

Holy Rosary Church

A Century of Faithfulness through Mary's Fullness of Grace

GRACE

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sept. 28 - Oct. 6 - Novena Prayer for Holy Rosary Feast Day (5 PM on weekdays; no morning weekday masses during these days)

October 3, 9AM (Saturday) - Church cleanup, THANK YOU TO ALL WHO VOLUNTEERED!

October 7, 6PM (Wednesday) - Holy Rosary Feast Day Mass

October 11, 9AM after the Sunday Mass - Parish Feast Day Celebration & 50th Anniversary of St. Damien Memorial Statue and 15 Stations of the Rosary. Potluck after the 5PM Saturday Mass

Ground beef for sale: THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Holy Rosary Church Legacy Tiles Project: Check with James or John to purchase tiles for the project.

Please send your contributions for the bulletin to s_almie@yahoo.com or to marycostales21@yahoo.com. Weekend mass: Saturday 5:00PM, Sunday 8:00AM. Weekday mass: 7:00 AM except on Tuesday (Fr. Jose's day off). Confessions by appointment; contact the office or Fr. Macoy. Parish office hours: Monday, Wednesday 9AM-12N; Friday 9AM-2PM.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." **(Full text: Matthew 21:28-32, usccb.org)**

The antidote to despair is to keep our hearts focused on God's gracious gifts.

In his Letter to the Philippians, Paul says to have no anxiety but rather to think about what is true, honorable, and just; what is pure, lovely, and gracious; and anything excellent and worthy of praise. When we contemplate the good around us instead of dwelling on the negative, we are reminded that life is a gift, and that we play a role in God's plan to redeem the world.

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WHAT IS GRACE?: GATHERED FROM THE HEARTS OF OUR PARISHIONERS by Mary Beth Costales | September 28, 2026

As we approach our Queen of the Holy Rosary Feast Day, let us reflect on our centennial theme, "**A Century of Faithfulness through Mary's Fullness of Grace."** More specifically, we can focus on the word 'grace.' What is grace? How do we practice grace in our daily lives?

First, a definition of 'grace' from The Catechism of the Catholic Church: Favor, the free and undeserved help that God gives us to respond to His call to become children of God.

The word 'grace' is interpreted in many ways by various people. I was privileged to ask a number of our church members, "What does 'grace' mean to you in your own words? You may use an example from your life."

Following are the words I received from a number of our parishioners and Father Macoy.

Father Jose Macoy: "It is the amazing Grace of God that keeps me going in living out the priestly life for forty wonderful years."

Suzanne "Midge" Ribucan: "My parents had many friends of different faiths and cultures. As a child (3 to 5 years old), I had a kidney disease (which most children at that time died from). This led to a stay of 2 and a half to 3 years in the old Pu'unene Hospital. At one point, I was dying. Family and friends prayed for me and some over me. I did receive the grace of healing, which I am very humbled by and eternally grateful for. I do, however, find a greater grace in the coming together of those family and friends of different faiths and cultures. Our parish priest, Parishioners of Holy Rosary and Christ the King, my Grandpa Sombelon, who would pray nine rosaries in one day for nine days, and our Buddhist and Protestant friends, all praying for a dying child. I have seen what the power of prayer can do. It goes beyond our differences to unite us in God's love and mercy. Thank you, God, for the gift of healing through the Grace of Unity in Diversity."

Karen Laborte: "Grace is the gift from God that feeds our soul and provides us life and encouragement to do all that He calls us to do. I feel the grace God provides me as a gift that allows me to share kindness and generosity with others without expecting anything in return. I am honored and thankful for this gift of grace."

Marie Sombelon Gaskin: "Grace, for me, is like GOD'S extra…blessings and mercies. Like getting extra gravy without asking."

Keku and Cindy Akana: "For us, grace is the joy of life, the sunrise, the Holy Mass, the gift of a priest, the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, forgiveness with no strings attached, our spouse, our kids, our grandchildren, mercy, sunsets, fresh air, newborn babies, unconditional love, sacrifice, music, art, perspiration that leads to inspiration, mealtime conversations with ohana, friends, prayer, doing simple things exceedingly well…all free, undeserved gifts from God."

Rodney Calasa: "To me, grace is the blessings the Lord gives us every day…being able to get up in the morning with my family and friends and especially faith, which He blesses me with to deal with trials throughout the day."

Sandy Calasa: "Grace is receiving God's love, forgiveness, and blessings even though you do not deserve it. God is a forgiving and loving God… He overlooks all my sins and transgressions and loves me anyway!"

James Tavares: "God's Grace is His free and endless love that He offers all of us to help us in our daily lives. However, we have to be willing to accept it and use it for good in this world. Treating others with kindness and respect and doing good deeds without expecting recognition is a form of grace. We should use God's love or grace in a positive way to make our lives more meaningful. Live like Jesus."

Almie Lonzaga: "Grace is God's unfailing and boundless love, way larger than our human understanding. It is through this grace that we are redeemed from our sins. Our Blessed Mother Mary lived in the fullness of God's grace, serving as a great example of faith and devotion. As the patron of our parish, her life of grace inspired both the name of our bulletin and the theme of our centennial celebration."

Grace, then, is a very substantial and meaningful concept in our lives. I end with a quote from John 1:16, "From His fullness we have all received grace upon grace."

INCOME SUMMARY 09/27/2026

Weekend Collection	$2712.00	Donation Box	5.00
Building and Maintenance	70.00	Ground Beef "Hamburger"	650.00
Candles	177.00	Holy Rosary Feast	40.00
Mass Intentions	25.00		
TOTAL DEPOSIT		**$3,679.00**	
ONLINE GIVING		**$100.00**	