

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, August 7

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Monday, August 8

Memorial of St. Dominic, *priest*

Tuesday, August 9 – *Weekday*

Evening Prayer at 5:40pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, August 10

Feast of St. Lawrence, *deacon & martyr*

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, August 11

Memorial of St. Clare, *Virgin*

Friday, August 12 – *Weekday*

Adoration/Benediction at 10:00am

Saturday, August 13 – *Weekday*

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

St. Marianne Devotional Group at 12:30pm

Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, August 14

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Religious Education Classes starts next week

Adult Faith Formation

Free Event! Come join us to learn more about our Catholic Faith. Coffee and donuts will be served. Sunday, August 14, 11:30am - 12:15pm at the Kamiano Center. For more information, email Deacon Joe at jalmuena@rcchawaii.org, or call at 227-7309.

Religious Education

Religious education classes for the new school year begin on Sunday, August 21st at 8:00am in the Kamiano Center. Children in second grade and older who have not received first communion or confirmation should enroll this year. Please register today at the Kamiano Center. For more information, please call the office at 536-7036 or email Michael Bauer at mbauer@rcchawaii.org

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,125.02
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,574.38
Coffers	\$ 736.86
Holy Day	\$ 47.00



Total \$ 10,483.26

Cathedral Renewal Campaign

Renewing Our Cathedral – Project Timeline

As we begin Phase 2 work, renovations to the bell tower and infrastructure, many wonder how this phase fits into the larger project.

The process of restoring our historic cathedral is segmented into phases to ensure urgent repairs are prioritized – such as the upper gallery seating areas, which were repaired and re-opened in November 2015, and the infrastructure upgrades in Phase 2, which will lay the groundwork for new electrical, mechanical and HVAC systems that will follow. It is a strategic decision to install the new climate control system before cleaning and restoring the interior artwork, for example.

The phases for completing the entire project may overlap in places and are summarized as follows:

Cathedral Renovation Project Phases

Phase 0 – Mock-up section	Completed 2013
Phase 1 – Repair gallery floors	Completed November 2015
Phase 2a – Bell tower and tower clock repairs, infrastructure upgrades	Beginning now, continuing through 2016 and into 2017
Phase 2b – Sacristies, basement infrastructure, chill water line & utilities	Expected to start January 2017 and run through December 2017
Phase 3 – Reliquary Chapel construction and interior work in sanctuary	Expected start date: May 2018
Phase 4 – Interior work on body of church	Start date TBD
Phase 5 – Interior work: ceilings & floors	Start date TBD
Phase 6 – Exterior lighting & landscaping	Start date TBD

To learn more about Cathedral Renewal Campaign and/or to make a contribution: Visit us online at: www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org

Click on the “Learn” button, or select “Renewal Campaign” in the toolbar to view our 5 ½ minute campaign video.

Email: CRC@rcchawaii.org Phone: (808) 585-3329

August 7, 2016 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

Wisdom 18:6-9 | Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 | Hebrew 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12 | Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Abraham and Sarah are our ancestors in faith, part of our family tree of faith. Long ago, they trusted God and the promises of his covenant. Because of their trust and faith, they became sojourners. They left the safety of home and traveled to foreign lands. Yet they held fast to their faith in God. In response, God gave them descendants as numerous as the stars and the sands of the seashore. We are among those stars!

In the Gospel reading, Jesus instructs his disciples: do not be afraid, know where your treasure lies, light your lamps, and be ready to go forth. Like Abraham and Sarah and Jesus' disciples, we are people whom God has chosen to journey in faith. Although it is not always easy to trust the God of the covenant, we go forth willing to let go of control over our own lives and, like our ancestors, offer ourselves to God's service. Indeed, we starry descendants have a wonderful family heritage. Let us pass on that heritage to others!

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Next Sunday's Readings

Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10 | Psalm 40:2, 3, 4, 18 | Hebrew 12:1-4 | Luke 12:49-53

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral Family:

"Be prepared." I believe this has been the motto of the Boy Scouts, but it also summarizes the message of God's Word to us this weekend. Certainly, the coming of the Son of Man (Jesus Christ) at the end of our days is something we want to be ready for. Last week, we were reminded to invest in our heavenly inheritance. But, we should not just focus on readiness for the final coming of Christ or our meeting of God at the time of death. Christ comes into our lives every day, often when we least expect it. Are we ready to receive Him?

Christ comes to us in every person we encounter since each is created in the image and likeness of God. Are we ready to receive and reverence the person of each as if they were Christ? Whether, we realize it or not, they are!

God, who is present everywhere, comes to us in the events and places we deal with in every-day living. Can we see God's hand at work, even in the difficult and challenging times?

We have been entrusted with the gift of faith and many other of God's blessing. God challenges us to be worthy of that trust. Although it is human to be afraid, Christ invites us to conquer that fear with faith. With the eyes of faith, we will see the coming of Christ every day and at the end of our days.

This weekend I am away on the Mainland visiting some friends and will return on August 10th.

In His love,
Fr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.
Rector

Aloha Joan Lewis!

Our Cathedral Basilica family is pleased to extend our warmest welcome to EWTN'S Rome Bureau Chief and author of "A Holy Year in Rome." Copies of her latest Rome Pilgrimage guide for the Jubilee Year of Mercy will be on sale after the 9am, 10:30am and 12noon masses. This would be a great time for pictures and an autograph! Joan, we wish you all the best and thank you for celebrating with us here in "paradise!"