aug 20 (Sun) Twentieth Sunday in Time

FiF Lanai Sale after 5:00 PM Mass (CH Lanai)

9:00 am Children's Mass

10:30 am Filipino Catholic Club Meeting (PH)

Aug 21 (Mon) St. Pius X

Aug 22 (Tue) The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 pm Legion of Mary (PH) 7:00 pm Choir Practice (CH)

Aug 23 (Wed) St. Rose of Lima

6:30 pm Youth Ministry (PH)

Aug 24 (Thu) St. Bartholomew

Keiki Bags/TANF Prep (PH) 5:30 pm

6:00 pm Food Pantry Prep 6:30 pm RCIA Classes (Conf) Knights of Columbus (Lib) 7:00 pm

Aug 25 (Fri) St. Louis

St. Joseph Calasanz

Weekday Aug 26 (Sat)

9:00 am Food Pantry/Senior Box Distribution

Aug 27 (Sun) Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLS = Our Lady of Sorrows / CH = Church / PH = Parish Hall Lib = Library / Conf = Conference Room / Class = Upstairs Classroom MMP = Mililani Mortuary



### **OBITUARIES:** MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

+Dennis Academia

Aug 25 11:00 am Funeral Svc: MMP-Makai

1:30 pm Burial: MMP

#### IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL! **BE SAFE ON THE ROAD!**

Now that the school year has been begun, all are asked to be mindful of our keiki on and off OLS property.



# Please ENTER on California Avenue and EXIT on Manua Street.

Those attending Daily Morning Mass are asked to do the same as Mass ends during school drop off.

Times to note: Morning drop off: 7:30-8:00 AM. After school pickup line generally begins at 1:30 PM; 12:30 PM on Wednesdays.

Mahalo for your Kokua!



#### TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Green]

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

Psalm 67: 2-3, 5-6, 8

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Matthew 15:21-28

All peoples are invited to worship the Lord (1) and to know his ways (Ps). God's gifts and his call are to Jew and Gentile alike (2). Jesus comes to recognize the universality of God's call in granting the request of the Canaanite woman (3)

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Green] Is 22:19-23 • Rom 11:33-36 • Mt 16:13-20

# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

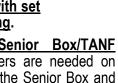
Week of July 31 - August 6, 2023	
OFFERINGS	
Sunday Offering	\$4,582.29
FiF Pledge Payments	\$410.00
Second Collection: Catholic Charities Hawaii	\$1,173.00
MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS	
Food Pantry	\$100.00
Other Miscellaneous Offerings	\$258.49
School Supplies Drive	\$85.00
JUNE 2023 WeSHARE	
Sunday Offering	\$3,965.00
FiF Pledge Payments	\$2,645.00
JULY 2023 WeSHARE	
Sunday Offering	\$4,405.00
FiF Pledge Payments	\$2,835.00

# Mahalo for your generosity!

Call the Parish Office at 621-5109 ext. 9720 if you are in need of a new offering envelope box.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE FOOD PANTRY...

OLS Food Pantry distribution will be on SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2023, from 9:00 FEED THE am to 11:00 am. Volunteers, please come to HUNGRY the Food Pantry at 7:00 am to help with set up; please park behind school building.



Help is also needed for the Senior Box/TANF distributions and set up. Volunteers are needed on Thursday morning (AUGUST 24) with the Senior Box and TANF delivery. If you are able to lift, carry, and stack cases of canned food your help is greatly needed.

Thank you for supporting the OLS Food Pantry!

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER**

Alan Kim, RE Coordinator (808) 621-5109 ext. 9723

Registration for Religious Education Classes is open. See the table on the lanai or call the RE Office.

September 17 Catechetical Sunday / Children's Mass

September 24 First Day of RE Classes

# Youth Ministry

Learn more about Youth Ministry! Join us on August 23 (WED) at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Registration is available on the parish website.



# **MAUI WILDFIRE RELIEF EFFORTS**

For our brothers and sisters who have suffered from the devastating fires on Maui, that we may come together as a community to help rebuild our families and the physical structures that were lost, that they may have strength to overcome the emotional and financial hardship, and that we may give them peace and strength through our prayers. We pray to the Lord.

Maria Lanakila, Pray for Us!

Please continue to remember our brothers and sisters affected by the devastating wildfires that have ravaged the island of

Maui. OLS will continue to take this special second collection throughout the month of August at all Masses.

Donations can also be made through the Diocese at Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation to support our parish and school communities. A dedicated webpage has been set up for donations to go directly to HCCF to support the relief efforts.

Go to the Diocese of Honolulu website: **www.catholichawaii.org** to make an online donation. Every donation, no matter the amount, will make a difference!



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#### PARISH STAFF

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Chairperson, Parish Building and Maintenance Committee

#### **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 to 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.



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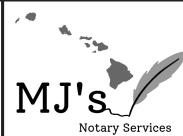
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