October 29, 2023 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Bulletin

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

November is the Month the Church Remembers All Who Have Died

The month of November is traditionally a time in which the Catholic community remembers those who have died. Please join us for Mass on All Saints Day, November 1st, at 8 a.m., and for All Souls Day Mass, which includes a special litany to commemorate all those who have faithfully departed in the last year, on November 2nd at 7 p.m. The 99 souls of those who perished in the Maui wildfires will also be remembered. You are invited to place the names of your departed loved ones in the Books of Remembrance located at the front of church so they may be prayed for throughout the month of November at all Masses.

Thanksgiving Food Drive to Stock Windward Pantries, November 1 thru 13

Help us support the food pantries at St. Anthony of Padua, St. George, St. Roch and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parishes. Collection baskets will be in the church from Wednesday, November 1 to Monday, November 13 or you can bring your canned good donations in the parish office. Drive-thru drop off is on Sunday, November 12 from 12—2 p.m. at the parish center. Let's all work together to make someone's holiday season a little brighter!

Food items needed: canned veggies, fruit, meat, and soups, spaghetti, saimin, ramen, juice, boxed cereal, peanut butter, jelly, rice, and supermarket gifts cards.

Praise and Worship, Friday, November 3

Enjoy an evening of song and informal fellowship and lift your voice to the Lord in praise and worship on Friday, November 3rd between 7 - 8 p.m. in the parish lounge. This evening event is open to all parishioners and no RSVP necessary. Come sing and be moved by the Spirit!

Shop the Sodality Bazaar, Saturday and Sunday, November 11 & 12

The Sodality will hold a bazaar on Saturday, November 11, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, November 12 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish hall. Come and enjoy some scrumptious baked goods and find a treasure to behold.

If you have crafts, plants, baked goods, and gently used items to donate, please drop them off in the parish hall on Friday, November 10 between 10 a.m. -4 p.m.

Parish Honors Veterans with Dinner on Saturday, November 11

On Veterans Day, Saturday, November 11th, the parish will sponsor a dinner for military veterans and active duty members, with their spouses, to celebrate together. The gathering begins at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. There will be a short program to honor and recall individual's service memories. Cost is \$20.00 per person and RSVP is required as space is limited to 40 guests. Please sign up with Tom Duddy after Masses this weekend, or reach out to him at duddyhawaii@gmail.com or 808-386-8696 to register. God bless our men and women in uniform, past and present!

Prayers for Healing

Ruth Alves Anna Asinsin Edward Balderston Jim Balderston Terry Barnaby Ralph Barney **Hayes Beissel Clark Bernales Robert Bernales Bimbo Family Aileen Blanc Avarose Marie Braga** Malia Braga Michelle Brown **Donovan Caldeira Sheryl Caldeira** Rod Castanha Carolyn Chong Pat Drury John Glorioso, Jr Tom Glorioso **Angeline Goh** Jayla Gomes Dan Gorecki Milli Gorecki Tim Hudson Sylvia Ann Pao Kruse Malia Lambertson **Tony Lambio** Hayden Lau Robin Lau

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Repose of Soul

- +Marilyn Castello Burial on Nov 2
- +Kenneth Stevens, Burial on Nov 3
- +Paul De La Cruz, Funeral Mass on Nov 17 +Gaylord Kam, Funeral Mass on Nov 18

Matrimonv

♦ Kristle Akau and Matthew Giraudy, Wedding Mass on Nov 11

Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading: Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13 Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

Upcoming Events

- November infant baptism classes will be by appointment only. Please call the parish office.
- Wed, Nov 1, 8 a.m. All Saints Day Mass
- Thu, Nov 2, 7 p.m. All Souls Day Mass
- Fri, Nov 3, 9 a.m. Stretch and Dance with Helen Klein in the Parish Lounge
- Sat, Nov 4, 8 a.m. Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick in daily Mass followed by Holy Hour of Adoration and Reconciliation
- Fri, Nov 10, Parish Office Closed. Senior Bingo is cancelled this month.

