

# *The Epiphany of the Lord*

## *January 3 & 4, 2015*

### Parish Calendar

<b>Monday, Jan. 5:</b>		
9:00-11:30am	Outreach	Center
10:00am	PC Nursing Home Mass	Offsite
7:00pm	Baptism Class	Center
<b>Tuesday, Jan. 6:</b>		
6:00-9:00pm	RCIA	Center
6:00-9:00pm	1st Comm. Orientation	PC
<b>Wednesday, Jan. 7:</b>		
1:30-2:30pm	Drum Class	Mtg. Rm
5:00-6:30pm	Drum Class	Mtg. Rm.
6:30-9:00pm	Charismatic Prayer Grp.	Church
7:00-9:00pm	Youth Group	Mtg. Rm
<b>Thursday, Jan. 8:</b>		
8:15am	School Mass	Church
9:00-11:30am	Outreach	Center
4:30-6:00pm	Blessed Mother Prayer Grp.	Church
6:00-7:00pm	Y & YA Choir	Mtg. Rm
7:00-9:00pm	Samoan Choir	Church
<b>Friday, Jan. 9:</b>		
9:00-10:00am	Xavier Club	Center
10:15-10:45am	School Rosary	Church
3:00-4:00pm	School activity	PC 1
<b>Saturday, Jan. 10:</b>		
8:30-9:30am	Fellowship Comm Mtg	Center
11:00am	Parish Workday lunch	Center
12:00-2:00pm	PABS	Mtg. Rm.
4:00-9:00pm	FM	Center
7:00-9:00pm	Samoan Choir	Church
<b>Sunday, Jan. 11:</b>		
7:30am	Fellowship	PC 1
8:00-11:00am	RCIA	Center
9:00am	Neocatechumenal Way	Mtg. Rm
9:00-11:00am	Neocatechumenal Way	Mtg. Rm
9:30am	Fellowship	PC 1
9:45-10:45am	Sunday School	School
12:00PM	Catchist Mtg.	Center
12:00pm	Fellowship	PC 1
12:15pm	Baptism	Church
12:30-2:30pm	Arms	Mtg. Rm
2:00-4:30pm	Confirmation I	Center
2:00-4:30pm	Confirmation II	PC 1
6:00-8:00pm	Arms	Mtg. Rm.

### Mass Intentions

#### **Saturday, January 3**

Thanksgiving & blessings for Josie Respicio & Family, Blessings & Healing for Frances Palmyra & Elaine Yamashita, For the eternal repose of the souls of Betty Ann Lopez, Rupert Pocock

#### **Sunday, January 4**

**6:30am:** Spec. Int of Marrita, Ruskin, Venancia & Malitan Cristobal Family, For the eternal repose of the souls of Steve Carnahan, Samuel Hokama, Emelita Soria, Leonard and Calvin Chow

**8:30am:** *For the parishioners of Our Lady of Good Counsel*

**11:00am:** For the eternal repose of the souls of Feliciano & Melchora Sinco, Bartolome Cantor, Kevin P. Nutt, Alfredo Tabon, Orlando Garcia

**5:00pm:** Birthday blessings for Edward Bumanglag

#### **Monday, January 5**

Spec Int of Clementine Lutali, For the eternal repose of the souls Alfredo Tabon & Orlando Garcia

#### **Tuesday, January 6**

For the eternal repose of the souls of Alfredo Tabon & Orlando Garcia

#### **Wednesday, January 7**

For the eternal repose of the souls of Amador Casupang, Alfredo Tabon & Orlando Garcia

#### **Thursday, January 8**

For the eternal repose of the souls of Betty Ann Lopez, Amador Casupang, Alfredo Tabon, & Orlando Garcia

#### **Friday, January 9**

For the eternal repose of the souls of Amador Casupang, Alfredo Tabon & Orlando Garcia



### Three Kings Celebration

The Neocatechumenal Way will be presenting a celebration of the Three Kings on January 11th at 9:30am in the Pastoral Center.

Bring your children to celebrate with the Three Kings.



### Holy Father's Prayer Intention For January 2015

**Universal:** That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace

**For Evangelization:** That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.



**Epiphany of the Lord**  
January 3 & 4, 2015

**Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3** The Lord's promise to Abraham and Sarah is fulfilled.  
**Psalm 105** "The Lord remembers his covenant forever."  
**Hebrews 11:8, 11-12** The faith of our ancestors  
**Luke 2:22, 22-40** Simeon and Anna see Lord.  
**Or 2:22, 39-40**

During the Christmas season, the readings given to us are more closely related to each other than usual. And so we hear the story of Abraham and Sarah being promised a son, and God fulfilling that promise. In the second reading, Saint Paul comments directly on that history, pointing again to the promise made and fulfilled by God. Then in the Gospel we encounter Simeon and Anna in the temple, who praise God for the promise kept in the birth of Jesus. As we listen to God's word now, let us welcome the fulfilled promise of God in our own lives.

