

## The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, April 2

### **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

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

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Monday, April 3 – *Lenten Weekday*

Tuesday, April 4 – *Lenten Weekday*

Presentations of the Lord's Prayer at 5:30pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, April 5 – *Lenten Weekday*

Sacrament of Reconciliation 11:00am

Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, April 6 – *Lenten Weekday*

Friday, April 7 – *Lenten Weekday*

*Day of Abstinence*

**Stations of the Cross at 10:00am & 5:00pm**

Lenten Penance Service at 7:00pm

Saturday, April 8 – *Lenten Weekday*

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

St. Marianne Devotional Group at 12:30pm

**Vigil Mass at 5:00pm**

Sunday, April 9

### **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

**Masses at 6:00a/8:00/10:00/12:00n/6p**

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

### Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation will be featuring "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Bishop Robert Barron this Sunday, April 2 at 11:30am. Contact Deacon Joe and Easter at [ealmuena@rcchawaii.org](mailto:ealmuena@rcchawaii.org) or at 227-7309.

### Seniors in Catholic High School

Attention graduating seniors in the Catholic high schools in the **Diocese of Honolulu**, we would like to know who you are. We are assisting the Newman Connection a non-profit organization working with college/university campus ministries nationwide. They use a referral system to connect graduating high school students to their Catholic campus ministries, allowing campus ministers to contact their incoming students, inviting them in before they arrive on campus regardless of what diocese they come from or are going to. If you are interested or have any questions, please call the office at 536-7036 or visit **OYYAM** website: [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/newman](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/newman)

### Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,633.44
Weekday Collection	\$ 2,123.36
Coffers	\$ 442.06
Holy Day Collection	\$ 511.99



**Total \$ 10,710.85**

### Diocesan Baccalaureate Mass

All middle school, high school and college/university graduates and their families are invited to attend the Diocese of Honolulu's Baccalaureate Mass with Bishop Larry Silva. A reception with light refreshments will follow in the Kamiano Center (located next to the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace). Validated parking available at Century Square (1188 Bishop Street). Please RSVO your attendance to [OYYAM@rcchawaii.org](mailto:OYYAM@rcchawaii.org)

### Cathedral Renewal Campaign

#### **The Birds & The Bells**

Renovations to the Cathedral's Bell Tower were completed last month with installation of bird screens. The frames for the bronze mesh screens were custom made to fit snugly in the tower windows, preventing birds from entering the tower through small openings, as was the case with the old latticework. The new screens are more transparent, allowing views of the two historic bells, which date to 1853 and 1865.

The newly renovated bell tower has been reinforced, a new hatch cover installed and the interior has been painted. The framing for the Cathedral's bells has also been reinforced and new lighting was installed in December 2016. Thanks to the new screens, all of these recent upgrades are now fully protected from the many birds trying to take up residence in the tower.

This concludes Phase 2-A; and, Phases 2 B through E are scheduled to begin in the near future and will run through July 2018.

Please join in supporting the Cathedral Renewal Campaign with a sacrificial gift or pledge today!

To learn more about Cathedral Renewal Campaign and/or to make a contribution: Visit us online at: [www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org](http://www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org) Click on the "Learn" button, or select "Renewal Campaign" in the toolbar to view our 5 ½ minute campaign video.

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**April 2, 2017 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Exegesis on this Sunday's readings**

*Ezekiel 37:12-14 | Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 | Roman 8:8-11 | John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45*

Ezekiel delivers a message of hope and life to the Israelites, reminding them to stay faithful as God's people. Though bound in exile, they must remember that God will set them free. The Spirit of God can even cross the boundary of the grave! The psalm also echoes a cry from the depths for God's kindness and redemption. It is a powerful prayer for Lent and a statement of faith that we can make our own. No matter what chains restrict us, what illness or worry consumes us, or what bondage we endure, we can trust the Lord to walk with us and free us.

In the Gospel passage, we hear the story of Lazarus and the power of Jesus. Despite those who do not believe or cannot imagine the potential of his authority, Jesus raises Lazarus from beyond the control of death. There are no restrictions to God's power, no bindings, no chains, and no injustice that God cannot transcend. In the shadow of the Messiah's suffering and death, Lent is drawing to a close and we are asked if we believe.

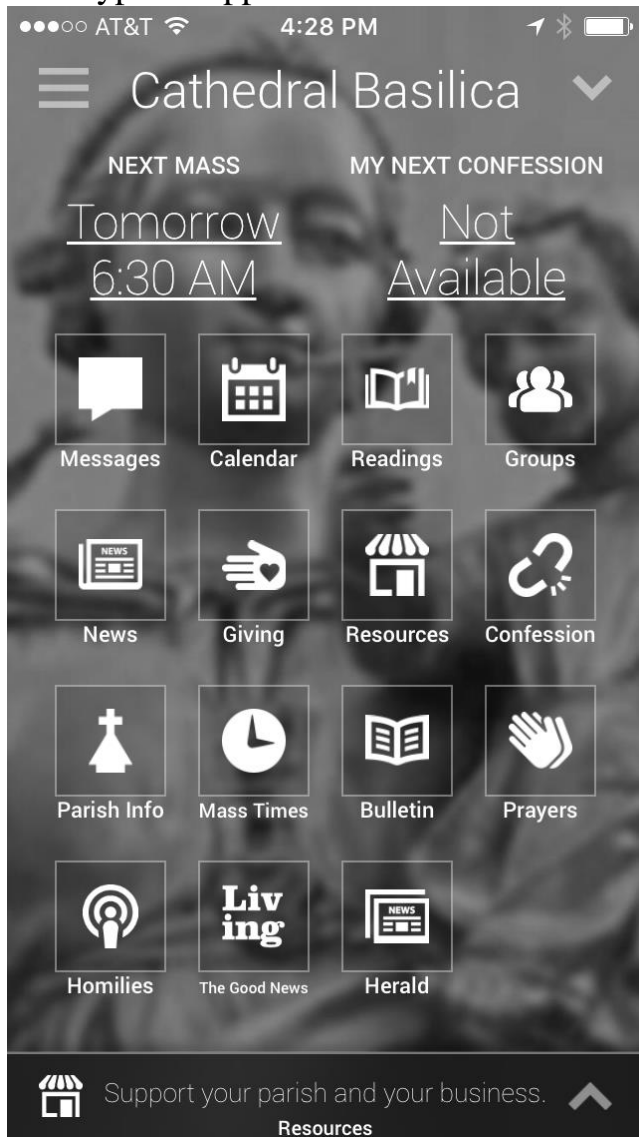
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**Next Sunday's Readings**

*Matthew 21:1-11 | Isaiah 50:4-7 | Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 | Philippians 2:6-11 |  
Matthew 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54*

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**Operation Rice Bowl**  
**ENCOUNTER RESILIENCE**

We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, and see how her newfound entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children—even during a devastating drought. What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to good use in building God's kingdom? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.



**April is Child Abuse Prevention**  
**Month**

Drew Dillingham, coordinator for resources and special projects with the USCCB Secretariat of Child and Youth Protection, reflects on how listening to the needs of someone who has been abused can open the door to dialogue, support and healing.

The Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Honolulu is:

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