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MAY 5, 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m.
& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m.,
10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.
& 6:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday & Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
(unless noted in bulletin)

Devotions

First Friday

Adoration/Benediction
at 10:00 a.m.

First Saturday

Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass
(unless noted in bulletin)

PARISH OFFICE

MONDAY through FRIDAY

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This week's Readings: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4;
1 John 4:7-10; Alleluia - John 14:23; John 15:9-17

Next week's Readings: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9;
Ephesians 1:17-23 or 4:1-13; Alleluia - Matthew 28:19a, 20b; Mark 16:15-20

"LOVE BRINGS JOY AND PEACE"

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

Jesus taught His disciples always to draw their hearts and minds to His commands. As witnessed by His way of life and love, He set a model for all those who would follow Him to live the same. Throughout Jesus' ministry, He stressed the word LOVE. He did not only say this but manifested it in His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. The way how He endured all the pain, scourged, crowned with thorns, and carried the heavy cross to Calvary to be crucified were all His ways of showing the greatness of His love. A Love that no other human beings can follow but only can strive to do so. He always drew His strength from His Father, with whom He experienced such great love. And that Jesus shared this love with His disciples. For His disciples to have this kind of love, He said, "Remain in my love."

Jesus' words were not only meant for His disciples then. They are meant for us now. He commands us to remain in His love, a love that has the power to transform our lives, our families, our communities, and our world. The Son of God came into the world to lead us back to God's goodness, to love itself. But not the sentimental kind of love. It is a love that calls for commitment and adherence to His ways and commands.

The Easter season is a time given to each of us to rekindle the spark of love that Jesus has for us. His love brings peace, joy, and goodness. His love gives life and hope. Thus, He is saying now to us, "REMAIN IN MY LOVE."

Jesus' teachings on love are central to His message and are found throughout the Sacred Scriptures. One of the key elements in His teachings on love is that love drives one to action. When we remain in Jesus' love, it moves us to care for the needy, the sick, and the marginalized, and it requires action and commitment. In doing so, love becomes the mark of true discipleship in ways that Jesus showed how and what it means to love.

Your friend in Jesus,

Fr. Pascual Abaya IV
Rector



LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER, BECAUSE LOVE IS OF GOD

1 John 4:7

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 5

6th Sunday of Easter

2nd Collection for Joseph Dutton, Layman

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, May 6

Monday of the 6th Week of Easter

Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Tuesday, May 7

Tuesday of the 6th Week of Easter

Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, May 8

Wednesday of the 6th Week of Easter

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, May 9

Thursday of the 6th Week of Easter

Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, May 10

Friday of the 6th Week of Easter

Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, May 11

Saturday of the 6th Week of Easter

Mass & Adoration at 7:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

Mass at 12:00pm

Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, May 12

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

2nd Collection for Communication Campaign

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

"God is love" (1 John 4:8) is the greatest jewel in all of scripture, and perhaps its most misunderstood truth. That truth distinguished the God of Jesus from the capricious gods of ancient cultures. Our God is so unlike other gods that we don't even have the words or the imagination to express it. But that's where we trip up. Because God does so much, we think God will do it all. But God made us free, and with freedom comes responsibility. Slaves have no responsibilities, for they can only do what they're told. But free people can choose, and we're free to obey or disobey. It's how we use that freedom that makes the difference in our lives.

In Cornelius' home, Peter learned a lesson: God doesn't play favorites based on DNA or even circumcision. All who fear God and act uprightly are acceptable, but such generosity puts demands on us. That's why in this Easter Season we keep hearing Jesus tell us that if we love him, we must keep his commandments. Love is a seed or like the yeast in dough. It does what it does because it's in its nature to sprout or to leaven. But we can short-circuit the process if we don't tend the seed or don't let the dough sit and rise. God will never stop loving us, but that doesn't make our effort unnecessary. Our task is to remain open to that love by keeping the commandments.