**The Baptism of the Lord**  
January 10 & 11, 2015

**Isaiah 60:1-6**  
**Psalm 72**  
**Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6**  
**Matthew 2:1-12**

**Intercessory Prayers: The Marginalized**

For all who are lonely or afraid,  
 for teenagers on the street,  
 old people in nursing homes,  
 Prisoners with no one to visit them,  
 and all whom the world has forgotten;  
 that Christ might lead us to them;

We pray to the Lord

**Stewardship Report**

*You can gift wrap your tithe in a personalized envelope!  
 Please contact our Parish Office for details.*

**General Operating Fund**

July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015 \$ 766,650.00  
 Weekly goal \$ 14,750.00

**Collection for: Dec. 27 & 28, 2014** \$ 43,887.30

Tithing from collection envelopes: \$ 9,771.64  
 Loose Collections: \$ 4,602.59  
 Christmas Donations: \$ 28,383.91  
 Other Misc Holiday Donations: \$ 1,129.16  
 Year to date budget: \$ 383,500.00  
 Year to date receipts: \$ 372,819.60  
 Difference: \$ (10,680.40)

**# of Tithing Envelopes Received: 273 (12/27-28)**

**Building Fund**

Building Fund Balance \$ 469,136.44  
**Collection for: Dec 24 & 25** \$ 205.25  
**Collection for: Dec. 27 & 28, 2014** \$ 1,299.25  
 Phase III Construction Goal: \$ 3,000,000.00  
 Amount to Goal: \$ (2,530,863.56)

**Church Maintenance Fund**

Current Church Maintenance Balance \$ 148,609.39  
**Collection for: Dec. 24 & 25** \$ 45.00  
**Collection for: Dec. 27 & 28, 2014** \$ 190.00

**Thank you for your generosity! - Fr. Pascual**

**A FINANCIAL GUIDE FOR TITHERS**

**For those striving to tithe, the following guide will be helpful**

ANNUAL Income	WEEKLY		MONTHLY		QUARTERLY		ANNUALLY	
	10%	5%	10%	5%	10%	5%	10%	5%
\$10,000	\$19.23	\$ 9.61	\$83.33	\$41.66	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$1000.00	\$500.00
\$15,000	\$28.84	\$14.42	\$125.00	\$62.50	\$375.00	\$187.50	\$1500.00	\$750.00
\$20,000	\$38.46	\$19.23	\$166.66	\$83.33	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$2000.00	\$1000.00
\$25,000	\$48.07	\$24.03	\$208.33	\$104.16	\$625.00	\$312.50	\$2500.00	\$1250.00
\$30,000	\$57.69	\$28.84	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$750.00	\$375.00	\$3,000.00	\$1500.00
\$40,000	\$76.92	\$38.46	\$333.33	\$166.66	\$1000.00	\$500.00	\$4000.00	\$2000.00
\$50,000	\$96.15	\$48.07	\$416.66	\$208.33	\$1250.00	\$625.00	\$5000.00	\$2500.00
\$60,000	\$115.38	\$57.69	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$1500.00	\$750.00	\$6000.00	\$3000.00
\$70,000	\$134.62	\$67.31	\$583.33	\$291.66	\$1750.00	\$875.00	\$7000.00	\$3500.00
\$80,000	\$153.85	\$76.92	\$666.67	\$333.33	\$2000.00	\$1000.00	\$8000.00	\$4000.00
\$90,000	\$173.08	\$86.54	\$750.00	\$375.00	\$2250.00	\$1125.00	\$9000.00	\$4500.00
\$100,000	\$192.31	\$96.15	\$833.33	\$416.66	\$2500.00	\$1250.00	\$10000.00	\$5000.00
\$125,000	\$240.38	\$120.19	\$1041.67	\$520.33	\$3125.00	\$1562.00	\$12500.00	\$6250.00

**IMPORTANT MEMO FROM THE DIOCESE**

Effective January 1, 2015 we will no longer be able to claim donations for Mass Intentions as tax deductible donations. Donations for Mass Intentions from 2014 will still appear on your tax statements, which are sent out at the end January, but any donations made in 2015 will not.

### *Science, Religion and the Magi*

*By: Kristina M. DeNeve  
Adult Faith Formation Coordinator  
Diocese of Honolulu*

Several TV shows (from Bones to The Big Bang Theory) have been depicting the supposed divide between faith and science. The nice but relatively naive people, this reasoning goes, have faith while truly intelligent, rational folks know that science is the better way to go. Beyond this, society often tells us that we must choose - either science or faith.

This is a false dichotomy, at least if you are a Catholic Christian. With 2000 years of history, we can certainly point to some missteps. (Galileo, btw, was incredibly hard to swallow, not just for the pope but for all of society-Galileo's research changed the entire world much like the printing press.) However, make no mistake, our catechism, our Tradition, clearly states there is no intrinsic conflict between science and religion.

The magi in today's Gospel make this point. Astrology was the primary science of Jesus' day. Only the most learned, intelligent, scientific men could read the stars and know the various cultures well enough to be able to seek Jesus in Bethlehem. Science doesn't conflict with faith - science actually points us toward God, can help us find God.

