



Co-Cathedral of Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time | July 23, 2017

MISSION: We the people of the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, seek to be an example of the presence of God through our Christian Catholic worship, education, service and stewardship of all God's gifts.

We celebrate our diversity of age, culture, language, and view points as a sign of God's all powerful and ever-present love in our community of faith. We strive to witness the gospel of Jesus Christ to evangelize and to respond in love, as well as compassion to our community in Honolulu, to be a welcoming place to all who seek the grace, fellowship, and love of God.

Clergy Team

Pastor Fr. Gregorio Honorio Jr.
In-Residence Fr. Sydney Fernandes
Deacon Francis Leasiolagi
VHM Chaplain Fr. Dominic Nguyen
VHM Deacon Anthony Nguyen

Schedule of Masses

Sunday 6:15am, 8:00am
10:30am, 6:00pm
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Mondays - Thursdays 6:30am
Fridays & Saturdays 8:00am
Vietnamese Masses
Sunday 3:30pm
Saturday Vigil 7:00pm
Mon, Tues, Thurs 5:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesdays 6:15pm-7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

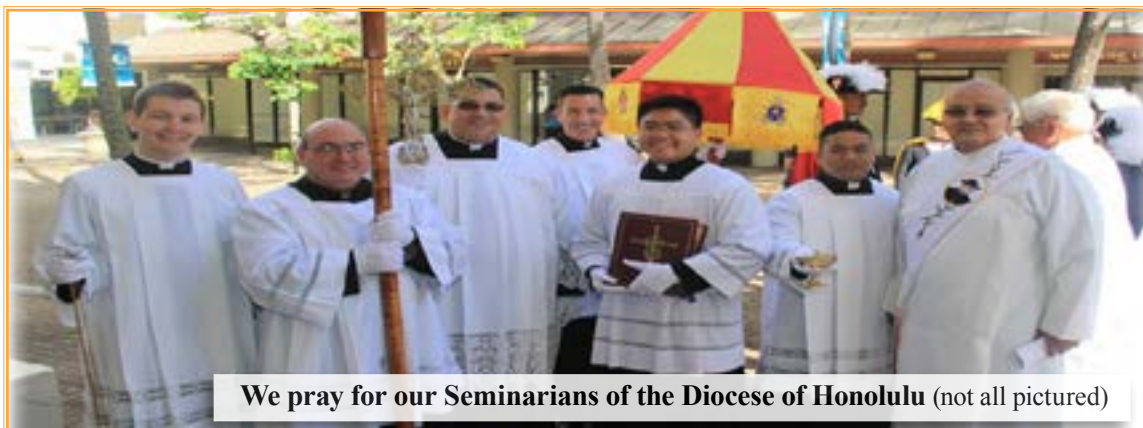
Exposition
Wednesdays 6:15pm-7:00pm
Adoration Chapel
Everyday 6:00am-10:30pm

Co-Cathedral Office

Monday-Friday 8:00am-12:00pm
1:00pm-4:30pm
Saturdays 8:30am-12:00pm
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Saint Theresa School

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We pray for our Seminarians of the Diocese of Honolulu (not all pictured)

In the reading for this week we are going to hear about the man who had sowed the good seed in his fields but the enemy came at night and there were now weeds in the garden too! We don't need to be told there are weeds in God's kingdom. We all know that. The church and its leaders are not always perfect as well. I remember hearing a quote about Fr. Andrew Greely who said, "If you ever find a perfect church, by all means join it; just know that once you join it, it will no longer be perfect." Imperfection is all around us, in our nation and other countries, in our friends, and our family as well. Today's parable is telling us that in the end all things are made right. The wheat, the good, will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father and those who do evil, the weeds will go to the flames of the underworld.

The parable is telling us that God is the one who will be the judge, but I believe that before we stand before God, we will probably have to judge ourselves when we look at just how we lived our lives. God, in His mercy will most likely be more merciful to us than we are to ourselves.

