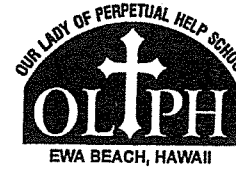


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"We, the faith community at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School and Church, in partnership with parents, and with Jesus as our Model, educate students to be active Catholics, responsive producers, holistic learners, and capable communicators."

November 19, 2009

Dear Parents, Guardians, Parishioners, and Friends of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School,

Greetings and the blessings of our Lord be with all of you!

Imagine, it is time for your child's **Second Quarter Progress Report**. The Progress Report is always a great opportunity to better understand your child's current achievements. Again, our Faculty and Staff are privileged to partnership with you as we motivate your child to use his/her God-given talents to the fullest.

Congratulations to all of you for your exceptional participation in this year's **Fire Fighters Safety Guide Program**. This wonderful program provided us to review the fire safety rules and preventions with the FFSG's various activities and also to enhance our school's mission and motto of *"Educating for Life!"* Because of our school's 100% participation, each student was awarded with valuable coupons that can be redeemed at participating businesses. You will find enclosed your child's prize of those valuable coupons. This year even our Faculty and Staff, the Honolulu Fire Department wants to thank you especially for your contribution to the success of the FFSG's Program and want to reward you with some special coupons for your spirited efforts.

Because of you, those who are less fortunate than we are will have another blessed and joy-filled Thanksgiving. Your generous donations toward our school's **Annual Thanksgiving Baskets Program** were overwhelming. All your donations were shared with our parish's Social Ministry Program. May God continue to bless each one of you with His special graces and grant you, too, with much happiness and holiness during this coming Thanksgiving Day. We give thanks to God for your loving goodness and extreme generosity!

On November 5th **Our Lady of Perpetual Help School** pilgrimaged to **Our Lady of Peace Cathedral** to venerate **St. Damien**. The prayer service, silent reflections, the special time to thank God for His blessings and the blessing of St. Damien, and the delivery of the winning **St. Damien Family Essays** were highly inspirational, solemn, breathtaking, and awesome. We will long remember being graced with the presence of **Audrey Toguchi**, and her husband Yuki. Audrey Toguchi was cured from an aggressive form of cancer after praying to Father Damien 11 years ago. This was the second miracle attributed to Father Damien that assured his elevation to sainthood. Like St. Damien, Blessed Marianne Cope, and all the Saints, may we continue to journey in Jesus' footsteps and therefore, in holiness.

Mahalo nui loa to all of you for being great families in submitting your **Diocese of Honolulu Annual Income Eligibility Parent Survey 2010-2011**. Your participation in this survey will assist our Hawaii Catholic Schools, especially Our Lady of Perpetual Help School's eligibility for federal funds. How blessed we continue to be!

As we approach the holy season of Advent, let us focus on the true meaning of preparing for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. May our prayer life, our acts of charity, and our love for God's people permeate throughout the universe. God bless you and your loved ones now and always!

Gratefully, lovingly, and prayerfully yours in Christ
 and in Our Lady of Perpetual Help,

Sister Davilyn
 Sister M. Davilyn Ah Chick, ofs,
 Principal

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	Virtue: Purity at a Cost.		1 Principals' & Pastors' Meeting	2 8:15 am Mass 1:30 Dismissal F/S Meeting	3 Leeward Principals' Meeting	4	5
6 2nd Sunday of Advent 	7	8 Immaculate Conception 8:15 am Mass	9 Science Fair Judging 1:30 Dismissal F/S Meeting	10	11 Aloha Attire Science Fair Awards Ceremony	12 Ewa Beach Lions Parade	
13 3rd Sunday of Advent 	14 School Spelling Bee 6:30pm Grand Giveaway & Family Fair 2010 Meeting all are invited	15	16 8:15 am Mass 1:30 Dismissal F/S Meeting	17	18 F/S In-Service Noon Dismissal	19	
20 4th Sunday of Advent 	21	22	23	24	25 The Nativity of the Lord	26	
Christmas Vacation							
27 Holy Family	28 6:30 pm 42nd Anniversary Celebration & Golf Tournament Meeting	29	30	31	January 1 	January 2	
Christmas Vacation							
January 3	January 4	January 5	January 6	January 7 Classes Resumes	January 8	January 9	
"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."							

**FATHER DAMIEN DEVEUSTER
FAMILY ESSAY CONTEST**

Father Damien deVeuster's Feast Day is on May 10th. As part of this Feast Day celebration and in great anticipation of Blessed Damien's Canonization on October 11, 2009, Our Lady of Perpetual Help School was honored and joy-filled to hold a Family Essay Contest on Father Damien deVeuster. All students of OLPH School and their families were invited to participate in this Family Essay Contest.

The winning essays were based on "Why is Father Damien deVeuster a hero to you?" "How has your life been touched by Father Damien?" and "How can you also be a servant of God and a servant of humanity?" Sources were suggested to assist our families in this venture.

