



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

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Weekend of December 31, 2016-January 1, 2017



A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

The blessing included in the First Reading from the Book of Numbers is one with which most of us are familiar. “The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord let His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you...” In the Jewish culture this has been known for centuries as the Aaronic blessing as it was dictated by God Himself to Aaron. It is important to note that it begins with “The Lord bless you.”

All blessings come from God. One error we make is to conclude that blessings always mean happiness or security or prosperity. God knows what blessings we need, even if we do not. The key for us is to be grateful for whatever blessings we may have. That mind set is at the hub of stewardship — knowing all blessings come from the Lord, and our need to be appreciative of them.

To be “kept” by the Lord is to turn our lives over to Him, to know that He is with us and that He loves us, blesses us, and does indeed “keep” us ever in His care. The truth is that to be blessed by God is one of the greatest gifts we can receive. It is available to all of us without exception.

During this continued Christmas season, it is well to remember and repeat the classic statement by the character Tiny Tim in Charles Dickens’ immortal *A Christmas Carol*: “God bless us, every one,” for certainly He does.

*Thank
you*

To all our dear parishioners for their thoughtful “greeting cards,” “generous gifts,” and the many “goodies and tokens of love” that were given and shared to us during this Christmas Season. All these are greatly appreciated and enjoyed!!!

*Fr. Ajith, ss.cc.,
Deacon Dino, Deacon Wally, Deacon Ben
and the Parish Staff*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Dec 31 (Sat)** Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Day of Prayer for the General Needs of Humankind
New Year's Eve
- Jan 1 (Sun)** Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Day of Prayer for the General Needs of Humankind
New Year's Day
- Jan 2 (Mon)** Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
Holiday Observed / Office Closed
7:00pm EPIC Young Adult Faith Sharing (CH)
- Jan 3 (Tue)** The Most Holy Name of Jesus
7:00pm Health Ministry Mtg (PH)
- Jan 4 (Wed)** St Elizabeth Ann Seton
6:30pm Youth Ministry Class (Chapel)
- Jan 5 (Thu)** St John Neumann
9:00am Craft Guild (PH)
10:00am Charismatic Prayer Group (Lib)
- Jan 6 (Fri)** St André Bessette
First Friday
7:00am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration
8:00am Wahiawa Ministers' Mtg
8:30am Benediction
- Jan 7 (Sat)** St Raymond of Penyafort
- Jan 8 (Sun)** The Epiphany of the Lord
10:30am Religious Education Classes
1:00pm Altar Society Mtg (PH)

*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



+Angeline Salvador

Jan. 16 11:45am Funeral Svc – MMP

+Francisco Bareng

Jan. 18 6:00pm Wake Svc – MMP

Jan. 19 10:15am Funeral Svc – MMP

March for Life 2017 Keiki Poster 4 Life Contest

THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF ONE- IKA PONO O KEKAHI!

The Poster 4 Life Contest is open to children between the ages of 6 to 17 years old. It will be held at the upcoming March for Life at the state capitol on January 20th. Please contact the Respect Life Ministry Coordinator David Monroy at 1(808) 640-8440 or dka.monroy@gmail.com for contest details. See the bulletin board for more info. Let's support life!

2017 Calendars

2017 calendars are available on the ushers' table. Please thank our calendar sponsors who provide you with this free calendar.

HAPPY NEW YEAR and HAUOLI MAKAHIKI HOU!

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READINGS FOR CHRISTMAS

[Liturgical Color: White]

Numbers 6:22-27

The Lord bless you and keep you!

Galatians 4:4-7

You are no longer a slave but a son.

Luke 2:16-21

Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: White]

Isaiah 60:1-6 · Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 · Matthew 2:1-12

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

The Weekend of December 24-25, 2016

will be reported in the next bulletin.

Mahalo for your generosity!

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

❖ DECEMBER BAPTISMS ❖

We welcome joyfully into our faith community the newly baptized:

ARREN JOABY DURAN CALIP

We congratulate the parents & godparents on this blessed occasion.



MAHALO!



FEED THE HUNGRY

A BIG MAHALO to everyone who donated the requested canned goods and non-perishable food items to our food pantry. Because of your generous donations we are able to help many families in our community.

We especially thank EPIC Ministry who held their annual Men vs. Women Food Challenge. No matter who the winner is for this fun event, the big winner is our families in need!

The Health Ministry invites you to our next blood pressure screening on January 8, 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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Shirley Caban, Religious Education Coordinator

Sunday Class Schedule:

Dec. 25 No Class
Jan. 1 No Class

Monday Middle School Schedule:

Dec. 26 No Class
Jan. 2 No Class

Sunday classes resume on January 8, 2017.

Monday Middle School classes resume on January, 9. 2017

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2017

- ◆ Mass intentions should be scheduled by calling the parish office at 621-5109 ext. 9720. Intentions that are **NOT** called in will be scheduled at the first available date.
- ◆ The intention stipend is \$10.00 per Mass. You may request no more than two (2) names per intention per Mass.
- ◆ Priests will satisfy each intention at the requested Mass but are not required to say the names out loud.
- ◆ Intention requests for each month will begin on the 15th day of the prior month.
- ◆ We will now be accepting more than one family's intention for the Saturday, 5:00 PM Mass and the Sunday, 7:00 AM Mass.
- ◆ We are not able to accommodate consecutive days of intentions.

Mahalo for your cooperation.

Living Catholic in the 808

A Mother's Love

By: Edwina Fujimoto Religious Education Coordinator St. Benedict Parish, Captain Cook

(How does a parent survive the unthinkable? Breanna Fujimoto, the beautiful daughter of Edwina Fujimoto was fatally injured in an automobile accident last September. In the midst of her great sorrow, Edwina offers us her reflection on our Blessed Mother.)

"Mary, Mother of God, was told a sword will pierce her heart and I think about how she had to watch her son be scourged, ridiculed throughout the streets carrying his cross and then crucified...and I think of the pain in my heart...nothing compared to hers. That sword must have stabbed, twisted, shaken, pulled out and stabbed again.

The pain in the hearts of moms and dads when they lose a child just doesn't go away -- at least this is what other moms and dads have shared. I don't like it but I don't want to lose it either. My pain is like nothing I've ever felt before and I've lost loved ones.

God would never hurt us so deeply if for nothing. Mary hurt, but without her sorrow we would not have our salvation. I am thankful to have been blessed with Breanna for 21 year; the pain is worth it. The love and joy she filled me with is more than I can measure, even greater joy than the heart-wrenching pain I feel now."

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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