The Church's Calendar This Week

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

Monday, November 14 – Weekday

Tuesday, November 15 – *Weekday*Evening Prayer at 5:40pm
Cathedral Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

Wednesday, November 16 – *Weekday* Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11:00am Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm

Thursday, November 17 **Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary**, religious

Friday, November 18 – Weekday

Saturday, November 19 – *Weekday* Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am St. Marianne Devotional Group at 12:30pm

Sunday, November 20

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2nd Collection for Catholic Campaign for Human Development Masses at 6:00a/7:30/9:00/10:30/12:00n/6:00pm

Religious Education Classes at 8:00am

Adult Faith Formation

All are welcome to attend a talk on "Catholicism" by Bishop Barron today from 11:30a – 12:30p. If you miss this session, please contact Deacon Joe & Easter at ealmuena@rcchawaii.org or call at 227-7309 for more information.

Campaign for Human Development

Next week's collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to break the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

Stewardship of Treasure

 Sunday Collection
 \$ 8,094.12

 Weekday Collection
 \$ 2,796.39

 Coffers
 \$ 584.39

 Holy Day
 \$ 2,702.00

 Total
 \$ 14,176.89

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 \$45,500!!

Mahalo nui loa to the following parishes for their secondcollection gifts to the Cathedral Renewal Campaign:

Immaculate Conception, Lihue

Immaculate Conception, Ewa

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Papaikou

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 13, 2016 – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

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

The last Sundays of the year independently form a miniature season. The end of the liturgical year, and of the three-year cycle of readings, leads us into deeper reflection on the end of all time. Today concludes the series of readings from 2 Thessalonians and brings the ministry of Jesus to a climax in Luke's gospel. He speaks ominously about the destruction of the Jerusalem temple. He knows the building will be destroyed, and that his life will end in its shadow. The end of time will bring violence and confusion, but believers have the confidence that they can secure their lives by perseverance in faith.

The prophet Malachi predicts the coming day of the Lord, a day coming like fire that will destroy the enemy and preserve the righteous. They will experience the rising of the sun of justice with its healing rays. Today's responsorial psalm anticipates that God will come to rule the earth with justice.

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Next Sunday's Readings

2 Samuel 5:1-3 | Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 | Colossians 1:12-20 | Luke 23:35-43

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Cathedral Family:

As we approach the end of the Church's year with the celebration of Christ the King (next Sunday), the gospel focuses on the final coming of Christ at the end of time. While it is important to acknowledge the fact that there will be a final coming and judgment and that Christ will coming in glory at that time, we are also asked to recognize how Christ comes to us here and now. What do we need to be aware of as we welcome God into our lives today?

We must be aware that we can be deceived into thinking that someone or something apart from Christ is our "messiah". Jesus exhorts us in the gospel to reject these false saviors and refuse to follow them. The world is constantly holding up for our admiration and worship things and activities that are, in God's eyes, less than worthy or of no ultimate worth. Satan, "the father of lies", wants us to believe the lie that these things and activities are what we need to be fulfilled. Only God can save us.

We must be aware that the process of welcoming God into our lives will be painful and a struggle. The gospel speaks in dramatic terms of cataclysmic events and strife as a sign that Christ is coming. If we are honestly trying to accept Jesus as Lord in our lives, we are going to experience the drama of our own pain and struggle. There is no way to avoid this and, if we try to avoid it, we will be avoiding God. Bringing God to birth is not often pleasant. But, Christ is there to help us if we will let him.

We must be aware that perseverance pays off. Paul speaks of the importance of taking responsibility, living a orderly life, and working quietly. God is not about giving us instant holiness or success. What honors God the most is a faith that is constant and pure.

On this weekend, we also want to pray for all of our veterans, living and dead, and we are grateful for their service.

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