

May 2011

Dear Parishioners:

In our Catholic tradition, May is always Mary's month. You have probably noticed that at the conclusion of Mass during the month of May we sing the Easter antiphon to Mary, "Regina Caeli." May crownings and floral offerings to Mary are also common devotions during the month of May. The celebration of Mother's Day during May reminds us that Mary is the Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

All of us have a friend and intercessor in Mary. As she did during the course of her earthly life, she pointed others to her Son, Jesus. She, too, will take us by the hand and bring us close to the Lord who gives our lives a fresh beginning through the forgiveness of our sins and the promise of eternal life.

I want to thank all those who contributed to the restoration of our grotto and shrine to Mary. Our new statue has arrived and will soon be permanently placed in the grotto. It is the image of Mary, Our Lady of Lourdes. This image recalls Mary's apparition at Lourdes in France which continues to be visited by many pilgrims who seek Mary's intercession for healing. We pray that many who visit our grotto will also experience the Lord's healing in their lives for body, mind, and spirit.

Our restoration project will also include lighting the statue in the evening time, benches for those visiting the grotto, and upgrades to the landscaping around the grotto. One tree was removed so the grotto would be more visible when one arrives on our campus. We look forward to the completion of the grotto project and the beautiful space it will provide our parishioners and visitors alike for private prayer.

I also want to wish all mothers in our parish a beautiful and relaxing Mother's Day!

Easter Blessings,

Fr. William



Community Life

Welcome to the Co-Cathedral!

Thank you for worshipping with us today! We are happy you have joined us! We pray that in our company you will experience the Lord's own welcome and discover anew God's loving purposes for your life. If we can be of help or support to you, please speak to any one of our staff or volunteers. If you are interested in joining our parish, visit our Cathedral Office after Mass to register and receive more information about our parish activities.

May@The Co-Cathedral

May 14 1st Communion, 5 pm
May 15 1st Communion, 10:30 am
May 15 Confirmation, 6 pm
May 17 Pastoral Council, 6:30 pm
May 19 Finance Council, 6:30 pm
May 27 STS 8th Grade Graduation

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Our Co-Cathedral website is regularly updated with information, calendar of activities, and pictures and other useful information and spiritual resources (e.g. the Daily Readings, Minute Meditation, LIFETEEN link, etc.).

STS Discount for New Students

St. Theresa School is offering a one-time \$250 discount for any new students who are also registered parishioners of the Co-Cathedral. New students must register by May 31. For more information, contact the school office at 536-4703.

Hawaii Sacred Choir Concert

The Hawaii Sacred Choir will perform a concert of sacred music on Friday, May 20th at 7 pm at the Co-Cathedral. All are welcome!

Grotto Restoration

We are in the process of renovating our Grotto and in need of a new statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will also improve the landscaping around the grotto over the next few months. If you would like to make a donation toward a new statue, please contact Fr. William at 521-1700.



Our Rose of the Month!

Congratulations to **Eric & Amy Bolosan** our new Rose of the Month. Both Eric & Amy are involved with our Faith Formation Program as substitute catechists, support staff, hospitality, and setup/takedown. Their humble willingness to always say "YES" for our kids and church family is truly inspirational, and models after our patroness, St. Theresa. Thank you, Eric & Amy for your service to our parish!

Liturgy & Prayer

St. Damien Feast Day

Bishop Silva will celebrate a special Mass for the Memorial of St. Damien of Molokai on Tuesday, May 10 at 6 pm at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace, downtown Honolulu. Validated parking is available at Century Square. Please join us as we celebrate the life of this local saint!

Relic of Blessed Marianne Cope

The Diocese of Honolulu is blessed to have received a relic of Blessed Marianne Cope, OFM who served those with Hansen's disease on the island of Molokai. The relic will travel to all the islands before being permanently enshrined at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace. All are invited to join Bishop Silva for a special Mass on Friday, May 13 at 6 pm with Blessed Marianne's relic at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace, downtown Honolulu. All the Faithful will have an opportunity to venerate the relic at this special liturgy.

Faith Formation

Singles for Christ

If you are 21-40ish, come and join a new young adult ministry forming at the Co-Cathedral – Singles for Christ. Their first meeting will be Friday, May 13th at 7 pm in the Parish Hall. Come and meet new people who share your faith in Christ! For more information, contact Justin (285.0893) or Jacklyn (223.5725).

Last Day of R.E. Classes – Sunday, May 22

Our last day for R.E. for children will be Sunday, May 22 at 9:15 am. We will conclude with a potluck brunch in the parish hall. All families are invited!

New Infant Baptism Preparation Program

Beginning in June, our Infant Baptism Preparation program will be revised to include 1) A parent interview, and 2) A parent preparation class. These will take place the first and second Wednesdays of each month at 7 pm at the Rectory. Baptisms will then be scheduled on Saturdays at 9 am and 9:30 am. For more information on Infant Baptism, contact our Cathedral office at 521-1700.

Lectio Divina

Join us every Tuesday evening at 7 pm in the Library for Bible study in the Benedictine tradition of Lectio Divina. It includes Scripture reading, meditation, sharing, and prayer.

Stewardship

Sunday/Feast Day Collections in April:

Amount Needed Each Week: \$11,057.00

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Second/Specials</u>
Apr. 3	8,992.12	
Apr. 10	7,368.49	2,501.85 (Maint./Repairs)
Apr. 17	9,395.37	
Holy Thursday	2,135.55	
Good Friday	2,811.60	(Holy Land Collection)
Apr. 24	16,024.47	(Easter)

Thank you for your generosity!

Capital Campaign update

From January – March 2011, exactly \$45,715.51 was collected from the Co-Cathedral for the *With Grateful Hearts* Capital Campaign. Last week we received a check for \$11,428.88 representing our 25% parish share. Once we hit our target of \$440,000, we will receive 50% back to the parish. Thank you to everyone for honoring your pledges. If you have any questions or if we can be assistance, please contact Lloreë or Allen at our Cathedral office at 521-1700.

Organ Fund

As a musical instrument, the organ maintains a place of prominence in the history and tradition of the Church. We have created a special fund to pay for the new Allen organ located in the choir loft of the church. This beautiful instrument is already being used at our 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. liturgies. If you would like to make a donation, please contact our Cathedral office.