2020 LU'AU Loving Our Community

Immaculate Conception Church Of Seattle

Souvenir Program



Welcome from Fr. Maurice Mamba



Dear parishioners and friends of Immaculate Conception,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our first ever virtual Lu'au Celebration! For years, the Lu'au has stood as one of our signature fundraising and community-building events. This end-of-the-Summer gathering is an opportunity to renew our love and support for Immaculate.

This year, however, is unique and different. That you are zooming in to participate in this celebration is unprecedented! Our presence on this platform is a testament to our determination not to surrender to the sting of COVID-19 but to reclaim our lives and to live out our faith in this "new normal." As we have done in years past, the proceeds from this gathering will go towards funding our ministries and services.

This year, "evangelization" will be front and center of our parish life. Your generosity will help us to materialize this important task. I thank you in advance for supporting us and for the work we do in God's name. A shout out to our dedicated Lu'au who make this gathering possible Mely Andrada, Toni Hall, Vivian Luna, Maria Batayola, Lalaine Faustino Diaz and Chairperson Fred Verzosa.

God bless you all and keep you safe!



Honoring Our 1977 Lu'au Pioneers



Fr. Manuel Ocana came from a small town in the Visayan Islands of the Philippines. He wanted to bring closer the diverse parishioners of Immaculate Conception.

He spearheaded the first Lu'au in 1977 with the indefatigable (never tiring) Gospel singing Hayes and Lombard matriarchs.

God bless you, Fr. Ocana.





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"Auntie Anna Bell Hayes joined Lucille Lombard, Dolores Lombard and Chermaine Hayes on the original luau planning committee for the first luau fundraiser in 1977.

Auntie Anna Bell along with Auntie Dolores ran all over town requesting merchandise from local merchants as prizes for the luau raffles...

That first luau was held at the Campion Tower
Ballroom on the Seattle University campus. All the food was cooked by
the many volunteers from Immaculate Conception. The event was a big
success and has continued every year since."

(Anna Bell Hayes celebrated her 99th birthday this year with a 27-car parade. "I've never seen anything like that before and I loved it.")

By Don Barberi



Honoring Our Pioneers & Sustaining Lu'au Leader



The Spirit moved Mama **Dolores Lombard to gather** people for our first Luau. She organized, cooked, and made people feel at home. It was a great family affair. Her daughter said "...she could always make something out of nothing". She sure did.

Mahalo Mama Dolores.!





Honoring Our Grand Raffler & Sustaining Godparent Sig Haglund





Uber generous donor. Here with daughter Lisa Kraft assisting.



Uber Emcee.
Always creating
excitement.

Mahalo Sig! You always made the Raffle exciting.

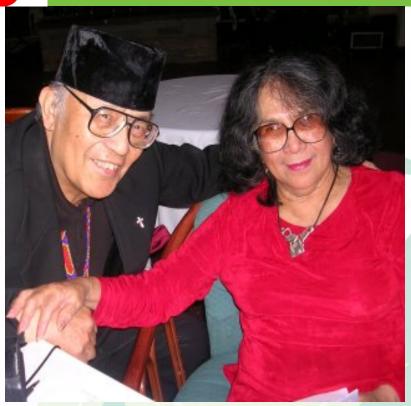


With his signature Money Jar held by Fred Verzosa.



Honoring Our Church Historians





Dr. Dorothy Laigo Codova and Dr. Deacon Fred Cordova loved Immaculate.

She co-wrote the Church's application for historic landmark status, conserved its artifacts, researched, wrote and published its history, and taught children's faith formation. An Immaculate alumna, she wants to install a museum in our beloved Church.

Dr. Deacon Fred Cordova was our Deacon, former sports editor for the Catholic NW Progress, and collector of Immaculate related articles and artifacts.

Mahalo Deacon Fred & Auntie Dorothy!



Mahalo to our Aloha Godparents





Best wishes for a fun and successful Luau! God bless you from the ICC Pastoral Council

Honoring African American Catholic Religious Leaders May They Rest in Peace.





