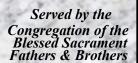
An Ancient Prayer to Mary, Star of the Sea: Star of the stormy Sea of my mortal life, May your light shine on me so that I do not stray from the path that leads me to Heaven. Amen



Mary, Star of the Sea Church "Malia Hōkū O Ke Kai"

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DECEMBER 10, 2017

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Mikaele Fatai—Sacristan
Noel Patricio—Facilities Manager
Visitacion Salinas—Housekeeper



My Soul Yearns for You, Come, Lord Jesus!

As the journey of Advent continues, as we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God Who comes among us to make divine judgment manifest. The Father, writes St. John the Evangelist, does not judge anyone, but has entrusted the power of judgment to the Son, because He is the Son of man.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Mary, Star of the Sea Parish is to give love, direction and support to all members of our community as we seek ways to follow Christ in our quest for eternal life. The Parish believes that it must evangelize, exclude none, communicate openly, show compassion and mercy to all, and follow Mary, our Star (HOKU), as she leads us in our mission.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 7:30 am and 5:30 pm (Anticipated Sunday Mass) Sunday: 6:30 am, 8:15 am, 10:15 am,11:45 am, and 5:30 pm Liturgy of the Word for Children: 8:15 am and 10:15 am

Weekday: Mon. thru Fri. 6:30 am and 5:30 pm

Holidays: 7:30 am only.

SACRAMENTAL SERVICES & DEVOTIONS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 4:00pm Daily,1st Friday7-10pm Liturgy of the Hours: Morning Prayer (Lauds) 7:30 - 7:50 am &

Evening Prayer (Vespers) 4:35 - 4:55 p.m. Daily

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament: 4:55 - 5:05 p.m. Daily

Holy Rosary: 6:30 - 6:55 am, Mon. - Sat. & 5:05 - 5:30 pm, Mon. - Fri.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 5:05 - 5:15 pm, Sat./Sun. only

Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary: 1st Sun./mo, 2:30 pm, Chapel Novena: Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Mon 6:55 am & 5:25 pm Charismatic Prayer Meeting: 2nd & 4th Friday, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

First Saturday Devotion led by S.H.W.A.Y. 6:30 am (before Sat. 7:30 am Mass)

Reconciliation: Mon. thru Fri.: 5:05 - 5:25 pm; Sat: 5:05 to 5:25 pm, or contact the

rectory for an appointment.

Baptism: Please contact Darlene Ah Yo, 734-0396

Wedding: Pls. contact Parish Office at least six months in advance. Anointing of the Sick: By appointment, pls. contact the Parish Office. Funeral: Pls contact Parish Office before contacting the mortuary.

********MINISTRIES LISTING******

ADMINISTRATIVE

Finance Council - Theodore Jung Pastoral Council - Diane Hee

Stewardship Committee - Sheri Gleason

HOSPITALITY

Social Activities - Maria Adversalo

LITURGICAL

Altar Servers - Bob Ehrhorn

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Frances Doyle

Proclaimers of the Word (Lectors) - Teddy Adorable

Worship - Betty Samaritano Ushers - Richard Conradt

Music /Liturgy- Cynthia Young/Keith Febrero Angel Voices Choir - Anne Hung / Cynthia Young

SACRAMENTAL

Baptism Preparation - Eliane Kuo / Thomas Ching

RCIA Program - Deanna Rasmussen

CCD - Racquel Dizon-Ikei

Liturgy of the Word for Children - Frances Doyle / Eliane Kuo

Youth Confirmation - Debra Arellano Adult Confirmation - Valerie Pedro

SERVICE

Peace & Social Justice - Debra Arellano

Liturgical Arts and Environment - Bro. Buddy Yanzon

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Healing Hearts - Celia Ona/ Alysa K. Makahanaloa

Health Ministry - Maureen Burke/Wellness: Hula, Tai-Chi, Yoga

FAITH GROUPS

Charismatic Prayer Group - Yvonne Izumi / Teddy Adorable

Monday Evening Bible Group - MaryLou Brogan / Anita Moustafakis

Wednesday Morning Bible Group—Darlene Ah Yo

Knights of Columbus - Todd Kirwan

Catholic Chinese Ministry of Honolulu - Johnny Au Young

Third Order of Mary - Mely McGivern

Family Rosary Movement - S.H.W.A.Y. - Keith Febrero

TEMPORALITIES

Planning & Building Committee - Frank Doyle

Currency Counting Ministtry - Lorraine Lau

East Honolulu Food Festival - Frank Doyle/Rick Manayan

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

Middle School (EDGE) - Nichelle Soriano

High School (Life Teen) / Young Adults - Debra Arellano

AD SPACE

A VIEW FROM THE PEW

Fourth Advent Wreath Candle Getting Off Easy This Year

The wick on the last candle of the Advent wreath will barely get a singe this year with the Fourth Sunday of Advent also being Christmas Eve. That also means a scrunching of Mass schedules for some busy parishes.

