

## POMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII DIOCESE OF HONOLULU

July 8, 2024

Dear Father Abaya and the faithful of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace,

Peace be with you!

I write to you today with a heart full of gratitude and appreciation for the incredible work you do every day in promoting the values and beliefs of our Catholic faith. Your dedication, compassion, and unwavering commitment to your Catholic communities are truly inspiring. Each of you plays a vital role in nurturing the spiritual growth, ministry and well-being of the Church and her people, and for that, I am profoundly grateful.

Your partnership with the Diocese is invaluable. As we recently marked the end of our fiscal year, I want to extend my sincere thanks for your continued collaboration and the financial support you provide, which is crucial for our operations. It is through your generosity and shared vision that together we can fulfill our mission. The Diocese is committed to steward your gifts responsibly, ensuring they are utilized to provide essential administrative support and other services, so that you may focus more intently on the critical work of creating disciples for our faith.

As we move forward together in our ministry, let us continue to support and uplift one another in prayer and fellowship. May we remain united in our mission to give witness to Jesus and to be stewards of the Gospel to all corners of our communities.

Thank you again, and may God bless you abundantly!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva

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