Sister Pat Haley, SCN 1954-2018. Founder Black Catholic Sisters Conference.
Father Chester Smith, SVD 1959-2020. Founder Black Catholic Men's Conference.
Sister Antona Ebo, FSM 1924-2017. Marched in Selma 1965.
Father Ken Taylor, MDIV, STL 1951-2018. President. Black Catholic Clergy Caucus 2012-18.



Congratulations Lu'au Committee

Deacon Joseph and Barbara Connor

Aloha from the Batayola McKee Clan!



Even when we are apart, we are together.



God is good? All the time.

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Blessings from Ms. Margaret Willis



Lori Chisolm & Dennis Cook Blessings from Jordan.



Remembering our beloved Diama Mom and Aunties.

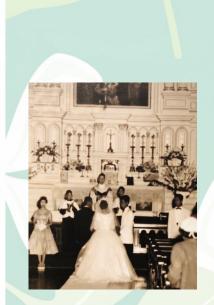
Central Area pioneer family & Immaculate School alumnae.



From Cynthia Diama

Aloha Greetings from the Gamido Family











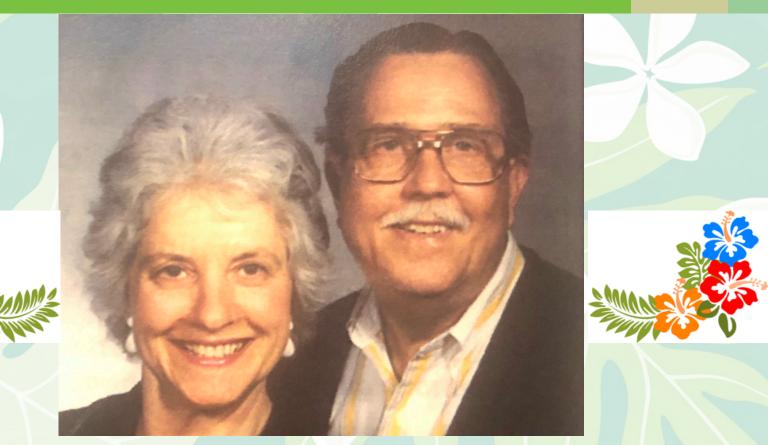
Happy 64th Wedding Anniversary to Angie & Henry Gamido. Married on September 8,1956 at Immaculate Conception Church.

Aloha & Blessings to Immaculate

Adelina R. Diaz



In Loving Memory of Sig & Jane Haugland

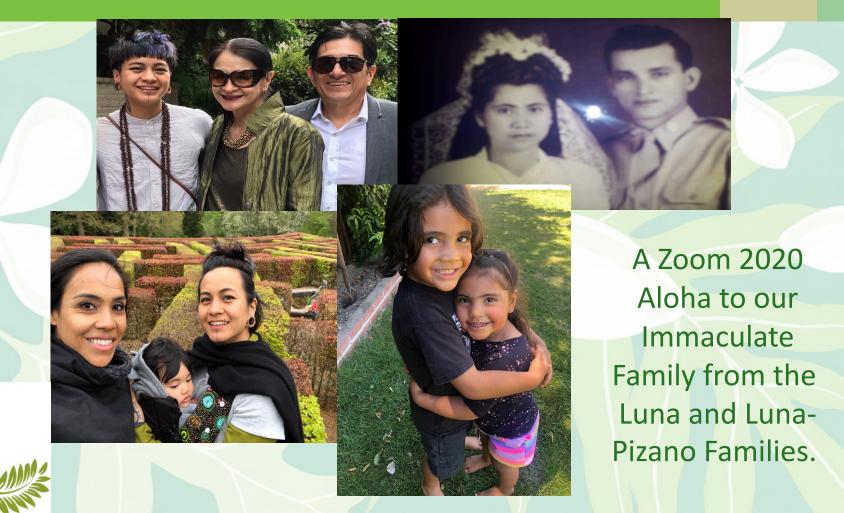


from Lisa Kraft

Aloha! From Carolyn Ladd & James Williams



As we celebrate the Immaculate Lu'au, we lovingly remember Rosendo Luna Sr., Rosendo Luna Jr. and JoAnna Luna.





Congratulations on your 43rd Lu'au! Luisita Rabanal

ALOHA & MABUHAY!



