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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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This week's Readings: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Alleluia: Luke 4:18; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Next week's Readings: Malachi 3:1-4; Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Hebrews 2:14-18; Alleluia: Luke 2:32; Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

"GOD FULFILLS HIS PROMISES"

Beloved Pilgrims of Hope,

Greetings of peace, love, joy, and hope!

Every human being has always the desire to hope for something great and wonderful. We always wish for what can benefit our personal lives, our family, our job, and the world at large. We long for peace, love, and joy in every aspect of our journey into this world. The crucial part of this wish is where we look for it or to whom we seek these things. On this Jubilee Year of Hope, we are called back to deepening our understanding and relationship with Jesus, the fulfillment of God's promises.

As we reflect on this special year, let us turn our hearts and minds to the story of Jesus returning to the place where He grew up. On a Sabbath day, He attended worship in the synagogue. He read a passage from the scroll of the prophet Isaiah: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." After reading, Jesus sat and said, "Today, this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

I want us all to focus on the action of Jesus, and that is, He read the Scripture passage. He knows how important it is not only for the people in the synagogue to have Scriptures as part of their worship. It is an essential part of their gathering as they hear God's word to help and guide them. This time, it was not only read to them but fulfilled in their midst through the person Himself, Jesus, the Son of God.

Jesus presents to us the enduring value of the Scriptures in our lives. It is through the Word of God that we come to know and realize who God is and His boundless love for humanity. He calls each of us to know Him, love Him, and serve Him. We must ask ourselves: is Sacred Scripture still of value to us in deepening our faith and morals?

In this Jubilee Year of Hope, let us make it a point to read at least a passage or two from the Bible every day. Let us be inspired and directed by the Word of God in our daily lives, and that is, following the ways of Jesus. Let us plant seeds of kindness and compassion, nurturing a garden of hope that will flourish for years to come.

May the Jubilee Year of Hope bring renewed peace, joy, and a deeper connection to our faith. Let us embrace the simple beauty of our surroundings and find solace in the love of God, knowing that even in the face of adversity, there is always a reason to hope, to dream, and to believe in a brighter tomorrow.

Your fellow pilgrim in hope,

Fr. Pascual Abaya IV

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME Luke 4:18

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 26, 2025 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd Collection for Latin America and Black & Indian Mission Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, January 27, 2025 Monday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

> Tuesday, January 28, 2025 Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, January 29, 2025 Wednesday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm Thursday, January 30, 2025 Thursday of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

> Friday, January 31, 2025 Memorial of St. John Bosco Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, February 1, 2025 - **First Saturday** Saturday of the 3rd 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, February 2, 2025 **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

When Jesus stands up in the synagogue, as proclaimed in today's Gospel reading, his message is Good News! The blind see, captives have liberty, the oppressed go free, and the poor hear glad tidings. Jesus' listeners know that he will care for the ones with no voice, status, or place. They are not forgotten. God has longed to establish this day and in Jesus, the kingdom of God is at hand. The body of Christ is one in him.

The body of Christ, the Church, is one because it is united in Christ. Each member of the body is called to use their particular gifts to serve the body. Paul makes this clear to the Corinthians in the way only a strong preacher can do. He tells the Corinthians, who were notorious for arguing about which gifts were the best and most important, that there is only one body, but the body has many parts. God honors each part. We are all a part and each part is necessary and important because God has constructed each part of the body. We all suffer if one part suffers. We all rejoice when one is honored. Though many, we live as the one body of Christ.

SHARING FAITH

What does it mean for you to "listen attentively" to God as the people did who listened to Ezra in the First Reading?

Where and how is Good News being proclaimed today?

If you were to read a scroll in front of your parish community saying what you are committed to doing, what would be on it?

LIVING THE LITURGY

In a group, brainstorm the image of the parts of the body in relation to your family, small group, or parish. What is the purpose of each part? For example, perhaps eyes see with clarity or understanding, they help us focus; the calf muscles help us sprint when Christ's work of service needs a quick response; the stomach helps digest the Scripture, etc.

Check with your church or school to see if you can create a bulletin board collage or make one for your home. Draw or take pictures showing examples of how the gifts Paul lists in the Second Reading are used in your church or school.

Make a list of instructions for how you think the members of Christ's body in a parish are to live. Read all four readings for the kinds of things needed in order for them to be true witnesses to God's love and covenant.

REFLECTION

Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it (1 Corinthians 12:27)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

January 13 - 19, 2025

	Offertory Collection	
	Sunday	\$ 5,136.00
D	Weekday	\$ 915.62
	Other Feasts, Solemnities, Holy Day	\$ 50.00
	Online Giving	\$ 1,927.83
	Total Offertory	\$ 8,029.45
	Other Collection	
	Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 3,229.37
ve	Diocesan Collection	\$ 421.00
W	Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 1,302.00
	Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 419.00
	Total	\$ 13,400.82
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PROPHETIC CONFERENCE

Join us for an inspirational and uplifting day of experiencing God in His Word as you are transformed by getting to know God and how to hear from Him at all times so your life becomes a place of divine answers and wise solutions to every challenge that comes against you. It is time for you to prophesy and bring new life! Happening on Saturday, March 15th at 9:00 a.m. at the Auditorium, Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus. Located at 712 N School St For more information, visit www.newlife4u.live.

SECOND COLLECTION

This week our special collection supports the Church in Latin America. For many living in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all make it difficult for people to practice the faith. Your donations fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation, so that people can grow closer to Christ. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection to share your faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Thank you!

And the Black and Indian Mission Collection exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground. Please be generous!

'OHANA IN CHRIST ANNUAL APPEAL

Help support the Cathedral Basilica and our many Catholic ministries and services by contributing to the **2024-2025** 'Ohana In Christ Appeal. **We are at 62% of \$36,671.** 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 on the left** with your phone. For more information on how you can give or please call the office at 808-536-7036. Thank you for your generosity!

SAINT FOR THE WEEK

Without confidence and love, there ca be no true education. If you want to be loved...you must love yourselves, and make your children feel that you love them.

St. John Bosco, (1815 - 1888), Priest, Patron of editors and publishers, Feast Day January 31st

ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Loving and merciful God, You are the Lord of new beginnings. You sent us Your Son so that we may begin anew and enjoy new life in Your Spirit.

We ask you to bless this new year, to guide and direct our plans, and to show us how to find the resources necessary to carry out these plans.

Give us the wisdom to take advantage of opportunities we may have to help and serve others, to bring peace to the hearts of those who are troubled, and hope to those who suffer.

Help us approach this new year as good stewards of your abundant gifts, with an awareness of your daily presence, and the obedient spirit we need to

be your faithful servants.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen

