



St. Benedict Catholic Church

Sunday April 26, 2020

Third Sunday of Easter

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MISSION CHURCH:

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
Kealakekua

WEEKEND MASSES

St. Benedict, Honaunau

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:15 a.m.

St. John the Baptist

Kealakekua

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Benedict, Honaunau

7:00 a.m. Tues., Thurs. & Friday

St. John the Baptist Kealakekua

7:00 a.m. Wednesday

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Good News!

Third Sunday of Easter (A) • Acts 2:14, 22–33; 1 Pt 1:17–21; Lk 24:13–35 It was a very simple encounter. Two people, probably husband and wife, on their way home from Jerusalem to a neighboring village, are joined by a lone traveler walking on the same path. The couple was downcast for some reason, and the lone traveler showed interest and concern. It was nothing out of the ordinary, just simple human interest. However, it's often just such an unexpected situation that becomes a profound event of God. Jesus was talking beside them, explaining their sacred writings, and they did not recognize him. What would it take for them to realize the identity of their companion? As he appeared to continue his journey, they offered him hospitality: "Stay with us" (Luke 24:29). Though they didn't understand who he was or everything he had said to them, their hearts were open to him and so he stayed. "At table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them" (Luke 24:30). That did it! Now they knew. "He was made known to them in the breaking of bread" (Luke 24:35). This is another moving story about the past and the present. How often we fail to recognize Jesus in our midst. He is with us in the very ordinary events of life, like walking home or preparing a meal. He is there even in our misunderstandings and disappointments. When we realize this, our hearts burn within us. We begin to see that the entire world is a place of encounter. Every human action holds the possibility of revelation

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection -

Where in your life do you meet Jesus?

Where do you bring Jesus to others?

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. [Acts 2:14, 22-33](#)

Psalm: Lord, you will show us the path of life. [Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 1](#)

Second Reading: ...realizing that you were ransomed... with the precious blood of Christ., as of a spotless unblemished lamb. [1 Pt 1:17-21](#)

Gospel: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" [Lk 24:13-35](#)

OFFICE HOURS: Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The office is closed on holidays and weekends.

BULLETIN: Articles and photos (with caption) for the bulletin must be *emailed* to st.benedict@rcchawaii.org **Submission deadline: TUESDAY at 5:00pm.**

WEBSITE: thepaintedchurchhawaii.org

HOSPITALITY



ONLINE MASS CELEBRATIONS

- ◆ Daily Mass with Bishop Robert Barron—go to wordonfire.org
- ◆ Vatican News Live Stream of Pope Francis Mass go to **“Pope Francis-Holy Mass”**
- ◆ Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace—Sundays at 9:00 am, Mon-Sat at 8:00 am—go to catholichawaii.org
- ◆ Catholic TV Network—Daily Mass—go to watchthemass.com

Dear Padre,

Why couldn't the disciples recognize Jesus after the resurrection? Do you think we would recognize Jesus if he came back today?

Before the resurrection, Jesus likely would have suffered the ravages of illness and lack of proper nutrition that all the people of his time were subject to. After the resurrection, Jesus showed he was exalted with the very power of God. Even his physical appearance had changed. In view of his glorified appearance, the disciples were able to recognize Jesus with the aid of his marks of the passion (John 20:20). No one would go to the extreme of putting nails through his own hands and feet and thrust a spear into his side to pretend he was Jesus! He bore those marks, so he had to be the Lord. Another purpose of showing his disciples his glorified body was to assure them we would undergo a similar glorification. In the resurrection we shall be completely changed and perfected in our humanity (1 Corinthians 15:52). We are sometimes slow to recognize our Lord in the ways he indicated he would be with us today: in the Eucharist (John 6:53); in the poor (Matthew 25:40); in his body, the Church (1 Corinthians 12:12). Coming to recognize him among us in these ways today will ensure we are more like him in our resurrection.

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Rx for Body and Spirit

For Your Body

Wash your hands often.

