



Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

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Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

November 9, 2025

The Church, Source of Life and Healing

Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12; Psalm 46:2-3,5-6,8-9; 1 Corinthians 3:9c 11,16-17; John 2:13-22

Today, we celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran, a truly magnificent and historic church. The name St. John Lateran, a combination of names, honors a basilica dedicated to St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist that is located on land generously donated by the Laterani family in the 4th century.

Why is the Basilica of St. John Lateran so important?

It is one of the four major basilicas in Rome, along with St. Peter's, St. Paul Outside the Walls, and St. Mary Major. It has also hosted many important Catholic Church councils. For a thousand years, it served as the residence of the Popes before St. Peter's Basilica was built in Rome. It functioned as the Cathedral Church of the Bishop of Rome and was even the Papal Residence before the expansion of the Vatican. It is rightly called the Mother of all Churches, a title that fills us with pride and a sense of belonging.

We celebrate its dedication to honoring our connection with the Pope. It reminds us of our identity as both a local and universal Church. It reminds us of who we are as a church. What is the Church? Who is the "Church"? It is BOTH buildings AND believers.

The liturgical readings depict the nature and essence of our identity as a Church.

The first readings from the Prophet Ezekiel and the psalm depict an image of flowing water. When Prophet Ezekiel prophesied about Israel's return from Babylonian captivity, he described a scene with flowing water. It begins at a temple, where water trickles down from the temple into the Dead Sea, a desolate place. This Dead Sea comes alive — new life appears — with fresh fish and fruit-bearing trees providing food, and the leaves of the trees offering medicine for healing (cf. Ezek. 47:12). Food and healing are connected to the water flowing from the temple. It is the source of life and joy, as highlighted in the responsorial psalm, "The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High!" (Ps. 46:5).

This prophetic vision depicts a Church that provides care and renewal to people through her ministry and Holy Sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist. This nourishment and healing are meant to extend outward, positively influencing the larger community and the world.

On the other hand, we, as a community of believers, are also called the Church. Each of us is a Temple of the Holy Spirit. St. Paul speaks to this reality. Jesus is the foundation of this Temple. The Gospel tells us that His passion, or fervor, for the House of God consumed our Lord Jesus. "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up" (Jn. 2:19). He was talking about the Temple of His Body.

Through the Holy Spirit, God chooses to dwell within us. Holiness resides in us because we are the temples of the Holy Spirit. We carry and share what is holy inside us. Or better yet, we are carried by God's holiness to others, like waters flowing from the temple.

The holiness of the Church and its members is not just a passive state but a call to action. It is a mission, a divine purpose. Our holiness is a mission to bring the water of life



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and healing to the dead seas of the world — the dead seas of corruption, materialism, abortion, addiction, selfishness, brokenness, and all kinds of human iniquities.

We, the Church, exist to evangelize. We cease to be the Church of our Lord Jesus if we fail to evangelize and to care for the poor and marginalized. This is not just what we do; it is who we are, and it defines what the Church is — a beacon of hope and a source of life and healing in a world that desperately needs it.

Fr. Manny Hewe, Pastor



You are invited to join the OCIA as they continue their formation journey and become familiar with the Catholic faith as we will be continuing our study on "The Blessed Virgin Mary"



If you are interested in deepening your relationship with Christ, please join us.

Tuesday, November 11th at 6:30pm in Room 210 (school building)



Mahalo and may you have a blessed week!

The Chaminade University Nursing Students will be presenting and educating on Alzheimer's Awareness and Prevention. Please join us on Sunday, November 9, 2025 from 6:30 am - 12:30 pm where you will learn about the risk factors, different signs and symptoms, and different resources you can utilize.

Chaminade University School of Nursing

Alzheimer's Awareness & Prevention

Sunday, November 9, 2025
6:30 am - 12:30 pm

- Learn about Alzheimer's risk factors
- Signs and symptoms to look for
- Different stages of Alzheimer's
- Play a fun game and win prizes
- Free blood pressure screenings



2nd Offering this weekend (Nov. 8th & 9th)

★ Triennial National Collection ★
for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA



Mahalo for your generosity!



PILGRIMS OF HOPE:

HOLINESS: PRAYER AND CHARITY

The holiness of the Church is demonstrated by its members. Do you?

