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NOVEMBER 10, 2024
32ND 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.
Closed on holidays

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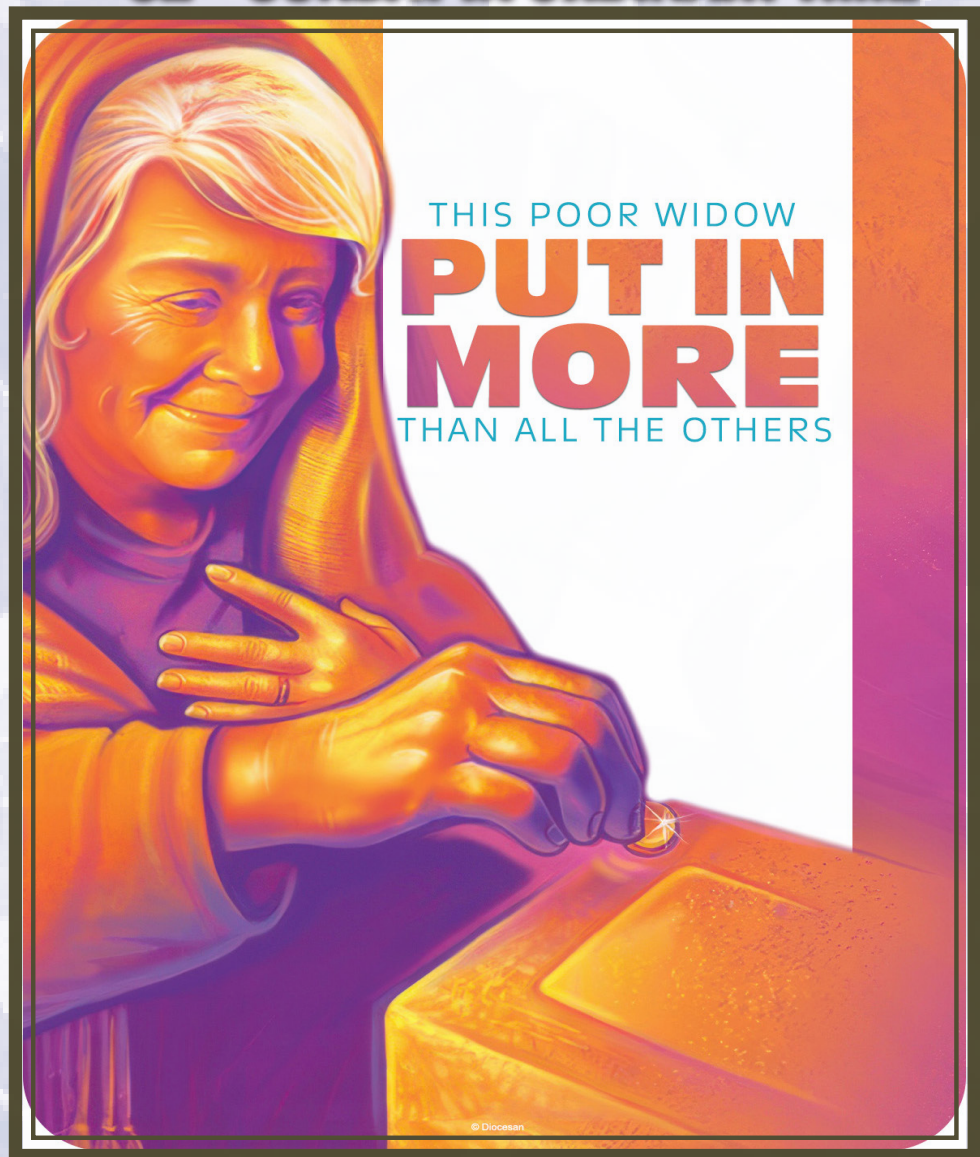


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This week's Readings: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10;
Hebrews 9:24-28; Alleluia - Matthew 5:3; Mark 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Next week's Readings: Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11;
Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Alleluia - Luke 21:36; Mark 13:24-32

"GENEROSITY, A MARK OF A DISCIPLE"

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

A widow during Jesus' time is nobody. She is not allowed to do any work or earn a living. She will rely on the goodness or generosity of family members or strangers for food or anything needed to keep her alive. The Gospel does not mention any son who can earn a living for the mother. There is no one to rely on except her two small coins, maybe to buy something for just a little. But, surprisingly, she dropped those two coins into the treasury to give them away as an offering. Jesus noticed this and remarked that she gave more than any other contributors to the treasury. Jesus says, "For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, had contributed all she had her whole livelihood."

Jesus used this opportunity to teach His disciples, and most especially for us, to trust in His providence and be generous in turn. Jesus presents a heartbreaking point: the widow gave more than the other contributors. Why? Because she gave all her livelihood. She manifested faith in God, knowing the treasury would be offered to Him. Indeed, her sacrifice paved the way for Jesus' recognition, a model to follow.

If we are to look at the world and even within our community, many people are in dire need of assistance. Prices for our daily commodities are getting higher. Food, clothing, and shelter are difficult for an average family to meet. When sickness or viruses strike, it can cause more suffering to many. We look back to the pandemic days when many of our brothers and sisters suffered severely and relied on government support, private sectors, charity organizations, and even personal aid.

In a culture where self-preservation is highlighted, we often think about our welfare before others. It is natural, but we need to go beyond our own and be concerned with the needs of others, especially the poor and the needy. When we know that we are gifted with time, talent, and treasure, let us not hesitate to share it whenever given the opportunity. Through our generous hearts, we can make people feel that they are loved and cared for. It shows how much you care for the good of others rather than your own.

