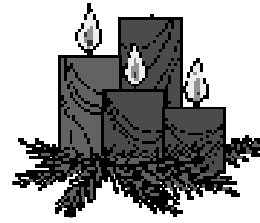




OUR LADY OF SORROWS

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Weekend of December 12-13, 2015



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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 - 4:45 PM

or anytime by appointment

Mission Established

1928

Parish Established

1939

MESSAGE FROM FR. RICHARD

There are two "news items" that I would like to tell you about...

Priestly Assistance: Fr. Kris Kaitapu ss.cc., presently at St. Augustine's Waikiki, will be in residence at OLS as of February 1. He will help here and at St. Michael's, Waiialua. Fr. Kris will not be Parochial Vicar but in residence, which means we will not pay a salary or benefits. However we will provide room and board and help with gas for his car. With the hall construction about to begin, I welcome some assistance. Father will be able to help with funerals, covering the hospital and several other things. It will also be nice having another ss.cc. with me.

The School: Our school building is an asset that is underutilized. It is also deteriorating and the parish cannot afford to finance the major repairs that it will need in the near future. Over a year ago the diocese asked us to look for ways in which the school building could be income-producing for the parish. The diocese has put us in contact with a group from the mainland that wants to open a charter school in Wahiawa and would be interested in leasing our school. At present they are making application to the State Department of Education for approval as a charter school. The DOE will give its decision in June. If they are approved the Kamalani Academy (the name of the Charter School) would open in the fall of 2017. You can read more about the school online at www.kamalani.net.

Some have asked me whether we have given consideration to reopening the school as a parish school. To reopen a parochial school would mean rehabbing the building, buying new equipment (desks, chairs etc.), purchasing curriculum, hiring a faculty etc. Those startup costs would be somewhere in the range of \$2 million. Then there would be the costs of running the school once opened. Given our regular parish income and the loan that we will be repaying on the new hall, the parish would be unable to subsidize the school's operation so families would have to pay a rather high yearly tuition. Reopening a parish school is completely beyond our financial capabilities as a parish and paying tuition and other fees is beyond the ability of most Wahiawa families. Given those realities, it should be clear that no consideration is being given to reopening the school as a parish school.

There's no more news on the hall/bathrooms for now. We're still waiting for the loan documents to be signed and for the permit process to take its course.

Thanks for all your support financially and spiritually!

Fr. Richard, ss.cc.

**Social Ministry Fair
December 12-13, 2015**

Following the Masses

Please visit the ministry on the parish lanai

*Food Pantry, Kupuna Kokua Ministry, Respect Life,
Bereavement Support Ministry, Faithful Citizenship, Health Ministry*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Dec 12 (Sat)** 3rd Sunday of Advent
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
Social Ministry Fair following the Mass
- Dec 13 (Sun)** 3rd Sunday of Advent
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection
Social Ministry Fair following the Masses
10:30am RE classes
1:00pm Altar Society Mtg (PH)
2:30pm Combined Choir (CH)
- Dec 14 (Mon)** St John of the Cross
6:30pm Middle School Youth Ministry (Rm 4)
7:00pm YAM Faith Sharing (CH)
- Dec 15 (Tue)** Advent Weekday
7:00pm OLS Advent Reconciliation Service (CH)
- Dec 16 (Wed)** Advent Weekday
Misa de Gallo begins
6:30pm Youth Ministry Class (Rm 8)
7:00pm Pastoral Council Mtg (PH)
- Dec 17 (Thu)** Advent Weekday
"O Wisdom"
9:00am Craft Guild (PH)
7:00pm Charismatic Prayer Group (Lib)
7:00pm Stewardship Committee Mtg (Conf Rm)
- Dec 18 (Fri)** Advent Weekday
"O Sacred Lord"
11:00am +Ernesto Menor Funeral Mass (OLS)
6:00pm Evangelization Committee Mtg (Conf Rm)
6:30pm +Pedro Elento Wake Svc (MMP)
- Dec 19 (Sat)** Advent Weekday
"O Flower of Jesse's Stem"
8:30am Divine Mercy Gathering (PH)
10:00am +Pedro Elento Burial (MMP)
1:00pm Baptism Seminar (PH)
Calendar Distribution following the 5 PM Mass
- Dec 20 (Sun)** 4th Sunday of Advent
"O Key of David"
Calendar distribution following the Masses
10:15am FCC Mtg (PH)
10:30am Christmas Decorating (CH)
10:30am RE classes
10:30am WGH-LTC Pry Svc
2:30pm Combined Choir (CH)

