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

Mission Established
1928

Parish Established
1939

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

“LAETARE SUNDAY”

Weekend of March 29 - 30, 2025

A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

For too many of us, Lent is a season of doom and gloom, a time to feel bad about all the ways we are not "measuring up" in our spiritual lives. But this view could not be further from the truth. Lent is a season of refreshment and love, of awakening and rebirth. The Gospel Reading, the parable of the Prodigal Son, is filled with this theme of awakening and the extravagant, life-changing love that the Father has for each one of us.



We are all familiar with this amazing story — the bratty younger son who has the audacity to ask his dad for his inheritance early, only to squander it sinfully away. It makes us bristle instinctively at his nerve when we read it. But isn't that exactly what we do when we selfishly turn away from God (in big or small ways) in our own lives? We squander away the inheritance of grace He has given us.

In desperation from the mess he had made of his life, the son finally "comes to his senses" — awakening to the truth that he is a beloved son of a loving and merciful father — and decides to return home. His contrition is faltering and imperfect and seems motivated in large part by his growling stomach. But it is enough for the loving father.

In fact, as soon as the father catches sight of his son he is "filled with compassion for him" and immediately sets about preparing a feast and fine clothes for this son. What an extravagance of love! What a beautiful picture Jesus gives us of our Father's love and mercy. Oh, how this should fill us with gratitude for such a Father!

And how it should inspire us — with just the tiniest bit of spiritual "spring cleaning" we can be sure we will be swept up in our Father's loving embrace and find ourselves feasting in His presence. That is what lent is all about.

- *Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

OLS LENTEN RETREAT

April 2: “Loving My Way Through Lent”

April 3: “Loving My Way to Easter and Beyond”

6:30 PM in the Church

Leading the Lenten Retreat is Father Martin Solma of the Society of Mary, Chaplain at Chaminade University.

Invite a friend! Come and be spiritually inspired in your Lenten Journey!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Mar 29 (Sat) Lenten Weekday
 7:00 am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration (CH)
 8:30 am Benediction (CH)
 9:00 am Food Pantry / Senior Box Distribution
 6:00 pm Samoan Choir Practice (CH)

Mar 30 (Sun) Fourth Sunday of Lent "Laetare Sunday"
 10:15 am RE Classes
 2:30 pm Living Stations Rehearsal (CH)

Mar 31 (Mon) Lenten Weekday
 4:00 pm Eucharistic Encounters (Lib)
 6:30 pm EPIC Ministry (PH)
 6:30 pm SHE Ministry (Lib)

Apr 1 (Tue) Lenten Weekday
 5:00 pm Legion of Mary (PH)
 7:00 pm Easter Fellowship Planning Mtg (PH)

Apr 2 (Wed) St. Francis of Paola
 6:30 pm PPC Exec Mtg (Conf)
 6:30 pm Youth Ministry (PH)
 7:00 pm OLS Lenten Retreat (CH)
 7:00 pm TMIY (Lib)

Apr 3 (Thu) Lenten Weekday
 4:30 pm Cantor Practice (CH)
 7:00 pm OLS Lenten Retreat (CH)

Apr 4 (Fri) St. Isidore / Abstinence
 First Friday
 7:00 am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration
 8:30 am Benediction
 1:30 pm EADM Cenacle (PH)
 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross
 7:00 pm KoC Fish Fry (PH)
 7:00 pm Living Stations Rehearsal (CH)

Apr 5 (Sat) St. Vincent Ferrer
 7:00 am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration (CH)
 8:30 am Benediction (CH)
 12:00 pm Our Lady of Fatima Rosary (CH Lanai)
 7:00 pm Samoan Choir Practice (CH)

Apr 6 (Sun) Fifth Sunday of Lent
 10:00 am Family Health Mini Fair (PH)
 10:15 am RE Classes
 11:30 am Children's Choir Practice (CH)
 2:00 pm Samoan Mass

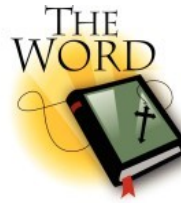
OLS = Our Lady of Sorrows / CH = Church / PH = Parish Hall / Lib = Library
 Conf = Conference Room / Class = Upstairs Classroom / MMP = Mililani Memorial

