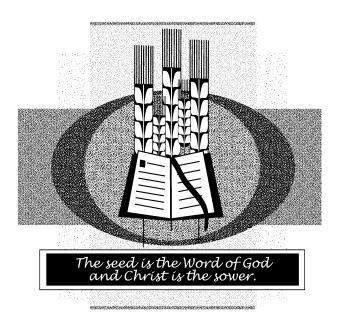
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 16, 2017



Reflection on the Scriptures

"A farmer went out sowing." —Matthew 13:4

How often have you heard a Scripture passage twenty times and on the twenty-first time you hear it, the Holy Spirit makes the passage finally "jump off the page"? You receive a profound new insight into the meaning of the passage. The Word of God comes alive for you.

The Holy Spirit does this work in us. The Spirit is also working the same way in the hearts of others. That's why we must constantly sow the Word of God (Matthew 13:4). The Word that we sow might be that twenty-first time the Holy Spirit requires to touch a person's heart. Our sowing might be that juicy bait the Lord uses to finally catch a hungry soul He has been working on for years (see Luke 5:4). Our evangelizing might be the seed that next year will produce a harvest thirty-, sixty-, or a hundredfold (Matthew 13:8).

A farmer sowing seed can't see what's under the surface of the soil. A fisherman usually can't see what's under the surface of the water, though sometimes he might get a glimpse. When we evangelize for Jesus, if we go only by what we see on the surface, we might make a wrong judgment and decide not to drop a line or plant a seed. We might miss a good catch or a fruitful harvest, even in an unlikely place, if we don't try to evangelize.

God spreads the seed and the water everywhere in today's readings. God never stops sowing, and He always gets results (Isaiah 55:11). The Lord doesn't go by what is on the surface (see 1 Samuel 16:7). We must do the same, and sow the Word of God in all places, even those that seem unlikely for success.

Next Sunday's Readings

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 First Reading: Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27 Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

This Week's Mass Intentions

Sat., 5:15 pm +Augustin Celis

Romel & Stacy Layco, Thanksgiving Sun. – 7:30 am

+Nelda Busal 9:30 am Pro Populo 6:00 pm +Steven Bello

Mon., 6:30 am

Tue., 6:30 am +Jovencio Bagio

Wed., 6:30 am Mangosing Family, Thanksgiving

Thu., 6:30 am +Henry Saboa +Emily Kam Fri., 6:30 am

Remember in Prayer

Purisima Agbanglo Jeff Kwock Lawrence Alejado Cathy Llanos Ashley Nawahine Char Ancheta Aiden Ancheta Eufrosina Olaso Anna Buenventura Geoffrey Padilla Gloria R. Padilla Marty Burke Gilbert Ching Grant Padilla Bill Curtis Sky Racoma Bridida Dizon Patricia Ramos Janice Eldredge Earl Santimer Carmen Espiritu-Igawa Bernie Serrano Juan Ferrer Jovina Tabangcura

Christine Fontanilla Fani Tedios Flora Franco Marie Tedios Fred Freitas Ida Villamor

Joseph Hurst

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

Weekly Stewardship	
General Offering	\$ 5,400.95
New Building Fund	\$ 917.00
Other: Seminarian Education	\$ 4.00
Other: Mission Appeal	\$ 361.00
Other: Misc	\$ 933.00
Other:	\$
Online:	\$
General	\$ 2,446.00
Building	\$ 213.00
TOTAL:	\$ 10,274.95

Please remember Resurrection of the Lord Church in your will or trust!

This Week @ Resurrection

Monday (July 17):

Communion Service, 6:30am Rosary, Marian Chapel, 7am

Tuesday (July 18):

Mass, 6:30am Rosary, 7am

Wednesday (July 19):

Mass, 6:30am Rosary, 7am

Cursillo, Cry Room, 7pm

Thursday (July 20):

Mass, 6:30am Rosary, 7am

Friday (July 21):

Mass, 6:30am Rosary, 7am

Saturday (July 22):

St. Mary Magdalene Feast Mass, 8am ROL Parish Picnic @ Waikele Park, 10am-2pm

Sunday (July 23):

Announcements

MAHALO! We collected \$4,853.00 for the Dominican Province of the Most Holy Rosary of the Philippines! Your support of the Sisters and their ministry around the world is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity!

LANDSCAPING MINISTRY: Do you have a green thumb? We are looking to start a new ministry to keep our campus beautiful and inviting to others. If you enjoy gardening and have an hour or two to spare each week, please speak to Fr. William after the Mass.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: The Stephen Series, for which ROL will soon begin training, benefits many others besides those who receive the care of their Stephen Ministers. The Stephen Ministers grow greatly as they learn about helping others. They learn about themselves. As the hurting members of our congregation grow stronger through this caring ministry, the whole church is built up and made stronger. And, of course, we all can have the confident knowledge that when the pains of life come our way, someone will always be there, ready to care for us, to bring God's love to us in a special, personal way. Is our loving God calling you to be one of these caring, committed servants who offer his love to those who are hurting? Please pray and discern his call and if you are interested in being a Stephen Minister, contact Fr. William or one of our Stephen Leaders, Darryl Salvador or Leigh-Ann Siaosi. You can also find more information about Stephen Ministry at www.stephenministries.org or go the our parish website, <u>www.resurrectionhawaii.ora</u> and click on the Stephen Ministry banner.

2018 CONFIRMATION SPONSORS: As we will be preparing around 150 young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation next year on Pentecost, we are looking for parishioners to be sponsors. If you have been asked to be a sponsor or if you would like to volunteer to be one, there will be a Sponsor Workshop on Saturday, July 29 from 9 AM – 11 AM in the worship area. For more information, contact our Roeana, our Education & Formation Team Leader, at 676-4700.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS: If you are baptized, 19 and older, and have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and expedited class is being offered beginning August 17 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room. It will consist of 3, 1 ½ hour sessions on August 17, 24, and 31. Applications are available in the back of the church. If you are interested, please complete the form and return it to Fr. William or Zach in the Parish Office.

PARISH FEAST OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, JULY 22: St. Mary Magdalene was the first witness to the Risen Christ and the first to tell the other disciples about the risen Lord, thus she bears the title "Apostle to the Apostles." As our parish is named "Resurrection of the Lord" she is a most appropriate saint for us to venerate and seek her intercession. Please join us on Saturday, July 22 at 8:00 AM for Holy Mass to celebrate her Feast Day. Our parish picnic will follow at Waikele Community Park at 10:00 AM.

ROL GOLF CLUB... We continue to invite all fellow parishioners and guests on the last Sunday of each month. Come join the team. All are welcome. Remember, we start with prayer, then fellowship, fun, and occasional birdies. Call 389-2416 for more information.

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 www.resurrectionhawaii.org and look for the icon to be connected to Our Sunday Visitor's online giving portal.

