

## The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, October 9

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

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

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Monday, October 10 – *Weekday*

Tuesday, October 11 – *Weekday*

Evening Prayer at 5:40pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, October 12 – *Weekday*

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, October 13 – *Weekday*

Friday, October 14 – *Weekday*

Saturday, October 15

**Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and**

*Doctor of the Church*

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

St. Damien Devotional Group at 12:30pm

Sunday, October 16

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

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

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

## Adult Faith Formation

Everyone is welcome to attend "Catholicism Study Guide" by Bishop Robert Barron on Sunday, October 16 from 11:30am-12:15pm located at the Kamiano Center. For more information, please contact Deacon Joe at [jalmuena@rcchawaii.org](mailto:jalmuena@rcchawaii.org) or at 227-7309.

## October is the Month of Mary

Every Tuesday at 6 p.m. throughout the month of October (18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>) *Pray the Rosary Makers* will be hosting three mysteries of the rosary (150 Hail Mary's) at Our Lady of the Mount church in Kalihi Valley. All are welcome to come and share in this beautiful tribute to our Mother Mary and to take advantage of the healing power of intercessory prayer that the rosary possesses. This is a family event, all are welcome to come as we praise and honor our Blessed Lady. For more info please call Wilfred at 847-4339 or Tom at 594-5624. God bless you all.

## Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 13,025.45
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,889.19
Coffers	\$ 486.65
Holy Day	\$ 25.00



**Total** \$ **15,426.29**

## Pre-Order your Saint's Aloha Shirts

Reyn Spooner Saints of Hawaii aloha shirts will arrive by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Retail is \$98.00 and the Cathedral Gallery will be selling both men's and ladies' shirts for \$80.00 each. If you order your shirts by October 11<sup>th</sup>, we are offering an additional 15% off your purchase. Forms are available at the Cathedral Gallery. At your request, we can mail your purchase. For more information, please call 585-3311. Thank you.

## Solidarity in Prayer

Please join us at the Opening of the Centennial celebration of Our Lady of Fatima on Thursday, October 13 from 7-8pm for rosary and benediction. Rosaries made by the Cathedral rosary-making group will be available for free. The Fatima statue we will venerate on that evening was created by the original creator of the Fatima statue that is being toured around the world.

## Cathedral Renewal Campaign

### Project Update

Phase 2a work on the bell tower, which was expected to start in September, is now scheduled to begin on November 15<sup>th</sup>. This change of date was made to allow more time for specialty materials to be shipped to Hawaii. Although construction workers will not be on-site until November, preparations are currently underway and work has begun to acquire materials and secure contracts with the sub-contractors who will be performing the work.

Work on the bell tower will be completed by mid-December and is not expected to interfere with the mass schedule.

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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# October 9, 2016 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

*2 Kings 5:14-17 | Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 | 2 Timothy 2:8-13 | Luke 17:11-19*

After Naaman, a foreign army leader, is healed by the God of Israel he is convinced this is the true God. He could not remain in Israel he took some soil to maintain the contact with the God of Israel. Naaman's experience reinforces Israel's conviction that their God's power extends to the ends of the earth. The psalm affirms what we have heard in the story of Elisha and Naaman, and calls us to remember that although God first chose the people of Israel, his saving power is to be revealed and proclaimed to all peoples and nations.

In the Gospel, the leper from Samaria, realizing he is healed, returns to Jesus. Jews considered Samaritans outcasts and enemies, but narrow boundaries for God's saving action do not exist for Jesus. Time and again he ignored expected behavior to bring God's love to all who were oppressed or considered beyond the fold of God's love. The Samaritan recognizes God at work in Jesus and glorifies his saving action. God's salvation is once again proclaimed to all people.

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### Next Sunday's Readings

*Exodus 17:8-13 | Psalm 121: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 | 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2 | Luke 18:1-8*

## From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral Family:

Clearly, today's scriptures emphasize the saving grace that real gratitude is. The ten in the gospel were cured physically, but of only one does Jesus say that he is "saved". How is it that being thankful can save us? Being thankful saves us because it means that we have adopted an attitude of gratitude; a life-giving way of being that characterizes our approach to people and events. It has three important components.

Being thankful means that we strive to give thanks in every situation. It is easy to be grateful when we are blessed and things are going well. But, like Paul in his letter to Timothy, can we "bear everything" for the sake of others with gracefulness and hope? When we are burdened or when we fail, can we give thanks for an opportunity to grow and deepen our faith?

Being thankful means that we take the time and effort to clearly express our gratitude. Naaman and the Samaritan went out of their way and took time to come and give thanks. Their expression of gratitude was more than just polite and perfunctory. It came from the heart and was clearly an expression of love and devotion. As we give thanks to God and one another, do we express ourselves in the same way?

Being thankful means that we acknowledge God as the giver of all that we have and are. Even though Naaman and the Samaritan were not Jewish, they came to acknowledge the God of Israel, while those Israelites who were blessed with the law, the prophets, and signs and wonders did not. How have we taken God's presence in our lives for granted? We have been given so much.

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

## Infant Baptism

In three weeks we will be celebrating Infant Baptisms. Parents with infants for baptism must meet with one of our priests prior to attending the required class (along with their chosen godparents). Please call the office at 536-7036 for an appointment. We look forward to welcoming new members into the life of the Church and to supporting their parents and godparents in their duty to raise their children in the practice of the faith