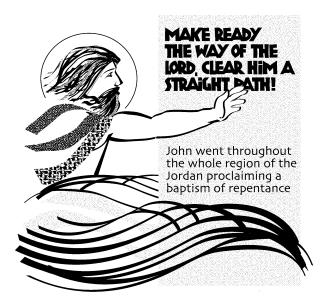
# Second Sunday of Advent December 6, 2015



# Reflection on the Scriptures

"Make ready the way of the Lord, clear Him a straight path." —Luke 3:4

Before Christ's Christmas coming and His Second Coming, we need to make a highway in the desert. We need this highway so we can return to the Lord from the exile of sin and so the Lord can return to take us from our exile on earth (see 1 Peter 2:11) to our heavenly home. This desert highway is both for us (Baruch 5:7) and the Lord to use (Luke 3:4). We are to use the highway first to get out of the exile of sin. Then Jesus will come on it to take us home from our exile on earth.

We construct and travel this highway by repentance—deep repentance, "a baptism of repentance" (Luke 3:3). By repentance, we fill in the emptiness of sin's "death valley" and level mountains of pride and inflated egos (Luke 3:5). As we confess our sins, the Lord makes straight (Luke 3:5) our winding excuses, rationalizations, unrealistic denials, and self-deceptions. The rough, jagged, cutting, harmful edges of our selfish attitudes are made smooth through repentance, forgiveness, Confession, and reconciliation (Luke 3:5).

Make and drive the highway of repentance into Christmas and heaven.

Excerpt from presentationministries.com

#### **Next Sunday's Readings**

#### Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18 Responsorial Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-6 Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

Holy Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

#### This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:15 pm

Hank Cashen – Birthday
+Alvin Akiu, Jr.

Arthur & Ofelia Mangosing,
Thanksgiving
+Walter Quensel
9:30 am
6:00 pm

Monday, 6:30 am
Tuesday, 6:30 am
Thursday, 6:30 am
Thursday, 6:30 am
Friday, 6:30 am
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#### Remember in Prayer

Lawrence Alejado Rnyaft Robert Jospeh Char Ancheta Cathy Llanos Aiden Ancheta Jeff Kwock Rose Aranita Ashley Nawahine Michael Bello Eufrosina Olaso Melvin Bonifacio Geoffrey Padilla Anna Buenventura Gloria R. Padilla Gilbert Ching Grant Padilla Bridida Dizon Mary Pires Sky Racoma Emmie Arambulo Durado Patricia Ramos Flora Franco Charles Richelieu Carmen Espiritu-Igawa Juan Ferrer Bernie Serrano Violeta Guieb Jovina Tabangcura Joseph Hurst James Taeno Addison Jospeh Lani Test Emma Jospeh

Please call or email the Parish Office if you would like us to pray for someone.

Weekly Stewardship		
General Offering	\$	11,106.95
New Building Fund	\$	2,118.00
Other: Recycling	\$	761.00
TOTAL:	\$	13,985.95
Online Giving		3,419.50
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New Building Fund		
Balance:	\$	1,322,799.34
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Please remember Resurrection of the Lord in your wills and trusts. Thank you for your generosity!

## This Week @ Resurrection

#### Monday (December 7):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m. Communion Service, 6:30 a.m.

#### Tuesday (December 8):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m.

Mass, 6:30 a.m.

Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate

Conception, 7 p.m.

Pastoral Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

#### Wednesday (December 9):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m.

Mass, 6:30 a.m.

Advent Penance Service, 7 p.m.

Choir Practice, 7 p.m.

ROL Epic, 7 p.m.

#### Thursday (December 10):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m.

Mass, 6:30 a.m.

RCIA, 7 p.m.

TMIY, 7 p.m.

#### Friday (December 11):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m.

Mass, 6:30 a.m.

Youth Ministry, 7 p.m.

#### Saturday (December 12):

Waipio Christmas Parade, 10:00 a.m.

### Sunday (December 13):

Children's Faith Formation Classes, 11:30 a.m.

#### **Announcements**

LITURGY NOTE: Beginning the First Sunday of Advent, we will use the Orders of Worship exclusively at ROL. It will be expanded to include more of the assembly responses during the Mass to assist with the full, conscious, and active participation of the people. The Sunday readings, however, will not be included. In the liturgy, the assembly is called to listen to the Word of God. You are strongly encouraged to read the Sunday readings during the preceding week and they can easily be found on our parish website: www.resurrectionhawaii.org. Simply click on "Today's Readings" and the full calendar of readings will appear in the top right corner.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:** Holy Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the beginning of the Year of Mercy will be Tuesday, December 8 at 7:00 PM. There will also be the regular daily Mass at 6:30 AM. It is a holy day of obligation.

#### MASS TO OPEN THE "DOOR OF MERCY" WITH BISHOP SILVA:

On Sunday, December 13 at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, Bishop Silva will open the Holy Door for the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Parish pilgrimages to the Cathedral Basilica will be planned during the year.

WAIPIO CHRISTMAS PARADE: We will once again participate in our neighborhood's Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 12 at 10:00 AM beginning at the Waipio Shopping Center (Foodland). Come and represent ROL as witness to our faith!

**THE WELCOME KIOSK** Please visit our Welcome Kiosk after Mass on the lanai if you are new and would like to register, RSVP for events, volunteer for ministry, or for more information about our parish activities!

**LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS GREETERS:** We are looking for special volunteers with joy in their heart and the gift of hospitality, to greet and welcome those visiting at our Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. If you are interested, please see Fr. William after Mass.

**A CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS FOR A LOVE WITHOUT LIMITS:** This weekend we are introducing our new 5 Year Pastoral Plan. Copies are available in the back of the church. Please take one home.

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE**: Our Advent Communal Penance Service and First Reconciliation for Children will be on Wednesday, December 9 at 7:00 PM. There will be several priest-confessors available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**MISA DE GALLO!** This Advent at ROL we will celebrate the Filipino tradition of pre-dawn Masses for the 9 days before Christmas, December 16-24. Mass will be at 5:00 AM followed by breakfast on the lanai. If you would like to sponsor a Mass, envelopes are available at the Welcome Kiosk. Sponsors will be recognized at the beginning of each Mass. Also, if you know the Filipino Christmas songs and would like to sing in our special choir, please see Sister Olive after Mass.

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAM**, "SING A SONG OF CHRISTMAS!" The children of our Faith Formation program (K-6) will present their Christmas Program on Sunday, December 20 at 11:30 AM followed by a potluck lunch. All are welcome as we celebrate the Birth of Jesus in word and sona!

**WE ARE STARTING A CHILDREN'S CHOIR!** Our parish pastoral plan will include building a children's choir for the parish. As a first step towards this goal, we will be starting a Children's Choir to sing at the Christmas Eve 7 PM Mass. We are currently looking for the following:

- Children between the ages of 4-12 who like to sing and/or can play instruments
- Teens between the ages of 13-17 who like to sing and/or can play instruments

Practice dates and times will be determined based upon the availability of those interested. If you have children or teens who are interested, please see Keith, our Music Minister, at the piano after Mass or call/text him at 808-294-6958 or email at <a href="mailto:liturgy.worship@gmail.com">liturgy.worship@gmail.com</a>.

**ONLINE GIVING** Consider giving online. It only takes a few minutes to set up your account and you can schedule your gifts to be made using a credit or debit card. It is an easy and secure way to give. At the end of the year, you will also have an accurate record of your charitable contributions to the parish. Visit our website <a href="https://www.resurrectionhawaii.org">www.resurrectionhawaii.org</a> and look for the icon to be connected to Our Sunday Visitor's online giving portal.