OBITUARIES: MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



+Reana Fajardo
 Apr 1 6:30 pm Funeral Svc; MMP-Mauka
 Apr 2 11:00 am Burial; MMP

+Fausto Rabago
 Apr 4 6:30 pm Wake; MMP-Mauka
 Apr 5 11:00 am Funeral Mass; OLS
 12:30 pm Burial; MMP



TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Rose]

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12

Psalms 34:2-7

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Having arrived in the promised land, the Hebrews celebrated their deliverance from affliction and distress (Ps) in the Passover (1). Christ, our Pass-over, has entrusted to us the message of reconciliation (2): let us forgive one another and celebrate the unconditional abundant love of God our Father.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Violet]
 Is 43:16-21 • Phil 3:8-14 • Jn 8:1-11

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week of March 3 - 9, 2025
 Week of March 10 - 16, 2025

The Stewardship reports for the Weeks of March 3 - 9, 2025, and March 10 - 16, 2025, will be posted at a later date. Thank you for your patience.

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays of Lent at 6:30 PM



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS LENT FISH FRY (after Stations) Sugg. Donation: \$10.00/plate



A MESSAGE FROM THE OLS FOOD PANTRY...

Thank you to the team of volunteers who helped with the Food Pantry distribution on Saturday, February 22. The Food Pantry distributed 510 bags of non-perishable food to 255 families. Thank you also to all parishioners for the donation of 408 lbs. of food in February 2025. Thank you to the volunteers of the Senior Boxes, TANF, Giving Garden, and Keiki Bags. Thanks also to Aloun Farms for their donation of Corn and Zucchini.



FEED THE HUNGRY

MAHALO FOR SUPPORTING THE OLS FOOD PANTRY!

+Edward Perales
 Apr 10 10:00 am Funeral Svc; MMP-Makai

+Flora Ballera Menor
 Apr 23 11:00 am Funeral Svc; MMP-Mauka
 12:30 pm Burial; MMP



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER / Alan Kim, RE Coordinator (ext. 9723)

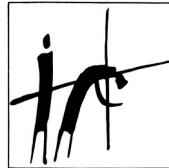
DATE(S) TO REMEMBER: APRIL 20 NO RE Classes / NO Children's Mass

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry meets on Wednesdays, 6:30 PM.
Visit the OLS website for more information!

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS
March 22 at 6:30 PM in the Church

Don't miss this powerful presentation by
our Youth Ministry and parishioners of OLS.



Youth Ministry needs YOU to participate in this year's Living Stations of the Cross! We are looking for people to make props, help behind the scenes, and actors, too. All ages are welcome. Join us for rehearsal this Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the Church.

CENTRAL VICARIATE LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

APRIL 3 • St. Elizabeth (Aiea) • 7 PM

APRIL 10 • Our Lady of Good Counsel (Pearl City) • 6:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION The faithful are encouraged during the period of Lent to attend daily Mass, receive Holy Communion, participate in penance services, and receive Sacramental Absolution; to take part as frequently as possible in public and private exercises of piety, give generously to works of religion and charity, perform acts of kindness towards the sick, aged, and the poor; to practice voluntary self-denial especially regarding food, drink, and worldly amusements; and to pray more fervently, particularly for the intentions of the Holy Father.



**FOURTH WEEK OF LENT: PROTECTING CROPS FROM
NATURAL DISASTERS IN BANGLADESH**

Shahadat's village, and much of Bangladesh, is located on flat lowlands. The intense rainy season causes flooding that often destroys farms and crops. Find out how Shahadat learned new farming skills from a Catholic Relief Services program that enabled him to increase the yield of his vegetable crops despite the challenges of climate change. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read this week's Story of Hope.

THE APOLOGY Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman • March 27, 2025

I like to imagine the Prodigal Son practicing his apology in the mirror. He wouldn't have, of course. Mirrors weren't exactly a dime a dozen back then. But I imagine him anyway, rehearsing the words as he contemplates his own gaunt reflection: "Father, I have sinned against God and against you. Treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."

In other words, I have done wrong. I deserve nothing from you. But please, don't let me starve. Save me.

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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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