



Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

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May 24, 2026 - Pentecost Sunday (A)

Come, O Holy Spirit, Renew the Face of the Earth!

Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 104:1,24,29-30,31,34; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

Today, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, a significant and extraordinary event in our faith. After the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, something extraordinary happened in world history. The risen Lord offered the gift of peace and breathed his Spirit upon the fearful, devastated, and troubled disciples (cf. Jn 20:21-22). This act of breathing reminds us of the breath that gave life when God created the world. In the creation story from the Book of Genesis, God breathed his Spirit, and new life began (cf. Gen 1:1-31).

The breath of Jesus at Pentecost refashioned the disciples into a new creation and humanity. By breathing the Spirit upon them, the risen Lord configured them into his mystical body and mind, extended in space and time, thereby giving birth to a new Church. Pentecost, therefore, celebrates the Church's birthday, the Body of Christ.

But let's keep in mind that this is not just a special event from the past; it continues to happen in our lives as Christians. We cannot be Christians or live as Christians without the Holy Spirit, just as we can't live without breathing. The Holy Spirit is present as "best of comforters, welcome guest of our soul, sweet refreshment, rest in our toil, cool in the heat, relief to our pain" (Sequence). Our Lord Jesus sometimes called the Holy Spirit our advocate, the one "called to our side" to help us stand up -- as conscience, as repentance, as a way back to God, as an inner moral compass, as an urge to pray, as the desire to forgive, as a concern for someone who has experienced tragedy, as outrage against injustice, and as direction for the future.

Often, we think of the Holy Spirit as bestowing amazing gifts such as healing, speaking in other languages, or prophecy. While it's good to ask for these gifts, it's also good to seek everyday gifts that help us connect with others and stay grounded. Remember, our patron St. Therese of the Child Jesus taught us that we can grow holy through simple gifts. She taught her "little ways," small acts of kindness done with great love.

This means the Holy Spirit is with us every day -- when we pray; when we make good choices; when we keep our promises; when we see God's greatness in the world; when we seek to understand others; when we recognize a sinner's worth; when we unite rather than divide; and when we show courage by living the Gospel. These are simple, daily gifts of the Holy Spirit. St. Paul said, "There are different types of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; different ways to serve but the same Lord; different works but the same God who gives them to everyone. Each person receives the Spirit in their own way for some good" (1 Cor 12:3-7).

Growing in the gifts of the Holy Spirit and living in the Holy Spirit requires deepening our prayer life. Remember, before the ascension of our Lord Jesus, he told the disciples to go to Galilee and wait for him there. Indeed, they waited, and the Holy Spirit came upon them as they prayed.

Discernibly, waiting in prayer deepened our longing and joyful anticipation for the gift of God himself through the Holy Spirit. In prayer, we take on the breath of God and allow his breath to form us. Without an attitude of prayerfulness and receptiveness, it is difficult to discover our unique talents and the particular role we are called to play in the Church's mission.

Fr. Manny Hewe, Pastor



A Journey of Joyful Witness to Doing all things with Love.



We worship what we believe; we live what we worship.

PENTECOST and SYMBOLS

Pentecost (Greek for 50th day) is celebrated by Christians 50 days after Easter and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles as they covered behind locked doors after Jesus' resurrection. After receiving the power and gifts of the Holy Spirit, the apostles immediately went out to preach Jesus' message to everyone—even those who spoke other languages.

Actually, Pentecost was originally a Jewish feast that concluded the 50 days of Passover and celebrated the end of the barley harvest and the beginning of the wheat harvest. At Pentecost, the Jewish people also celebrate the gift of the law to Moses at Mt. Sinai.

Symbols of Pentecost: wind, fire, and a dove.

The first symbol—wind—derives from the noise the apostles heard as the Spirit descended upon them (Acts 2:2).

After the wind, flames appeared and settled on the heads of each of the apostles (Acts 2:3).

A dove is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. Although Acts does not mention a dove, we associate it with the Holy Spirit because of the story of Jesus' baptism: "After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened [for him], and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove [and] coming upon him" (Matthew 3:16).

Fr. MAH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Join the family. Register now!

