

PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

October 16, 2022

Our help is from the Lord
who made heaven and earth!

Saturday, October 15	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, October 16	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a. m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, October 17	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, October 18	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday, October 19	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, October 20	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
Friday, October 21	..... 8:00 a. m.	Communion Service
Saturday, October 22	..... 10:00-12 pm	Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St.
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Sir:35:12-14, 16-18: Though not unduly partial toward the weak, God hears the cry of the oppressed.

2 Tim:4:6-8, 16-18: Paul claimed to Timothy that he had fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith.

Lk:18:9-14: Jesus encouraged people to pray with the tax collector, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner."

(Masks are optional but encouraged)

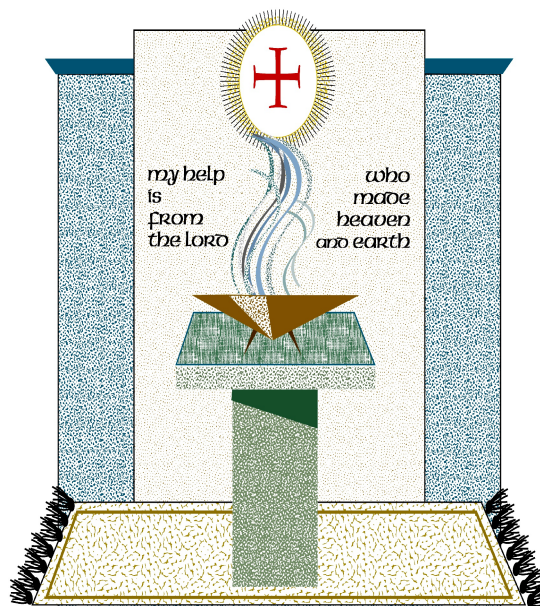
We continue to Live Stream the Sunday Mass @ 9:00 a. m. @ <https://www.stritananakuli.org/livestream> or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCepqtr_VuHL7R-MjmZpe7Cg/

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

My house shares a back yard with four college students. Ryan is one of them. Every morning the first thing Ryan does is go out the back door with a bagful of nuts and feed the squirrels. They hang out in our apple tree the way teenagers hang out around malls. One of the squirrels has become particularly bold and now waits expectantly for Ryan right at the back door. Lately the squirrel won't go away, no matter the time of day, no matter who's in the back yard. The squirrel just won't leave, nuts or no nuts, people or no people. Because it's become pesky, I now ignore the squirrel most of the time. Though Ryan doesn't, I do. Nevertheless, the squirrel is slowly getting my attention. Over the course of my lifetime, God is getting my attention, too. People tend to hear this week's Gospel parable about the widow who keeps knocking on the judge's door as a story about God who eventually gives in to the widow. I think it's more a story about me eventually giving in to God. I hope God's not offended by being compared to a squirrel, but God is much more like the squirrel (or the widow) than like the judge. God's the one who does the pleading, it seems to me. While the parable seems to say, "Don't lose heart; God will eventually hear and answer," perhaps it's really saying, "Don't lose heart; God will not give up knocking on your door."

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, The Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith. Envelopes are in your envelope packets and at the back of church.

WORD OF LIFE: "Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen." *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life "A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"*

WEEKLY READINGS

Oct 16 Sun: 29TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex:17:8-13; Ps:121; 2 Tim:3:14-4:2; Lk:18:1-8

Oct 17 Mon: Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Eph:2:1-10; Ps:100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Lk:12:13-21

Oct 18 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

2 Tim:4:10-17b; Ps:145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk:10:1-9

Oct 19 Wed: Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Eph:3:2-12; Is:12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk:12:39-48

Oct 20 Thur: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:3:14-21; Ps:33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk:12:49-53

Oct 21 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:4:1-6; Ps:24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk:12:54-59

Oct 22 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:4:7-16; Ps:122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk:13:1-9

RAISING HANDS IN PRAYER

When people find it hard to pray, they seek ways to improve. Sometimes a simple change can bring great benefits to our prayer.

Most people derive benefit from prayer if they get into the right routine. For example, the celebration of the Eucharist always follows the same outline. The predictability of the structure allows people to enter into the prayer. Some young people express frustration about the repetitive nature of the Mass, and that is understandable. But it takes time with the repetition to let the mystery of the Mass sink in to one's spirit. Once it does, the repetition provides a framework out of which people can pray.

Prayer at home can be improved through routine as well. Many people find it helpful to pick a certain time of day when they will go to pray. Others find a certain place they can use — whether it is a room or a particular chair. The selection of time and place provides the structure in which prayer can happen. Posture can also help prayer. Some people kneel. Others sit. Early Christians stood for prayer and lifted their hands. The priest still uses this posture when he prays at Mass.

It is similar to the posture taken by Moses when Amalek waged war against Israel. As long as Moses' hands were outstretched, Israel had the better of the fight.

