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#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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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

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#### RECONCILIATION

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

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*Mission Established*  
1928

*Parish Established*  
1939

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Weekend of February 25 - 26, 2023

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## A STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

As we begin the beautiful and challenging season of Lent, our readings this week remind us why we need these 40 days so much. They also suggest a particular strategy we Christian stewards might take as we make the journey toward Easter.

Our first reading takes us all the way back to Genesis, reminding us of our Creator and the loving care and lavish gifts He gave to our ancestors, Adam and Eve. He created them out of pure love and provided abundantly for them.

Life was good in the Garden! Until the first couple allowed just a sliver of doubt in the goodness of God to enter their minds.

Swayed by the words of the serpent, they became ungrateful and distrustful despite God's great love for them and all the gifts of creation He had provided. Sound familiar? These are the same temptations that threaten to pull us away from God today.

Our Gospel passage from Matthew shows us by the example of Jesus Himself one way that we can attain spiritual strength and grow to become more effective disciples and stewards. In this passage, we find our Lord in the desert, fasting for 40 days and 40 nights. Like Adam and Eve, He is confronted by the evil one. But unlike our fallen parents, our Lord triumphs definitively over the devil's lies and sends him slithering away.

How did He do it? By knowing the Scriptures and by proclaiming them confidently. And by His perfect trust in the Father.

This Lent, let us embrace this 40-day spiritual reset. Let us prioritize our use of time by committing to prayerful study of the Scriptures and trusting more deeply in the Father's love. We will surely be better stewards by Easter.

- *Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

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*"Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned."*

- *Psalm 91*

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Feb 25 (Sat) Saturday after Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 am Food Pantry/Senior Box Distribution
- Feb 26 (Sun) First Sunday of Lent**  
10:15 am Religious Education Classes  
12:00 pm Altar Society Meeting (PH)
- Feb 27 (Mon) St. Gregory of Narek**  
7:00 pm EPIC Ministry (PH)
- Feb 28 (Tue) Lenten Weekday**  
4:00 pm Legion of Mary (PH)
- Mar 1 (Wed) Lenten Weekday**  
6:30 pm Youth Ministry (PH)  
7:00 pm TMIY (Lib)
- Mar 2 (Thu) Lenten Weekday**
- Mar 3 (Fri) St. Katherine Drexel  
Abstinence  
First Friday**  
7:00 am Mass / Eucharistic Adoration  
8:30 am Benediction  
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross  
7:00 pm KoC Fish Fry (PH)
- Mar 4 (Sat) St. Casimir**  
12:00 pm Our Lady of Fatima Rosary (CH Lanai)
- Mar 5 (Sun) Second Sunday of Lent**  
10:15 am Religious Education Classes

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



## OBITUARIES: MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

### +Elena Onza

Mar 1 6:30 pm Wake; MMP-Makai  
Mar 2 11:30 am Funeral Mass; OLS  
1:30 pm Burial; MMP

### +Magdalena Dumbrigue

Mar 3 10:15 am Funeral Service; MMP-Mauka  
11:00am Burial; MMP

### +Purification Obispo

Mar 8 11:00 am Funeral Mass; OLS  
1:30 pm Burial; MMP

### +Francis Paahana

Mar 10 11:00 am Funeral Mass; OLS

### +Petronia Jumawan

Mar 13 7:00 pm Wake; MMP-Makai  
Mar 14 9:30 am Prayer Service; MMP-Makai  
11:00 am Burial; MMP



## TODAY'S READINGS

[Liturgical Color: Violet]

**Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7**

**Psalms 51:3-6, 12-13, 17**

**Romans 5:12-19**

**Matthew 4:1-11**

Like Adam and Eve (1), Jesus was tempted, but did not sin (3). Our sinfulness (Ps) is acquitted through one man, Jesus Christ, in whom we are justified (2).

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS** [Liturgical Color: Violet]

Gn 12:1-4a • 2 Tm 1:8b-10 • Mt 17:1-9

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Week of February 6 – 12, 2023

The Stewardship report for the Week of February 6 - 12, 2023, will be posted at a later date. Thank you.

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

### TAX DEDUCTION LETTERS

The 2022 Year End Contribution letters have been mailed to those who identifiably contributed \$100.00 or more. For inquiries and questions please call the Parish Office.

## A SEASON FOR SLOWING DOWN



During this sacred season, we will intentionally slow down so that we can pay closer attention to our relationship with God, our neighbors and our planet. Reflect on how the pillars of prayer,

fasting and almsgiving can guide your journey for a more enriching Lenten experience. How can practicing these pillars help you to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more. See the Usher's Table for Rice Bowls.

## 'Ohana in Christ

The 'OHANA IN CHRIST appeal is asking for your support. Our Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve.

**OLS's 2023 Goal: \$21,890.00**

**Collected to Date (1/21/23): \$5,265.00**

**(26% of our goal)**

Visit [www.catholichawaii.org](http://www.catholichawaii.org) for more info!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Alan Kim, Religious Education Coordinator  
(808) 621-5109 ext. 9723

**MARCH 12: NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**



## REGULATIONS FOR 2023

**WEEKDAYS OF LENT:** There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial, almsgiving, and Scripture reading are recommended.

**ASH WEDNESDAY & GOOD FRIDAY:** Days of Fast & Abstinence. Limit of ONE full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 years to 59

years inclusive. All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat on these days.

**DAYS OF ABSTINENCE (ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT):** All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat on these Fridays.

**EASTER DUTY OBLIGATION:** All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year. This precept is to be fulfilled during the Easter Season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at some other time during the year. This period is extended to include all the weeks of Lent and of the Easter Season up to the Feast of the Holy Trinity (June 3 & 4, 2023).

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Every Friday  
of Lent  
6:30 PM  
Beginning  
February 24

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY FRIDAY

Please join the OLS Knights of Columbus Council 6302 for their Lenten Fish Fry Friday after the Stations of the Cross (approx. 7:00 PM). See a Knight for more information. Suggested Donation: \$10.00.



### OLS LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

**March 22 (Wednesday) at 7:00 PM**

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.

## PARISH STAFF

**Fr. Falaniko Atonio**  
*Parish Priest*  
ext. 9721

**Celestino Emwalu**  
**Wallace Mitsui (retired)**  
*Deacons*

**Rani Laurel**  
*Office Manager*  
ext. 9720

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ext. 4337

**Kainoa Fukumoto**  
*Music Ministry*  
ext. 4337

**Alan Kim**  
*Religious Education*  
ext. 9723

**Sonny Hernandez**  
*Maintenance/Custodian*

## COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

**Chrys Taboada**  
*Chairperson, Pastoral Council*

**Jack Kampfer**  
*Chairperson, Finance Council*

**Keith Tamashiro**  
*Chairperson, Stewardship  
Committee*

**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 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.