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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

Cancelled until further notice.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 4:00 PM or anytime by Appointment (Call office for appointment)

Mission Established 1928

Parish Established 1939

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Weekend of February 20 - 21, 2021

RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR ALL WEEKEND MASSES. PLEASE LIMIT YOUR RESERVATION TO ONE (1) MASS PER WEEKEND.

Due to limited seating, ALL weekend masses will require a reservation.

Visit our website at www.olswahiawa.org OR call the Parish Office at (808) 621-5109 X 9720 to make your reservation now!



Today's readings remind us why we partake in this 40-day Lenten journey — to prepare our hearts for the resurrection of Christ on Easter.

St. Peter reminds us in our Second Reading of the blessings we receive from Christ's passion, death and resurrection — "Christ suffered for sins once... that he might lead you to God." And again, "[Baptism] is... an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

In order to more readily receive the blessings from Christ's passion, death and resurrection, we too are called endure 40 days "in the desert." In our Gospel, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert where He was tempted by Satan. Jesus was called to face trials and to confront evil. During this time, He committed to intense prayer and fasting. It was not necessary for Jesus to go into the desert so that He might be purified, but rather, to endure temptations of man for our sake. He was fully man, and experience temptations just like us, yet responded to them perfectly, never falling into sin.

We should strive to fully participate in this Lenten season by mirroring Jesus, the model steward by Whom we are called to imitate. Through our time in the desert, we will confront evil by weeding out the roots of sin in our lives through fasting. And we will be sustained and nourished in the desert by prayer.

Let us strive to purify our hearts so that we might be ready to receive the glorious gift of Christ and partake in the riches that pour forth from this Gift.

— Stewardship Reflections by <u>The Catholic Steward</u> and <u>Catholic Stewardship Consultants</u>

Pray + Fast + Give

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Feb 20 (Sat) Saturday After Ash Wednesday

Feb 21 (Sun) First Sunday of Lent

10:30am RE Classes

Feb 22 (Mon) The Chair of St. Pete the Apostle

Feb 23 (Tue) St. Polycarp

Feb 24 (Wed) Lenten Weekday

Feb 25 (Thu) Lenten Weekday

Feb 26 (Fri) Lenten Weekday

6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Feb 27 (Sat) Lenten Weekday

Feb 28 (Sun) Second Sunday of Lent

10:30am RE Classes

OLS = Our Lady of Sorrows / CH = Church / PH = Parish Hall Lib = Library / Conf = Conference Room / Class = Upstairs Classroom MMP = Mililani Mortuary Park / WGH = Wahiawa General Hospital



OBITUARIES:

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

+Ashley Cui

Mar 5 Private Services

+Fred Cacayorin

Mar 10 Private Services

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOOD PANTRY...

The OLS Food Pantry will be distributing food to those in need on FEED THE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021, HUNGRY from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Volunteers, please come to the Food Pantry (located in the office building drive-way) at 8:00 am to help with set up. Volunteers are also needed for the Senior Box/TANF distributions. Donations for the Food Pantry may be dropped off at the Parish Office during regular business hours.

Mahalo to all for the continued support of the OLS Food Pantry!



TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Violet]

Genesis 9:8-15

Psalm 25:4-9

1 Peter 3:18-22

Mark 1:12-15

Mindful of his covenant (Ps), the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by flood waters(1).

The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ (2).

After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS [Liturgical Color: Violet] Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 · Rom 8:31b-34 · Mk 9:2-10

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week of February 13-14, 2021

OFFERINGS	
Sunday Offering	\$3,712.00
FiF Pledge Payments	\$1,117.00
Second Collection:	
Augustine Educational Foundation	\$291.00
MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS	
Food Pantry	\$415.00
Other	\$550.00

Mahalo for your generosity!

Please call the Parish Office at 621-5109 ext. 9720 if you are in need of a new box.



CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, the official relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Lenten alms donated through CRS Rice

Lenten alms donated through CRS Rice Bowl support the work of CRS in more than 100 different countries each year. The CRS Rice Bowls will be passed out starting on Ash Wednesday.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent at 6:30 PM (Reservations required.)





UPDATED GUIDELINES DUE TO COVID-19 (2/1/2020) EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION FROM SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION (From the Office of the Bishop)

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Silva extends the dispensation of all the people of the Diocese of Honolulu and all visitors to the Diocese of Honolulu from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass **through** noon on April 1, 2021. All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection are **strongly** encouraged to do so, but are not obliged.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Shirley Caban, Religious Education Coordinator (808) 621-5109 X 9273

SEE BELOW FOR LENT EVENTS AT OLS!



Middle and High Schoolers! JOIN YOUTH MINISTRY! Visit www.olswahiawa.org for more info!







Thursday, March 4 & Friday, March 5 7:00 PM (Reservations Required)

Using the story of Jonah as a guide for our Lenten Journey, the team from EPIC Ministry returns for a dynamic two-night presentation.

CENTRAL VICARIATE COMMUNAL LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES

St. Michael (Waialua) Wednesday, February 24 at 6:00 PM

St. John Apostle & Evangelist (Mililani) Thursday, March 4, at 7:00 PM

Resurrection of the Lord (Waipio) Wednesday, March 10, at 7:00 PM OUR LADY OF SORROWS Wednesday, March 17 at 7:00 PM

> Our Lady of Good Counsel (Pearl City) Thursday, March 18, at 7:00 PM





THE UNLIKELY SUSPECTS

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Have you ever taken a nature walk? Have you leisurely strolled through a forest or field, with no real destination in mind and your only objective being receptivity to and observation of all God's creation?

Sometimes, Scripture readings can feel like a nature walk. All of salvation history plays out against the backdrop of the natural world, with all elements of God's creation — plants and animals and the dust of the earth itself — turning in a supporting performance. How about Jesus in the hot and dusty desert, tempted, living "among the wild beasts?" Noah departed from his ark with the animals he rescued, observing God's sign in the very clouds of the sky. Even God Himself, offering us salvation from original sin through the waters of baptism.

How often do we remember that God speaks to us through all of His creation, even in the unlikeliest suspects?

Let's go back to the nature walk. It sounds like a lovely way to pass an afternoon, amongst wildflowers and butterflies, but don't forget the beating hot sun, mosquitos, and threat of rain on the horizon. Remember, we're not in heaven yet. Here on earth, God may be present in His creation, but that doesn't mean it's always easy to endure.

Lent is, essentially, a time to listen for the voice of God in places we may not expect: the mild irritations you experience when you're craving the chocolate you gave up, or the dull pangs of hunger during the Ash Wednesday fast. It's a golden opportunity to see the divine hand in all of creation, even those unlikely suspects.

PARISH STAFF

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Max Velasco

Chairperson, Parish Building and Maintenance Committee

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.