The parable of the wheat and the weeds along with the other two little parables (mustard seed and the leaven/yeast) are optimistic ones, assuring us that in spite of opposition and persecution the Kingdom of God shall continue growing as well as assuring us of the final victory over evil in the end. In today's modern culture we see many trappings of the world that takes us away from doing what is "pono" (doing what is right). By not doing what is right (pono) is in fact the weeds in our fields. We need to clear these weeds in order to have a wonderful and productive garden. We need to sow the good seed in our lives and get rid of the weeds that prevent a good harvest. **This will help us in our journey with the Father.**

May God bless us all.

Seminarian William "Pila" Tulua

AROUND THE PARISH

Choir practice will resume on Monday, July 24.



CCST Prayer Meeting/Praise and Worship
Monday, July 24, 2017
7:00 - 8:30pm
in the church

Talk to be given by Deacon candidate Raffy Mendoza
Topic: "God desires to be Encountered"

BIBLE STUDY

Catholic Bible Study: Will Many Be Saved?

Before we begin our regularly-scheduled Bible Study session, please come and share your thoughts at our Bible Study Orientation meeting on Thursday, August 3rd from 6:45 to 7:45pm in the Rectory Conference Room. We begin our weekly Bible Study Sessions on Thursday, August 17. --Deacon Roy

"And someone said to him, 'Lord, will those who are saved be few?'" (Luke 13:23). These words of our Lord Jesus is a subject of Vatican II Council's document, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, Lumen Gentium, paragraph number 16.

About the Bible session Team Facilitator, Deacon Roy Matsuo:

Deacon Roy holds a Master of Arts degree in Religious Education, emphasis in Catholic Theology, from the Jesuit institution, the University of San Francisco. Deacon has taught many years of high school religion, college Theology, parish Religious Education, RCIA, and Bible Study programs and is excited about continuing with more Catholic Bible sessions here in our parish.

There are Parish Bible Study registration forms available in our website or at the table near the side door entrance of the church and also at the office.



SOCIAL MINISTRY

CARING FOR OUR NEIGHBORS



We thank you for your generosity in sharing your blessings. Jesus said "Truly, I say to you, whatever you do to the least of these My brothers, you did it to Me." **Matthew 25:37-40** Through your generosity we are able to help those who are in need.

If you were not able to bring non-perishable food items this weekend. We ask you to **consider giving financial support** to the food assistance program of the Social Ministry of the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa and we will do the shopping for you.

We will distribute the food on Wednesday, July 26, 2017, from 3:00 – 5:00pm at the Pastoral Center. If you, your relative or friends are in need of food assistance, please call the parish office at (808) 521-1700 so we can include you in our list and reserve a bag for you.

Do you want to help more? We will be *sorting and bagging the food donations on Tuesday, July 25, at 6:00 – 7:30pm at the Pastoral Center.* We need volunteers to help us. We hope you can help. Please call the parish office if you plan to come.



HAWAII FOOD BANK SENIOR BOX DISTRIBUTION

On Saturday, July 29, 2017, the Hawaii Food Bank in coordination with the CCST Social Ministry, will distribute the senior food boxes under the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) FROM 9:00am to 12:00nn. All qualified seniors from our parish and our community who completed the application forms and approved by Hawaii Food Bank shall receive a 32-lb box of food.

We invite our parishioners to come help us in the distribution. Sign-up forms are available at the table near the side entrance of the church or in the parish office. We hope that you can help.



M O N D A Y
 July 24th

Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

Saint Sharbel Makhluf

- 6:30a - Mass
- 5:30p - VHM Mass
- 6:00p - Choir Practice **PH**
- 7:00p - HCCRS Prayer Mtg **PC**

T U E S D A Y
 July 25th

2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

Saint James

- 6:30a - Mass
- 10:00a - Wedding Rehearsal
- 6:00p - VHM Mass **S**
- 6:00p - Legion of Mary **PC**
- 6:30p - Young Adult Ministry **PC**
- 6:30p - Finance Council Mtg **C**
- 8:00p - VHM Reception **PH**