If we are fighting at prayer, a minor adjustment in place, time, or posture might help.

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NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

If we want to know what Jesus' parable is about in today's Gospel, it seems that we don't need to work too hard because Saint Luke tell us right at the beginning: "Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart." This parable has often been used to bring comfort to us about our prayer life. But could there be a more challenging message for those who take stewardship seriously? Widows were the poorest and most vulnerable of people in Jesus' time. Oppressive legal and economic structures were the norm. Jesus embraced with great compassion the poor and the marginalized. Could it be that we are also encouraged to pray persistently for the poor, the weak and the vulnerable as we hear their cry for justice? And that we must not lose heart that we can effect change in their live? *(International Catholic Stewardship Council)*

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

MAHALO FOR SHARING YOUR TREASURE

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CATHOLIC BIBLES

It used to be that Catholics did not know the Bible very well at all. Every Catholic home had a Bible, but it was used only as a record book. Into it were inscribed the vital statistics of family members. When Grandpa died. When Aunt Tillie got married. When Cousin Susie was born. It was all in there, penned very carefully for the sake of accuracy, beauty, and the testimony of faith.

Now it is different. We may still use our Bibles for records, but we also use them for prayer, both as individuals and as a family. Even at church, Catholics hear readings from the Bible at every service. We have opened our hearts to the Word of God in church and at home.

It is a big book. We will never explore it fully. But we are getting more comfortable with it as a source of inspiration and direction. It is a good thing.

The Second Letter to Timothy says, "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work."

We who belong to God use the Bible as our guide. It equips us for every good work. Whenever we have questions, problems, curiosities, or a desire to give praise, the Bible is there for our use. Are you using yours?

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MASS FOR MEDICAL & HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS

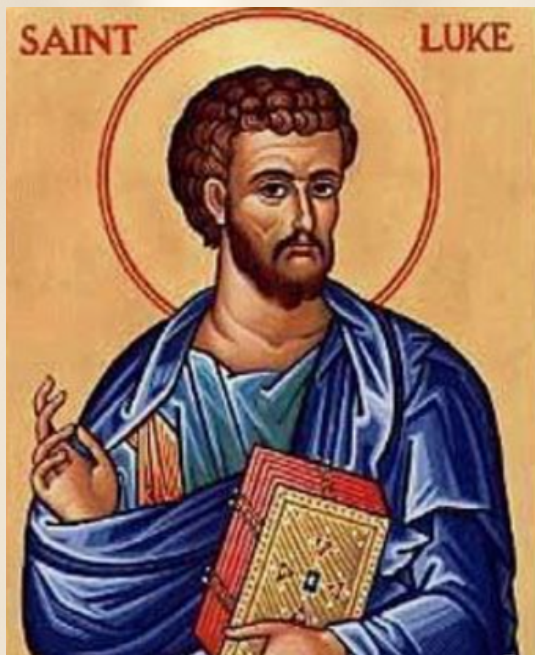
This Mass is a special celebration for physicians, nurses, healthcare providers, and their family and friends.