Avoid close contact with other people.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.

Stay home if you're sick (except to get medical care).

Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue.

For Your Spirit

Make an Act of Spiritual Communion.

Pray the Rosary.

Participate in a televised or live-streamed Mass.

Take time for family prayer.

Practice Lectio Divina.

Don't forget to help your parish with donations.



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The Food Pantry is open from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on **every 2nd and 4th Friday** of the month. Thank you to everyone who continues to support our Food Pantry, with monetary or food donations, or volunteering your time. Next open for distribution on Friday, **April 24, 2020**, then next on **May 8, 2020**. Mahalo to our Pantry volunteers for continuing this service as our island continues to take precautions against the COVID-19 pandemic.

STEWARDSHIP DURING A PANDEMIC

Just as so many aspects of our lives have been impacted by the coronavirus, our parish is feeling the impact, too. We sincerely appreciate our ever-generous parishioners who are sending donations by mail or through www.thepaintedchurchhawaii.org via PayPal. Our parish relies greatly also on the revenue received from those who come to visit and are, at this time, unable to come. With this, we are always grateful should you continue to practice your 'stewardship of treasure'. Please pray for me as I continue to pray for you. May God bless you abundantly. Stay well and safe.

- Fr. Sieg



PRAYER

FAITH FORMATION

MAY—MONTH OF MARY

DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



“No one ever followed Jesus so well as Mary His Mother. No one can help us more, by her example and by her intercession.”

(Behold Your Mother: Woman of Faith, no. 130)

During the month of May, we take time to honor our mother, Mary. She provides us the greatest example of unwavering faith in God, through her willingness to say “yes.”

Give some thought to praying a rosary **each day** for the needs of our families and friends, for peace and healing in the world, for a foreseeable end to the novel corona virus (COVID-19).



IN NEED OF HEALING AND STRENGTH, KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Rudy Crusat, Elizabeth Awa, Johnny Koene, Ruby Ann Kaho’onei, Chickie and Tony Dias, Phyllis Blank Leathhead, Robin Crusat, Charles Tripoli, Danny Burgess, Helen Doria, Linda Adkins, DeeDee Tripoli, Guy Miranda, Stephen Texeira, Venancio Mendoza, Alexi Veloso, Michael Suber, Bobbie and Eddie Navas, Theresa Flemming. Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Dear Jesus our Lord,
We ask you to have mercy on all who are sick. Give them your strength and your love, and help them to carry their cross with great faith in you. May their sufferings be one with yours. Help them to overcome the power of evil, and lead others to our Father in heaven. Lord Jesus, hear our prayer, for you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.

THIS CALENDAR IS PROVIDED SO THAT WE MAY READ AND MEDITATE EACH DAY ON THE MASS READINGS DURING THE SUSPENSION OF OUR PARISH EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Calendar

Monday
APRIL 27

Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8–15
Jn 6:22–29

Tuesday
APRIL 28

Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51—8:1a
Jn 6:30–35

Wednesday
APRIL 29

St. Catherine of Siena,
Virgin and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 8:1b–8
Jn 6:35–40

Thursday
APRIL 30

Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26–40
Jn 6:44–51

Friday
MAY 1

Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1–20
Jn 6:52–59

Saturday
MAY 2

St. Athanasius,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church
Acts 9:31–42
Jn 6:60–69

Sunday
MAY 3

Fourth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 36–41
1 Pt 2:20b–25
Jn 10:1–10

SERVICE

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DON'T FORGET YOUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP MATTERS NOW MORE THAN EVER

Call or email your fellow parishioners, especially the vulnerable!

Please send in your envelopes or make an online donation!

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WORD FROM Pope Francis -

We have all had difficult moments in life, dark moments in which we walked in sadness, pensive, without horizons, with only a wall before us. And Jesus is always beside us to give us hope, to warm our hearts and to say: "Go ahead, I am with you. Go ahead." —GENERAL AUDIENCE, MAY 24, 2017