W E D N E S D A Y
 July 26th

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9

Sts. Joachim and Anne

- 6:30a - Mass
- 11:00a - Funeral
- 6:00p - CCST Ministry Leader **DH**
- 6:00p - OLPH Novena
- 6:15p - Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Confession

T H U R S D A Y
 July 27th

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17

- 6:30a - Mass
- 1:00p - Wedding
- 3:00 p - Wedding Rehearsal
- 5:30p - VHM Mass

F R I D A Y
 July 28th

Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

- 8:00a - Mass
- 11:00a - Funeral
- 6:30p - Zumba **PH**

S A T U R D A Y
 July 29th

Ex 24:3-8 (400)/Jn 11:19-27

- 8:00a - Mass
- 11:00a - Funeral
- 1:00p - Wedding
- 5:00p - Vigil Mass
- 7:00p - VHM Vigil Mass

S U N D A Y
 July 30th

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30
Mt 13:44-52

- 6:15a - Mass
- 8:00a - Mass
- 10:30a - Mass
- 3:30p - VHM Mass
- 6:00p - Mass

Funeral

Wedding

Juny LaPutt 7/26
 Leo Roberts 7/28
 Maria Consolacion Guerrero
 7/29

Leo Phommarath &
 Christy Congson 7/27
 Ephraim Alcotas &
 Jessica Mau 7/29

ST. THERESA THIS WEEK **S** Sacristy **PC** Pastoral Center **PH** Parish Hall **R** Rectory **VHM** Vietnamese Holy Martyrs **FWR** Faculty Work Room **STS** Saint Theresa School

Dear Friends,

Growing up my passion was never with numbers, which at times is a little difficult for me to explain. This is most especially because as an accountant, my occupation pretty much calls for it everyday. Math was never my strong suit in school and while I still chose to pursue accounting as a degree in college is beyond me. As the saying goes “the numbers speak for themselves,” I can honestly get lost in that language myself sometimes. Nonetheless, I would like to describe how being part of the Finance Council has taught me more than just looking at numbers, amounts, and figures.



As members of the Council, we serve to assist and advise the Pastor in carrying out the Church’s financial administration duties. We work closely in preparing the annual operating budget and together with the Pastor, review and approve the annual financial report. Having said all that, it would be easy to understand how intimidating and mundane this could all sound, especially for those not so familiar. However, the greatest purpose of the Finance Council goes beyond all that. Our main focus is on the stewardship of treasure.

Having served on the Council, I can humbly say that we have been challenged to look past the numbers. Our monthly meetings encompass more than just reviewing reports, but more importantly discussing the investment of our faith. All that we have are gifts from God and we, as stewards, should use these gifts to help others around us. It is most certain that we look at the finances of the Church, however our deeper focus is how we utilize these gifts to better serve our community and most importantly, the Lord. While the Council could seem to be financially driven, the truth is that stewardship for the Church is paramount. Being part of the Finance Council allowed me to realize that serving is not our duty, but our devotion. We go beyond the numbers in sharing our time, talent, and treasure. With that, we invite and whole-heartedly welcome our fellow parishioners to join us in serving on the Finance Council!

Love and aloha,
Kristen Butac

COMMITMENT OF TIME AND TALENT

Members of the Council are appointed for three (3) year terms and may be re-appointed to additional terms. In order to be effective in their responsibilities as Council members, members should have a thorough understanding of the parish’s mission, goals, structure and demographics; knowledge of diocesan statutes and policies regarding temporalities; and a general understanding of the structure and organization of diocesan finances.



For more information about the Finance Council, visit www.cocathedral.org/145

Y.E.A.S.T.

Youth

Youth
Young Adult

Evangelization

St. Theresa School
Religious Education
RCIA/RCIC
Sacramental Preparation
Bible Study
Legion of Mary
Lectio Divina

Altar

Altar Server
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
Lector
Liturgical Environment
Music
Sacristan
Usher/Greeter
Sacred Heart

Social Ministry

Bereavement
Hospital & Homebound
Prison Life
Forever Young
Filipino Catholic Club
Respect for Life
Food Bank
Rice Bowl
Environment & Recycling

Time, Talent, Treasure

Stewardship Committee
Welcoming
St. Matthew
Communications

He spoke to them another parable. The kingdom of heaven is like YEAST that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened.”