Use the QR code at the entrance to the church to read the full edition of the Sunday Bulletin online or in myParish app for more announcements.

Download the music leaflet to sing along during Mass from your smart device.



SCHOOL NEWS

The mission of your parish school is to inspire students in a spirit of faith and offer them academic excellence. Our teachers and staff are more than just instructors, they are servant leaders who echo God's message and Gospel values in word and in action. Our goal is to help students become responsible members of their family, our Church and our community. We also teach service to others as a basic tenet of our Catholic faith. Our exceptional education gives students a solid foundation that prepares them for further education and a life of purpose.

Again, this year we will provide our students the opportunity to "Trick or Treat" on Tuesday, October 31st. Classrooms are invited to decorate their doors, and everyone is invited to wear a Halloween costume or black and orange to school. Each class will go trick or treating to all the other homerooms. It will be a delightful way for our children to have some Halloween fun.



ADVENT RETREAT, DEC 1-3

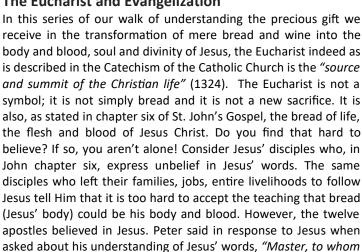
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CATHOLIC FAITH CORNER

A YEAR OF THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

The Eucharist and Evangelization

God" (John 6:68-69).



If we, too, are convinced that Jesus Christ is who He says He is the bread of life that has come down from heaven - and that unless we eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, we will not have life within us; if we are convinced of this truth, we must evangelize. It can no longer be an option to share the love and Word of God with others as it has been shared with us. It is through the Eucharist - through Jesus - that we can live the faith and share it.

shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of

The next time you attend Mass, consider the love Jesus is sharing with you in his very body and blood and reflect on what Jesus is inviting you to. Consider whether Jesus is offering himself to sustain your relationship with him or to more deeply transform your life with Him.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING

All men are invited to meet on Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the SJV parish lounge for dinner with special guest speaker Fr. Arrion Rosales-Llantos. Fr. Arrion is the Parochial Vicar of St. Elizabeth Church in Aiea. He was recently ordained a priest for the Catholic Diocese of Honolulu. Fr. Arrion will share his personal testimony to becoming a priest.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In this Sunday's Gospel we find the truth that loving God isn't merely a matter of fervor in our hearts, but that it must be expressed in doing good for the sake of others. Through gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul we indeed show our love by assisting families with food, utility and rent bills, etc.

To refer someone for assistance, please call 808-456-7837 and leave a message. A volunteer representative will call you back.

OFFERTORY Our gifts to God to steward the Church

\$340.00

Week of Oct. 14-20, 2023 **Envelopes/Loose Sunday Offertory** \$7,841.00 Repair and Maintenance \$275.00 **Major Repair and Maintenance**

Online Giving

\$15.00

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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GATHERING SONG The Cry of the Poor Hymnal 201

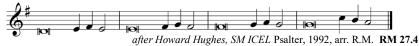
The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Blessed be the Lord.

- 1. I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.
- 2. Let the lowly hear and be glad; the Lord listens to their pleas; and to hearts broken God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.
- 3. Ev'ry spirit crushed God will save; will be ransom for their lives; will be safe shelter for their fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.
- **4.** We proclaim your greatness, O God, your praise ever in our mouth; ev'ry face brightened in your light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

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GLORY TO GOD



Glory to God in the highest, | and on earth peace to people of good will. || We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, ||| we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, | O God, almighty Father. || Lord Jesus Christ, ||| Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, | you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;|| you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; ||| you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, | you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, || with the Holy Spirit, ||| in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



- 1. Ilove you, God, my strength, my rock; Aloha au i ke Akua (Yes, Ilove you, you are my strength). You are my savior, you are my stronghold; E lāue, ku'u ikaika (Yes, Ilove you, God, my strength)
- 2. My God, I lean on you, my shield, my great defense; Hoʻoleʻa au i ke Akua (I extol the Lord; I praise my God). And with your mighty help I fear not any foe; E Iāue, kuʻu oʻoleʻa (Yes, I love you, God, my stronghold).
- 3. Long live the Lord! And blessed be my rock! Ola mau nō 'o Iāue (I exult in God; I sing God's glory). You've shown your favor to your king, to your anointed; E Iāue, ku'u pōhaku (Yes, I love you, God, my rock).

