



Co-Cathedral of Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus

Fifth Sunday of Lent | April 2, 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.
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

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The universality of death and Jesus is revealed to us as the “resurrection and life”.

Death. Death is the fate of all human beings. No one is spared. The grave swallows up the righteous as well as the sinner. Ezekiel the prophet witnessed the death of the nation. The gospel reports the death of Lazarus. Although Paul refers to the mortal character of our physical bodies, he is more concerned with spiritual life and death. Death attacks each of us in all three of the following ways: (i.) We are all mortal and subject to physical death; (ii.) we are all sinners and must deal with the implications of spiritual death; (iii.) we all subject to the consequences of social sins such as terrorism, violence, group hatred, greed, and ecological exploitation. The question before us is whether we are going to allow death to reign in our lives and our communities.

God's offer of New Life. All the readings today point out our inability to raise ourselves out of the deaths that afflict us. In the first reading from Ezekiel, it is God who promises to open the graves of the people; the people are helpless to do anything. The psalmist cries to God from the depths of pain and helplessness. Acknowledging human propensity to sin, Paul credits the Spirit of God with transforming death into life. Finally, Jesus calls Lazarus out of the grave and returns him to his life. As with the First Sunday of Lent, so today we see God does not leave us to languish in our various deaths. Instead, God offers us new life out of the tombs. In some instances it is another chance at the life that was once enjoyed; in others it is an opportunity to enter into an entirely new way of living.

Throughout the Lenten season the readings have invited us to meditate on the mercy and compassion of God, on God's willingness to give us chance after chance despite our unrighteousness. There has been no insistence on penitential practices. Instead, it is almost as if God is asking for another chance to shower us with mercy. If we but accept the new life offered us we can be reconciled with the people from whom we are alienated. We can throw off the burdens of resentment and forgive those who have offended us. We can be released from our preoccupation with ourselves and be attentive to the needs of others. Even when we experience in our bodies the approach of death itself, we can cherish in a new way the life we have and the people that are in that life.

Choose Christ. In the face of death we are encouraged to choose life. This is particularly strong in the reading from Romans and in the gospel. In both readings we see that this life can be found only in Christ. Paul draws a sharp contrast between the flesh (human limitations) and the spirit (the power that comes from God.) It is the Spirit of God at work in us through Christ that transforms us. In the gospel Jesus holds life and death in his hands because he is the “resurrection and the life.” These readings are paced before us today so that once again we can make a choice.

Will we choose death or Life? Will we choose our own willfulness or Christ?

DEACON FRANCIS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stations of the Cross for Marriages and Families.

Join us on **FRIDAY at 6:30pm**

Led by the Youth and Young Adult of Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa



Holy Hour for Vocations with Bishop Larry Silva
This **Wednesday at 6:15pm**

A friendly reminder to please bring your own Palms to have it blessed at our Masses next Sunday (April 9, Palm Sunday). If you have extra palms to share, we invite you to share them with our church family as we celebrate Our Lord's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem where he was welcomed by crowds worshipping him and laying down palm leaves before him. Thank



On Palm Sunday, a procession will take place 30 minutes before the 5:00pm Vigil Mass (Sat.) and 10:30am Mass (Sun.) Please arrive promptly.

Next week also marks the beginning of Holy Week, the greatest tragedy and sorrow of the year. We invite you to pray with us throughout week to Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord. The schedule of prayers, masses, and services will be available in next week's bulletin and also on our parish website and app.

FAITH FORMATION

Verbum Dei Bible Study

Congratulations to all the participants of the "Verbum Dei Encounter" course (Bible Study with Apologetics), a program of adult faith formation. May they fulfill their calling of spreading the message of the Gospel throughout the whole world.



RCIA - The Second Scrutinies

The second scrutiny at last Sunday's 8:00am Mass mentioned that many of us are afraid to see into our own lives because we fear what is lurking inside. It is not until we acknowledge our sinful nature that true conversion can begin in our hearts.



In continuation of page 1, by the International Catholic Stewardship Council

Why a "Steward's Way of the Cross"? Stewardship is all about receiving God's gifts gratefully and sharing them generously. But to be good stewards, we have to understand first that we have been blessed – that all we have are the gifts of our good and loving God. Only then can we make our use of those gifts an act of Thanksgiving to the God who gave them.

