

Stewardship

THOUGHTS ON GIVING

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." Matthew 22:21

It is good to remember that everything belongs to God. We would have nothing if God had not given us the skills, talents and opportunities to accomplish what we accomplish. Therefore, it is important for us to recognize that we have an obligation to return a portion of our gifts to God, for all gifts belong to Him and come from Him.

Taken from <http://www.archstl.org/stewardship>

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

For the Weekend of October 11/12, 2008

You can gift wrap your tithe in a personalized envelope! Please contact our secretary at the Parish Office for your envelopes.

Tithe:	\$10,990.17
Others:	306.50
Candle:	78.00
Annual Capuchin Appeal:	45.00
Money Leaving Parish:	(45.00)
Total Parish Income:	\$11,374.67



October 11/12, 2008 Building Fund

PLEDGES AND DONATIONS TO THE BUILDING FUND

Gift	Donors	Gift	Donors	Gift	Donors
\$1.00	3	25.00	7	100.00	8
5.00	6	30.00	12	300.00	1
6.00	1	35.00	2	500.00	3
10.00	6	50.00	10		
20.00	5	56.00	1		
Total:				\$3,960.00	

BUILDING FUND FUNDRAISERS

T-Shirt:	\$10.00
DVD Donation:	\$1,000.00



Upcoming Events October 20-26, 2008

Monday, October 20, 2008, St. Paul of the Cross

6:30 AM	Daily Mass—Church
9:00-11:45 AM	Outreach Food Pantry—Front Office
2:30-5:30 PM	Epic Ohana Conferencing—Youth Room
7:00 PM	Baptism Class—Parish Center
7:00-9:00 PM	Samoan Choir—Church

Tuesday, October 21, 2008

6:30 AM	Daily Mass—Church
6:30-7:30 PM	Tai Chi Class—Carport
6:30-8:30 PM	Drum Classes—Meeting Room #2
6:30-8:30 PM	Youth Bible Study—Youth Room
7:00-9:00 PM	Neocatechumenal—Parish Center

Wednesday, October 22, 2008

6:30 AM	Daily Mass—Church
6:30-9:00 PM	Charismatic Prayer Group—Church
7:00-8:00 PM	Finance Committee—Youth Room
7:00-9:00 PM	Filipino Catholic Club—Parish Center

Thursday, October 23, 2008, St. John of Capistrano

6:30 AM	Daily Mass—Church
9:00 AM	Homebound Visits
9:00-11:45 AM	Outreach Food Pantry—Front Office
6:00-7:30 PM	Blessed Mother Prayer Group—Youth Room
6:30-7:30 PM	Tai Chi Class—Carport

Friday, October 24, 2008, St. Anthony Claret

6:30 AM	Daily Mass—Church
7:30-9:00 PM	Reflections Choir—Church

Saturday, October 25, 2008,

12:00 PM	Baptism—Church
4:00-5:00 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation—Church

Saturday Vigil Mass—Church

7:00-9:00 PM	Samoan Choir—Church
--------------	---------------------

Sunday, October 26, 2008, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 AM	Sunday Mass—Church
8:30 AM	Sunday Mass—Church
8:30-11:00 AM	RCIA—Church & Parish Center
9:45-10:45 AM	Sunday School—OLGC School
11:00 AM	Sunday Mass—Church
3:30-4:45 PM	Confirmation I—Parish Center Confirmation II—Youth Room
5:30 PM	Sunday Mass—Church

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: *Exodus 22:20-26*
 2nd Reading: *1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10*
 Gospel Reading: *Matthew 22:34-40*

From the Desk of Father Pascual Abaya IV

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and God what belongs to God”... The Pharisees posed a tricky and dangerous question to Jesus. It was a question regarding the lawfulness of paying taxes to the emperor or not. Any answer to the question could have put Jesus in trouble. If he was against the payment of taxes, he would be considered a rebel or subversive. If he was in favor, hostilities may be brought to him by people who hated the Romans. In answer to the question, Jesus requested a coin to be shown to him. He asked them in return whose image was on the coin. They replied that it was Caesar’s image. Then Jesus said, “Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and God what belongs to God”.