Because December 25 falls on a Monday this year, parishes with regularly scheduled Sunday evening Masses will have to cancel

them to make way for vigil Masses (those celebrated the evening before) of the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord. (Look for the MSOS Holiday schedule in the next issue of this bulletin.)

So it will be possible to go to Mass twice on Sunday, December 24, once for the fourth Sunday in Advent, then again for the Christmas Vigil. Going to the Christmas Vigil covers the obligation to attend Christmas Mass, but does not also cover the Sunday obligation. These Mass duties were explained by the Diocesan Office of Worship in a memo to priests, deacons, parishes and schools sent out November 3. (Excerpts from Hawaii Catholic Herald by Patrick Downes)



Peace & Social Justice Ministry

Christmas Party At the Next Step Shelter Sunday, December 17th, 6pm

Join us to bring Christmas joy to the homeless shelter. Please bring a food dish to share and serve. There will be Christmas caroling, a holiday meal, visit from Santa, and more.

Catholic Charities Gift Giving Tree
Please remember to return the Christmas
gift donations by Sunday, 12/10 so we will
have enough time to distribute the donated
Christmas gifts to the children in need.

Dates to Remember

<u>Rite of Reconciliation</u> Tuesday, December 12th, 6:15 pm, Church

As the Advent Penance Service draws near, let us seek forgiveness, so that we may prepare the way of the Lord. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

First Reconciliation

Friday, December 15th, 6:30 pm, Church

MSOS Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, December 16th, Cafeteria 6:45 pm (following the 5:30 pm Mass)

Potluck...sign-up sheet is available at the entrance to the Church. As always, thank you for your kokua!

Misa de Gallo 2017

December 16th through December 24th 5:30 am Mass everyday (Light breakfast to follow)

Mary, Star of the Sea Parish Observes Annual Tradition of Misa de Gallo

The tradition of Misa de Gallo (Spanish for "rooster's" Mass), while mostly observed by Spanish-speaking Roman Catholic countries in Latin America and in the Philippines, it is an annual event here at MSOS. Sometimes referred to as Simbang Gabi (Tagalog for "night Mass") or Misa de Aguinaldo ("gift Mass"), the celebration of daily Mass at 5:30 am begins on December 16 and ends on December 24. After Mass, parishioners enjoy a myriad of Filipino holiday delicacies like bibingka and puto bumbong.



Each day, starting December 16, parishioners and MSOS ministries sponsor the light breakfast by sharing their cooking skills. However, if they are not gifted in the culinary arts, a monetary donation is acceptable and our own Bro. Buddy kindly orders whatever is needed. Tentatively, our breakfast sponsors for the first day (Dec. 16) are: Betty Wong & Family/Mrs. Tessie Canilao/ Dr. & Dra. Reuben & Celina Guerrero. Ministries sharing as breakfast sponsors for the second day (Dec. 17) are: Knights of Columbus, CCD, RCIA and the Altar Servers. (See a list of the rest of the breakfast sharing sponsors in the next issue of this bulletin.)



Light A Wreath

A simple way to mark the season, Advent wreaths are a time-honored tradition rich in symbolism. The circular shape reminds us

that God is eternal; He has no beginning and no end. The wreath itself is often made of evergreens, symbolizing everlasting life.

Each week, an additional candle is lit, accompanied by Scripture –based meditations and prayers. The progressive lighting of the candles in the Advent wreath models the expectation of Christ's coming.

The four candles (three violet, one rose) symbolize the four thousand years between the fall of Adam and Eve and Christ's birth. The rose candle, representing joy, is lit on the third Sunday of Advent (called Gaudete Sunday) to mark the halfway point of the season.

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Viva Guadalupe!

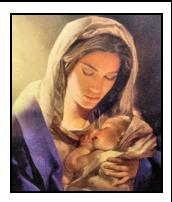
Mexican Catholics have long revered the Virgin of Guadalupe as a symbol of



God's compassionate presence among the people. She is also an important symbol of Mexican nationalism. In 1810, when Father Miguel Hidalgo initiated the movement that led to Mexican independence, he and his followers carried a banner of Guadalupe and shouted, "Death to bad government, long live the Virgin of Guadalupe!" Guadalupe was proclaimed "Patroness of the Americas" — including the United States — by Pope Pius XII in 1946. She continues to serve as an apt symbol of loving care for all God's people. Perhaps we can attend a celebration of her feast day today, or find our own personal way to commemorate the feast.

"Whoever	Welcomes This	Little Child in	
	MY NAME,	Welcomes ME'	'Luke 9: 48

As we await the Birth of Christ this Advent Season, the Mothers of Mary, Star of the Sea Church are collecting Baby Gifts for needy Mothers and Babies who have found shelter at the Mary Jane Home. This home has provided residential services in the last 40 years for over 900 teens and women and over 700 babies!



Others have found caring support at the Pearson Pro Life Pregnancy Center, where teens & women who are experiencing a crisis pregnancy are counseled to Respect the LIFE of their child. Their goal is to be able to purchase an Ultrasound Machine, to show a woman her Baby.... Growing & Very Much Alive inside her womb! After seeing this Ultrasound, most mothers will decide to GIVE THEIR BABIES LIFE!

