



St. Benedict Catholic Church

Sunday September 6, 2020

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MISSION CHURCH:

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
Kealakekua

WEEKEND MASSES

St. Benedict Hall, Honaunau
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Sunday 10:00 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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FOOD PANTRY

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It's None of My Business

This statement might sound like we are respecting the independence of others. It is none of our business how they live their lives, how they behave in society, how they worship God. We mind our own business; they mind theirs. After all, are we our brother's or sister's keepers? Today's readings challenge this attitude. Ezekiel is told that he must proclaim God's will to the Israelites. If he reneges in his calling and someone dies in guilt, Ezekiel will be held responsible for that death. However, if the wicked refuse to hear this message, their death in guilt will be their own doing, for one must freely accept God's word. In the Gospel, Jesus outlines a way for his disciples to lead sinners back to the community. Both Ezekiel and the disciples have responsibilities to those who are not living faithfully. They both take steps to call them back. In this sense, they act as their brother's or sister's keeper. However, they do not meddle in the other's business. The sinner must freely decide to return. God does not force repentance. This might be a hard message. Who wants to step up and point out another's error in leaving the Church? However, if we are really concerned, we will do what we can to bring them back. We might not proclaim like the prophet or the disciples did. But the way we live our lives should show them the true value in being a faithful follower of Jesus.

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Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR REFLECTION

☞ Is your life an example of the values of your faith?

☞ Pray for those whom you love, who have left the practice of the faith.

"He proved that neither unity nor peace could be kept unless the brethren treat one another with mutual forbearance, and preserve the bond of concord through patience." -St. Cyprian-

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel...
[EZ 33:7-9](#)

Psalm: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. [PS 95: 1-2, 6-9](#)

Second Reading: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." [ROM 13:8-10](#)

Gospel: "...where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." [MT 18:15-20](#)

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



ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

In compliance with Bishop Silva’s directives, our Masses are being held at St. Benedict Hall Chapel. Social distancing and masks are required. Due to limited space it would be best to arrive early. No one has been turned away yet, however more are attending each week. Thank you for your understanding.

SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Larry Silva has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass to all the people (and visitors) of the Diocese of Honolulu through October 31, 2020. All who are able to attend Sunday Mass without putting themselves or others at serious risk of infection, are encouraged to do so, but are not obliged to do so.

SACRAMENTS

Funerals may now take place again in St. Benedict Hall Chapel according to the same guidelines as weekend Masses, i.e. following all health and safety precautions. Funerals at this time may not include visitation times, only the Vigil for the Deceased, a Funeral Mass and Committal may be held.

Baptisms may take place according to the same guidelines as weekend Masses. They will be done in such a way that the same water is not poured on more than one person or stored in the font after use.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

At this time Father Sieg is available for Confessions by appointment, observing all proper precautions. Call the office 328-2227.

Eucharist to Homebound and Hospitalized

Call the office to arrange for a visit from a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

All the sacraments have a deifying purpose: Baptism introduces the Divine Life into us. Confession restores it when it’s lost through sin. Confirmation strengthens it. Matrimony and Holy Orders give it vocational direction. Anointing of the Sick prepares us for the transition to our heavenly homeland. And the Eucharist is meant to Christify us.

-Bishop Robert Barron

LIVE STREAMING ONLINE MASSES

Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace—Oahu
Sunday: 10am (Bishop Silva) Mon—Sat: 12pm

Watchthemass.com from the Catholic TV Network -
Masses daily: *check website for time.*

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception - go to nationalshrine.org/mass/ and click on the red box “Watch Mass Online”.

OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the South Kona Catholic Church, comprised of St. Benedict, Honaunau and St. John, Kealahou; united in the Baptism of Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, are committed to grow in understanding of and live as the people of God. Together we seek to create a warm and loving community of the Lord in our Church and families. We affirm our faith in the Living Body of Christ and reach out to our brothers and sisters in our community to share the Good News.

PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR THE MINISTRY OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Gracious Lord,

You nourish us with the body and blood of your Son that we might have eternal life.

Bless our brothers and sisters who have been chosen to give the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation to your faithful people.

May the saving mysteries they distribute lead them to the joys of eternal life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men.”

