



# ST. PETER AND PAUL CHURCH

## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 26, 2021



*[Jesus said,] "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna."*

MARK 9:43

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**WEEKEND MASSES:** Saturday:(Sunday Anticipated) 5:00pm  
Sunday Morning: 7:00 a.m. 9:00a.m. 10:30a.m.  
NOON and Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Mon – Fri: 7:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m .

**RECONCILIATION:** Friday 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. & Saturday 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.  
or by appointment

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Fridays: After the 7:00 am mass until 11:45 a.m.

Please, Kokua! Keep doing our essential parts: Wear face mask/covering,  
WALK/WAIT 6 feet apart, and WASH hands thoroughly and regularly. Mahalo

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Sts. Peter & Paul Church Honolulu

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walk-in visitors,  
but please call the office and make  
an appointment  
or leave a message if we can help  
in any way.*

# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## *“Isn’t That a Bit Extreme?”*

### Good News!

Nm 11:25–29; Jas 5:1–6; Mk 9:38–43, 45, 47–48

**No sacrifice is too extreme in pursuit of a dream.** We will forego sleep, the enjoyment of a favorite pastime, the company of good friends—even the pleasure of good food. Ask anyone who has spent hours preparing for a recital, trying out for a position on an athletic team, or studying for an entrance exam. The same is true when one’s livelihood is involved. Ask farmers, people in the military, teachers, or health-care workers. Ask new parents, or even those who have been at it for a long time.

If we really value something or someone, no sacrifice is too great—at least for a while—when that cherished goal is in view. We don’t seem as willing to forfeit comfort when negative inclinations are involved, and we all have them: rivalry, jealousy, fury, selfishness, slander, gossip, conceit, to name a few. We know that such pettiness or rank cruelty can harm us as well as those we offend, but too often we seem unwilling to restrain such inclinations.

In today’s Gospel passage, Jesus speaks quite strongly to such reticence. Does he really expect us to maim ourselves? Isn’t that a bit extreme? The fact is, when we try to purge ourselves of reprehensible behavior it is like cutting off our hand or plucking out our eye. Ask anyone who deals with an addiction. If Jesus asks this of us, it means that we certainly have the strength to do it.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### For Reflection:

- \* *Pray for the insight to recognize a bad habit that keeps you from being your best self.*
- \* *What behavior might you have to give up?*

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### September Prayer Intentions from Pope Francis

#### The Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Date		Intentions	Celebrant
<b>Sat Sept 25</b>	5:00 PM	Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul	Fr. Sebastian
<b>Sunday Sept 26</b>	7:00 AM	Kai Kin Choi ( <i>H</i> )	Fr. Sebastian
	9:00 AM	Jody Nakaoka ( <i>H</i> ) + Ray Okinishi	Fr. Khanh
	10:30 AM	+ Chung Ja Carrell + Diosdado Cabaes	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	+ Edwin Munalem Vicki Chee ( <i>H</i> )	Fr. Greg
	6:00 PM	Souls in purgatory	Fr. Khanh
<b>Monday Sept 27</b>	7:00 AM	Jenni & Rosita Bautista ( <i>SI</i> )	Fr. Sebastian
	12 NOON	Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Khanh
<b>Tuesday Sept 28</b>	7:00 AM	Blanche DeConte ( <i>SI</i> )	Fr. Greg
	12 NOON	+ Ray Okinishi	Fr. Greg
<b>Wednesday Sept 29</b>	7:00 AM	Agnes Hermoso-Graves ( <i>SI</i> )	Fr. Sebastian
	12 NOON	Manlolo Family ( <i>SI</i> )	Fr. Khanh
<b>Thursday Sept 30</b>	7:00 AM	+ Alfredo Agustin	Fr. Khanh
	12 NOON	+ Merv Young ( <i>BD</i> )	Fr. Sebastian
<b>Friday Oct 1</b>	7:00 AM	+ Edwin Munalem	Fr. Sebastian
	12 NOON	Christine Gyves ( <i>BD</i> )	Fr. Sebastian
<b>Saturday Oct 2</b>	Private	+ Souls in Purgatory	Fr. Khanh
	5:00 PM	Parishioners	Fr. Sebastian
<b>Sunday Oct 3</b>	7:00 AM	+ Raimunda Palacios	Fr. Sebastian
	9:00 AM	Marc Tijhee Feliciano ( <i>BD</i> )	Fr. Greg
	10:30 AM	+ Pacita C. Leuterio	Fr. Sebastian
	12 NOON	+ Edwin Munalem Vicki Chee ( <i>H</i> )	Fr. Sebastian
	6:00 PM	+ Chung Ja Carrell	Fr. Sebastian

Pray for an end to  
the virus pandemic.