NOTE: Misa de Gallo begins on Dec. 16th at 5:00 AM. There will be no 7:00 AM morning Mass Mon—Sat. from Dec. 16 to 24.

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

OBITUARY: MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



- +Ernesto Menor**
Dec 18 11:00am Funeral Mass – OLS
- +Pedro Elento**
Dec 18 6:30pm Wake Svc – MMP
Dec 19 10:00am Burial – MMP
- +George Woo**
Dec 30 10:00am Funeral Mass – OLS



Giving Tree gifts are due today, **Dec. 13.**
Mahalo for your generosity.



TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Rose]

Zephaniah 3:14-18a

The Lord, your God, is in your midst,
a mighty Savior.

Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always.

Luke 3:10-18

I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Violet]

Micah 5:1-4a · Hebrews 10:5-10 · Luke 1:39-45

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend of December 5-6, 2015

OFFERINGS

Sunday Offering	4,281.00
Christmas	220.00
Immaculate Conception	5.00
Religious Retirement Fund	15.00

MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Flower Fund	386.50
Food Pantry	85.00
Mass Intentions	40.00

OTHERS

Candles	316.47
Tenant's Rent & Water	2,702.88
Advent Wreath Making	80.00
Capital Campaign Fundraiser	1,768.00

Mahalo for your generosity!

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

NOVEMBER STEWARDSHIP REPORT

	NOV. 2014	NOV. 2015
Tithe w/ID	\$18,366.07	\$18,362.00
Loose w/o ID	3,542.41	3,668.00
Total	\$21,908.48	\$22,030.00
Average	4,381.70	4,406.00
<i>Goal: An average of \$4,600.00 per week.</i>		
All Souls	2,943.00	2,145.00
Human Develop. Camp.	799.90	897.27
Thanksgiving	1,361.80	1,409.00

2016 Calendars

2016 calendars will be distributed after the Masses next weekend. Please thank our calendar sponsors—**OLS FCC, Elias & Tina Fernandez & family, Samaritan Counseling Center of Hawaii, and Ace Transmission & General Repair, LLC**—who provide you with the free calendars.



OLS ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

December 15, 2015
7:00 PM in the Church

The Savior is coming! Come experience a penance service that will help us on our journey of personal and communal faith, in the preparation of God's promises for a new life in which "the lion shall lay down with the lamb." Come and be renewed in God's saving grace.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES Central Oahu Vicariate All Services begin at 7:00 PM

- Dec. 14 St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani
- Dec. 15 **Our Lady of Sorrows**
- Dec. 15 St. Michael, Waiialua
- Dec. 21 Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pearl City

Retirement Fund for Religious

Aging Religious need your help. Your gift to today's collection helps provide medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.



Christmas Church Decorating December 20 at 10:30 AM



Parishioners share your talent and time to add more glitter and color to the church environment. Your help is once again needed to decorate the church for Christmas on **December 20** following the 9:00 AM Mass.

MISA DE GALLO December 16-24, 2015 / 5:00 AM

"Watch and pray." Let us prepare for the coming of the Savior as we rise up early to offer our worship and devotions at the novena of Advent Masses. Fellowship will follow.



Knights of Columbus News



- The OLS Knights will have sign-ups on the parish lanai for the following:
- ◆ Blood Bank Participation
 - ◆ March for Life Bus; Friday, January 22, 2016; 3:00 PM; State Capitol

The *Forward in Faith* Campaign fundraising last weekend made a sale of \$1,700.00. We would like to thank all of the parishioners who again gave their time, talents and treasures-without you we would not make this possible. Our next fundraising will be on Feb. 6-7, 2016.

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.

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