



# Sts. Peter and Paul Church

February 15, 2026

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’  
and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’”

MATTHEW 5:37

IMAGE: SHUANG PAUL WANG / ISTOCK

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEEKDAY:

Monday–Friday 7:00am & Noon

#### WEEKEND:

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 6:00pm

#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Fridays after 7:00am mass until 11:45am

#### RECONCILIATION:

Fridays: 10:15—11:30am

Saturdays: 3:00—4:00pm

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### SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Anointing of the Sick and Funerals:** Please call parish office.

**Infant Baptism:** Parents are required to meet with Father before scheduling a baptism. Please call the office or send email to request a registration form. (For adults, call and leave a message for OCIA coordinator, 808-941-0675 ext. 25)

**Marriage:** The proper and required prep for Marriage is extensive. Please talk to a priest or deacon at least 6-months prior before setting a date.

**Father Arnel Soriano, *Pastor* ◇ Father Khanh Hoang, *Part-Time Parochial Vicar***  
**Deacon Joel Narusawa**

# Good News!

February 15, 2026

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Sirach 15:15-20 / 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 / Matthew 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

### Some Walk Away

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

“Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No’” (Matthew 5:37). This teaching of Jesus seems to get lost, perhaps because it comes at the end of a long listing of commandments. Regardless, it seems to get right to the point, almost making the other commandments unnecessary or perhaps clarifying them. Either you are going to be a child of your heavenly Father and live like one, or you are not. If you are a child of God, you would not contemplate any evil behaviors, let alone actually do them.

That is the clarity of the teaching of Jesus. It is authentic. It is compelling. It invites a response. Yet, there are those who were present with him who did not understand. Who missed the point. Who insisted on another way. Who could not discern the simplicity of the truth. To each of these men and women, including some with the religious title of scribe or Pharisee, he observed, “And if the light in you is darkness, how great will the darkness be” (Matthew 6:23). Even sadder is that not only did they miss the point, they also simply walked away.

Do you want to say more than a simple “Yes” or “No”? Do you want to say, “Yes, but... I can’t do it now.” Or “I can’t forgive this particular person.” Or “I can’t welcome this particular stranger.” Or “I can’t love him or her or them.”

Have you also missed the point? Do you also want to walk away? ●

*-Reflect-*

*What teachings of Jesus are too hard to consider?*

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#### MONDAY

February 16  
Weekday

Jas 1:1-11

Mk 8:11-13

#### TUESDAY

February 17  
Weekday

Jas 1:12-18

Mk 8:14-21

#### WEDNESDAY

February 18  
Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18

2 Cor 5:20-6:2

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

#### THURSDAY

February 19  
Thursday after

Ash Wednesday

Dt 30:15-20

Lk 9:22-25

#### FRIDAY

February 20  
Friday after

Ash Wednesday

Is 58:1-9a

Mt 9:14-15

#### SATURDAY

February 21  
Saturday after

Ash Wednesday

Is 58:9b-14

Lk 5:27-32

#### SUNDAY

February 22  
First Sunday

of Lent

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7

Rom 5:12-19 or

5:12, 17-19

Mt 4:1-11

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# LITURGY & PRAYER

Date	Intentions
Sat Feb 14	5:00 PM Jon & Arsenia Jacques (Anniv) + Man Thi Nguyen
Sunday February 15	7:00 AM + Jon Jacques + Robert & Jane Jacques + Dionicio & Marie Tacang Alex Huyunh (SI) Belollo Family (Th)
	9:00 AM Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul
	11:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory + Valentino Secretaria Phillip Lawrence (BD) Bonnie & Azon Gervacio (SI) + Byung-In Joseph Min
	6:00 PM Myrna Fung (SI) + Anthony Adorna + Maybelle C. MacDonald
Monday February 16	7:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
	12 NOON Rita Gaspar (BD)
Tuesday February 17	7:00 AM + Silvino Balandres
	12 NOON Marina Torio (SI)
Wednesday February 18	7:00 AM Erlinda Weatherford (SI)
	12 NOON Holy Souls in Purgatory
	6:00 PM Manlolo Family (SI)
Thursday February 19	7:00 AM Dan Gefroh (BD)
	12 NOON + John Kim
Friday February 20	7:00 AM Suelesa Posala (SI)
	12 NOON + John Kim
Sat Feb 21	5:00 PM Jennifer Bautista (BD) Angela Dabu (SI) + Sue Mueller + Mary Fong
Sunday February 22	7:00 AM Marina Torio (SI) Myrna Fung (SI) + Deacon Angken Xymoon
	9:00 AM + Jon Jacques + Robert & Jane Jacques + Dionicio & Maria Tacang
	11:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory + Johnnie Kou Wong Jennifer Bautista (BD) + Fr. Sydney Fernandes
	6:00 PM Parishioners of Sts. Peter and Paul Parish

## PREPARING FOR LENT

Visit the Parish website for  
Diocese of Honolulu Lenten Regulations, and  
Liturgical Preparation Aide for 2026.  
[www.sspeterpaulhawaii.org](http://www.sspeterpaulhawaii.org)



## Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases, and their families, receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.



## PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

We join together to pray for our brothers and sisters

<i>Rob Aguilar</i>	<i>Jack Jucewicz</i>
<i>Peter Alosi</i>	<i>Christoph Jucewicz</i>
<i>Lucrecia L. Ancheta</i>	<i>Alison Kunishige</i>
<i>Joseph A. Benavente</i>	<i>Lyudmila Kuritsina</i>
<i>James Brauer</i>	<i>Janet La Farciola</i>
<i>Charles Brauer</i>	<i>Joan La Farciola</i>
<i>P. Estella</i>	<i>Anna Nevtonova</i>
<i>Mark Felipe</i>	<i>Anne Noto</i>
<i>Rosario Garuida</i>	<i>Bob Sweeney</i>
<i>Michelle Harada</i>	<i>Diane</i>
<i>Virginia Ishida</i>	<i>Larry</i>
<i>Victoria Jacinto</i>	<i>Sharon &amp; Kevin</i>



*In Loving Memory* We pray for the repose of the soul of...

+ Matilda C. Correa  
+ Rosita Cabagbag  
+ Robert Konig  
+ Deacon Angken Xymoon



## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE February 18, 2026

7:00 a.m. | 12 noon | 6:00 p.m.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (February 16—22, 2026)

**Monday: 6:30 pm**—Charismatic Prayer Group—Amana Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> flr  
**Tuesday: 6:30 pm**—Young Adult Bible Study/Faith Sharing—Amana Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> flr  
**Wednesday: 1:00 pm**—Legion of Mary—Amana Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> flr  
**3:30 pm**—Centering Prayer—  
**6:00 pm**—Parish Scripture—Amana Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> flr  
**Friday: 7:30 am-11:45 am**—Eucharistic Adoration—Church  
**10:15-11:30 am**—Confession—Church  
**Saturday: 10:00-11:00 am**—Olakino Distribution—Parking Lot  
**3:00-4:00 pm**—Confession—Church  
**Sunday: 9:00-10:30 am**—Adult Scripture Study—Upper Rm  
**10:15-11:45 am**—Faith Formation—Amana Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> flr  
**12:15 pm**—OCIA—Reception Rm  
**12:30 pm**—Youth Ministry & High School Catechism—Amana Bldg 3<sup>rd</sup> flr

# STEWARDSHIP

## STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION



*“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom.”*

—MATTHEW 5:20

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law, and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear—it’s the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern-day Pharisee.



Our next **Olakino Food Distribution** is  
**Saturday, February 21, 2026**  
**Distribution time is at 10:00—11:00 am**  
*(or until produce runs out)*

Everyone is welcome to receive fresh produce. Volunteers are also needed to help at our next distribution. This is a great opportunity to serve as an individual, as a family, and with your friends. If you would like to volunteer, please contact our parish office or visit the parish website.

*Olakino Distribution is sponsored by Hawaii Food Bank together with our Parish Social Mission, and usually occurs every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.*

## Mahalo!

Thank you for showing your support for the Augustine Educational Foundation’s Second Collection

On behalf of all the students and their families that will benefit from this collection this upcoming September!

It’s not too late to support  
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## TREASURE

*Mahalo for your generous donations and faithful Stewardship.*

**FEBRUARY 7—8, 2026**

*Offertory collection/Unrestricted donations*

WEEKLY OFFERING	\$8,462.43
STEWARDSHIP (online)	\$2,457.50
DONATION	\$2.75
CANDLES	\$680.88

**Operating income subtotal: \$11,603.56**

*\*Second Collection/Restricted donations Sunday and online giving*

BUILDING FUND	\$155.00
MASS INTENTIONS	\$351.38
CATHOLIC CARE	\$10.00
OLAKINO	\$325.00
CATHOLIC CHARITIES	\$50.00
SACRISTY RENOVATION	\$10,000.00
AUGUSTINE EDUCATION FUND	\$2,481.75
GRANT	\$500.00
EMMAUS CENTER SUPPORT	\$4,204.75
BRICK PROJECT	\$1,300.00
JOSEPH DUTTON	\$11.00
BLACK & INDIAN	\$5.00
LATIN AMERICA	\$15.00

**Custodial & Restricted subtotal: \$19,408.88**

**TOTAL COLLECTION: \$31,012.44**

*\*Restricted Donations to be applied for specific use. These funds are not used toward general operating expenses unless instructed by the donor.*



Online giving is also available on our parish website. It is secure, quick, and easy. Scan this QR code with your mobile phone’s camera app to access the web link.



