

## The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, August 12

### **19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

Monday, August 13 – *Weekday*

**Cathedral Basilica closed after 6:30am Mass  
12:00 noon Mass held in Kamiano Ctr.**

Tuesday, August 14

**Memorial of St. Maximilian Kolbe,**  
*Priest & Martyr*

Evening Prayer at 5:40pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, August 15

### **The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Festive Mass at 12:00 noon

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, August 16

### **Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of Our Lady, Queen of Peace**

Festive Mass at 12:00 noon & 6:00pm

Friday, August 17

### **Admission Day Holiday**

Cathedral Basilica on Holiday Schedule

Saturday, August 18 - *Weekday*

Prayer Group at 7:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

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

Sunday, August 19

### **20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

Most Beautiful Among Women at 1:30pm

## Cathedral Basilica's Anniversary

In celebration of the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of our Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. We will have refreshments and fellowship after all Sunday Masses.

## Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,811.73
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,982.47
Coffers	\$ 595.19
Holy Day Collection	\$ 185.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,574.39</b>



## Outreach Ministry

Outreach Ministry looking for assistant every Saturday from 10:00am – 2:00pm for the HIE HIE Shower Trailer. Looking for 4 – 6 volunteers for any given Saturday. Also looking for donations of clothes, (Especially men's clothing) toiletries, food and, monetary donation at accepted. For more information, please call Ron Gochenouer at (808) 306 – 7502.

## Religious Education

Registration for religious education classes will be held next Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup> after all Sunday masses. We have classes available for grades K-12 and adults to complete their initiation in the church. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 9

## Cathedral Renewal Campaign

### **The Big Reveal is Next!**

Renovations to the Sanctuary are nearing completion as workers put the finishing touches in place. The partition wall is scheduled to come down the second week of August, days before the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Cathedral's dedication.

**Come for the Anniversary Mass and big reveal of the newly renovated Sanctuary on August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**, which will be celebrated with Bishop Larry Silva and Monsignor Gary Secor.

Dedicated on August 15, 1843, the 175-year-old Cathedral Basilica celebrates the anniversary of her dedication on August 16<sup>th</sup> in deference to the Assumption of Mary on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

With phase two of the six-phased renovation project coming to completion this summer, the project team will begin to plan for phase three, which will likely begin in early 2019 with additional renovations to the interior.

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](http://www.HonoluluCathedralRenewal.org).

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

# August 12, 2018 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

*1 Kings 19:4-8 | Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 | Ephesians 4:30-5:2 | John 6:41-51*

We often think of bread and water as prison food, but that's what dispel's Elijah's depression, revives his weakened body, and enables him to undertake a journey of 40 days and 40 nights. "Strengthened by that food," we're told, Elijah found the energy to stop feeling sorry for himself and climb a mountain to come face-to-face with God (1 Kings 19:8). Don't tell Martha Stewart, but it's really not about taste and presentation. What matters most in the culinary world is what nourishes and satisfies. And as usual, God has surprises. We might think a prophet on the brink of desperation who is touched by an angel during the night would be awakened to some great repast of tender meats and vintage wine. Instead, Elijah gets worse food than inmates do these days. But that food from heaven becomes an engine that drives him forward.

Jesus' tells the people that he is better bread than what God sent down in the desert and that whoever eats that bread will live forever. This claim wins him no friends. Instead, he gains a lot of enemies, as people consider his words to be blasphemy. But he has started down this road and there is no turning back. Not only does he claim to be better food than what their ancestors ate, but he asserts that the bread he gives is his very flesh. That does it. Some will be done with him for good! But the few who stay receive the bread he gives, and they learn what truly satisfies and how to live forever.

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### **Next Sunday's Readings: "Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time"**

*Proverbs 9:1-6 | Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 | Ephesians 5:15-20 | John 6:51-58*

## From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral family:

We all face seemingly impossible situations. It might be a persistent illness that leads to a depressing sickness of spirit. It may be a personally disastrous economic situation or a personal relationship that is a disaster. We feel like Elijah being persecuted or like those who thought that Jesus, as recounted in the Gospel, was from another planet and speaking an alien language. In the face of all this we are tempted to give up, to grieve the Holy Spirit, or to grumble.

We are tempted to give up like Elijah. We'd rather run away or be dead instead of dealing with our hurt or rejection. But God sends his angels to help us get up. He challenges us to take the food of God's love (Eucharist) and continue on.

We are tempted to grieve the Holy Spirit. We grieve over something or someone who has died. So we grieve the Holy Spirit when we act as if God is dead or doesn't matter. We become bitter and engage in blame. But God is there in the person of Christ to help us to forgive and be compassionate.

We are tempted to grumble. We complain that God is saying impossible things and making impossible demands. We treat Jesus as just a nice man who lived in the past and not as the God-man who continues to live. And God teaches us that we are meant to live forever. God offers us the bread of life as food for eternal life.

We are here to be nourished by the Word of God and the Word made flesh so that we won't give up, grieve the Holy Spirit, or grumble. Without Christ, we die spiritually and lose hope. With Christ, the seemingly impossible becomes possible.

This week we celebrate the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of Our Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. On Thursday, 16 August, we will have a special mass at 6pm. All will be able to see our newly refurbished sanctuary. We are grateful for all who have given so much to make this possible and for all who have been generous with their prayers and support over these many years. Join us for this celebration!

In Christ's love,

Very Rev. Msgr. Gary L. Secor, V.G.

Rector

### Special Altar Server Training

Mr. Jonathan Farinas, our Altar Server Coordinator, will be conducting two Altar Server Training Sessions – one on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> and the other on August 25<sup>th</sup> both beginning at 9:00am. The purpose of the special altar server trainings is to train the servers before they are able to serve their Masses for the first time in the renovated sanctuary. For more information, please call the office.

### Mass in Extraordinary Form

All are welcome to attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite in honor of the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration and Dedication of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. Low Mass celebrated by Fr. William "Pila" Tulua here on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at 1:30pm. For more information, please call Ron Gochenouer at (808) 306-7502.