

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, November 6

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd 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

Monday, November 7 – *Weekday*

Tuesday, November 8 – *Weekday*

Evening Prayer at 5:40pm

Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, November 9

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am

Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, November 10

**Memorial of St. Leo the Great, pope,
doctor of the Church**

Friday, November 11

Memorial of St. Martin of Tours, bishop

Veterans' Day Holiday

**Cathedral Basilica on Holiday Schedule
Offices Closed**

Saturday, November 12

Memorial of St. Josaphat, bishop, martyr

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am

St. Damien Devotional Group at 12:30pm

Sunday, November 13

33rd 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

You are invited to attend a talk on "Catholicism" by Bishop Barron from 11:30am to 12:30pm on Sunday, November 13. Contact: Deacon Joe & Easter at ealmuena@rcchawaii.org or call at 227-7309

2nd Collection

Today we're taking up a 2nd Collection for The Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS) was established by St. John Paul, II in 1985 to provide the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries to those in the United State Armed Forces. Please be generous. Mahalo

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday Collection	\$ 8,264.19
Weekday Collection	\$ 1,437.11
Coffers	\$ 663.06
Holy Day	\$ 281.00
Total	\$ 10,645.36



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 \$42,800!!

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 Good Counsel, Pearl City
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, Honolulu, Kalihi
St. Augustine by-the-Sea, Honolulu
St. Catherine, Kapaa
St. Damien of Molokai, Kaunakakai
St. Elizabeth, Aiea
St. George, Waimanalo
St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani
St. John the Baptist, Honolulu
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

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

November 6, 2016 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exegesis on this 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

Today's Psalm 17 might have been the prayer of the seven brothers as they faced martyrdom. The refrain summarizes the message of the psalm: our greatest joy will be seeing God's glory. The psalmist could sound self-righteous, but understanding this as a prayer in the midst of persecution, we realize that the person praying is suffering precisely for having been steadfast.

The psalmist uses two images for God's care. In the first, the person praying asks to be the "apple" of God's eye — a reference to the pupil of the eye, where someone can see their own reflection as the other gazes on them. In the second, the psalmist asks God to act like a mother bird protecting her child from danger. Both images offer insight into God's providence. The powerful witness of the brothers is a strong response to the conviction that God's care will be enough for us. We trust and put faith in God, the source of new life. Jesus assures his disciples that those who trust God will rise again.

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Next Sunday's Readings

Malachi 3:19-20a | Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 | 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 | Luke 21:5-19

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral Family:

The question posed to Jesus in today's gospel regarding the resurrection was asked by those who denied that there is a resurrection. Where do we stand on this question? Although our membership in the Church would seem to imply that we believe in a life after this life, what should that belief concretely mean?

To believe in the resurrection is to believe that, not only is dying a part of life, it is the way to life. The symptoms of the denial of death are everywhere in our world. They are especially evident in our unwillingness to endure legitimate suffering for the sake of a greater good. God, and nature, teach us that for something to live something has to die. What needs to die in my life so that Christ might live more fully in me?

To believe in the resurrection is to believe that there is no burden that is unbearable because of the power of God's love and mercy. We all have many things that burden us and our personal "thorn in the flesh" that afflicts us. Sometimes we feel like dying or that we are dying under the weight of these problems. Christ's life, death, and resurrection teaches us that even the burden of death is not greater than God's love. What burdens in my life do I need to lay down at the feet of Jesus so that he can carry them?

To believe in the resurrection is to believe that the race of life finishes in heaven and not here on earth. Where we understand the finish line is during the race of life makes all the difference in terms of how we run the race. How we use our limited amount of energy and what we value is absolutely determined by what we consider of ultimate importance in terms of "finishing well". To think that the finish line of life is in a cemetery is to fall short of the finish line. Am I running away from death or toward eternal life?

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