TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Weekend of August 22 - 23, 2026

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

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Monday - Friday
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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

Samoan Mass
See Weekly Schedule

RECONCILIATION
Saturday at 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
or by Appointment

Mission Established
1928

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1939

FROM FR. NICK . . .

"You Are the Christ, the Son of the Living God": Christ the King and Mary the Queen

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Peter makes his bold and decisive confession: *"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."* With these words, Peter recognizes Jesus not simply as a teacher or prophet, but as the long-awaited Messiah - the true King sent by the Father to redeem His people. Peter's confession is the moment when the identity of Jesus is spoken clearly and publicly: He is King. He reigns by saving, by giving His life, and by drawing all people into the life of God.

This profession of faith also sheds light on the memorial we celebrated on Saturday - the Queenship of Mary. If Jesus is truly King, then His Mother shares in His royal dignity. In Scripture, the queen was the mother of the king, honored for her closeness to him and trusted to intercede for the people. Mary fulfills this role perfectly.

Mary is Queen because Christ is King. Her greatness does not come from any earthly honor, status, or power. She is not "Queen" because of privilege, rank, or position in a worldly sense. Rather, her queenship flows entirely from the way she lived her life before God. She is Queen because she first was servant; she reigns because she first believed. She is the one who said "yes" at the Annunciation, who stood at the Cross, and who was assumed body and soul into the glory of her Son. Her crown is the crown of humility, obedience, and love.

Peter's confession and Mary's queenship belong together. Peter teaches us to proclaim Jesus as King with our lips. Mary teaches us to live under His kingship with our lives. Both invite us to answer Jesus' question personally and wholeheartedly: *"But who do you say that I am?"*

As we reflect on Christ the King and Mary the Queen, may we renew our own confession of faith. May we proclaim Jesus as the Christ with conviction, and may we follow Him with the trust and devotion that marked Mary's life. Her queenship is a sign of our hope: what God has done for Mary, He desires to do for all who belong to Christ.

I wish you a grace-filled week!

Fr. Nick Apetorgbor

Give *Our Mother Mary* Something to *Smile* About:

Mahalo to two of our OLS families for the generous gift of **two new ciboria!** Your generosity is truly a blessing to our parish community! May God abundantly reward you and continue to bless you for your thoughtful and generous support.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Aug 22 (Sat) **Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
7:00 am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration
8:30 am Benediction
5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Stewardship Spotlight After 5:00 PM Mass

Aug 23 (Sun) **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Stewardship Spotlight After All Masses
SHE Ministry Fundraiser Pickup After All Masses
7:00 am Mass
10:30 am Children's Praise Choir Practice (CH)

Aug 24 (Mon) **St. Bartholomew, Apostle**
7:00 am Mass
4:00 pm Eucharistic Encounters (Lib)

Aug 25 (Tue) **St. Louis**
St. Joseph Calasanz
7:00 am Mass
3:00 pm Seven Sorrows of Mary Chaplet (Pieta)
5:00 pm Legion of Mary (PH)
7:00 pm Choir Practice (CH)

Aug 26 (Wed) **Weekday**
7:00 am Mass
6:30 pm Youth Ministry (PH)

Aug 27 (Thu) **St. Monica**
7:00 am Mass
4:30 pm Cantor Practice (CH)
5:30 pm Keiki Bags Prep (PH)
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (Lib)

Aug 28 (Fri) **St. Augustine**
7:00 am Mass
8:30 am Grateful Hearts Church Cleaning
1:30 pm EADM (PH)

Aug 29 (Sat) **Passion of St. John the Baptist**
7:00 am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration
8:30 am Benediction
9:00 am Food Pantry/Senior Box Distribution
5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Blood Pressure Checkups After 5:00 PM Mass

Aug 30 (Sun) **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Blood Pressure Checkups After All Masses
7:00 am Mass
9:00 am Mass
10:30 am Children's Praise Choir Practice (PH)

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

+Alfonso Pasco
Aug 25 4:00 pm Funeral Mass; OLS

+Brian Neves
Sep 18 6:30 pm Funeral Svc; MMP-Makai

TODAY'S READINGS

[*Liturgical Color: Green*]

Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm 138:1-3, 6, 8

Romans 11:33-36

Matthew 16:13-20

As Eliakim is given authority as master of the palace (1), so does Jesus confer upon Peter authority to bind and loose (3). To Jesus, who promised to be with his Church for all time (Ps), be glory for ever and ever (2)!

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [*Liturgical Color: Green*]
Jer 20:7-9 • Rom 12:1-2 • Mt 16:21-27

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week of August 10 - 16, 2026

OFFERINGS	
Sunday Offering	$2,066.00
Forward in Faith	$560.00
MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS	
School Supplies	$100.00
Other Miscellaneous Offering (Candles, Baptisms, Funerals)	$461.00

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SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND — AUGUST 29-30:

HAWAI'I Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

OLS GOAL TO RAISE: **$25,399**
OLS DONATIONS AS OF JULY 31, 2026: **$11,887**

LAST DAY TO DROP OFF DONATIONS: AUGUST 31.

Donations may be dropped off at the Church or Office. **Thank you!**

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

- Registration for the 2026-2027 Sacramental Prep & Children's Faith Formation classes is open. Contact the RE Office for more information.
- Adults seeking to be baptized or need to complete their Sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion, please call the RE Office for more information.

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SESSIONS RESUME WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26.
6:30 PM in the Parish Hall.

For the month of August, the STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE "MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT" features: the *OLS LITURGICAL MINISTRIES*

This weekend, we highlight our ***Hospitality Ministry***.

Ushers and greeters help create a friendly, inviting environment by welcoming parishioners and visitors, assisting with seating, and helping Mass run smoothly. Hospitality is often the first way people experience the love of Christ in our parish. A smile or kind word can help someone feel at home. If you are friendly and welcoming, we invite you to join the hospitality ministry at Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

During the last three weekends, we highlighted our other liturgical ministries: Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Lectors. Whether serving in the Hospitality Ministry or any of the other liturgical ministries, there are many ways to serve our parish community at Mass.

Contact the Parish Office for more info and find a ministry that may be right for you!

Don't Forget to Pick-up Your SHE MINISTRY FUNDRAISER Bentos!
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, AFTER THE 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM MASSES, PARISH HALL
Don't miss out on ***"THE BEST BREAKFAST BENTO IN THE WORLD!"***

August 29 & 30: BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK-UP'S After All Masses
with the Eucharistic Apostles of the Divine Mercy volunteers!

WE'RE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE RETURN OF HOSPITALITY SUNDAY!

Join us on **SEPTEMBER 5 AND 6** after every Mass for refreshments and fellowship. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners, welcome new faces, and grow as one parish family. We're bringing back Hospitality Sunday as a **monthly tradition**, so mark your calendars and plan to stay after Mass. We look forward to seeing you there!

SAVE THE DATE! ***MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS***
SEPTEMBER 6-15: 9-DAY NOVENA AT 5:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 15: MASS AT 6:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW

Respect Life "Death is a decisive moment in the human person's encounter with God the Savior. Helping the Christian to experience this moment with spiritual assistance is a supreme act of charity. It encompasses the patient with the solid support of human relationships to accompany them and open them to hope… While palliative care cannot entirely eradicate suffering from people's lives, it provides an authentic expression of human and Christian care—allowing us to 'remain' at the side of a suffering person, as the Blessed Mother and the beloved disciple remained at the foot of the Cross." *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice"*

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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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