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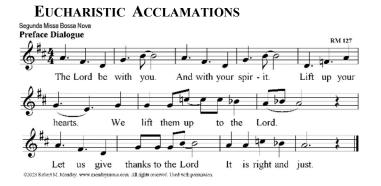


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My God and my all, how I long to love you, and give you my heart, and give you my soul.

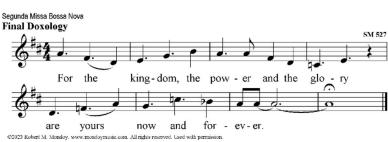
- 1. Show me the way to love, and give of my life for you; then will I live, then will I rise.
- 2. [instrumental]
- 3. And I will live with you, and I will die with you; weeping for love, weeping for joy!

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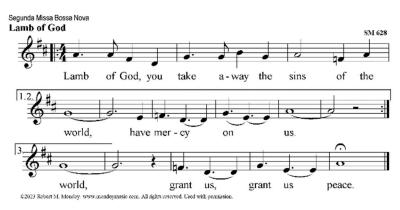
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COMMUNION PROCESSION The Supper of the Lord

Precious body, precious blood, seen as bread and wine; here the Lord prepares the feast divine. Bread of love is broken now, cup of life is poured; come, share the supper of the Lord.

- 1. This is the bread of God coming down from heav'n, giving life to us, to all the world.
- 2. "I am the living spring of eternal life; you that drink from me shall not thirst again."
- 3. "I am the bread of heav'n giving life to you; you that eat this bread shall never die."
- 4. "All those who feed on me have their life in me, as I have my life in the living God."
- **5**. All praise to you, O Christ, present in this feast; in this bread, we share in one life, one Lord.

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LEAVETAKING SONG In Him We Live

Hymnal 157

In him we live. In him we move. In him we are all that we are. In him we live, In him we move. In him we are all that we are.

- **1.** Before the world was made God chose us in Christ to be his adopted ones and to live through love with him.
- 2. If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we endure with him, then we shall reign with him.
- **3.** We are his servants, the servants of his word. Breaking the bread of life we share the bread of his word.

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Thanksgiving F00D D DRIVE

HELP US SUPPORT THE FOOD PANTRIES AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA, ST. GEORGE, ST. ROCH AND OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISHES

COLLECTION NOVEMBER 1-18 PLACE IN BASKETS IN CHURCH

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VIENNA SAUSAGE

SARDINES IN OIL SAIMIN/RAMEN

SPAGHETTI

CANNED/BOXED JUICE

CHILI
STEWS
BOXED CEREAL
CEREAL BARS
PEANUT BUTTER
JELLY
BEEF-A-RONI
CANNED BEANS
PORK 'N BEANS
5-LB BAG RICE
POWDERED MILK
EVAPORATED MILK

ZIPPYS MEALS TO GO SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS

Let's all work together to make someone's holiday season a little brighter!



DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

October 18, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Peace be with you!

We were all stunned when we found out the extent of the tragic wildfires in Maui on August 8. Even more stunned, however, were those who lost loved ones in the fires and who grieve the untimely passing of their relatives and friends.

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, better known as All Souls Day, is celebrated every year as a reminder of our service to our beloved dead. We offer prayers for them to speed their passage through whatever purgation they may yet need to be able to fully enjoy the eternal vision of God. In a special way, we want to remember our brothers and sisters who perished in the Maui wildfires.

