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OCTOBER 20, 2024 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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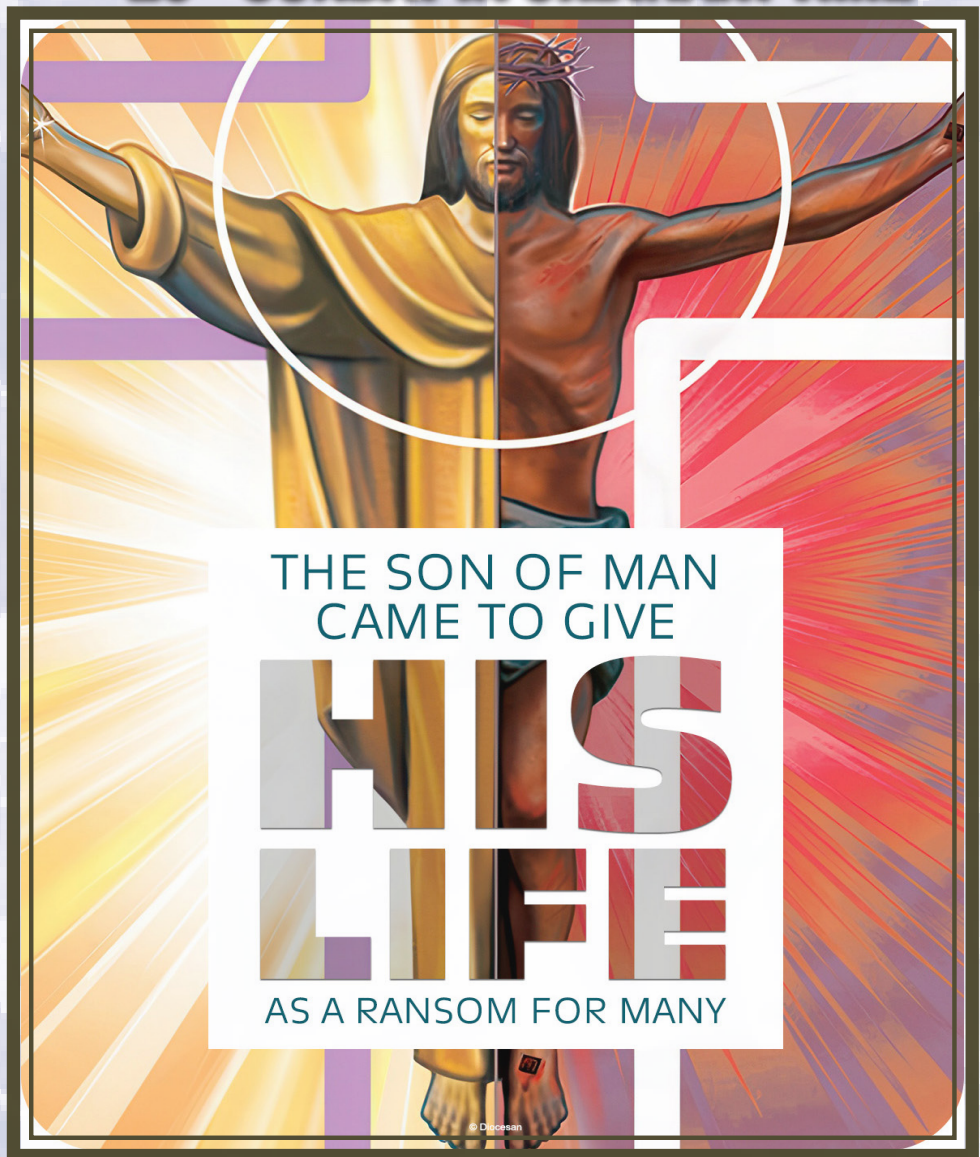


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This week's Readings: Isaiah 53:10-11; Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;
Hebrews 4:14-16; Alleluia - Mark 10:45; Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Next week's Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6;
Hebrews 5:1-6; Alleluia - 2 Timothy 1:10; Mark 10:46-52