In the second century, Aristides, a Greek pagan philosopher, described Christians to Emperor Hadrian. It is worth listening to what this pagan philosopher wrote about Christians. I quote what he said: "Christians love one another. They never fail to help widows. They save orphans from those who would hurt them. If a man has something, he gives freely to the man who has nothing. If they see a stranger, Christians take him home as though he were a real brother. If they hear that one of them is in jail or persecuted for professing the name of their redeemer, they all give him what he needs. This is really a new kind of person. There is something divine in them."

A new kind of person, embodying a divine character — what a beautiful way to describe early Christians coming from a pagan background! This clearly illustrates what St. Paul said: a life lived in the Spirit, not of the flesh, that embodies and reflects Jesus' love for others (cf. Rom. 8:1-17). It serves as a powerful reminder of our dignity as baptized Christians.

The late Pope Francis described what everyone of us should be as a Church — a field hospital — emphasizing our mission of healing and mercy, which involves caring for the wounded and suffering rather than focusing on judgment or strict rules. He said, "If we truly wish to encounter Christ, we have to touch his body in the suffering bodies of the poor, as a response to the sacramental communion bestowed in the Eucharist." Pope Leo XIII strongly affirms this in his first encyclical, titled *Dilexi Ti*, that charitable works for the poor are "the burning heart of the Church's mission (#15)."

Being prayerful alone is not enough, because prayer without charity is empty, and charity without prayer loses its strength. Our acts of charity reflect the presence of the divine within us through the Holy Spirit. Charity naturally flows from our prayer. The time we dedicate to prayer should never be used as an excuse to neglect our neighbors in need. In fact, the opposite is true. We humbly serve others because we pray. Do you?

Fr. MAH

Weekly Offering Report

For October 27, 2025 - November 2, 2025



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Weekly Collections Online Giving

SUNDAY Mass Offering	\$ 9,531.50	\$ 695.82
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*** Looking for convenient, safe and secure way of giving to our church? We have online giving feature in our website, just click on the link and go through the easy-to-follow steps to go about it. We also have a Giving Kiosk beside the statue of St. Damien. Please have a look at these methods for your church contributions. We thank you for your continued support in fulfilling the mission of the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa. ***

We will provide a complete report on the donations and updated expenses for the church fence and security project as soon as they are available. In the meantime, we would like to encourage you to reflect and pray to consider donating more towards the church fence and security project the construction of which is in progress. Please continue to pray with us for the completion of this important project for the safety and security of our church and school.

Parish Savings with the Diocese as of September 30, 2025 **\$ 28,604.33**
Outstanding Parish Loan with the Diocese as of October 31, 2025 **FULLY PAID**
Outstanding PV Loan with the Diocese as of September 30, 2025 **\$ 289,656.65**

Second Collections:

November 8 - 9 for the Archdiocese for the Military Services USA
 (every 3 yrs)
 November 15 - 16 for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Mahalo for your generosity.



CCST Fence Project



West Honolulu Vicariate Presents
JUBILEE YEAR 2025 SPIRITUAL CONFERENCES
 @ Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa (with Holy Hour and Confession)

November 19, 2025 @ 6:00 PM - Speaker: Fr. Steve Nguyen
 Theme: **GRATEFUL HEARTS: A PATHWAY TO HOPE**

December 17, 2025 @ 6:00 PM - Speaker: Fr. Manny Hewe
 Theme: **WAITING: AN ACT OF HOPE**

“Christian waiting is filled with meaningful presence because the gifts of Jesus Christ are not only meant for the future; they also have an impact on our present. Although Jesus is present in a hidden way, He communicates with us through various means. Learning to wait patiently is a way of growing in hope.”