Enroll now!

Religious Education

New Students registration is on-going. Please pick up a registration form available at the side tables inside the church or register on-line at www.cocathedral.org/re. For more information, contact the church office.

Returning Students can register at the Parish Hall from 7am to 12pm on Sundays, beginning **July 16** or at the church office from 8a to 4:30p, Monday to Friday. Please bring your class cards with you.

Adult Confirmation

To all those who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, please contact our office on how to register for the upcoming Adult Confirmation Classes in August.

Validation of Marriage

Calling all civilly married couples who are interested in validating their marriage to the Catholic church, please contact our office for more information.

Interested in becoming a catechist?

Contact our church office or see Sr. Mercy Estrella, SPC for more information on how to join the Faith Formation team.

Living Catholic in the 808: Confirmation is Not a Passage into Adulthood



OFFER, STRENGTHEN, SUSTAIN

Reflections on the Original Order by the Diocese of Honolulu - Kristina Deneve

Many Catholic Christians see Confirmation as a rite of passage into adulthood. Yet Confirmation is a sacrament of beginning, of initiation. It is not a sacrament of transition, of becoming an adult.

The Catechism states, “Although Confirmation is sometimes called the ‘sacrament of Christian maturity,’ one must not confuse

adult faith with the adult age of natural growth. ... Age of body does not determine age of soul. Even in childhood one can attain spiritual maturity.” (no. 1308)

In the Eastern Catholic Churches, infants are routinely confirmed (“Chrismation” in the eastern traditions). In the Roman Catholic Church, young children in danger of death are confirmed. At the other end of the age spectrum, if an elderly person is baptized, then he or she is immediately confirmed. The fact that infants, children, teenagers, young adults and the elderly can all be confirmed shows that Confirmation is not about becoming an adult. It is about being sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Soon, seven year-olds who were baptized as infants will complete their sacraments of initiation in this original order. (When this will happen depends on your parish plan.) Specifically, children will be confirmed prior to receiving First Communion. They will not “transition” into adulthood. They will be fully initiated into our faith.

STAY FIT AND HEALTHY

Come join our Zumba classes in the Parish Hall on Friday, July 28 at 6:30 pm. Your donation is appreciated to help us defray expenses.

For more details, call the parish office at 521-1700 in the afternoon.



10 Points for Prayer

by the USCCB

The baby's crying, the dog is whining, and you need to leave for work in five minutes. Finding time for prayer can seem impossible. Amid the busyness of family life, how can one respond to God's ongoing invitation to speak with and listen to him? Here are ten pointers to help you do just that.

1 Pray as you can, not as you can't. God calls most Christians to an active life in the world, with family, work and community responsibilities. Such a call, while holy, does not usually allow for long periods of prayer and reflection. Lay people can become discouraged when they try to pray like a cloistered contemplative.

Be realistic about what's possible.

2 Take ten—or twenty. If a half hour for prayer isn't possible, how about ten minutes, or twenty? Choose a good time of day and stick with it. Designate a special site for prayer so that spot become holy. Spouses can help by minding children during respective quiet times.

3 Pray as a family. Build upon rituals such as grace before meals. In addition to the usual “Bless us, O Lord,” encourage family members to offer thanks for the blessings of the day, as well as prayers for those in need. Couples can deepen their spiritual relationship by taking a few minutes, perhaps before bedtime, to commend to God the joys and sorrows of the day.

4 Decorate your domestic Church. When we enter our parish church, the statues and pictures focus our minds on Jesus, Mary and the saints. We can create an atmosphere for prayer in our home—the domestic Church—by displaying a crucifix, icons, the Bible and other holy objects. Take the children to a religious goods store and let them choose a picture or statue for their rooms.