"TO BE GREAT IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD"

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

James and John must have been full of ambition. They are so frank in asking Jesus, their Master, that when He is glorified, one will sit on His left and the other on His right. Jesus reprimands them that it is not His authority to do that but for His Heavenly Father. The two disciples feel they have the right to do so since they are followers of their master. They want to be great, to be first, and to be recognized. With such a demand, the other disciples become indignant. This incident brings Jesus to teach all His disciples how to be great. Jesus states that whoever wishes to be great among themselves has to become a servant; whoever wishes to be first among them will be the slave of all.

Jesus' words are very contradictory to human precepts. Many wish to be above anyone else, that is, to be masters and in control and command. Many want to be served. Many would like to be first and not the last or least. Jesus clearly illustrated that this is not how it is if we wish to be great in the kingdom of God. He, though master, witnessed this teaching when He offered His life on the cross in service for all people. He bent down on His knees to wash His disciples' feet at the Last Supper; He tended to feed the hungry served the poor, the lowly, and the outcast. He went from town to town to spread the Good News of Salvation. He cured those of different sicknesses and brought back life to the dead. He came to serve and not to be served.

Servants are very keen on listening and carrying out the command of their master. They forget themselves and do what their masters tell them to do. They give up their dignity and pride and obey their master's command. In that way, they give themselves their service and dedication to their masters to be pleased and satisfied.

To embrace ourselves as servants or slaves is not easy. However, an essential virtue is needed to carry it out wherever or whoever we are. That virtue is no other than humility. To humble oneself is difficult in a culture wherein honor and power are highlighted and decorated. Like James and John, we tend to be in places of honor. As such, pride takes control, and the tendency to feel great with everybody else overwhelms.

To be great in the Kingdom of God, Jesus puts it, be a servant...be a slave! It will be a life-changing moment if we are to reflect on how we are with our Divine Master, Jesus. No doubt about it, He became a servant. He became a slave of serving those who cling to Him. What an example indeed for us to ponder and follow. Genuine service is manifested by dedication, willingness to listen and do what we are called upon, and sacrifice.

Are we willing to do that just as our Master did?

Your friend in Jesus,

Fr. Pascual Abaya IV

Rector



*For the Son of Man
did not come to be
served but to serve*

MARK 10:45

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 20
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd Collection for Repairs & Maintenance
 Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm
 Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, October 21
 Monday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Tuesday, October 22
 Tuesday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, October 23
 Wednesday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
 Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, October 24
 Thursday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, October 25
 Friday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, October 26
 Saturday of the 29th Week in Ordinary Time
 Mass & Adoration at 7:00am
 Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am
 Mass at 12:00pm
 Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, October 27
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd Collection for World Mission Sunday
 Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm
 Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

It all boils down to service. Jesus even says a leader must be the “slave of all” (Mark 10:44). It would be easy to dismiss if Jesus had not first lived it. Because hypocrisy is more the norm, we’re really thrown when someone’s mouth and money end up in the same place. Hebrews states it clearly: Jesus was not unacquainted with weaknesses, for he was “tested in every way” (4:15). In being tested and tempted like we are, Jesus struggled and suffered like we do. Being tempted in “every way” means being tempted by power, anger, lust, and desire, and the list just goes on. The only difference is that Jesus fought better than we do, and no temptation ever led to sin. But let that second part cancel or obscure the first and you’ve strayed into heresy that would deny Christ’s humanness.

Isaiah sets forth the model Jesus followed. His “Servant of the Lord” oracle sings the praises of one who suffers willingly for the sake of others. Parents and lovers know this kind of service: you give more than you get, you give without counting, you extend yourself for the sake of others, and you expect nothing more than the satisfaction of knowing you did what was right. It’s not so easy, of course. We do better some days than others. But we know the goal because Jesus stated it so clearly and lived it even better.

