



OUR LADY OF SORROWS

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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

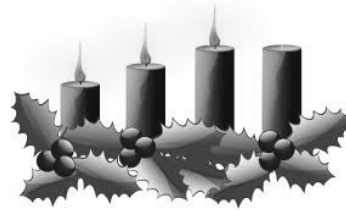
Saturday at 4:00 PM
or anytime by appointment

Mission Established
1928

Parish Established
1939

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Weekend of December 10-11, 2016



A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today, the Third Sunday of Advent, we celebrate *Gaudete* Sunday. *Gaudete* means “rejoice.” Although Advent is a season of penitence and preparation, today is always set aside by the Church to relax and rejoice in the Lord. All of our readings today deal with Christian joy. This may seem not in keeping with the overall mood encouraged for Advent, but it is most definitely in keeping with what we need to feel, and it is definitely appropriate for those who embrace stewardship as a way of life.

Stewardship is, of course, based upon an “attitude of gratitude” and today is a day to focus on the joy that results from that gratitude. Father Henri Nouwen was a well known Catholic priest, professor, writer, and theologian. In describing the significance of this particular day, Father Nouwen clarified the difference between joy and happiness. He said, “While happiness is dependent upon external conditions, joy is the experience of knowing that we are unconditionally loved by God and nothing — not sickness, failure, emotional distress, oppression, war, or even death — can take that love away. Joy can be present in the midst of sadness.”

This “joy” that is reflected in lives of stewardship was also emphasized by Pope Francis, who said in his homily for *Gaudete* Sunday in 2014, “Today is a day of joy. Rather than fretting about all we have not done or accomplished to prepare for Christmas during Advent, we need to think of all the good things God, and life, has given us.”

Retirement Fund for Religious Second Collection: December 10-11, 2016

Aging Religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others. Today many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more.

Mahalo for your generosity!



Giving Tree

The Giving Tree gifts are due this Sunday, **December 11**. Please remember to wrap your gift and attach your number to the gift. Mahalo for your generosity!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Dec 10 (Sat) 3rd Sunday of Advent**
6:00pm Little Bethlehem Sale (CH lanai)
- Dec 11 (Sun) 3rd Sunday of Advent**
Little Bethlehem Sale following Masses (CH lanai)
10:30am Religious Education Classes
1:00pm Altar Society Mtg (PH)
2:30pm Combined Choir Practice (CH)
- Dec 12 (Mon) Our Lady of Guadalupe**
6:30pm Middle School Youth Ministry (Lib)
7:00pm EPIC Young Adult Faith Sharing (CH)
- Dec 13 (Tue) St Lucy**
7:00pm Advent Reconciliation Svc (CH)
- Dec 14 (Wed) St John of the Cross**
5:30pm Kupuna Kokua Ministry Mtg (PH)
6:30pm Youth Ministry Class (Chapel)
- Dec 15 (Thu) Advent Weekday**
9:00am Craft Guild (PH)
10:00am Charismatic Prayer Group (Lib)
7:00pm Health Ministry Mtg (PH)
- Dec 16 (Fri) Advent Weekday**
5:00am Misa de Gallo Mass
- Dec 17 (Sat) Advent Weekday**
5:00am Misa de Gallo Mass
10:45am +Frances Hillhouse Funeral Svc (MMP)
6:00pm Calendar Distribution
- Dec 18 (Sun) 4th Sunday of Advent**
Calendar Distribution following the Masses
5:00am Misa de Gallo Mass
7:00am Mass
9:00am Mass w/Infant Baptism
10:15am FCC Mtg (PH)
10:30am Religious Education Classes
10:30am WGH-LTC Pry Svc
2:30pm Combined Choir Practice (CH)

*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



+Frances Hillhouse

Dec 17 10:45am Funeral Svc – MMP

+Calina Gamponia

Dec 22 6:30pm Wake Svc – MMP

+Melchor Tugaoen

Dec 28 6:30pm Wake Svc Mass – MMP

Dec. 29 10:15am Funeral Svc – MMP

+Raymond Sasaki

Dec. 27 9:30am Funeral Svc – MMP

2017 Calendars

2017 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.



TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Rose]

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Here is your God;
he comes with vindication and
divine recompense to save you.

James 5:7-10

Do not complain about one another,
that you may not be judged.

Matthew 11:2-11

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;
he will prepare your way before you.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Violet]

Isaiah 7:10-14 · Romans 1:1-7 · Matthew 1:18-24

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend of December 3-4, 2016

OFFERINGS

Sunday Offering	\$4,315.48
Christmas	454.00
Flower Fund	354.00

MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

E.P.I.C. Ministry	110.00
Mass Intentions	90.00

OTHERS

Candles	291.63
FIF Pledge Payments	2,100.00
FIF Fundraiser	2,000.35
Religious Education Tuition	197.00

Mahalo for your generosity!

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

	<u>NOV. 2015</u> <small>(5 weekends)</small>	<u>NOV. 2016</u> <small>(4 weekends)</small>
Tithe w/ID	\$18,362.00	\$17,322.25
Loose w/o ID	3,668.00	4,794.32
Total	\$22,030.00	\$22,116.57
Average	4,406.00	5,529.14
<i>Goal: An average of \$4,600.00 per week.</i>		
All Souls	2,145.00	2,311.00
Human Develop. Camp.	897.27	345.00
Military Archdiocese	-	608.00
Thanksgiving	1,409.00	989.00

Our *Forward in Faith* campaign fundraiser last weekend was great. We made a sale of approximately \$2,000.00. To all our supportive parishioners, our donors and volunteers, your time, talents and treasures are greatly appreciated. May the Lord bless your generosity.



OLS ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

December 13, 2016

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. 12 Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pearl City

Dec. 13 **Our Lady of Sorrows**

Dec. 13 St. Michael, Waialua

Dec. 14 St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani

The Food Pantry is in need of

Vienna sausage

Canned fruit

Canned vegetables

You may drop the canned fruit off at the church or parish office. Mahalo for your generosity



Food Pantry Donations Needed



The Health Ministry invites you to our next blood pressure screening on December 11 following the 7 AM and 9 AM Masses on the lanai. For more info contact our co-coordinators Herald Fernandez, Tina Fernandez or Mary Talon.

For information on safe toys and gifts for children, please visit: [preventblindness.org/safe-toy-checklist](http://www.preventblindness.org/safe-toy-checklist)

MISA DE GALLO

December 16-24, 2016 / 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.



Christmas Church Decorating

December 23 at 8:30 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 23rd at 8:30 AM.**

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Chairperson, Finance 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 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.