I will be celebrating the All Souls Day Mass with the community most effected at Sacred Hearts Church, Kapalua, Maui, on November 2, at 6:00 p.m. There, of course, I will remember those who died in the wildfires. We invite all parishes and communities celebrating Masses on November 2 to pray in a special way for these victims of the wildfires. Enclosed is a poster for each parish, which includes the names of all who have died in the wildfires. I am grateful to Father Alfred Guerrero and his team for producing this remembrance for all our parishes.

May the Lord bless you always!

+ Zarry Silva

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva

Bishop of Honolulu

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. MAY THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE.

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Keyiro Fuentes, 14

Allen John Constantino, 25

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Louise Abihai, 97

Unknown

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Advent RETREAT

2 NIGHTS, 2 DAYS, 6 MEALS, AND OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE HISTORIC SACRED HEART HALL OF A SANCTUARY RETREAT CENTER DEEP IN THE LUSH, QUIET FOREST VALLEY OF KALIHI

Imagine having the opportunity to start the new liturgical year in a peaceful and spiritual environment, recharging yourself with prayer, and connecting with God to start the season of Advent. All of this is possible, and it can make all the difference in the holiday season and into the new year. Greet the first weekend of Advent with expectant faith; the belief that God can be heard, seen, and felt in spiritual ways. Located deep in the valley of the Koolau mountain range, Basic Christian Community of Hawaii (BCCH) offers a two-night Advent retreat for adult men and women led by spiritual directors, the Very Reverend Msgr. Gary Secor of the Diocese of Honolulu, and Sr. Meristella Umdor, a Missionary Sister of Mary Help of Christians. Retreatants come to enjoy the natural beauty of the peaceful location, and the freedom from modern distractions. Since 1985, BCCH has welcomed guests to experience true Christian community, found in song, prayer, witness talks, educational and reflective experiences, and small faith-sharing groups. The theme of BCCH Adult Retreat #124 is "Jesus, My Lord and My Savior." This retreat is ideal for anyone seeking to find peace this holiday season in expectant faith for the celebration of God's gift to the world: the birth of Jesus Christ.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1 AT 6PM THROUGH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2023 AT 3PM 3351 KALIHI STREET, HONOLULU, HI 96819
REGISTER AT WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/743468082047
CONTACT RETREAT #124 DIRECTORS FOR MORE DETAILS:
PHONE 808-745-5656 | EMAIL AA.SISTOZA@GMAIL.COM





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Hawaii Catholic Engaged Encounter 2023



Circle which weekend you would like to attend:

Oahu

St. Stephen Diocesan Center 6301 Pali Highway, Kaneohe

January 27–29, 2023 March 17–19, 2023 May 26–28, 2023 July 28–30, 2023 September 15–17, 2023 November 17–19, 2023

Hawaii Island

St. Joseph Church Rectory Hilo

February 25–26, 2023 August 26–27, 2023

Maui

St. Anthony School Media Center Wailuku

> April 22–23, 2023 October 7–8, 2023

Kauai

Immaculate Conception Church Lihue

> April 22–23, 2023 October 28–29, 2023

Lanai

Sacred Hearts Church Lanai City July 15–16, 2023

Couple Information

His Name:	
His Address:	
His Email:	
His Phone:	
His Religion:	
Her Name:	
Her Address:	
Her Email:	_
Her Phone:	
Her Religion:	
Send registration confirmation to: Groom / Bride	
Are you already civilly married? Yes / No	
Are you willing to assist with music for the weekend? Yes / No	
Please list any special needs (for example, special diet, disability consideration, or medical issues):	

Wedding Information

- 1. Catholic Church* where the wedding is scheduled to take place:
- * Can be a non-Catholic Church only if both the bride and groom are not baptized Catholic. A marriage involving a Catholic outside of the Catholic Church is invalid. Please contact your parish to arrange for a Catholic wedding before registering.
- 2. Priest or deacon that you have met with already to begin marriage preparation:
- 3. Parish of priest or deacon (if different from church where wedding will take place):
- 4. Wedding date:

Use this form if paying by check

Cost: \$350.00 Oahu (includes housing) \$300.00 Neighbor Islands (no housing)

