

Together We Are **Stewards of the GOSPEL**



2016/2017 Bishop's Circle Appeal

For the Diocese of Honolulu and the Catholic Church in Hawaii

November 2016

Dear Partner in Faith,

Peace be with you!

Earlier this year, the new Pastoral Plan - **Stewards of the GOSPEL** - was launched outlining four strategic priorities for our local church: Faith Formation, Leadership Development, Strengthening Marriage and Family Life, and Youth and Young Adult Ministry. All are interwoven with the vital tenets of Stewardship, Evangelization and Social Ministry, to deepen our faith and to send us forth as joyful missionaries equipped to witness to Jesus by living and sharing our faith with all in Hawaii.

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Indeed, the mission given to us by Jesus is a very challenging one. While society values what one owns; our faith values how one uses it. Consequently, we are called to be both wise and generous with the valuable resources of our time, talent and treasure.

As your bishop, I truly value your commitment to our mission as **Stewards of the GOSPEL**. I am also very grateful to you for your continuous financial support of the diocese and our various ministries - which in turn support your parishes, clergy, staff, and most of all your youth and those in need.

Now, as this special Year of Mercy comes to a conclusion, I ask you to prayerfully consider a generous and sacrificial gift to the annual Bishop's Circle Appeal. And as you do, please remember these words of Pope Francis: "Mercy is the Lord's most powerful message!"

Thank you again for your stewardship of treasure. May God bless you and your loved ones this holiday season - going forward together as good **Stewards of the GOSPEL**.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Larry Silva
Bishop of Honolulu

P.S. Along with an appreciation event for Donor Society members, I will also say a special Mass for all contributors to this year's appeal.

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Your generous gift helps support these vital priorities at your parish and throughout the Catholic Church in Hawaii.

FAITH FORMATION



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT of clergy & laity



Strengthening MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE



YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



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Mahalo!