This verse is often quoted to make us understand about the value of taxation in our community and the separation of the church and state. We may ask instead, what really belongs to God? Oftentimes we are caught up with so many concerns in our lives as both citizens and Christians. Due to all these concerns, we forget what really belongs to God. When Jesus was talking about the image imprinted on the coin, we are reminded that we are the image and likeness of God: The story of creation teaches us this fact. God formed man according to His image and likeness. It is by this teaching God reminds us of who we are being called upon to represent in our daily lives. We belong to God and to him we give honor and reverence by our commitment to our faith. We reflect that faith by our thoughts and actions in our daily life. We ask ourselves, are we giving to God what is due for Him as His image and likeness?

WORDS OF MAHALO!

Deacon Bill Wakefield has sent a card expressing his heartfelt thanks for welcoming him into our parish so that he could share his thoughts and express the need for the Appalachian Ministry in his Diocese in Lexington, PA. We continue to pray for him, his ministry and his Diocese for the mission that they are undertaking. We hope that the support we have extended will help the ministry to flourish.

Words of Mahalo also came from the **Hawaii Worldwide Marriage Encounter Group**. We provided them a welcoming place and time last September 20 and 21 to present a weekend workshop about their ministry for members of our parish.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Before any appointments are **set or finalized** for baptisms and weddings, we ask our parishioners to give the office a call and consult with Father Rey or myself. When all concerns are met, including personal interviews with the priests, documents and other requirements, only then we can set the date for the services asked. Please take note that there are guidelines that we are obligated to follow. Please make an appointment ahead of time. We will make every effort to respond to your requests.

SCHOOL AWARDS

Our school administration will be giving awards and recognition to our students for exemplary performance on Thursday October 23. The presentation will take place after the school mass. It is one of the many ways we encourage our students to excel in their academic performance, to shine and to lift their spirits. It will also serve to inspire all our students to keep on working hard to achieve their full potential in education, future work and life goals. Congratulations to those who will be awarded. We extend our Mahalo to all our staff, parents and those who financially and spiritually support our children at OLGC.

Second Collection: World Mission Sunday

MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE

Just as our young church here in the United States received support in the 19th century from the Catholics of Europe through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, so too the growing churches in the Developing World today also require financial help. Your generosity will help make a faith-filled difference around the world!

- ✚ A gift of \$25 would be a month’s support for a young woman preparing to serve as a Religious Sister in Mali
- ✚ A gift of \$60 is a month’s education for a seminarian in Nigeria
- ✚ About \$50 a month helps a local Religious Community of Sisters in Thailand care for girls in need
- ✚ Just \$20 helps toward the purchase of a bicycle for a catechist in Kenya



Around the Parish...

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REMINDERS

Sunday: October 26, 2008: 9:45-10:30 AM
Parents' Workshop on Safe Environment

Sunday, November 2, 2008: 9:45-10:30 AM
Children's Workshop on Safe Environment

Sunday, November 9, 2008: 12:00-1:00 PM
Team Meeting in Parish Center



ELECTION DAY IS DRAWING NEAR!

We encourage you to visit the following websites:

Faithful Citizenship
<http://www.faithfulcitizenship.org>

Catholic Vote
<http://www.catholicvote.com>

We also encourage you to pick up a copy of the 2008 Hawaii General Election Survey of Candidates, located on the Usher's Table.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books are still available at both the Church and School Offices. **\$30.00** pays for a book, of which **\$6.00** goes toward our Building Fund.



Buy the Book and use the coupons to help yourself save, while you contribute to our Church, at the same time.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions that you wish to offer for the upcoming weekday and weekend Masses should be called in by **Monday 4:00 PM** in order for your Mass Intentions to be printed in the bulletin.