SHARING FAITH

We are commanded to keep the commandments, yet Jesus says we are "friends" not "slaves" (John 15:14-15). What is the difference between how and why a slave and a friend keep commandments?

Acts says the "Holy Spirit fell upon" Cornelius' household (10:44). What do you make of this dramatic manifestation of the Spirit? Do you think it still occurs today?

Today's readings emphasize God's perfect love that reaches out to us even though we are sinners, enduring the cost of loving us even unto death. Is there anyone whom you find hard to love? How can you reach out to that person with the love of God?

LIVING THE LITURGY

We are told that Cornelius' household started "speaking in tongues" (Acts 10:46). Try to find someone who has experienced or observed this manifestation of the Spirit and dialogue with them about it.

Make a "clock" with 10 instead of 12 numbers on the dial. Let each number represent a commandment. On a given day, set the hands to the commandment you want to especially work or focus on that day.

Practice gratuitous acts of kindness at home this week. See who can be the first to voluntarily clear the table, take out the trash, or walk the dog. Talk about how we can show love to others without saying a single word.

REFLECTION

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you" (John 15:12).

**ICSC STEWARDSHIP****PRAYER****MISSION STATEMENT**

THE MISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL IS TO FOSTER AN ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH STEWARDSHIP IS UNDERSTOOD, ACCEPTED AND PRACTICED THROUGHOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Oh Blessed Lord!
Oh Risen Lord!

We look through the crosses
we have carried this past year
and give you thanks
for the awe-inspiring hope
that Easter brings.

We give you thanks
for calling us your friends
and allowing us to share
in the sacrifice of your
body and blood,
which is poured out for many.

Oh merciful Lord,
redeemer and teacher,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
give us the patience and insight
to listen to you during this time
of continued uncertainty.

Give us the wisdom to
find creative ways
to put the Eucharist into action;
and give us the courage to bring
your Easter message of hope
to a world that desperately
needs
your love.

To you be glory and honor
forever and ever. Amen.

It is patience that reveals every grace to you, and it is through patience that the saints received all that was promised to them.

St. Pachomius, (died 346), Founder of Christian Monasticism, Feast Day, May 9th

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

April 22 - 28, 2024

Offertory Collection

Sunday	\$ 6,419.00
Weekday	\$ 705.37
Other Feasts, Solemnities	\$ 0.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,043.27
Total Offertory	\$ 8,167.64

Other Collection

Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 2,818.16
Diocesan Collection	\$ 120.00
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 2,031.03
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 184.00
Total	\$ 13,320.83

COLLECTION FOR BRO. JOSEPH DUTTON

Brother Joseph Dutton served those afflicted with Hansen's disease (leprosy) in Kalaupapa, Moloka'i for almost 45 years of service. He put the needs of others before his own and dedicated his life to serving others.

Our diocese has done all of the preliminary work and believe he can potentially become Hawaii's third saint. This layman and former Civil War lieutenant could be recognized along with Saint Damien and Mother Marianne.

His cause for canonization now moves to the next stage in the Vatican. Our parish is joining with other parishes across islands to take up a Special Collection today, May 4 and 5, to support the canonization process. You could contribute to Servant of God Joseph Dutton Layman becoming Hawaii's third saint!

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL CONFERENCE

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to encourage you and your parishioners to consider signing up for the National Eucharistic Revival Conference. This conference is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to the Eucharist in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The conference will be held in Indianapolis from July 17-21, 2024.

The conference is part of a three-year revival initiative launched by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to rekindle devotion to the Eucharist. The initiative aims to help us return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist, which is more important than ever in these challenging times.

I encourage you to join thousands of fellow Catholics in nine days of prayer that will ignite your desire for transformation and instill a vision for the healing grace God wants to unleash in our world. You can learn more about the conference by going to their website at www.eucharisticrevival.org. The Diocese of Honolulu purchased tickets for this event – if you or your group would like to get tickets please email euchcongress2024@rcchawaii.org.

SAINT FOR THE WEEK