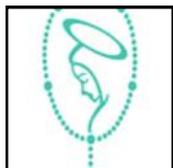
Colossians 3:23



PRAYER

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DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



*Pray the Rosary Daily
Ask for Her Intercession*

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out

his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course. To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

(excerpt from Pope Francis' prayer for the pandemic)

A PRAYER FOR THE SICK

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We humbly implore you to visit and relieve your sick servants for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon them with the eyes of your mercy; comfort them with a sense of your goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the enemy; and give them patience under their affliction. In your good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead their lives in your grace, and to your glory; and grant that finally they may dwell with you in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH,
KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS...**

Angie and Roy Camello, Liam Jones (age two), The Javar Family, Hilda Sebastian, Stephen Texeira, Dorothy Kelepolo, Rudy Crusat, Elizabeth Awa, Johnny Koene, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Chickie and Tony Dias, Robin Crusat, Charles Tripoli, Danny Burgess Jr. , Helen Doria, Linda Adkins, DeeDee Tripoli, Guy Miranda, Venancio Mendoza, Alexi Veloso, Keiki San Filippo, Michael Suber, Eddie Navas, T.Kathy Flemming, Dottie Combs.

*Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.



*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.

*Thank God for the gift of
Jesus in the Eucharist!*

CALENDAR

Monday **SEPTEMBER 7**
Weekday 1 Cor 5:1-8
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday **SEPTEMBER 8**
Nativity of the Blessed
Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a
or Rom 8:28-30 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 9 St. Peter
Claver, Priest 1 Cor 7:25-31 Lk 6:20-26

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 10 Week-
day 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13 Lk 6:27-38

Friday **SEPTEMBER 11**
Weekday 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27 Lk 6:39-42

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 12 Week-
day 1 Cor 10:14-22 Lk 6:43-49

Sunday **SEPTEMBER 13**
Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time Sir 27:30-28:7 Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35

*"For the word of
God is light to the
mind and fire to
the will, enabling
man to know and to
love God."*

-St. Lawrence of Brindisi



Prayer for the Family

Dearest FATHER in Heaven,
Bless our FAMILY and
Bless us with new beginnings,
Smile upon our PARENTS
and surround our CHILDREN
with the soft mantle
of your love.

Teach every CHILD of ours
To follow in your footsteps
And to live life in the ways of
FAITH, HOPE and CHARITY.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father. Hail Mary. Glory be.
Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.
St. Joseph, pray for us.
St. Benedict, pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, pray for us.
St. Damien, pray for us.
St. Marianne Cope, pray for us.



SAINT OF THE WEEK St. Teresa of Kolkata

DATES: 1910—1997
FEAST DAY: September 7



*“If you judge
people, you have
no time to love
them.”*

Raised in a deeply Catholic family in Albania, Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu joined the Sisters of Loreto in 1928 and took the name Teresa. The community sent her to Kolkata, India, where she taught children for two decades. In 1946 Teresa heard God’s call to quench the thirst of Jesus by caring for the poorest of the poor. She left the Sisters of Loreto to rescue the sick and destitute in the slums of Kolkata — one at a time. Many volunteers soon joined her and she formed them into her religious order, the Missionaries of Charity. Teresa’s manifest goodness and her unique media savvy attracted global attention, drawing many people to God. Many regard her as the greatest Catholic evangelist of the 20th century. She was beatified in 2003 and canonized in 2016.



Dear Padre,

In the story of Noah, God destroyed most of the world. Did that really happen? How should we think about the world’s end ?

In the story of Noah, God destroyed most of the world. Did that really happen? How should we think about the world’s end? Most biblical scholars generally consider the Noah story to be a tale of God’s new covenant with the people. Life here is temporary, but life with God is eternal. The story of the Flood was probably based on some historical event that was recounted in oral traditions for centuries before the story of Noah was written. The National Geographic Society, in researching that region, discovered that the Mediterranean Sea broke through a natural dam more than 7,500 years ago, filling a freshwater lake with seawater and creating the Black Sea. This natural catastrophe could be the basis for the story of Noah and the Ark. Catastrophic world events such as war, floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, or tornadoes remind us repeatedly how fragile and temporary our lives are. The biblical truth of the Noah story and of Jesus’ account of the end of the world tell us that God is our beginning and our end. The world will end, but God will not end. God’s love for us will also never end. There is a spiritual transformation that will happen both at the end of lives on earth and at the end of time. We can be certain that, in the end, sin and death will be no more and God’s love will reign forever.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR©

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SERVICE

ST. BENEDICT FOOD PANTRY

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 especially during this Covid-19 crisis. Next open for distribution on **Friday September 11, 2020.**

MAHALO FOR HELPING!

We appreciate everyone’s stewardship during these unprecedented times. We can always use more Clorox wipes and we are always grateful!