SHARING FAITH

Do you believe Jesus was tempted the way you and I are? Can you imagine him having to work to resist some temptation?

If the disciples had known the fate that awaited them after Jesus’ Ascension (all but one was martyred), do you think they would have stuck with him? Has there ever been a cause in your life for which you would have been willing to give your life?

James and John, in today’s Gospel, ask for honor, glory, and power as signs of God’s favor. Jesus instead offers servitude and lowliness. When have you seen the grace of God manifested in humble service, simplicity, and lowliness?

LIVING THE LITURGY

Resolve to do what Jesus does and sympathize with the weaknesses of others by showing extra patience or compassion toward them this week. At the end of the week, reflect on the impact the experience has had on you.

Have you ever been falsely accused and suffered unjust consequences for it? If so, pray for the grace to offer that suffering for the one who wrongly accused you and for all of us in need of God’s mercy.

At home, take turns this week serving each other in ways outside your normal routine. Do one another’s chores and think of extra things you can do to serve one another. Discuss how it feels to choose to serve.

REFLECTION

“... whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant” (Mark 10:44).



ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

On October 11, 1962, Saint Pope JohnXXIII prayed the following prayer to open the Second Vatican Council. Thereafter, the bishops at the Council continued to pray this prayer together before every session.

We stand before you, Holy Spirit, conscious of our sinfulness, but aware that we gather in your name.

Come to us, remain with us, and enlighten our hearts. Give us light and strength to know your will, to make it our own, and to live it in our lives.

Guide us by your wisdom, support us by your power, for you are God, sharing the glory of Father and Son.

You desire justice for all: enable us to uphold the rights of others; do not allow us to be misled by ignorance; or corrupted by fear or favor.

Unite us to yourself in the bond of love and keep us faithful to all that is true.

As we gather in your name may we temper justice with love, so that all our decisions may be pleasing to you, and earn the reward promised to good and faithful servants.

You live and reign with the Father and the Son, God, forever and ever.

Amen.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

October 7 - 14, 2024

Offertory Collection

Sunday	\$ 6,130.32
Weekday + Coffers	\$ 2,067.97
Other Feasts, Solemnities	\$ 10.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,102.73
Total Offertory	\$ 10,311.02

Other Collection

Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 23.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 289.58
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 1,633.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 311.00
Total	\$ 12,567.60

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Please join Dcn. Joe and Easter for Adult Faith Formation every 3rd Sunday of the month. Please see resources that are available at **FORMED**. On your browser, go to www.formed.org. Sign up as a "Parishioner", choose "RCCHAWAII" and create an account.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

"Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet" reflecting the inclusive and urgent call to bring God's love to everyone. Join us in this universal mission to spread the Gospel and invite all to experience the joy of Christ's message!

Did you know that, with one single step, you can help missionaries working where Christ's loving message has been forgotten, has yet to be heard, has been shunned or has been oppressed?

With your generous support, we help missionaries provide the moral support, prayer, and financial contributions that enable churches to be built, priests and nuns to receive formation during the various stages of their religious life, dioceses to be sustained in places where the Church is too young or too poor to be self-sufficient, and finance schools and other facilities aimed at the catechesis of children. This collection will takes place next weekend.

'OHANA IN CHRIST ANNUAL APPEAL

We are at 50% from reaching our goal! Please support the Cathedral Basilica and our many Catholic ministries and services by contributing to the 2023-2024 'Ohana In Christ Appeal. Our Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve. Your generous gift will especially help support numerous ministries and services at our parishes, schools and beyond - as well as our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. Mahalo for your generous Stewardship of Treasure. All gifts are important and appreciated. Please give on-line at CatholicHawaii.org.

SAINT FOR THE WEEK

There is no evil to be faced that Christ does not face with us. There is no enemy that Christ has not already conquered. There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already borne for us and does not now bear with us.

Pope John Paul II (1920 - 2005), Pope, Feast Day October 22nd