Make check payable to: Hawaii Catholic Engaged Encounter

Mail payment and this form to:

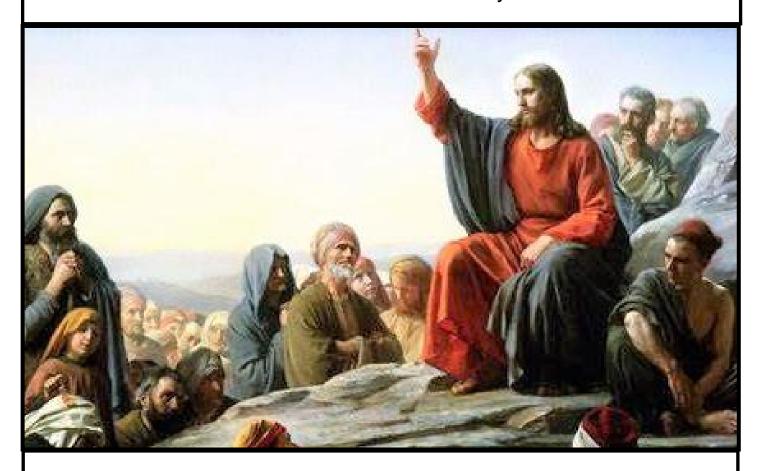
Richard & Alesia Macugay 299 Mokapu St. Kahului, Hi 96732

For on-line registration, go to:
hawaii.engagedencounter.com
Credit & debit card payment accepted online

St. John Vianney Parish Presents

A Eucharistic Revival

To renew us by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.



The Eucharist and Evangelization

To share the gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ with others and invite them to follow Him, become His disciples, and join His Church

A year long focus to further educate our parish community and the Kailua community about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist

- 1. "We become credible witnesses to the joy and transforming beauty of the Gospel only when we recognize that the love we celebrate in this sacrament cannot be kept to ourselves but demands to be shared with all." (Pope Francis)
- 2. The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is what makes our Catholic faith unique. Staying focused on that truth is key to being able to share our faith with others.



- 3. Sharing our faith starts with prayer. Each day, call on the Holy Spirit to provide opportunities to share your love for the Eucharist and the words to use.
- 4. Learn as much as you can about the beauty of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. The rich history of this doctrine is the subject of numerous books, broadcasts and even art.
- 5. Being able to articulate your personal devotion to the Sacrament of the Eucharist is the best defense against those who have different opinions. Learn to be able to say, "I understand why you think that way, but may I share what this Sacrament means to me?"
- 6. Practice active listening to what others think of our faith. Try repeating what they are saying to make sure you understand their viewpoint. A person with no knowledge of our faith versus a former Catholic will need to have different responses.
- 7. Be able to share what the Saints have said about the Eucharist, starting with our own St John Vianney, "There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us!"
- 8. Actively participate in the National Eucharistic Revival, a uniting movement that is gathering up sparks and fanning them into flames throughout our country. Become a part of this movement and be willing to invite others to join you on the journey.
- 9. Consider attending the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, a pivotal moment in both American history and the legacy of the Catholic Church. Catholics of all ages will gather in Indianapolis, IN next July 17–21, 2024 to worship our Risen Lord in a way our country hasn't seen in 83 years.
- 10. The end of the Gospel of Matthew recounts the saving and astonishing resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Jesus commands the disciples who have been with him throughout his public ministry, "Do not be afraid! Go and tell my brothers to set out!" and later, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations!" (Mt 28:10, 19).

Our Parish Faith Formation Committee encourages all parishioners to learn more about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist RESPECT LIFE MONTH STATEMENT

Living Radical Solidarity

OCTOBER 2023

Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

Since 1973, the year the Supreme Court legalized abortion nationwide in *Roe v. Wade*, the month of October has been set aside by the U.S. bishops as a time to focus on protecting God's precious gift of human life. While we thank God that the terrible reign of *Roe* has ended, we also recognize that abortion still continues in most states and is aggressively promoted at the federal level. A great many prayers, sacrifices, and good works are still desperately needed to transform a culture of death into a culture of life. Our public witness, our marching, and our advocacy must continue, yet laws alone will not end the tragedy of abortion.