SCHOOL OFFICE STAFF AND FACULTY MEMBERS

- Principal/Music 1-8 - Conception (Bernie) Gora
- Vice Principal/Math 8 & Discovery - Lauren Ramirez-Asaeda
- Executive Administrative Assistant/LA 6 - Faith Leasiolagi
- Admission Clerk/Office Assistant - Stephanie Lou Odayog
- Dean of Discipline/Athletic Director/4 & 5 Health/Art - Francine Caetano-Fontanilla
- Preschool Director/Teacher - Magdalena Collins
- PK-8 PE & MS Health - Jayven Bumanglag
- Preschool Aide - Elaine Jane Gonzalez
- Kindergarten Aide & Resource Teacher - Lenie Macadangdang
- Kindergarten Teacher - Leilani Tanaka
- PK, Kindergarten Religion & Liturgy Coordinator - Sr. Ana Fua Dela Cruz, SPC
- 1st Grade - Marvin Macadangdang
- 2nd Grade/Sacramental Prep - Faith Afu
- Creative Music K-3 - Johnelle Silva
- 3rd Grade Teacher - Sibel Mestanova
- 4th Grade Teacher - Laura Gabriel
- 5th Grade Teacher - Taiena Finau
- Middle School Social Studies & Math 6 - Alyssa Yabes
- 7 & 8 Language Arts/7 & 8 Home Economics - Dr. Frances Wong
- Middle School Religion - Shaun Agtarap
- Math 7 - Christian Raquepo
- Middle School Japanese/7 & 8 Arts/ Marketing - Tiani Quon
- MS Science - Peter Park
- Permanent Sub - Bernadette Lopez
- Maintenance - Edwin Kaaihue
- Custodian - Romeo John Cabarrubias



:We are in need of volunteers:

Anyone interested to help please call the Parish office
at (808)521-1700 so we can put you on the schedule.
Mahalo!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
from 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
(Closed during Lunch break from 12:00 - 1:00 pm)

Saturdays
from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
Sundays
from 7:30 am - 11:30 am

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass

6:30 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 6:00 pm

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Daily Mass

Mon – Thurs: 6:30 am

Fri – Sat: 8:00 am

Vietnamese Mass (VHM)

Daily Mass:

Mon. Tues. & Thur. at 5:30 pm

Saturday Vigil at 7:00 pm

Sundays at 3:30 pm

Holy Hour/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession

Wednesdays

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena at 6:00 pm

Holy Hour/Benediction & Confessions at 6:15 pm

(First Wednesdays of the month with Bishop)

PASTORAL TEAM & PARISH STAFF

Fr. Manuel Hewe

Pastor

Sr. Mercedita Estrella, SPC

Dir. of R.E. & Pastoral Associate

Tyra Lamb

Safe Environment Liaison

Pinky Mendoza

Office Coordinator

Jennifer Asuncion

Office Secretary

Francis Leasiolagi

Deacon

Jonathan Lam

VHM Deacon

Ray Lamb

Deacon

Roy Matsuo

Retired Deacon

Marlowe Sabater

Deacon

Fr. Anthony Tran

VHM Chaplain

Bernie Gora

Director of Music

Ryan and Ashley Agcaoili

Coordinators of Youth Ministry

Grace Young

Communications Coordinator

Samy Ratum

Facilities Custodian

Noraliza Tapecc

On-Call Church Custodian

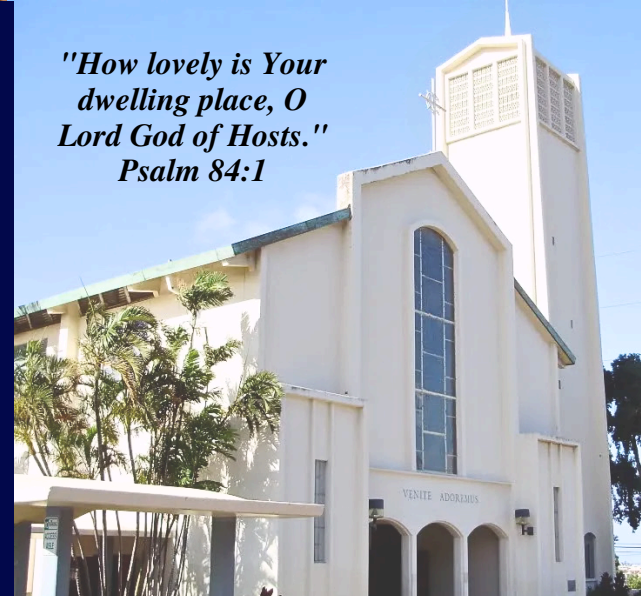
Felipe Tan

Accountant

Joan Mabag

Custodian

*"How lovely is Your
dwelling place, O
Lord God of Hosts."
Psalm 84:1*



Daily Mass Readings

www.usccb.org

November 10, 2025

*Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope
and Doctor of the Church*

