

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, February 3

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Young Adult Meeting at 1:00 pm

Monday, February 4

Monday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday, February 5

Memorial of St. Agatha, virgin, martyr

Evening Prayer at 5:40pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, February 6

Memorial of St. Paul Miki & Companions, martyrs

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, February 7

Thursday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Friday, February 8

Friday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Saturday, February 9

Saturday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

Ss. Damien/Marianne Prayer Group at 12:30pm

Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, February 10

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd Collection for Augustine Educational Fund

Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Adult Faith Formation at 11:30am

Holy Land Pilgrimage

We still have room left. Fr. Marvin is leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 13-24, 2019. We will be collaborating with a parish from WA, so very limited space is available. It is a great opportunity to journey in the land of Jesus. Please contact Fr. Marvin at (808) 536-7036. Or visit our website at www.cathedralofourladyofpeace.com and click on "LINK" in the middle of the page.

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 9,029.59
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,646.50
Coffers	\$ 576.09
Holy Day Collection	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 11,282.18



Adult Faith Formation

All are invited to attend the Adult Faith Formation meeting next Sunday, February 10th, at 11:30am to learn about Saints and Catholic teachings. Please bring a friend. For more information, please contact Dcn. Joe or Easter Almuena at Easter.Almuena@gmail.com

Young Adult Meeting

The Young Adults will meet Sunday, February 3 at 1:00pm at the Chancery. Contact Joanna Wright at joannaw@hawaii.edu or call (808) 286-7994.

Augustine Educational Fund

On February 10th, please give the gift of education, and make a difference in a student's life. Your gift to our Second Collection goes directly to support tuition scholarships in your parish and/or vicariate for the 2019 - 2020 School Year. For more information, please call 203-6748 or visit www.augustinefoundation.org

World Day of the Sick

The Catholic Diocese of Honolulu invites you to the Holy Mass for World Day of the Sick on Monday, February 11th at 6:00pm. How sick does one need to be to receive the Sacrament? Anointing of the Sick is a Sacrament of the Church and is offered to Catholics who are dangerously ill due to sickness, injury or old age. The Sacrament is for serious mental or emotional illness as well. While we should not be excessively concerned about the degree of seriousness of the condition, the casual participation in the Sacrament must be avoided in good conscience. For more information, please call the Office of Worship at 585-3342.

Cathedral Renewal Campaign

As always, Bishop Larry Silva and Msgr. Gary Secor extend their appreciation and aloha for your generous and prayerful support.

Please consider joining us with a generous gift or pledge today! To learn more and/or to make a contribution:

Call: 808-585-3357, or visit us online at www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org.

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February 3, 2019 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 | Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 | 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13 | Luke 4:21-30

Prophets like Jeremiah were not only preachers of God's word, they were also living examples of it. Their every word and action pointed to the Lord and the salvation he offered to his people. With his warning cry, the prophet Jeremiah reminded God's people when they missed the mark and needed to repent.

Paul, too, reminds God's people at Corinth how they are to act if they are to be true witnesses to his love. Not noisy gongs or clanging cymbals, but rather actions such as patience, kindness, and faithfulness are the signs of a Christian community. If Christians exercise this kind of love, then they act as true followers of Christ Jesus. Christians both announce and do what God commands.

Yet today's Gospel reading is clear about what might happen when we announce the Good News of God's reign. As both the Old Testament prophets and Jesus found out, not all welcome the message of God. Prophets are often driven out of town. We, too, have a choice to listen to Jesus' words or turn away from him.

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Next Sunday's Readings: "Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time"

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8 | Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 | 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11 | Luke 5:1-11

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral family:

Last Sunday, we heard in the gospel Jesus speak a consoling word; liberty to captives, good news to the poor, recovery of sight for those who are blind. As today's gospel indicates, this encouraging word was, at first, well received by the synagogue assembly. But, as they ask how "Joseph's son" could have spoken so eloquently, they betray their doubts about Jesus and their unwillingness to really follow him. As Jesus continues with a word that challenges them, they show their "true colors". They are ready to kill him.

Today's gospel challenges us to accept the prophetic words that Christ and the Church speak to us. It is not easy to hear the truth, especially when it calls into question our behaviors and attitudes. It is difficult, especially in a society, that often accepts behaviors and attitudes that are contrary to what Christ teaches. What is our response to Christ and to those who speak prophetically? Will we accept Christ only if he says what we want to hear? Will we accept him even when he says what we don't want to hear but need to hear?

The first reading challenges us to be prophetic. It is not easy to speak the truth, especially when we are opposed. It is especially difficult in a society that, in the name of tolerance, looks down on those who speak against behaviors and attitudes contrary to what Christ teaches. It is difficult to be honest with family and friends who may be misguided in their beliefs. What is our response to the call to be prophetic?

The key to accepting the prophetic word and speaking it is found in the second reading. It is love, after the description that Paul gives us and that Jesus proclaimed. To accept the challenge of the gospel, we must know that God loves us and his correction and teaching is done out of love. To challenge one another effectively, we must do it in love. This is because it is not only the truth that is important. How it is served up is significant. If it is served up in love, it has the power to transform us and others.

In Christ's love,
Very Rev. Msgr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.
Rector