While ending legalized abortion remains our preeminent priority, the most immediate way to save babies and mothers from abortion is to thoroughly surround mothers in need with lifegiving support and personal accompaniment. This is radical solidarity.

St. John Paul II first defined "radical solidarity" in this way: "In firmly rejecting 'pro-choice' it is necessary to become courageously 'pro woman,' promoting a choice that is truly in favor of women. ... The only honest stance, in these cases, is that of radical solidarity with the woman. It is not right to leave her alone."

Being in radical solidarity with women who are pregnant or raising children in difficult circumstances means putting our love for them into action and putting their needs before our own. Pope Francis reminds us that solidarity "refers to something more than a few sporadic acts

of generosity. It presumes the creation of a *new mindset*," a transformation within our own hearts.²

This new mindset requires that we come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It means addressing the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her.

This includes collective efforts within our dioceses, parishes, schools and local communities, engagement in the public square, and pursuit of policies that help support both women and their preborn babies. It all the more so requires our individual, personal commitment to helping mothers in our own communities secure material, emotional, and spiritual support for embracing the gift of life. Radical solidarity means moving beyond the status quo and out of our comfort zones.

Our parish-based and nationwide initiative, *Walking with Moms in Need*, for example, provides easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions to help transform our parishes into places of welcome, support, and assistance for pregnant and parenting mothers facing difficulties. Melissa, a <u>North</u> <u>Carolina mom</u>³ with young children and a busy

job, attended a parish informational session for *Walking with Moms in Need*, thinking she might help out here and there. But she felt the Lord's call and "by the end of the session she had volunteered to be the ministry's coordinator." Her parish now holds "Hand Up Days" once a month during which families can "shop" free of charge for baby and toddler items they need that have been donated by parishioners.

Melissa shared some powerful words of encouragement: "I think for too long we have been comfortable leaving the work of accompanying women in crisis situations – pregnant or parenting – to others in the nonprofit and government sectors. It is very clear in the Gospel that this is our job — all of us! A woman in a pregnancy center once told me that most women considering abortion are wrestling with a financial matter less than \$250 and that has really stuck with me. If we can lighten the burden just a little, what a difference we can make — it is literally life or death."

God has given each of us particular gifts, and with those gifts He entrusts us with a role and duty within the Body of Christ. Embracing an attitude of radical solidarity calls us to honestly reflect on some challenging questions and to consider specific actions we can take to foster an authentic culture of life. Some questions we might ask ourselves could include: Do I know what efforts are happening in my area to help women who are pregnant or parenting in difficult circumstances? What are the needs? What are my gifts and talents? How can I adjust my schedule or budget to assist efforts to help moms in need and their children? Radical solidarity can be lived out in countless ways, including volunteering at your local pregnancy center;



helping an expectant mother find stable housing; babysitting so a mom can work or take classes; providing encouragement and a listening ear to a mom without a support system; or speaking to your pastor about beginning *Walking with Moms in Need* at your parish.

In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual conversion of our *own* hearts, so that we can recognize in every person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own.

And so, this October, I invite all Catholics to think about building a culture of life in terms of radical solidarity. We are the Church. Our prayers, witness, sacrifices, advocacy, and good works are needed now, more than ever. We are the hands and feet of Christ in the world today and we each have a personal responsibility to care for one another.

For more information on how to celebrate Respect Life Month and stand in radical solidarity with moms in need, please visit <u>respectlife.org/celebrate</u>.

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¹ Pope John Paul II, Crossing the Threshold of Hope, p. 207.

² Pope Francis, Evangelii gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel), no. 188.

³ Elizabeth Ascik, "One of the Best Ways to Walk with Moms in Need," *Aleteia*, March 23, 2023, https://aleteia.org/2023/03/22/one-of-the-best-ways-to-walk-with-moms-in-need/.



