



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

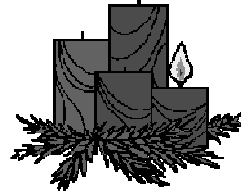
Saturday at 4:00 - 4:45 PM
or anytime by appointment

Mission Established
1928

Parish Established
1939

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Weekend of November 28-29, 2015



MESSAGE FROM FR. RICHARD

Here we are once more at the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is both our preparation for the feast of Christmas and the beginning of the new Church year. On December 8 we will also begin a special Jubilee Year of Mercy declared by Pope Francis. Christmas, a new liturgical year and God's mercy go together like a hand in a glove.

Advent is the preparation for the liturgical celebration of birth of Jesus, the Son of God and Savior of the world. The one born on the Christmas grew up, died on the cross and rose from the dead so that we could be freed from sin and share his life as children of his Father.

Jesus is God's mercy in the flesh. Throughout the Old Testament we read how God's chosen people are unfaithful, yet God does not give up on them. They are His and he keeps turning back to them even when they turn away from Him. This is mercy, love that is not deserved and often not returned or even acknowledged. Jesus saves us while we were still sinners, says St. Paul. Jesus does not just want more for us, he wants everything for us, everything He has and is. He saves us in mercy so that we can be daughters and sons of God.

Advent also is the beginning of the new liturgical year. In one sense, the liturgy is a cycle of feasts and holy days that we celebrate over and over again each year, beginning on the first Sunday of Advent and ending on the Saturday before that. However it's not like being on a merry go round, where we keep passing the same things as we go around in a circle. Each year we get older. Each year there are new joys, challenges and sorrows and the Lord we celebrate walks with us. We can get caught up in our own thing and forget God but He is merciful. We may turn from him to something we think is more important but He is always reaching out to us. As God he doesn't need me and my small weak heart but he appeals for my love and commitment because He loves me and His love is merciful.

In Advent and during the whole year, we experience God's mercy especially in the sacraments. In the Eucharist He gives us his very body and blood. When I am in serious sin and so cannot receive the Eucharist, he offers His mercy reconciling me to himself through Sacramental Confession.

We receive God's mercy. Let us begin this year ready to offer it, to sow seeds of mercy around us. Given the events of the last weeks, what does our world need more than mercy!

Fr. Richard, ss.cc.

A BLESSED ADVENT SEASON TO ONE & ALL!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Nov 28 (Sat) 1st Sunday of Advent**
6:00pm Wreath Making (PH)
- Nov 29 (Sun) 1st Sunday of Advent**
10:30am RE classes
2:00pm Altar Society Sub-Committee Mtg (PH)
5:00pm Ilocano Mass
- Nov 30 (Mon) St Andrew**
6:30pm Middle School Youth Ministry (Rm 4)
7:00pm YAM Faith Sharing (CH)
- Dec 1 (Tue) Advent Weekday**
6:30pm Social Ministry Mtg (PH)
- Dec 2 (Wed) Advent Weekday**
10:00am Central Oahu Vicariate Mtg (St Elizabeth)
6:30pm Youth Ministry Class (Rm 8)
6:30pm Kupuna Kokua Ministry Mtg (PH)
- Dec 3 (Thu) St Francis Xavier**
9:00am Craft Guild (PH)
6:00pm Parish Leadership Team (Conf Rm)
7:00pm OLS Prayer Group (Lib)
- Dec 4 (Fri) St John Damascene
First Friday**
7:00am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration
8:00 am Wahiawa Ministers' Mtg
9:00am Benediction
6:30pm Wahiawa Santa Parade
- Dec 5 (Sat) Advent Weekday
Campaign Fundraising following the Mass**
- Dec 6 (Sun) 2nd Sunday of Advent
Campaign Fundraising following the Masses**
10:30am RE classes

*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

- +Santos Alcantara**
Dec 10 6:30pm Wake Svc – MMP
Dec 11 11:00am Funeral Mass – OLS
- +Ernesto Menor**
Dec 18 11:00am Funeral Mass – OLS

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Central Oahu Vicariate
All Services begin at 7:00 PM

- Dec. 7 St. Elizabeth, Aiea
Dec. 9 Resurrection of the Lord, Waipio Gentry
Dec. 14 St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani
Dec. 15 **Our Lady of Sorrows**
Dec. 15 St. Michael, Waialua
Dec. 21 Our Lady of Good Counsel, Pearl City



TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Violet]

Jeremiah 33:14-16

I will raise up for David a just shoot.

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Increase your love for one another.

Luke 21:25-28, 24-36

You will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Violet]

Baruch 5:1-9 · Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 · Luke 3:1-6

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend of November 21-22, 2015

OFFERINGS	
Sunday Offering	3,840.00
All Souls	25.00
Campaign for Human Development	888.27
MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS	
Baptisms/Funerals	1,149.00
Forward in Faith Campaign	3,500.00
Food Pantry	150.00
Tenant's Electric	221.94
Mass Intentions	50.00
OTHERS	
Candles	229.35
RE Tuition	40.00

Mahalo for your generosity!

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



Thank you for your support of Catholic Charities Sunday! Together, we are changing the lives of those in need throughout Hawai'i.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
HAWAII

Forward in Faith Fundraising

The fundraising group coordinated by Terry Ignacio is accepting donations of baked good, plants and vegetables for the next sale on the weekend of Dec. 4-5. Items may be dropped off on December 4, 2015 at 3:30 PM on the parish lanai. For more info call Terry at 203-9707.



Please call the parish office at 621-5109 ext. 9720 if you did not receive your *Forward in Faith* Campaign thank you gift.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Shirley Caban, Religious Education Coordinator
(621-5109, ext. 9723)

RE registration on going. Pick up registration forms from Parish Office or on the usher's table at the front of the Church.

WAHIAWA SANTA PARADE



Our Lady of Sorrows will once again participate in the Wahiawa Santa Parade. Parishioners are encouraged to join our parish unit to walk and sing in the parade. The parade is on **Friday, December 4th at 6:30 PM**. Check in begins at 5:30 PM at Ka'ala Elementary School. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at 621-5109 ext. 9720. We are also seeking donations of **small** 3-5 inch candy canes to pass out along the route. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office no later than Nov. 29. Mahalo!

CHRISTMAS IN THE AIR

GIVING TREE

Once again our church is sponsoring a "giving tree" to provide Christmas presents to homeless children. The tree is located on the inside wall of the Church's main entrance. Pick one or more of the paper ornaments from the tree. Fill in your name and phone number next to the number you selected on the sign-up sheet. Gifts must be new, please NO re-cycled items. Wrap your gift and bring it with the number attached to the Church or Parish Office by **December 13**. Mahalo for your generosity.



ATTENTION ALL KIDS FROM 2ND GRADE TO HIGH SCHOOL!



The OLS Children's Praise Choir is preparing for this year's Christmas Vigil Mass. All interested kids and teens are invited to come to our practice next Sunday, December 6, at 11:45 AM in the church. Lunch provided. For more info, visit the parish website.

POSTPONED!

OLS Christmas Market

A benefit for OLS Social Ministries
(Food Pantry, Kupuna Kokua Ministry, Respect Life,
Bereavement Support Group, Faithful Citizenship)

We will continue to accept dishware, glassware, small appliances, household items, tools, antiques, collectibles, accessories, jewelry, musical instruments, picture frames, holiday items, books, kids toys, games, puzzles. etc. We kindly ask that items are in good condition. Please **NO** clothing. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office until the sale TBA.

MAHALO to **Dennis Loveland** for building us a wooden stand for our church sanctuary.

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.

PARISH STAFF

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