## STEWARDSHIP

### TIME – TALENT – TREASURE

#### MASS SCHEDULE FOR ORDINARY TIME

Daily Mass Monday-Friday 7:00 AM & Noon.

#### Sunday Masses for October—Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 PM anticipated Mass,

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 10:30 AM & 12:00 NOON and 6:00 PM.

#### FAITH FORMATION

##### CCD –Religious Education-Sacramental Preparation

If you wish your child to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and First Holy Communion) their classes will begin first. Please go to our website to register. Click the Faith Formation Tab.

**CATECHUMENTATE, also known as RCIA** is the process which an individual over the age of 18 enters into formation to receive the Sacraments at Easter. Our program has been on hiatus, but there are many who are hungry for God. The pandemic has given people an opportunity to be exposed to the Mass as never before. Email us at [sspeterandpaul@rcchawaii.org](mailto:sspeterandpaul@rcchawaii.org) if you know of someone who is interested in becoming Catholic.

#### Respect for Life Month

begins Oct. 1, 2021.

*“Building a culture that cherishes and protects every human life.”*

Every October, we consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

**Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life.**

**Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering.**

**Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.**

**Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all.**

**Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy.**

**We ask this through Christ, our Lord Amen.**



#### TREASURE

*Mahalo for your generous contributions and faithful stewardship contributions.*

*Totals for September 18—19, 2021:*

<b>Sunday offering</b>	\$ 4,852.41
<b>Stewardship (by mail)</b>	1,385.00
Building Fund	50.20
Outreach	569.00
Catholic Care Project	210.00
Olakino Program	30.00
Mass Intentions	150.00
Shepherd's Collection	25.00
Catholic University of America	136.00
Seminarian Education Fund	25.00
World Mission	2.00
Candles	452.18
Catholic Charities Hawaii	131.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 8,017.79</b>

*Our online giving is available on our website.*

*The collection total for Sept. 13—17, 2021*

*online giving is: \$693.78*

Stewardship	\$ 217.00
Building Fund	35.00
Catholic Care Project	112.00
Olakino Project	80.00
Shaping the Future Campaign	125.00
Mass Intentions	49.40
Brick Project	7.00
Help offset fee	1.38

Our Second Collection for this week is for the **BUILDING FUND**, used for the maintenance and repair of the church building.

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER

October 16/17 Building Fund

October 23/24 World Mission Sunday

Diocesan Appeal



# Dear Padre,

**Isn't evangelization a role best left to religious professionals? I worry about being ridiculed if I try to spread the Good News. Any suggestions?**

**M**any Catholics incorrectly assume that evangelization is not their job but a task for priests, deacons, or others serving in an official capacity. But it is helpful to remember that evangelization is more a matter of commitment rather than a specialized competence. The Gospel proclaims that a disciple must go out into the world and spread the Good News.

Evangelization is the mission and purpose of the whole Church. It is doing God's will and work on earth.

Your anxiety about being ridiculed may arise from a notion that others will reject information about Jesus Christ. This fear may be underestimating the powerful attraction of the Good News. This worry may be based on your own lack of confidence rather than the response of others. There are several ways for dealing

with this concern: First, acknowledge this fear and seek counsel and advice from someone who has overcome it. Second, remember that to help us offset these negative emotions we are all given the fruits of the Holy Spirit: joy, love, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Third, remember the future—God works in mysterious ways, and grace, though powerful, may take a long time to come to fruition.

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**Do you have a question for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*It is our great responsibility, as baptized persons, to proclaim Christ, to carry the Church—this fruitful motherhood of the Church—forward. Mary, during the persecution of the first Christians, prayed so much and moved those who had been baptized to go forward with courage.*

HOMILY, APRIL 17, 2013

## Calendar

### Monday

SEPTEMBER 27  
St. Vincent de Paul,  
Priest  
Zec 8:1–8  
Lk 9:46–50

### Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 28  
Weekday  
Zec 8:20–23  
Lk 9:51–56

### Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 29  
Sts. Michael, Gabriel,  
and Raphael,  
Archangels  
Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 or  
Rv 12:7–12a  
Jn 1:47–51

### Thursday

SEPTEMBER 30  
St. Jerome,  
Priest and Doctor  
of the Church  
Neh 8:1–4a, 5–6, 7b–12  
Lk 10:1–12

### Friday

OCTOBER 1  
St. Thérèse of the Child  
Jesus, Virgin and Doctor  
of the Church  
Bar 1:15–22  
Lk 10:13–16

### Saturday

OCTOBER 2  
The Holy Guardian Angels  
Bar 4:5–12, 27–29  
Mt 18:1–5, 10

### Sunday

OCTOBER 3  
Twenty-seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Gn 2:18–24  
Heb 2:9–11  
Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12