September 2023

Aloha to All,

Peace be with you!

May the Spirit of Christ be our hope through the day, be our guard through the night, our companion on the way. Song of St. Patrick, Marty Haugen

Each day, the Catholic Church in Hawaii shares the Spirit of Christ throughout our 'Ohana of parishes, schools, social agencies, and communities across the Islands. This is all possible thanks to your generous response to our Catholic mission and the call to Witness to Jesus.

Beyond the good works at each parish, the annual 'Ohana in Christ appeal helps us respond to the material and spiritual needs of the greater church. As detailed in the list below, funds raised support many important services and ministries throughout the Diocese of Honolulu that no single faith community could meet alone.

I am deeply grateful for the ways you have contributed to this work in the past. Once again, I humbly ask for you to prayerfully consider making a generous gift to this important appeal. Please know that I pray for you and your loved ones each day - and will remember all donors in a special Mass.

In the Spirit of Christ - and together as 'Ohana in Christ - we can and will respond to the Lord's call and continue to build His Kingdom.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Zarry Silva Most Reverend Larry Silva Bishop of Honolulu

P.S. For more information on how to live out the Church's mission, or to make a gift to help your parish reach its 'OIC goal, please visit **catholichawaii.org.** MAHALO!

Your donations are critical in helping to provide these ministries and services:

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- Professional development
- Recruitment & assignment
- Permanent Deacon
 Formation
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Parish Services

- Staffing & Training
- Finance & Insurance
- Savings & Loan
- Safe Environment
- Stewardship & IT
- Cemetery & Real Estate
- Emergency Preparedness

People Programs

- Youth & Young Adult
- Catholic Schools
- Adult Faith Training
- Catholic Social Ministry
- Food & Shelter Assistance
- Evangelization & Respect Life
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And Much More

- Hawaii Catholic
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 eCommunications
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- Pope Francis & United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

THE ANNUAL APPEAL for the CATHOLIC CHURCH IN HAWAII

1. What is 'Ohana in Christ ('OIC)?

'OIC is the Annual Appeal for the Catholic Church in Hawaii. In fiscal year 2021/2022, it replaced the former Bishop's Circle Appeal to help provide needed funding for diocesan ministries, programs, and services formerly funded by the With Grateful Hearts Capital Campaign - and other efforts that individual parishes cannot sustain on their own.

2. How is 'Ohana in Christ different from the Bishop's Circle Appeal?

Along with an enhanced effort to raise awareness of the diocesan mission and financial needs - parishes are assigned a "target goal" based on their annual assessment. This year parishes are required to raise a minimum of 75% of their target goal. Parishes that fall short of the minimum will be responsible for the difference at the end of the fiscal year.

- 3. Parishes already pay a hefty annual assessment isn't that enough? Parish assessment fees provide significant funding for the diocesan mission - covering many expenses, but not all. The 'OIC Appeal helps close the gap in the annual diocesan budget.
- 4. What are some specific examples of what my donation will help support? Along with the ministries, programs, and services listed on the front, your donations help support the diocesan offices and affiliated entities responsible for providing them to our faith communities and beyond.
- 5. Is there consideration for parishes facing significant financial challenges?
 Prior to the current fiscal year, parishes have the opportunity to appeal the minimum goal requirement by submitting a written request to Bishop Larry.
- 6. Where does my gift go and how is it managed? Donations given directly to 'OIC are received, processed, and acknowledged by the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF). Donations given at the parish level are forwarded to HCCF and credited accordingly. In turn, HCCF also oversees management of the funds and their allocations to the diocese in support of the diocesan mission.
- 7. Are donations to 'Ohana in Christ tax deductible? Yes, to the extent allowable by law. For specific information, please consult your financial advisor. To make a gift today, please visit: CatholicHawaii.Org or mail your check to 'Ohana in Christ, PO Box 380019, Honolulu, HI 96838-0019. For gifts by credit card or otherwise, call the HCCF Gifts Office at (808) 372-3472.