5 Short prayers count, too. When you're stopped at a long light or put on hold, consider it as God's invitation to turn your heart and mind to him, if only for a few seconds.

**Find the next 5 points
in next week's bulletin!**

**Dir. of Religious Education,
Pastoral Associate**

Sr. Mercedita Estrella, SPC

Business & Office Manager

Raffy Mendoza

**Administrative Assistant,
Wedding Coordinator**

April Moses

Dir. of Music & Liturgy

Bernie Gora

**Dir. of Youth Ministry,
Asst. Dir. of Liturgy & Music**

Fay Pabo

Social Ministry Coordinator

Pinky Mendoza

Communications Coordinator

Oswald Bumanglag

Facilities & Maintenance Manager

Anthony Navor

Sacraments & Rites

**Contact our parish office for
more information or for
scheduling an appointment:**

- Infant Baptism (Contact our office at least one month before)
- Anointing of the Sick
- Holy Communion for the sick and the homebound
- Matrimony (Contact our office ten months in advance)
- Blessings (house, vehicle, religious items)
- Funerals
- Vocation to the Priesthood or Religious

Prayers & Faith Formation

Holy Rosary

Before daily Mass & 6:15am Sun. Mass

Religious Education

Sundays 9:15am-10:15am

Youth Night

Sundays 7:00pm

Legion of Mary

Tuesdays 6:00pm

Faith Sharing by Young Adults (18-34)

Tuesdays 7:00pm

Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesdays 6:00pm

Lectio Divina

Wednesdays 7:00pm

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's second reading, Saint Paul bids us to take comfort in knowing that when God invites us to pray to him, he knows our true needs, even if we do not. The Holy Spirit intercedes and prays for us even if we can't come up with appropriate words; even when we don't have a clue what to ask for. We are not left alone. Good stewards know that prayer is an important part of living a life in Christ. The important thing is to make space for God. **Do we let God into our hearts? Do we make room for the Holy Spirit to pray within us?**

Seminary Education Fund Annual Appeal

July 22nd – 23rd

Dear Friends and Family of St. Theresa,

On behalf of the Office of Vocations and myself, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your generous donations with regards to the Seminarian Vocation Fund. At present, it costs over 45-thousand plus dollars per academic year per student. This year, we are fortunate to have 13 seminarian, 3 of which are new this fall semester of 2017/2018. Your continued support for the seminarians is such a blessing to not only our diocese but to we, the seminarians as well. Please continue to pray for us as we continue our formation to become good, hopeful, and prayerful priest of the Diocese of Honolulu.

If you would like to donate in the future, you may resort the to the diocese website for the seminarian fund. May God bless you for your gracious gift.

Donate Online at:

<http://catholicahawaii.org/seminarian-fund>

- Seminarian William Tulua



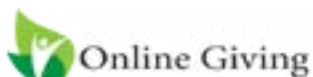
**THIS Weekend's
Second Offering**
(July 22/23, 2017)

is for

**SEMINARIAN EDUCATION
FUND APPEAL**

OFFERINGS OF JULY 10-16, 2017

Sunday Mass Offering	\$ 8,661.52	Repairs and Maintenance	\$ 442.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 411.00	All Souls	\$ 25.00
Initial Offering	\$ 84.00	Immaculate Conception	\$ 5.00
Candles	\$ 1,577.07	Augustine Educational Fund	\$ 20.00
Blessings	\$ 60.00	Catholic Relief Services	\$ 10.00
Weddings	\$ 1,000.00	Holy Land	\$ 5.00
Funerals	\$ 1,200.00	Relay for Life - Cancer Society	\$ 110.00
Religious Educ. Registration	\$ 170.00	Zumba Wellness Ministry	\$ 113.00



Sunday Mass Offering \$ 427.50

Repairs and Maintenance \$ 30.00
Seminarian Education Fund \$ 25.00

Please consider the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus in your Will.
For more information on Planned Giving, please do not hesitate to contact our office or the Diocese's Stewardship and Development Office" Thank you.