If you would like to donate a baby gift such as a blanket, clothing, or diapers to show your compassion for these babies, it would be greatly appreciated! If you prefer to make a monetary donation, you may make checks payable to Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Attn: "Mothers & Babies."

We will be collecting gifts:

*After All weekend Masses Dec 10th, 17th & 24th.

Please leave your gift in the "Manger for JESUS" at the Church entrance.

*You may also bring it to the Parish Office during the week.

*Label "Mothers of MSOS" (No need to wrap. The Moms will do that!)



Mahalo & God Bless you this Christmas!

For more	information	call	Yvonne	Izumi	at 396-	-3411

Pls attach this lower portion with your gift, so that we may Thank you!

Yes, I would like to bring a baby gift or make a donation for one of "God's Precious Angels" from the "Mothers of Mary, Star of the Sea Church"

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SCHOOL NEWS

Living Rosary in Honor of Our Lady of Star of the Sea

On October 27th, 2017, Mary, Star of the Sea students gathered for our annual Living Rosary prayer service in honor of our blessed Mother Mary. This year, students made their own rosaries so it made it even more meaningful and special for the students. This is a beautiful prayer service which takes a bit of preparation and practice, but many teachers have found it makes for a powerful and prayerful annual tradition. Those who experience it for the first time are in awe of how beautiful and heartwarming it is to see the children praying the rosary in such a meaningful way.

Thank you to Fr. Pat for leading the service, all parishioners, and family members who joined us, and most especially our "beads" of children and our choir for creating a special moment.





AD SPACE

Church Calendar



Please Pray For



Sunday, December 10, 2017 (Second Sunday of Advent) 6:30 am, 8:15 am, 10:15 am, 11:45 am (Chinese Mass), 5:30 pm After first three Masses, Knights of Columbus Treat, Social Hall 6:30 pm, Family Rosary Movement, S.H.W.A.Y./Social Hall

Monday, December 11, 2017 (St. Damasus I)

No Senior Arts & Crafts Meeting/Resuming January 8, 2018 7:00 pm-8:30 pm, Adult Bible Study, 2nd Floor Activity Center Tuesday, December 12, 2017 (Our Lady of Guadalupe)

6:15 pm, Reconciliation (Penance) Service, Church

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 (St. Lucy) (Hanukkah begins)

10:00 am, Bible Study, PLC Meeting Room

Thursday, December 14, 2017 (St. John of the Cross)

9:00 am, HULA CLASS, Social Hall

Friday, December 15, 2017

6:30 pm, First Reconciliation, Church

Saturday, December 16, 2017 (First Day of Misa de Gallo)

5:30 am, 7:30 am, 5:30 pm Masses

10:30 am-11:30 am, TAI CHI CLASS, Cafeteria

12:00 pm-1:00 pm, YOGA CLASS, Social Hall

6:45 pm, MSOS Annual Christmas Party, Potluck, Cafeteria

Sunday, December 17, 2017 (Third Sunday of Advent)

5:30 am, 7:00 am 8:15 am, 10:15 am, 11:45 am (Chinese), 5:30 pm

3:00 pm, All-Mandarin Chinese Mass, Church

6:00 pm, Homeless Ministry, Kakaako, Next Step Shelter

6:30 pm, Family Rosary Movement, S.H.W.A.Y./Social Hall

Our Sick

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SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS:

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 - Today's reading offers the people in exile words of hope and comfort. The final image of God is not that of a powerful, triumphant warrior, but of a shepherd who feeds the flock, and leads with care. The reading ends as it began—with words of great tenderness.

SECOND READING 2 Peter 3:8-14 - The intent of this apocalyptic passage is not to describe a literal scenario of what will occur, but to urge righteous living in the present. All should conduct themselves with holiness and devotion, waiting without spot or blemish, and being at peace.

GOSPEL: Mark 1: 1-8 - In this Gospel, we see John the Baptist as a messenger from God whose voice is crying out in the desert, "Prepare the way of the Lord." The way of the Lord is a new path to freedom that will begin with a baptism of repentance and forgiveness of sin.



Charismatic Prayer Hotline Please call Yvonne at: (808) 396-3411 **NEED PRAYER** Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday 7:00pm - 9:00pm

MARY, STAR OF THE SEA STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE **PARISH SUPPORT**

Weekend of December 02/03, 2017 \$8,975.46 **Other Collections:**

Christmas Offering: 25.00 Novena: 123.25 **Peace & Social Justice Ministry:** 20.00 **Retirement Fund for Religious:** 208.00 Thanksgiving: 100.00 **Immaculate Conception:** 145.00 **Christmas Flowers:** 868.00

E-Giving Report (November, 2017)

Weekly Offering \$2,390.24

Repair & Maintenance Fund: 20.00 **Peace & Social Justice Ministry:** 25.00 Scholarship: 60.00

Cath. Campaign/Human Development: 135.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!