

# Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church Wahiawa, Hawai'i Stewardship Report 2022 — 2023



## STEWARDSHIP IS OUR EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE TO GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW



The whole concept of Stewardship is to express with gratitude, our God-given gifts of time, talent, and treasure, back to the very creator from whom those benefits were bestowed! Our gratitude can take various forms of expression, through prayer, faith formation, hospitality, and service to God and humanity. Understanding these pillars of stewardship, in addition to the common expressions of the three “Ts,” is to direct us to carry forward the great commission from our Lord, Jesus Christ, which is to make disciples of all nations!

In the light of this, I observe with gratitude and admiration the dedication and commitment to service of the many people involved in parish ministries at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. I thank God for your spirit of volunteerism, enthusiasm and of course, your faith in all that you do for the church. Your spirit of sacrifice and fellowship goes a long way to enhance the family spirit in Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.

Sharing of our time, talent, and treasure is a call extended to us as individuals and as a Christian community. This call requires a personal and a radical response! The first “T,” time, is your devotion to a personal prayer life to discern and take inventory of the many gifts that God has given to you. Can you recognize the talents, skills, and blessings as what they truly are? God trusts in you to use them for his greater glory! The various ministries are therefore concrete ways through which we can share our second “T,” talent, and give thanks and praise to God for his abundant blessings to us as individuals and as a parish family. I therefore appeal to each of you to get involved. Join a ministry, or two, in the parish and show gratitude to God through your sacrificial services in the ministry of your choice. And if there is not a ministry being offered to suit your gifts, I encourage you to meet with me to discuss ways we can grow our church membership and serve our fellow brothers and sisters who live within the Wahiawa parish boundaries. In this way, we will be sharing our talent with one another in gratitude to God.

Stewardship is not only about money as many mistakenly think, but it involves money! The third “T” is treasure. God also blesses us with material means, no matter how small we think it may be. And for that we need to thank God by offering something in thanksgiving to God through the parish offertory and second collections, and especially in contribution towards our ‘Ohana in Christ Goal for the fiscal year 2023-2024. In this consideration, no amount is too small. Recall the widow’s might in the Gospel of Luke (21:3). God appreciates the widow’s might. Let us therefore be encouraged by that and continue to offer generously our treasure for the development and good of our parish family of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Wahiawa. God bless us all!

In the service of Christ,

Fr. Octavius Moo

# SHARING OUR FAITH

Stewards are nourished by the Eucharist and guided by the Holy Spirit to accept the daily challenges of a disciple of Jesus Christ.

<b>SACRAMENTS:</b>	<b>FY 2021-2022</b>	<b>FY 2022-2023</b>
Baptisms	15	29
First Holy Communion	11	2
Confirmations	12	3
Full Communion	0	0
Matrimony	1	0
Funerals	53	61



<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:</b>	<b>FY 2021-2022</b>	<b>FY 2022-2023</b>
Children (PreK-5)	26	24
Middle School	—	—
Youth Ministry	20*	24*
Adult Confirmation	3	0

\*Combined MS & HS



## 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.

# PUTTING OUR FAITH INTO ACTION

As stewards, we are ambassadors for Christ to every person whose life we touch.

## OUTREACH ACTIVITIES:

	<u>FY 2021-2022</u>	<u>FY 2022-2023</u>
Rice Bowl	\$6,226.22	\$4,736.12
School Supplies	\$1,297.00 / 367 lbs.	\$1,060.00 / 203 lbs.
Food Pantry (bags distributed)	7,086 <sup>a</sup>	5802 <sup>b</sup>
Senior Box (boxes distributed)	1,512	1,880
TANF, "Temporary Assistance to Needy Families" (lbs. distributed)	35,150	43,931
Keiki Bags (bags distributed)	1,380	1,467

<sup>a</sup> Avg. no. of families served per month: 296

<sup>b</sup> Avg. no. of families served per month: 242



# COMING TOGETHER IN FAITH

Enlightened by Christ, stewards come together to dispel darkness, instill hope, and lead others to embrace the Gospel.

## LITURGICAL MIINISTERS:

	<u>FY 2021-2022</u>	<u>FY 2022-2023</u>
Altar Servers	24 (16*)	13
Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion	47 (32*)	31
Lectors	28 (21*)	20

\*active to date



## AVERAGE MASS ATTENDANCE:

	<u>FY 2021-2022</u>	<u>FY 2022-2023</u>
Adults	432	449
Children	37	52

# FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2022—JUNE 30, 2023

## Income

Offertory Collection	\$ 268,044
Other Regular Income	33,668
Revenue Subject to GET*	179,239
Unusual Income	21,304
Restricted Funds	40,295
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 542,550</b>

## Expense

Employment Costs	\$ 172,383
Professional Services	31,878
Insurance	53,788
Leadership Development	4,825
Supplies & Services	47,096
Fundraising	860
Repairs & Maintenance	5,973
Utilities	20,232
Contributions & Assessments	91,529
Loan Interest Expense	30,777
Taxes	8,367
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 467,708</b>

**Net Profit before Depreciation** **\$74,842**

Depreciation 74,022

**Net Profit after Depreciation** **\$ 820**

## Parish Hall

Cost of Parish Hall	\$ 2,119,462
Loan Balance owed to Diocese June 30, 2022	\$ 910,782
Principal Payments on Loan including Forward In Faith Campaign	\$ 169,999
<b>Loan Balance owed to Diocese June 30, 2023</b>	<b>\$ 740,783</b>

\*Rental income, fundraisers.