Our greatest single gift from God is Jesus, his life and ministry, his death on the cross and his resurrection for our salvation. It is appropriate to look at the gift of the Lord's passion, death and resurrection through the lens of stewardship; to reflect on the Stations of the Cross and consider what gifts are being given and received in each one so that we are able to receive and rejoice more fully in the gift of God in Christ.

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

MONDAY April 3rd

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
6:30a - Mass
3:00p - Wedding Rehearsal
5:30p - VHM Mass
6:00p - Choir Practice PH
7:00p - Adult Confirmation PC

TUESDAY April 4th

Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
St. Isidore

6:30a - Mass
1:00p - Wedding-Velasco/San Nicolas Nuptial
5:30p - VHM Mass
6:00p - Legion of Mary S
6:30p - Young Adult Ministry PC

WEDNESDAY April 5th

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
St. Vincent Ferrer

6:30a - Mass
11:00a - Funeral
6:00p - Novena to OLPH
6:15p - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/ Reconciliation
7:00p - Youth Core Leadership FWR

THURSDAY April 6th

Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

6:30a - Mass
6:30p - VHM Mass
7:00p - Chrism Mass w/ Bishop Larry

FRIDAY April 7th

Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
St. John Baptist de la Salle

8:00a - Mass
6:30p - Stations of the Cross
6:30p - Boy Scouts PC
7:00p - VHM Mass

SATURDAY April 8th

Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

7:00a - YAM Retreat PC
8:00a - Mass
10:30a - Funeral - Kohry Mulkey
3:30p - Na Leo Pi'l Pua Choir
5:00p - Vigil Mass
7:00p - VHM Mass

SUNDAY April 9th

Mt 21:1-11 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11
Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

6:15a - Mass
8:00a - Mass
9:15a - Religious Education PH/STS
10:30a - Mass
3:30p - VHM Mass
6:00p - Mass
7:00p - Youth Ministry PC

4th Joyful Mystery: The Presentation

by Deacon Candidate Raffy Mendoza

Luke 2:19 (NAB) "And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart."

How do we evangelize? PRACTICE THE DISCIPLINE OF THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION

It is so easy to be a Sunday Catholic – celebrate the Eucharist with our family, spend an hour or less with the affairs of God and then off we go to our next schedule. For most of us, it is living in compartmentalized lives, blocked off by set schedules and time commitments each day of the week, clearly marked in our calendars.

But there should more to life than this. What is my purpose? What significance am I living for? What legacy am I living behind? Is the material wealth all there is to life? As Catholics, how do we allow the Scripture and our Catholic faith impact our daily lives? How do we bring the Gospel into our homes and workplace?

This is the importance of Theological Reflection - an attempt to see deeply into life experiences. It is a tool to help us reflect in ways that allow faith to touch our lives and our lives to touch our faith; a tool to help us integrate life and faith.

Ponder the intimate connection between faith and daily life



A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT BY THE INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP

April 2, 2017

Jesus called to his friend from the dead, "Lazarus, come out!" It is the same call our Lord makes to us unceasingly: **"Come out!"** Jesus calls us from our tomb of doubt and unbelief, from the darkness of our fear and anxieties; from the depths of our weaknesses and lack of hope. Christian stewards pray for an open heart, so that they may hear the voice of the Lord, heed the continuous call to come away from their former way of living and reprioritize their lives in the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Do we believe Christ has the power to transform our lives? Do we take time to listen for his call?



Sunday Mass Offering	\$ 292.50
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 10.00

A Reminder

The Offerings of Next Week are:

**Holy Thursday (Apr. 13)
Operation Rice Bowl**
**Good Friday (Apr. 14)
Holy Land**

OFFERINGS OF MARCH 20 - MARCH 26, 2017

Sunday Mass Offering	\$ 9,203.78	Augustine Educational Fund	\$ 30.00
Ash Wednesday Offering	\$ 36.00	Catholic Relief Services	\$ 795.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 726.00	Candles	\$ 2,088.97
RE/CCD/Confirmation	\$ 69.00	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 216.00
Initial Offering	\$ 81.00	Blessings	\$ 30.00
Flowers	\$ 826.00		

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.

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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