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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: 8:00 a.m.,
10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.
& 5:00 p.m.
(unless noted in the bulletin)

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday and Saturday
10:00am - 11:00am
located at 1159 Fort Street Mall
(unless noted in the bulletin)

Devotions

First Friday
Adoration/Benediction
at 10:00 a.m.
First Saturday
Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass
(unless noted in the bulletin)

PARISH OFFICE

MONDAY through FRIDAY
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed on holidays

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SEPTEMBER 6, 2026
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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This week's Readings: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ezekiel 33:7-9; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Romans 13:8-10; Alleluia - 2 Corinthians 5:19; Matthew 18:15-20

Next week's Readings: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sirach 27:30 - 28:7; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
Romans 14:7-9; Alleluia - John 13:34; Matthew 18:21-35

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

"CALLED TO CORRECT, CALLED TO LOVE: BUILDING GOD'S OHANA"

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, joy, and hope!

At one point or another, each of us has experienced disagreements or misunderstandings with someone close to us. When these wounds occur, they leave rifts that can deepen into divisions. Hatred takes root. Relationships fractured. Friendships fade. Spouses separate. Families grow indifferent to one another. These are not minor wounds. They weigh heavily on the heart, leaving us burdened, saddened, and wishing things had unfolded differently.

We often try to mend what is broken. We reach out, seek reconciliation, and hope for healing. Yet our efforts do not always bear fruit. Sometimes we are ignored, dismissed, or ridiculed. Sometimes time softens the pain, but sometimes the hurt remains and the distance grows.

Conflict is part of the human condition. We do not desire it, especially not with family, coworkers, or friends, yet we cannot fully avoid it. We come from different backgrounds, cultures, professions, and beliefs. We see the world through different lenses.

But Jesus offers us a different way, one that fosters communion rather than division. His teaching is the path of Reconciliation. Reconciliation is not passive. It is not pretending nothing happened. It is not allowing someone to drift further into harmful choices. Jesus teaches that when a brother or sister wrongs us, we must speak the truth in love. If they do not listen, we seek help from others. If they still refuse, we turn to the Church. The goal is never to shame, but to restore, never to condemn, but to heal, never to win an argument, but to win back a heart.

Correction is an act of love. It is not fault-finding. It is not moral superiority. It is the humble recognition that we all fail, fall short, and need help returning to the path of goodness. Remaining silent when someone is harming themselves or others is not kindness, it is indifference. And indifference is one of the great wounds of our age.

We live in a culture that often tells us: Protect yourself. Defend your pride. Do not let anyone challenge you. Do what feels right for you. But the Gospel calls us to something far more demanding. Deny yourself. Take up your cross. Love your neighbor. Seek unity. Forgive seventy times seven.

Jesus desires that none of His brothers or sisters be lost. His prayer is that all may be one, as He and the Father are one (John 17:21). This unity is not sentimental, it is sacrificial. It requires humility, courage, and the willingness to confront egoism with Christ's self-giving love.

We call ourselves brothers and sisters in Christ. That identity carries a mission, to live in love, truth, and harmony. When someone is walking a path that leads away from God, we cannot simply watch from a distance. We must help one another, admonish one another, and encourage one another. Yes, it requires sensitivity. Yes, it requires tact and charity. But it also requires boldness, the boldness of love.

When we embrace this mission, we build the "Ohana of God". We heal wounds caused by sin and division. We become instruments of reconciliation in a world fractured by selfishness or self-interest. And we show that the love of Christ is stronger than pride, stronger than hurt, and stronger than anything that would tear us apart.

May the Lord give us the humility to listen, the courage to speak truth, and the charity to seek reconciliation always.

Your Friend in the Jesus,

Fr. Pascual Abaya IV

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, Sept. 6, 2026
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd Collection for Catholic University (CUA)
Masses at 8:00am/10:00am/12:00pm/5:00pm

Monday, Sept. 7, 2026, **Labor Day Holiday**
Monday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time
Mass at 12:00pm - **Offices closed**

Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2026
Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2026
Memorial of St. Peter Claver
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 - 11:00am
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, Sept. 10, 2026
Thursday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, Sept. 11, 2026
Friday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2026
Saturday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 7:00am & 12:00pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 - 11:00am
Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2026
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Masses at 8:00am/10:00am/12:00pm/5:00pm

SHARING FAITH

How do the members of your family reconcile with one another? Do you follow all of the steps that Jesus recommends in this Sunday's Gospel?

Think of a time when you needed forgiveness from another. Did receiving the sacrament of Penance figure into your process of gaining forgiveness? Why or why not?

How do you hold yourself accountable to the communities to which you belong? How can you participate more fully in these communities?

CATHEDRAL OHANA EVENTS

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

ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER (SEPT.)

Loving and Gracious God,
We ask You to open our hearts
to your Son's life and ministry
and to answer the call
to be his disciples.

May our response
be rooted
in the Gospel;

may we be
ever mindful
of the needs
of our communities;

and may our stewardship
flow from a profound sense
of gratitude for
Your many blessings.

By the gift of the Holy Spirit,
empower and inspire us
to respond in a way
that brings hope to others
and reveals the love
that comes to us
through Jesus Christ.

We ask this in His Name,
who is Lord
forever and ever.

Amen

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

August 24 - 30, 2026

Offertory Collection		
Sunday	$	4,523.00
Weekday	$	802.77
Other Feasts, Solemnities, Holy Day	$	20.00
Online Giving	$	1,596.42
Total Offertory	**$**	**6,942.19**
Other Collection		
Repairs & Maintenance	$	0.00
Diocesan Collection	$	200.00
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	$	675.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	$	481.00
Total	**$**	**8,298.19**

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (CUA)

Collection will take place this weekend of September 5 and 6, 2026.

Founded in 1887 by the U.S. bishops, The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, educating seminarians, religious, bishops, and laity to advance the dialogue between faith and reason. As a comprehensive institution of higher education, Catholic University seeks to impart the truth through excellence in teaching and research, in service to the Church, the nation, and the world.

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Are you ready for Ordinary Time? Please join Dcn. Joe and Easter Almuena every 3rd Sunday of the month at 9:00am. Resources are available at **Formed.org**. On your browser, go to **www.formed.org**. Sign up as a "Parishioner", choose "RCCHAWAII" and create an account. For more information, please visit our website at **honolulucathedral.org** or see Dcn. Joe & Easter.

OFFERTORY GIVING

Looking for convenient, safe and secure way of giving to our church? We have online giving features in our website or click on the QR Code and go through the easy-to-follow steps. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish office. We thank you for your continued support in fulfilling the mission of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace.

SAINT FOR THE WEEK

"To love God as He ought to be loved, we must detached from all temporal love. We must love nothing but Him, or if we love anything else, we must love it, only for His sake."

St. Peter Claver, (1581 - 16554), Priest, missionary, Feast Day September 9