Saturday, October 18, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 PM: Birthday blessings for Josie & Tyson Respicio, Petra Cabatu & Virginia Mabalay, Blessings for Bert & Eden Dela Cruz, Healing for Glynis Berndt, Int. of Vernon Mabalay & Margarita Tabaming, +Fred Forte, +Priscilla J. Antolin

Sunday, October 19, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 AM: Blessings for Bert & Eden Dela Cruz, Birthday blessings for Steven Berndt, Healing for Glynis Berndt, +David Keamo Jr., +Pedro & Maria Casupang, +Fernando & Nenita Matias

8:30 AM: Thanksgiving & blessings for Renato & Maria Etrata, Birthday blessings for Kaatrina Bersamin & Dustin DePonte, Int. of Sonera & Juanita Santella, +Rosalia Hitois, +Visitacion, Mariano, Gremio & Delfin Santella, +Ray, Santiago & Vincente Saturmo, +Clemencia Hiron

11:00 AM: Spec. int. for William Estep, Birthday blessings for Dustin DePonte, +Nicanor & Flora Rumbaoa, +Clemente G. Torres, +Rose Yap & Family, +Emmanuel John Garcia

5:30 PM: Spec. int. of Lianne Ching & Ella Villanueva, +Jordan Anthony Corpuz & healing for his family, +Priscilla J. Antolin, +Elsa Moran

Monday, October 20, St. Paul of the Cross

6:30 AM: Blessings & speedy recovery for Fe Gorgonio, Blessings for Bert & Eden Dela Cruz, +Fred Forte, +Alfredo & Eutoropia Suga

Tuesday, October 21

6:30 AM: Birthday blessings for Gaudencio Dela Cruz, Jr.

Wednesday, October 22

6:30 AM: Thanksgiving & birthday blessings for Gertrude Silva

Thursday, October 23, St. John of Capistrano

6:30 AM:

8:15 AM: +Jordan Anthony Corpuz & healing for his family

Friday, October 24, St. Anthony Claret

6:30 AM: Birthday blessings & healing for Joey Pastor

Death Anniversaries

October 19

Emily Feliciano	1992	Eniceria Relacion	1969
Jaime Peralta	1998	Kent Asato	1974
Catherine Cambe	1998	Eulogio Oliva	1975
Emmanuel "John" Garcia	2001	Margarita Alayaay	1987
Nicanor Rumbaoa	2007	Adelia Fallago	1987

October 20

Synthialynn Cabalis	1988		
Jose "Hank" Ramirez	1998	<u>October 23</u>	
Lori Ann Zimbra	2005	Dolores Alania	2007

October 21

Helen Alfeche	1969	Tomeno "Mavis" Hayashi	1999
Ricardo Alip	1984		
Rollen Padello	1992	<u>October 25</u>	
Visitacion Santella	1998	Robert Anthony Gomes	1974
Rosaline Caluya-Pennington	2007	Albert Balensuela	1990

October 22

Linda Ramos	1993		
Clara Maina'aupo	2004		

October 24

Faima Omoso	1991		
Carrie Chang	2000		

Around the Diocese...

YOU ARE INVITED

The Sisters of St. Francis' 125th Anniversary in Hawaii will culminate in a grand celebration of pageantry, Mass, and luau on **Nov. 8, 2008**, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace on Fort St. Mall. The pageantry will reenact the arrival of Blessed Marianne and the first six sisters. It will begin at **11:00 AM** at King St. and Fort St. Mall and proceed down the mall to the Cathedral.

The blowing of the conch shell will announce the arrival of Mother Marianne and the sisters who will be riding in a horse drawn replica of the royal carriage. The Hawaiian Royal Societies of men and women will accompany the sisters in procession. They will be met at the Cathedral steps by Bishop Larry Silva who will bless the sisters. Halau Hula O Maiki will pay tribute to the sisters.

All will enter the Cathedral for the **12 noon Mass** celebrated by the Bishop. Hawaiiana will be incorporated into the Mass. A festive luau will follow the Mass at the Cathedral, and the Royal Hawaiian Band will entertain.

All are invited to this grand event. A luau ticket is **\$15**, but available to priests, religious, and special guests at no charge.

To reserve a ticket contact Sr. Marie at **687-3420** or srmromano@aol.com.