There is no better way to illustrate generosity than looking at Jesus, suffering, and dying on the cross. Just as He did this for us, may it also remind us that being called disciples or followers, we need to be self-giving, especially with our time, talent, and treasure. With deep faith and trust, we know God will always take care of us.

Your friend in Jesus,

Fr. Pascual Abaya IV
Rector



**SHE, FROM HER
POVERTY, HAS
CONTRIBUTED
ALL SHE HAD**
MARK 12:44

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 10
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd Collection for Ohana in Christ
 Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm
 Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, November 11 - **Veteran's Day Holiday**
Memorial of St. Martin of Tours
 Mass at 12:00pm - **Offices Closed**

Tuesday, November 12
 Memorial of St. Josaphat
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, November 13
 Memorial of St. Francis Xavier Cabrini
 Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, November 14
 Thursday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, November 15
 Friday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
 Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, November 16
 Saturday of the 32nd 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, November 17
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd Collection for Campaign for Human Development
 Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm
 Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

Read the Bible and you will run into the admonition, "Do not be afraid." It recurs many times, and some researchers insist that in various permutations you can find it close to 365 times — once for each day of the year! It was often on the lips of Jesus and seems to be the key to embracing the radical discipleship he requires. Of what are we to not be afraid? Not hardship, not persecution, not hunger, not danger, not even death, nor anything else you can think of. Fear cripples. It makes it hard, sometimes impossible, to take a risk, and the Christian life is all about risk. Jesus' words are not always soothing. They require a radical trust that is impossible if we are filled with fear.

Elijah makes an unreasonable demand of the poor widow. First make me a cake, he says, and then "prepare something for yourself and your son" (1 Kings 17:13). What reasonable mother would put a stranger's needs ahead of her own son's? Certainly not one who is riddled with fear. Fear would make Elijah's promise that her jar would not go empty, and her oil not run dry sound like gibberish. Fear would deafen the woman's ears and send her back to her kitchen and her meager ingredients. Only a peaceful heart could trust that promise. To acquire such peace, we must enroll in the school of trust and practice daily letting go of fear.

SHARING FAITH

What helps you overcome fear? Do you have a scripture text or prayer that you turn to in such times?

What strikes you most about the faith of the widow of Zarephath? Is there anything about her you would like to emulate?

Do you regularly budget for charitable giving with an eye toward justice and compassion, or does your giving depend upon spontaneous emotions and bursts of generosity?

LIVING THE LITURGY

Very often, the best way to overcome fears is to face them. Compile a list of the times you have faced one of your fears. Select one or two of the situations and journal about what you learned from the experience.

Put together a list of celebrities or people you know who have had a major comeuppance in the past year. Would any of them merit the kind of condemnation Jesus directs at the scribes?

Provide a shoebox; construction paper; tape; and other crafty materials and help your family to decorate an alms box. Decide upon the recipient of your donations and begin saving by cutting back or simplifying. Bring coffee to work in a thermal container instead of buying it from an expensive vendor and put the savings in the box. If your child does not have money of his or her own, think of some extra household chores that he or she can perform in order to earn money to place in the alms box. Be creative, make it fun, and see how quickly you can fill the container.

REFLECTION

"Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid' " (1 Kings 17:13).



ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Mission statement
The mission of the **International Catholic Stewardship Council** is to foster an environment in which stewardship is understood. Throughout the Catholic Church.

Gracious and loving God,

As the autumn season continues its transformation; and the days become shorter, the earth cooler; as we anticipate joining family and friends in joyful celebration on Thanksgiving Day, we pause to give You thanks and praise for the abundant blessings You have bestowed upon us:

For life and health, safety and comfort, food and nourishment, we are sincerely grateful. Through your Spirit, open our hearts so that we may be even better stewards of these rich and unmerited gifts.

Show us how to be a blessing for the poor, sick, lonely and all who suffer.

And help us nurture the gift of faith, revealed to us by your Son, Jesus Christ, our greatest gift, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Amen.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

October 28 - November 3, 2024

Offertory Collection

Sunday	\$ 7,506.88
Weekday	\$ 1,716.13
Other Feasts, Solemnities + All Soul	\$ 3,778.21
Online Giving	\$ 2,057.41
Total Offertory	\$ 15,068.63

Other Collection

Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 20.00
Diocesan Collection + OIC	\$ 455.00
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 1,630.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 516.00
Total	\$ 17,689.63



'OHANA IN CHRIST ANNUAL APPEAL

Please **scan the QR Code above** and help support the Cathedral Basilica and our many Catholic ministries and services by contributing to the **2024-2025 'Ohana In Christ Appeal**. Our goal last year was not met. 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 online at **CatholicHawaii.org**. Or scan the QR code above with your phone. For more information on how you can give, please call the office at 808-536-7036. Thank you!

CATHEDRAL'S BOOK OF MEMORIES

Submit stories about your memories of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. The book will be dedicated to Bishop Larry. All proceeds of sales of this book will go to the completion of the restoration of our Cathedral. Send stories of about 500 words to Easter Almuena at Easter.Almuena@gmail.com no later than December 31st.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Nearly 38 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.

SAINT FOR THE WEEK

With the sign of the Cross, I shall more certainly break through the ranks of the enemy than if armed with sheild and sword.

St. Martin of Tours (316 - 397), Bishop, Feast Day November 11th