August 9, 2026 - Start of Classes
8:30 am - 10:00 am

August 30, 2026
Parents General Meeting
8:30 am - 10:00 am
Parish Hall



Registration forms are available at the side entrance of the church or you may register online at www.cocathedral.org/re

For more information you may contact the office @ 808-521-1700 or Sr. Mercy, SPC @ 808-387-4313
We would be happy to assist you.

Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa



SPECIAL BLESSING FOR ALL GRADUATES

In All Masses
May 30 - 31 **2026**

All Graduates are invited to attend any mass of your choice to receive your blessing!

Congratulations!

CONGRATULATIONS!

to our 2026 Reyna Elena

- **NAGIE TAMASHIRO** -

and to our 2026 Constantino

- **ZURIEL NABUA** -

May 29

5PM - Rosary Procession

6PM - Mass

followed by Coronation
at the parish hall



THE CO-CATHEDRAL OF ST. THERESA

29th

celebrates the

Sacerdotal Ordination Anniversary

of

Fr. Manny Hewe

Wednesday 27 May 2026

06:00 PM • Eucharistic Celebration

07:00 PM • Potluck Dinner- Parish Hall

You are all invited!



Weekly Offering Report

For May 11, 2026 - May 17, 2026



SAINT THERESA SCHOOL
CONTACT INFORMATION
 Office Phone: 808-536-4703

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Weekly Collections Online Giving

SUNDAY Mass Offering	\$ 9,096.00	\$ 705.00
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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. ***

Parish Savings with the Diocese as of April 30, 2026 **\$ 275,873.40**
Outstanding PV Loan with the Diocese as of April 30, 2026 **\$ 269,326.03**



CHURCH FENCE PROJECT REPORT

- **Materials & equipment rental**—steel, concrete, paint, machinery **\$ 196,421.99**
- **Labor & Miscellaneous expense**—fabrication, installation, dredging **\$ 139,602.76**
- **Total Cost** **\$ 336,024.75**

The Fencing Project is our proactive effort to mitigate potential harm to our parishioners, schoolchildren, school and Church staff and personnel, guests, and other legitimate visitors. Our Security Camera installation complements this effort.

Thank you for your support! May God bless you all!!!

Second Collections:

May 30-31 for the St. Theresa School Assistance
 June 13-14 for the Diocese of Honolulu Seminarian Education Fund
 June 27-28 for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence)

Mahalo for your generosity.

2nd Offering next Weekend is for

St. Theresa School Assistance



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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 Ondayog
- 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 - Taiena Finau
- 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 Homeroom/Math 5 & Middle School/MS Science - Dr. Peter Park
- 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 Raquipo
- Middle School Japanese/7 & 8 Arts/ Marketing - Tiani Quon
- Permanent Sub - Laura Gomes
- Maintenance - Edwin Kaaihue
- Custodian - Romeo John Cabarrubias



SUN SAFETY AWARENESS

Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
Sunday, May 24, 2026
6:30am - 12:30pm



Learn how to protect yourself and your family from excessive sun exposure

- Discover the signs and symptoms of heat-related illnesses and skin damage
- Enjoy interactive games, activities, and community wellness education
- Free Blood pressure screenings

Chaminade University School of Nursing

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



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

Daily Mass Readings

www.usccb.org

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)

May 25, 2026
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14;
John 19:25-34

May 26, 2026
Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

1 Peter 1:10-16; Mark 10:28-31

May 27, 2026
Wednesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Peter 1:18-25; Mark 10:32-45

May 28, 2026
Thursday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Peter 2:2-5, 9-12; Mark 10:46-52

May 29, 2026
Friday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

1 Peter 4:7-13; Mark 11:11-26

May 30, 2026
Saturday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Jude 17, 20b-25; Mark 11:27-33

May 31, 2026
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

PASTORAL TEAM & PARISH STAFF

Fr. Manuel Hewe

Pastor

Sr. Mercedes 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

Bernie Gora

Director of Music

Ray Lamb

Deacon

Roy Matsuo

Retired Deacon

Marlowe Sabater

Deacon

Fr. Anthony Tran

VHM Chaplain

Ryan and Ashley Agcaoil

Coordinators of Youth Ministry

Grace Young

Communications Coordinator

Earl Morita

Church Grounds Maintenance

Samy Ratum

Facilities Custodian

Noraliza Tapeç

On-Call Church Custodian

Felipe Tan

Accountant

Joan Mabag

Custodian