Wisdom 1:1-7; Luke 17:1-6

November 11, 2025

*Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours,
Bishop*

Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Luke 17:7-10

November 12, 2025

*Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop
and Martyr*

Wisdom 6:1-11; Luke 17:11-19

November 13, 2025

*Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier
Cabrin, Virgin*

[In the Dioceses of the United States]

Wisdom 7:22b-8:1; Luke 17:20-25

November 14, 2025

*Friday of the Thirty-second Week in
Ordinary Time*

Wisdom 13:1-9; Luke 17:26-37

November 15, 2025

*Saturday of the Thirty-second Week in
Ordinary Time*

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Luke 18:1-8

November 16, 2025

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU
WITNESS TO JESUS

November 1, 2025

"The Lord will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity."
Responsorial Psalm, 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time, November 16, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you!

Sunday November 16 is the **World Day of the Poor**, whose theme this year is "***You are my hope (Ps 71:5)***." In his message for this day, Pope Leo XIV says his hope is that this Jubilee Year "*will encourage the development of policies aimed at combatting forms of poverty both old and new, as well as implementing new initiatives to support and assist the poorest of the poor.*" On this day our diocese will participate in the U.S. Bishops' annual national collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development-CCHD**. Through this second collection, support for CCHD enables the active participation of those experiencing poverty to address this complex challenge and forge a just hopeful future for all.

Please remember that 25% of the CCHD collection in our diocese stays in Hawaii to respond to challenges of poverty in communities here. CCHD funds donated from our parishes have contributed to a variety of effective community efforts, including helping houseless survivors of natural disasters rebuild their lives; assisting formerly incarcerated or homeless women with transitional housing and job training; and supporting non-profit organizations helping low-income families build and own affordable housing.

I strongly encourage all to give generously to the CCHD collection as pilgrims of hope witnessing to Jesus, on our journey together toward the Kingdom of God where indeed *the Lord will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity.*" I thank you for your past support of all the works funded by CCHD!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu



Knights of Saint Peter Claver

This weekend commemorates the 116th anniversary (founded Mobile, Alabama in 1909) Founders Day for the blessed Knights of Saint Peter Claver (www.kofpc.org). The seven founders, including four priests and three laymen, adopted the Claver's model of serving the most marginalized and his belief is that all people are created in God's image. Father Peter Claver's ministering to enslaved Africans reinforced universal dignity of all men and women.

The founders' inspiration revolved around creating an organization for all Catholics, especially blacks to serve their Church and their communities with dignity, pride, and a commitment to social justice. Driven by a strong desire to provide a space for people of color, free from external prejudice, and to actively work for a more just society, our Catholic organization actively fights for a fair and just society for all.

We invite brothers and sisters of the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus to be a part of spiritual growth, community building, and providing practical support for those in need. Become a Knights of Saint Peter Claver and the Ladies Auxiliary, as individuals or as a family. Please see any of the newly installed members to join. The Co-Cathedral is the proud host parish for Honolulu's first assembly (as Unit 419) of the Knights of Saint Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary and Junior Knights and Ladies. Our newly elected Grand Knight is Deacon Ray Lamb and the Grand Lady is Ms. Tyra Lamb, other members include Bishop Larry Silva, Father Manny Hewe and other priests and fellow parishioners.



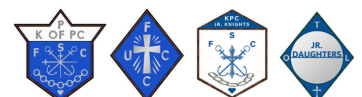
Catholic Herald feature: <https://hawaiicatholicherald.com/2025/09/24/hawaii-welcomes-knights-of-peter-claver-chapter/>

More information available at https://www.kofpc.org/legacy/why_join_our_claver_family.php

To become a knight candidate; contact: Noel Remigio | blueandgolde3c@gmail.com | (808) 284-1159

To become a lady candidate; contact: Tyra Lamb | tlamb@rcchawaii.org | (808) 779-2661

To become a junior knight and lady; contact: Jason Kaneaiakala | KPC419_JRK@gmail.com (starting up in 2026)



**JOIN THE KNIGHTS
OF PETER CLAVER**