# Around the Diocese

Women's Lenten Recollection  
 Friday, February 20, 2026  
 4:30—8:30 p.m.  
 at St. Anthony Retreat Center

## BEHOLD *The Lamb of God*

**A Lenten Recollection**  
 (women 18 years and above)

February 20, 2026, 4:30 pm to 8:30 pm

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COST – Donation is accepted

Please call Sr. Ivy at (808) 845-0065

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RSVP - By February 17, 2026



*"Come away by yourselves to  
 a quiet place and rest a while."  
 — Mark 6:31*

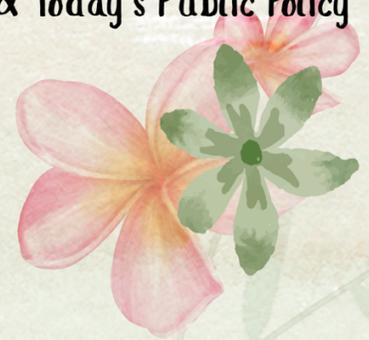
Marianist Lecture: "Why Hope"  
 Sunday, February 22, 2026  
 4:00 p.m.  
 at Mystical Rose Oratory  
 (Chaminade University)

Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Woo, former  
 president & CEO of Catholic Relief  
 Services. Learn more at  
[chaminade.edu/marianist-lecture](http://chaminade.edu/marianist-lecture)

Talks for Families, Adults, and Youth  
 Tuesdays & Thursdays 7:00 p.m.  
 until March 10<sup>th</sup>  
 at St. John the Baptist Parish Hall  
 For more info, contact Dr. Anthony  
 Ramos at 808-721-0557

## Biblical Truth, Human Dignity & Today's Public Policy

How we understand the human person shapes everything — our relationships, our culture, and even our laws. This presentation brings together two important perspectives: a biblical vision of human dignity through Theology of the Body, and a practical look at current legislative issues affecting families in Hawai'i today. Together, these talks will help you connect faith and citizenship, understand what's happening at the Capitol, and gain tools to thoughtfully engage the issues that matter most.



February 28, 2026 (Saturday)

St. John Apostle & Evangelist, Mililani  
 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



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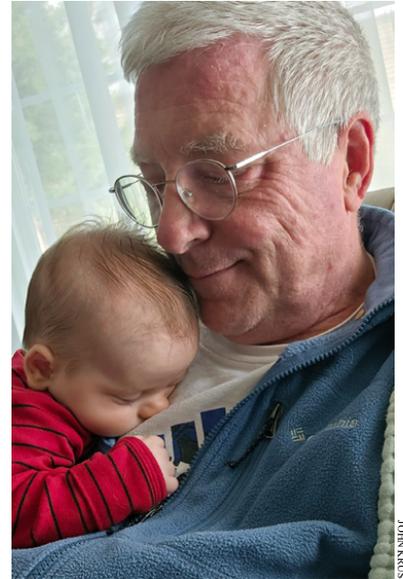
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# Dear Padre,

February 15, 2026

**My grandkids' parents don't want them to be baptized.  
Can I do it myself secretly so as not to cause problems?**

Your concern is understandable, but secret baptisms are prohibited in the Catholic Church. The decision to baptize a child is determined by his or her parents. To secretly usurp their decision may cause problems of its own. For an infant to be baptized, "The parents or at least one of them or the person who legitimately takes their place must consent," and "There must be a founded hope that the infant will be brought up in the Catholic religion" (Code of Canon Law, 868 §1). An exception is permitted when the child's life is in immediate danger: "An infant of Catholic parents or even of non-Catholic parents is baptized licitly in danger of death, even against the will of the parents" (CCL 868 §2). Here, the Church's pastoral concern is for the child to receive the immediate graces from the sacrament; the question of raising the child in the faith becomes moot in a life-or-death situation.



"Since the earliest times, baptism has been administered to children, for it is a grace and a gift of God that does not presuppose any human merit.... Entry into Christian life gives access to true freedom" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1282). Continue to pray that your family may see baptism as a sign of God's love, which offers true freedom for humanity. ●

From Byron J. Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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## A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

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**The Spirit opens borders, first of all, in our hearts. He is the Gift that opens our lives to love. His presence breaks down our hardness of heart, our narrowness of**

**mind, our selfishness, the fears that enchain us and the narcissism that makes us think only of ourselves.... Sadly, oddly enough, in a world of burgeoning "social" media, we risk being ever more alone.**

HOMILY, ROME, JUNE 8, 2025

## Psalm 119 Word-Find



See if you can find all the words in CAPITALS. Use the leftover letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

Y D S C O F G O O D U  
W I T O L O R D B I L  
B L A M E L E S S L B  
L I T M E L A W E B C  
E G U A P O F I R M O  
S E T N R W L I V E N  
S N E D E C R E E S S  
E T S E C M A Y L S I  
D L E D E O P E N E D  
S Y K E P T S E D E E  
M I G H T H W A L K R  
W O R D S E R V A N T

Blessed are they who FOLLOW the law of the LORD.

Blessed are they whose way is BLAMELESS, who WALK in the LAW of the Lord. BLESSED are they who OBSERVE his DECREES, who SEEK him with all their heart.

You have COMMANDED that your PRECEPTS be DILIGENTLY KEPT. Oh, that I MIGHT be FIRM in the ways of keeping your STATUTES!

Be GOOD to your SERVANT, that I MAY LIVE and keep your WORDS. OPEN my EYES, that I may CONSIDER THE wonders of your law.

If you obey God's law, \_\_\_\_\_