Tuesday October 18, 2022 at 6:00 PM

CO-CATHEDRAL OF ST. THERESA

712 N SCHOOL ST, HONOLULU, HI 96817

Presider: Very Rev. Msgr. Gary Secor, Vicar General



SAINT LUKE
THE EVANGELIST

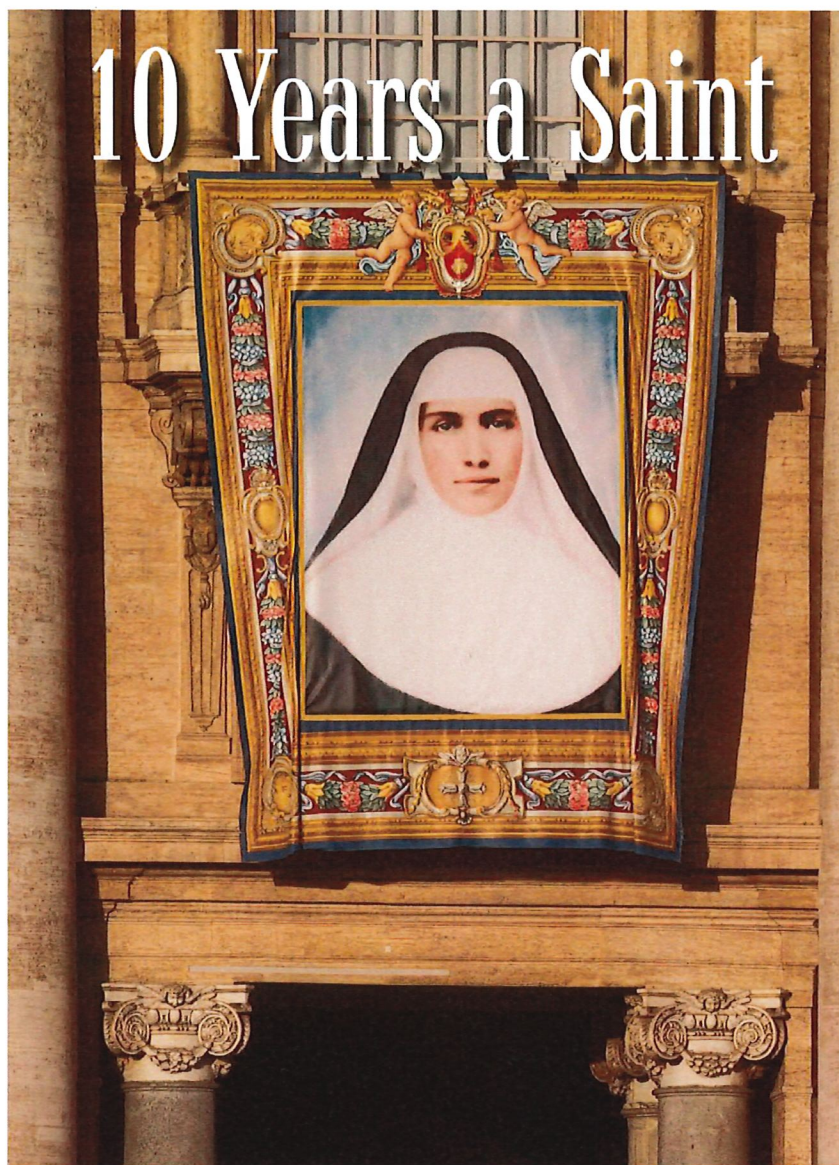
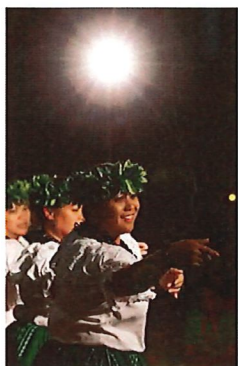
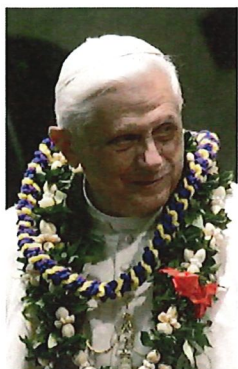
**PATRON SAINT OF
PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS**

FEAST DAY OCTOBER 18

*Bentos will be provided after the Mass.
Please RSVP at PMAHinfo@gmail.com*



**ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII
DIOCESE OF HONOLULU**



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Celebrate the 10th Anniversary of St. Marianne's Canonization

Ten years ago, on Oct. 21, under glorious blue skies, Pope Benedict XVI canonized Mother Marianne Cope of Molokai, at the Vatican's St. Peter's Square.

The Diocese of Honolulu will celebrate this anniversary with a Mass in the Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa 712 North School Street, Honolulu, on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. (Note time change) Bishop Larry Silva will preside.

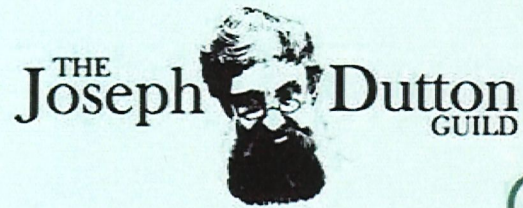
A free reception will follow. All are invited.

Registration for Oct. 25 event through Eventbrite is required:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/422930234717>

There will also be a Mass on the anniversary date itself, Friday, Oct. 21, at noon at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace.

The bishop will also celebrate an anniversary Mass Oct. 23 at 10 a.m. at St. Francis Church, Kalaupapa, Molokai. (private)



Veterans Day Gala & Online Auction

Wednesday, November 9, 2022,
Ala Moana Hotel, Honolulu, Hawaii

Order Tickets & Register for Live Event and Zoom
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10:30 am - Doors Open - Registration

12:00 Noon - Dinner - Announce Auction Winners

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Speakers

\$100 Per Seat or \$900 Per Table of 10

Kate D. Mahoney

SPEAKERS

Fr. John Paul Kimes



Author, Actor, Health Communicator
Vehicle for first Miracle Attributed
to Saint Marianne Cope
"Thoughts from a Misfit Miracle"



Professor Canon Law,
University of Notre Dame
Law School
"Following the Path to Holiness:
Finding Molokai in the 21st Century"

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Day of Recollection Journeying with a Saint

Join us for this opportunity to grow in your faith. Learn more about the life and service of Mother Theodore Guerin. We will learn more about Mother Theodore and how she is model for us on caring for the sick and the poor.



NEW DATE!

When? Saturday, December 3, 2022

Time: 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Where? Zoom

Who? Young people of all ages. Parents of children in grades 5 and under are required to participate with their child(ren).

This is an interactive experience. Participants are asked to have a camera and microphone available. Young people who participate in the full event will receive a Mother Theodore Guerin patch.

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