

## The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, October 30

### **31<sup>st</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 31 – *Weekday*

Tuesday, November 1

### **Solemnity of All Saints**

No Cathedral Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 2

### **The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

(All Souls)

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, November 3 – *Weekday*

Friday, November 4 – *First Friday*

**Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

Adoration/Benediction at 10:00am

Saturday, November 5 – *First Saturday*

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

Mass & Holy Hour at 12:00n

St. Marianne Devotional Group at 12:30pm

Sunday, November 6

### **32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Archdiocese Military Services

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

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

### **“All Souls”**

For the month of November, all mass intentions will be offered for the repose of the souls of our deceased loved ones. Intention envelopes are available at the parish office or from the church sacristy. You may also inscribe the names of friends & family in our “Book of Remembrances” located in the Cathedral Basilica.

### **Married Couples**

Open to all married couples in the Catholic Church. Join us on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 12:00n – 4:00pm for “5 Languages of Love. For more information, please contact Deacon Joe Almuena at [jalmuena@rcchawaii.org](mailto:jalmuena@rcchawaii.org) or call 227-7309.

## Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,925.56
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,556.51
Coffers	\$ 549.59
Holy Day	\$ 80.00



**Total** \$ **10,121.66**

## Cathedral Renewal Campaign

Bishop Larry Silva and Fr. Gary Secor invited all 66 parishes in the Diocese of Honolulu to support renovations to the “Mother Church” of the diocese. Many parishes have elected to participate by conducting a second collection on behalf of the Cathedral Renewal Campaign and we’d like to thank all of those communities for their generous support!

Thirty-five parishes have already conducted their second collections and nineteen of those have sent in their contributions, totaling more than \$38,000!!

Mahalo nui loa to the following parishes for their second-collection gifts to the Cathedral Renewal Campaign:

**Immaculate Conception, Lihue**  
**Immaculate Conception, Ewa**  
**Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Kaneohe**  
**Our Lady of Sorrows, Wahiawa**  
**Resurrection of the Lord, Waipahu**  
**Sacred Heart, Hawi**  
**Sacred Heart, Waianae**  
**St. Anthony of Padua, Kailua**  
**St. Anthony, Kalihi**  
**St. Augustine by-the-Sea, Honolulu**  
**St. Damien of Molokai, Kaunakakai**  
**St. Elizabeth, Aiea**  
**St. George, Waimanalo**  
**St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani**  
**St. Joseph, Waipahu**  
**St. Jude, Kapolei**  
**St. Philomena, Honolulu**  
**St. Roch, Kahuku**  
**St. Theresa, Mountain View**

**We also wish to thank the many individual families and friends who have sent donations (\$79,000) directly to us!**

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 30, 2016 – Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

*Wisdom 11:22 –12:2 | Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14 | 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 | Luke 19:1-10*

The account of Zacchaeus, told only in Luke's account of the Gospel, is the last event in Jesus' journey as he travels to Jerusalem, where his death will bring salvation to the world. Some see this as a conversion story, but it has other possibilities. Zacchaeus may have been a faithful tax collector who followed the law in practices and almsgiving, but tax collectors had reputations for swindling money from others. The people were disgruntled with him, or perhaps even with Jesus for going to his house. They grumbled about the Teacher going to one they considered a sinner!

Jesus, who probably realized his actions were placing him more and more at risk with the authorities, offers God's generous grace and compassion to one who is loathed. Zacchaeus is one of God's chosen, a marvelous work of his creative power. God comes with salvation for such a one as this who is loved by God and welcomed by Jesus into God's kingdom. Zacchaeus's generous response is one we might imitate, faced with the overwhelming power of God's love for us.

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### Next Sunday's Readings

*2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 | Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 | 2 Thessalonians 2:16 -3:5 | Luke 20:27-28*

## From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral Family:

God desires nothing more than to be merciful to us and to have us experience conversion. In the story of the conversion of Zacchaeus, we see how Christ "has come to seek and to save what was lost". We also see three important things that Zacchaeus was willing to do in order to accept the gift of God's forgiveness. We need to do these things as well if we want to access the richness of grace.

First of all, Zacchaeus was willing to look foolish in order to see Jesus. He did not let the crowd prevent him from a vision of the Lord, but ran ahead and climbed a tree. I am sure there were some who thought he was crazy. We need to be willing to be foolish in the eyes of the world in order to see Christ. The crowd will often pressure us to conform and prevent us from seeing God. More radically living the values of the gospel will seem foolhardy to many. But, God's wisdom is not a worldly wisdom.

Secondly, Zacchaeus was willing to welcome Jesus to the place where he lived. He was not ashamed to have Christ in his home, even though it was the "house of a sinner". Are we willing to allow Christ to be with us, even in our "sinful house"? Do we want him to stay with us just when we are at Church, or are we willing to bring him into the places and situations where our life is really lived? Are we ashamed to have him with us because we are ashamed of our relationship with him?

Finally, Zacchaeus was willing to "clean up his mess". His conversion was completed when he was willing to repay those who he had stolen from and give to those in need. He understood the hurt that he had caused and took responsibility for it. Real repentance needs to be accompanied by reparation.

Let us thank God for being so merciful to us and pray that we, like Zacchaeus, will do what we need to do to fully access God's forgiving and healing grace.

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