

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, October 29

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Religious Education at 8:00am

Monday, October 30 – *Weekday*

Tuesday, October 31 – *Weekday*

Wednesday, November 1

Solemnity of All Saints

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Thursday, November 2

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Friday, November 3 – *First Friday*

Adoration/Benediction at 10:00am

Saturday, November 4 – *First Saturday*

Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, bishop

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

Mass & Holy Hour at 12:00n

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

Sunday, November 5

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Religious Education at 8:00am

Weekend Retreat

Retreat open to all ministers and volunteers of the Cathedral Basilica: Saturday, November 11 at St. Anthony Retreat Center. Please note that this is a Veterans weekend. Email Easter Almuena at ealmuena@rcchawaii.org or call the office.

Cathedral "Alumni" Mass

Please join us on Thursday, December 14th for Mass at 6:00 pm and a reception to follow in the Kamiano Center. Families of "alumni" are welcome and all are encouraged to bring pictures to display and share during the reception.

Bishop Larry Silva will be presiding, and Msgr. Gary Secor concelebrating a special Mass for Cathedral "Alumni," for anyone baptized, confirmed, married or ordained in the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace.

For more information, contact (808) 585-3357 | cbarnes@rcchawaii.org

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 9,689.46
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,693.64
Coffers	\$ 609.91
Holy Day Collection	\$ 20.00



Total \$ 12,012.01

Cathedral Family Ministry

"Praying together, Playing Together, Staying Together." Join us Friday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm to pray the Rosary and afterwards enjoy the fireworks and potluck. We're meeting on the beach side near the restrooms across from L&L. Contact Eddie Barinque at (808) 381-2285 for more information.

Cathedral Renewal Campaign

Mahalo to Saints Damien and Marianne

The first inaugural Damien and Marianne conference took place this past weekend at the Hawaii Convention Center, bringing greater awareness and understanding of our two Hawaii Saints. More than 500 attendees from abroad and locally attended seminars and workshops to learn about the lives of service led by Saints Damien and Marianne that we strive to emulate today.

As the final resting place for Saint Marianne's remains, and the entrusted keeper of a relic of Saint Damien, the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace is incredibly thankful for the opportunity to partake in this inaugural event and to gain recognition from hundreds of Saint Damien and Saint Marianne devotees.

In addition to funding renovations to the Cathedral, the Cathedral Renewal Campaign will also fund construction of a new Reliquary Chapel to house the remains of Saint Marianne and the relic of Saint Damien. This chapel will provided a dedicated space for all to venerate our two Hawaii Saints on the site of the first Catholic Church in Hawaii, where the Cathedral stands today.

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.

We also offer a menu of individual naming opportunities, which may be obtained by contacting the campaign office:

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

October 29, 2017 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

Exodus 22:20-26 | Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 | 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10 | Matthew 22:34-40

Each of us can think of a time when we really felt that we were heard. A great sense of peace comes with really being heard and understood.

Hearing requires effort on the part of the listener, as well as compassion for the speaker's life situation. The readings this week explore hearing from a variety of perspectives. In his first letter to the Thessalonians, Paul presents the people as stellar examples of listening to God. Their turning away from sin shows that they heard and followed his word. The Exodus reading begins by giving laws to hear and obey. With these laws come the assurances that God hears each of us, especially the weak and unprotected, and gives us comfort in our distress. In the reading from the Gospel, Jesus asks us to hear two basic commandments — love of God and love of neighbor as yourself.

Hearing takes strength of character. The message is not always what we want to hear and often changes us in unexpected ways. To fully love God and our neighbor, we may have to change our attitudes and preferences. We can find strength in the example of the Thessalonians to hear and respond to Jesus' message and example of love.

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Next Sunday's Readings: "31st Sunday in Ordinary Time"

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 | Psalm 131:1, 2, 3 | 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13 | Matthew 23:1-12

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral family:

Once again in today's gospel the Pharisees are trying to trap Jesus by asking him a challenging question. Because there were a multiplicity of laws in Judaism, they thought that in forcing him to choose the one or two most important, he would be guilty of calling the others less important. Jesus wisely states that these two great commandments, love of God and love of neighbor, sum up all the others. Christ's lesson sums up the real meaning and nature of love.

Christ teaches us that we cannot love others unless we love God. The love of God and God's love must be the strength behind all of our human efforts to love. Otherwise, our love risks being superficial or self-serving and not sacrificial and life-giving. As we heard last week, the spiritual and the material must interpenetrate one another.

Christ teaches us that we cannot love God unless we love others. As the First Letter of John reminds us, "the one who does not love his brother or sister whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen" (1 John 4:20). Our love of God must result in love of those created in the image and likeness of God. Otherwise, our good feelings toward God fail to translate into good deeds.

Christ teaches us that healthy self-love enables our love of others to be healthy as well. If we do not see the good in ourselves, how can we see the good in another person? Taking care of ourselves, in a realistic and selfless way, serves as the foundation for being able to take care of others. Otherwise, the foundation for our charity will crumble.

We are always in the school of love and God reminds us today of important lessons that we need to learn and relearn.

In Christ's love,

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

Rector

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"Iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

Calling all men. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil. Become a spiritual leader and warrior. First and third Thursdays starting November. 7:00 - 8:00 pm. 1728 Nuuanu Ave. (The former Cathedral Catholic Academy) Contact Ron at 808-306-7502 or email gochron@gmail.com.