### *Intercession for Life*

For those who are ill"  
May they draw strength from the Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
Who is always with us in our suffering;  
We pray to the Lord:

### Pro-Life Reflections

*It is more important than ever that we have the will to  
honestly face the truth and say exactly what it is.*

*~The Gospel of Life 58*

**Reflection:** Some call abortion "termination of pregnancy." But so is birth. The fact is that every pregnancy terminates. The issue is how. Abortion supporters are simply masking an act of violence with their language.

**Prayer:** Spirit of truth, keep us free from the power of deception. Give us clear minds to know truth and courageous tongues to speak it.



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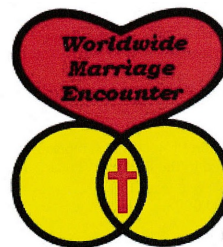
### *5th Annual Search begins for the Longest Married Couple in the United States*

This marks the projects fifth consecutive year for the highly acclaimed activity recognizing couples for their longest marriages.

"Once again we want to honor the longest married couple in the United States, as well as in each of the 52 states and territories. The national winner will be recognized during Valentine's Week 2015, which coincides with World Marriage Day, which is the second Sunday of February." explained Dick & Diane Baumbach and Fr. Dick Morse, the coordinators for the special project.

In addition to the longest married couple for the entire United States, recognition will also be given to a couple from each state and territories who has achieved that distinction. In the case of the United States couple, appropriate gifts will be presented to them by Ron & Judy Pekny and Fr. Rocky Grimard, the WWME national leadership team, at a ceremony to be held at the winner's location during the Valentine week. The state winners will also receive personal recognition and a special certificate of achievement from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter movement.

Nominations, which are open to all husband and wife couples regardless of religious affiliation, may be submitted to Dave & Sue Shanahan at [shanahan.wwme@gmail.com](mailto:shanahan.wwme@gmail.com) or (808) 837-7760



### *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend*

**When: March 20 - 22, 2015  
September 4 - 6, 2015**

**Watching your figure over  
the holidays so that you  
don't get out of shape? Keep your marriage fit  
and trim, too!**

**Make reservation for a Worldwide Marriage  
Encounter Weekend now!**

**For more information, contact Jose & Mary Elizabeth Alvior @ (808) 391-2045 our website at [www.hawaii.wwme.org](http://www.hawaii.wwme.org). Registration deadline 30 days from start of the weekend.**

## DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

### Jan. 3

Frank Dela Rosa Writght 1989  
 Frederick Bolosan 1998  
 Flora Rumbaoa 1998  
 Grace Calleion 2002  
 Dale Takaesu 2005  
 Maximo Ephan 2006  
 Susan Aquino 2007

### Jan. 4

Amanda Gene Newton 1979  
 Ederlyn Jacelyn Imanil 1982  
 David August Hughes 1991  
 Terenry Kanaso 2005  
 Florence Maureen Weisenburger 2007  
 Jaylin Sadako Vallejo 2011

### Jan. 5

Silverio Baguio 1973  
 Floreta Makinano Dumadag 2004

### Jan. 6

Dominga Molina 1967  
 Refael Santiago Guanzon 1980  
 Joseph Walsh 1991

### Jan. 6

Irene Arrayanatiz Bruun 1999  
 Fernando Nalawagan 2001  
 Melchora Sagun Guico 2006  
 Kainoa Kanalu O' Kalani Lavery 2007  
 Laura Wai Young Pang Wong 2008  
 Petronila Legaspi Urmenta 2011  
 John Sutsut Condus 2011

### Jan. 7

Macario Macale Deleon, Sr. 1967  
 John Joseph Monette 2007  
 Amador Casupang 2013

### Jan. 8

Florentino Gomez 1992  
 Margarita Llorente Pountillas 1993  
 Betty Elizabeth Luat 1994  
 Josephine Canales 1998  
 William Harrison Thurston 2006  
 Beatrice Mew Kung Takata 2008

### Jan. 9

Juan Tijano Balogtod 1982  
 Ariel Alizona 1996

## Adult Faith Formation Diocese of Honolulu

### Announcing the Second Saturday Series!

Interested in growing your faith and maybe even helping others at your parish to do so too? Consider attending one of these fall workshops:

### **Jan. 10, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, Apr. 11 and May 9:**

Topics all TBD based on your requests/ interests!

**Note** You do **not** need to attend ALL of the sessions - feel free to come to one or as many as interests you!

Question, Comments, Suggestions?

Contact Kristina at [kdeneve@rcchawaii.org](mailto:kdeneve@rcchawaii.org)

### Event Details

★ **What:** A monthly offering for any interested parishioner.

★ **When:** Second Saturday of each month

★ **Time:** 9:30 - 11:30am (Light refreshments begin at 9:00am)

★ **Where:** Komo Mai Room at St. Stephen Diocesan Center

★ **Cost:** Free! (Thanks to the Grateful Hearts Campaign)

★ **RSVP?** Are welcomed but not required.