



Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus

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July 5, 2026 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Come to Me, All Who Labor. You will find Rest

Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 145:1-2,8-9,10-11,13-14; Romans 8:9,11-13; Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus invites all who are weary and burdened to come to him and find rest (cf. Matt 11:28-30). Who wouldn't want to accept such an invitation?

Jesus made it possible for us to come to him because he came to us first. He fulfilled the Old Testament promise, as Zechariah says: "Rejoice heartily, O daughter Zion, shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he" (Zech 9:9). Jesus, our savior and king, was born as a helpless baby, grew up in a poor family, faced threats from rulers, and was rejected by his own people. This shows us humility and reminds us that God understands what we go through. He chose to share in our struggles and even faced rejection himself.

The Lord's invitation means a lot to anyone who feels weighed down by life. We all have our own struggles. St. Augustine said we are mortal and fragile, like clay jars, which makes us restless. We face fears, worries, loneliness, darkness, weakness, and failure. These things can make us uneasy, but Jesus asks us to bring everything to him, to talk to him about our troubles, and to share them with him. He promises, "I will give you rest" (Matt. 11:28). The rest he gives is more than just relief from problems. It means being filled with God's presence. When God is with us, we find peace and contentment. We can breathe easier, knowing we are never alone.

But how do we come to Jesus?

First, we come to Jesus as "little ones." Jesus prayed, "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the childlike" (Matt. 11:25). He said this after warning Chorazin and Bethsaida, two towns that ignored God's message (cf. Matt. 11:20-24). Having a childlike attitude helps God's reign grow in our lives. Jesus also said, "Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 28:3). People with a childlike heart receive God's revelation and enter his Kingdom. This means being humble, trusting, and knowing we depend on someone greater and wiser. Only with this attitude can God truly fill our lives.

Second, we take on Jesus' yoke and learn from him (cf. Matt. 11:29). His yoke is his love and obedience to the Father, which is the source of his deep care for us. He carried our burdens out of love, and when we are filled with this love, our burdens feel lighter. His yoke means being filled with God's Spirit, not the spirit of the world. St. Paul reminds us, "You are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit" (Rom. 8:10). Through Baptism and Confirmation, we receive the Spirit and are called to let this grace shape our lives, especially by keeping a childlike spirit.



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Now that we are more than halfway through the year 2026, let's come to Jesus with the spirit of the little ones of God. Here are three simple prayers for building a habit of "childlike."

- "Thank you, Lord." Building a habit of gratitude by always thanking God for everything we've received, whether it has been wealth or poverty, good health or illness, joy or pain.
- "Forgive me, Lord." Embracing a humble disposition, we humbly beg God to forgive our sins and mistakes, especially when we have lacked faith or have been hard-hearted.
- "Your will be done, Lord." Praying for God's strength and courage to do his will amid the challenges and uncertainties, and for the grace to simplify our lives and always do what is right and holy.

Let's approach Jesus with childlike trust and learn from him.

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.

**Where your treasure is, there also is where your heart be"
(Mt 6:21)**

Our hearts belong to heaven. Heaven is our inheritance. It is our treasure, a gift from our Lord Jesus, and the ultimate joy of our hearts.

It is worth pondering that we enter this world with nothing at birth. We bring no material possessions, wealth, or status. We are born as blank slates. At death, we leave this world in much the same way. We take nothing with us—no money, possessions, or power. We depart as we arrived, empty-handed.

Given this reality, it is surprising that some people often find themselves entangled in conflicts over material possessions. They quarrel over possessions they neither brought into this world nor can take with them when they leave. We envy others who have more than we do, coveting their wealth and status. We become consumed by the pursuit of material goods, believing they will bring us happiness and fulfillment.

However, all of these things are temporary. They are fleeting and impermanent, like the morning mist that vanishes with the rising sun. In the grand scheme of things, they hold little value. What truly matters are our relationships, the memories we create, and the impact we have on the world around us.

We use the material blessings God bestowed on us with intention and love to pave our way to heaven. These are not merely gifts but tools we use to build a path to eternal life. Our life of charity, service, and witness to Jesus will endure long after we are gone, a testament to our faith and our journey toward heaven.