In honor of St. Damien's Canonization the winners were recognized and awarded:

1st Prize of \$100.00

Larsen, Robert & Leah Jones

2nd Prize of \$75.00

Brian, Caitlin, Geronimo & Patricia Arde

3rd Prize of \$50.00

Curtis Jr., Camden, Caitlin,

Curtis Sr. & Irma Colipano

We thank all of you for participating in our distinctive Father Damien deVeuster Family Essay Contest. As you wrote your essays, it was made known that you were enriched by the very life and sanctity of Father Damien. We thank God, too, for the privilege of being part of the historic and solemn Canonization of Father Damien on October 10, 2009.

**ST. DAMIEN DEVEUSTER,
PRAYER FOR US!**

With God's blessings, we look forward to the Canonization of Blessed Marianne Cope. Sister Davilyn Ah Chick's Sisters of St. Francis is zealously moving this cause ahead. Your powerful prayers are greatly appreciated. We know that in God's time, Blessed Marianne Cope will be declared a saint!

**BLESSED MARIANNE COPE,
PRAYER FOR US!**



**THANKSGIVING BASKET
PROGRAM**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School's Annual Thanksgiving Baskets Program was extremely successful. Successes only come when everyone participates actively and fully with love and enthusiasm.

We want to acknowledge our Student Government Officers & Class Representatives and their Adviser Mr. Jorge Ochoa for their outstanding work in making Operation Love, Peace, and Hope a blessed and fruitful reality.

The results were simply fabulous. Our school collected **1,473** canned goods weighing **13,870.35** ounces.

PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGE

- Grade K - 552%
- Grade 1 - 396%
- Grade 2 - 1,807%
- Grade 3 - 1,610%
- Grade 4 - 335%
- Grade 5 - 811%
- Grade 6 - 531%
- Grade 7 - 165%
- Grade 8 - 704%
- School Office - 7,200%

TOTAL WEIGHT DONATED IN OUNCES

- Grade K - 1,524 oz.
- Grade 1 - 1,130 oz.
- Grade 2 - 1,355 oz.
- Grade 3 - 1,706 oz.
- Grade 4 - 701.2 oz.
- Grade 5 - 1,852.5 oz.
- Grade 6 - 1,111.3 oz.
- Grade 7 - 578.9 oz.
- Grade 8 - 2,090.5 oz.
- School Office - 1,821 oz.

**MAHALO NUI LOA
&
GOD BLESS YOU INDEED!**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
DECEMBER 2009**

- 02 Joshua Alvarez
- 02 John Muck
- 09 Alyssa Curtis
- 10 Walter Gouveia
- 17 Michelle Mendoza
- 18 Jules Masiclat
- 22 Julian Ruiz
- 23 Kailie Dela Curz
- 26 Sara Martell

Happy Birthday to all of you! Your birthday anniversary will be celebrated with an Ice Cream Party on Wednesday, December 16th.

COUNT OUR BLESSINGS

We were able to receive once again some electronic equipment from Tripler Hospital. Through the coordination of our Computer Teacher Thalia Woodward and P.T.S.A. Vice President Michelle Ponce, our parent/friend volunteers worked industriously to pick up the electronic equipment to enhance our school's Technology Program.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School's students & families and faculty & staff extend deepest and sincerest gratitude to:

- Radsforde Celestino*
- Ryan deGuzman*
- Cheryl Dietz*
- Dereck Jimenez*
- Mason Matsuda*
- Clarence Nishikata*
- Robert Rabacal*
- Carol Togami*
- Bobby Vinluan*
- Thalia Woodward*

Appreciation is also extended to *Marlon Martell and Pete Delacruz* for engineering the technicalities of our Technology Program.

**VOLUNTEERS,
WE THANK YOU!**



**DOLPHINS OF THE MONTH
NOVEMBER 2009**

O.L.P.H. Dolphins of the Month manifest the following qualities:

- > Christlike attitude
- > Cheerfulness & friendliness
- > Courteous to others
- > Diligence and responsibility
- > Good Citizenship
- > Good sportsmanship
- > Service - charitable deeds

**Congratulations to our
November Dolphins**

K - Alyssa Alvarez

1 - Nalea Kaaikala

2 - Anthony Riemer

3 - Madison Goodman

4 - Alyssa Acidera

5 - Malia Ecube

6 - Geralynn Raymundo

7 - Guirlyne Gambalan

8 - Shantel Ripani

**The Month of December
Is**

Safe Toys and Gifts Month

Rising Star Month

National Drunk & Drugged Driving

Prevention Month

We also celebrate:

- Dec. 1 World AIDS Day
- Dec. 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- Dec. 25 Nativity of our Lord
- Dec. 27 Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

Flower: Narcissus Birthstone: Blue Topaz

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Jan. 1 Solemnity of our Lord
- Jan. 23 & 24 OLPH School Showcasing at Pearlridge Shopping Center
- Jan. 24 11:00 a.m. OLPH School Performance at Pearlridge Shopping Center
- Jan. 31-Feb 5 National Catholic Schools Week