Our hearts belong to heaven. Heaven is our inheritance, our ultimate joy, the gift from our Lord Jesus that we eagerly anticipate. It is the treasure that fills our hearts with hope and joy. (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.



SCAN ME

Weekly Offering Report

For June 22, 2026 - June 28, 2026



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Weekly Collections Online Giving

SUNDAY Mass Offering	\$ 9,574.00	\$ 299.28
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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:

July 11-12 for the Facilities Improvement
 August 1-2 for the Catholic Charities Hawaii

Mahalo for your generosity.

2nd Offering next weekend -7/11 & 12-



**is for the
 Facilities
 Improvement**

Mahalo for your generosity!



SCHOOL OFFICE STAFF AND FACULTY MEMBERS

- Principal/Music 1-5 - Conception (Bernie) Gora
- Vice Principal/ELA 5 - Lauren Ramirez-Asaeda
- Executive Administrative Assistant - Faith Leasiolagi
- Admission Office Assistant - Stephanie Lou Ondayog
- Preschool Director/Teacher - Magdalena Collins
- PK-8 PE - Jayven Bumanglag
- Preschool Aide - Elaine Jane Gonzalez
- Kindergarten Aide - Lenie Macadangdang
- Kindergarten Teacher - Taiena Finau
- Creative Music K-3 - Johnelle Silva
- 1st Grade - Marvin Macadangdang
- 2nd Grade - Faith Afu
- 3rd Grade Teacher - Sibel Mestanova
- 4th Grade Teacher - Laura Gabriel
- 4 Religion/4 & 5 Art - Francine Caetano-Fontanilla
- 5th Grade/Math 5-8 - Christian Raquero
- 5-8 Science/STEM -
- 6th Grade/Social Studies 5-8 - Alyssa Yabes
- 6-8 ELA/6-8 Home Economics - Dr. Frances Wong
- Music 6-8 - Kukahi Lee
- 7th Grade/Religion 5-8 - Shaun Agtarap
- 8th Grade/Japanese 5-8/Art 7-8 /PR Media - Tiani Quon
- Maintenance - Edwin Kaaihue
- Custodian - Romeo John Cabarrubias

**Join our
95th Anniversary
Pilgrimage
to the different
shrines of France,
Barcelona, and
Rome from
April 1-15, 2027.**



*"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

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

Fr. John Akau

Parochial Vicar

Fr. Anthony Tran

VHM Chaplain

Sr. Mercedita Estrella, SPC

Dir. of R.E. & Pastoral Associate

Ryan and Ashley Agcaoili

Coordinators of Youth Ministry

Tyra Lamb

Safe Environment Liaison

Grace Young

Communications Coordinator

Pinky Mendoza

Office Coordinator

Bernie Gora

Director of Music

Earl Morita

Church Grounds Maintenance

Jennifer Asuncion

Office Secretary

Ray Lamb

Deacon

Samy Ratum

Facilities Custodian

Francis Leasiolagi

Deacon

Roy Matsuo

Retired Deacon

Noraliza Tapeç

On-Call Church Custodian

Jonathan Lam

VHM Deacon

Marlowe Sabater

Deacon

Felipe Tan

Accountant

Joan Mabag

Custodian

Daily Mass Readings

www.usccb.org

July 6, 2026

*Monday of the Fourteenth Week in
Ordinary Time*

Hosea 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Matthew
9:18-26

July 7, 2026

*Tuesday of the Fourteenth Week in
Ordinary Time*

Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:32-38

July 8, 2026

*Wednesday of the Fourteenth Week in
Ordinary Time*

Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Matthew 10:1-7

July 9, 2026

*Thursday of the Fourteenth Week in
Ordinary Time*

Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9; Matthew 10:7-15

July 10, 2026

*Friday of the Fourteenth Week in
Ordinary Time*

Hosea 14:2-10; Matthew 10:16-23

July 11, 2026

Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot
Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 10:24-33

July 12, 2026

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23;
Matthew 13:1-23