



St. Benedict Catholic Church

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

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St. Benedict Hall, Honaunau

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

St. John the Baptist
Saturday 6:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

St. Benedict Honaunau
7:00 a.m. Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday

St. John the Baptist
Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

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Every Nation, Race, People, and Tongue

Today's readings tell us of the Church's universality. The Church might have been born of the people of Israel, but from its beginning it was meant to spread throughout the world—and it has. The first reading describes the success that Paul and Barnabas enjoyed in cities in what today is Turkey. Believing that Jesus was the fulfillment of Jewish expectation, these missionaries naturally went first to the synagogues, where they preached to the Jewish people and those who had recently converted to Judaism. The next week the entire city came to hear them. This angered many of the Jewish people. The text says that this was because they were jealous of Paul and Barnabas. Jealous of what? We know that many Jewish-Christians believed that converts had to accept the practices of Judaism before they were considered full members of the Jesus movement (see Acts 15:1). They maintained that everyone should be the same. Mention of converts in this story suggests this may have been the issue. Whatever the problem might have been, the movement spread, adapting itself as it did. The vision reported in Revelation assures us that, in the end, the spread of the gospel will see completion. It will have been preached to and accepted by "every nation, race, people, and tongue" (7:9). **This speaks of genuine universality** rather than uniformity. This is unity among diversity. The distinctiveness of nation, race, people, and tongue will be respected because what really unites them is the "blood of the Lamb" (Revelation 7:14).

Sr. Diane Bergant, CSA



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For Reflection

- ☪ *How open are you to people of other nations, races, or tongues?*
- ☪ *What might you learn from people with different backgrounds?*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Many Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas **Acts 13:14, 43-52**

Psalm: We are his people, the sheep of his flock... **Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5**

Second Reading: ...they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. **Rev 7:9, 14b-17**

Gospel: "The Father and I are one." **Jn 10:27-30**

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

The office is closed on holidays and weekends.

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HOSPITALITY



ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

UPDATED COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

***IF YOU ARE FEELING ILL OR HAVE OUTWARD SYMPTOMS PLEASE STAY HOME! ***

Masks are now optional.

Safe distance is no longer required in Church or in meeting places. Food can be shared only if served by designated persons wearing masks or if individually pre-packaged.

Exposed (close contact) to COVID-19) is defined as being within 6 feet of a person with COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period (regardless of mask use).

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. Please contact the office for most current guidelines.

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.

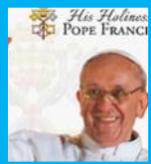
Eucharist to Homebound and Hospitalized

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

A WORD FROM Pope Francis

It is vitally important for the Church today to go forth and preach the gospel to all: to all places, on all occasions, without hesitation, reluctance, or fear....The Book of Revelation speaks of "an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tongue and tribe and people."

EVANGELII GAUDIUM, NOVEMBER 24, 2013



A Prayer for Our Mothers

Loving God, thank you
for all the mothers in the world,
those who are living and
those who are in heaven.

Bless them so that they may always give life
and nourishment to their children
through their firm faith,
generous and selfless love,
good example and constant concern
for their bodily and spiritual health.

Grant that we, their children, may
honor them always with a spirit of
profound love, respect and
thanksgiving.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



SAINT OF THE WEEK—FEAST DAY MAY 10TH ST. DAMIEN DE VEUSTER 1840-1889

St. Damien wrote: "Holy Communion being the daily bread of a priest, I feel myself happy, well pleased and resigned in the rather exceptional circumstances, in which it has pleased Divine Providence to put me."





GOD BLESS Mothers

PRAYER

DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



*Mary
Queen of
Heaven and
Earth,
Pray for us!*

" Most high Queen of the Universe, Mary ever Virgin, make intercession for our peace and salvation, thou who didst bear Christ the Lord, the Savior of all mankind."

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We humbly ask you to behold, visit, and relieve your sick servants for whom our prayers are offered. Look upon them with your eyes of 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 the remainder of their lives in peace, 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...

Emily Griego, Johnny Kai, Jeanette Laris, Finnan Sambursky, Gwen McKinney, Rafael Ramirez, Tamo Wong, Jeffrey Crusat, Robin Crusat, Cheryl Ono, Michelle Paopao-Skillern, William Anderson, Lionel Gaspar, Gloria Grapa, Mary Bunao, Tamayo Hanato, Linda Laskow, Caroline Smith, Hilda Sebastian, Dorothy Kelepolo, Elizabeth Awa, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Johnny Koene, Charles & DeeDee Tripoli, Linda Adkins, Guy Miranda, Keiki San Filippo, Dottie Combs. * Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

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.*

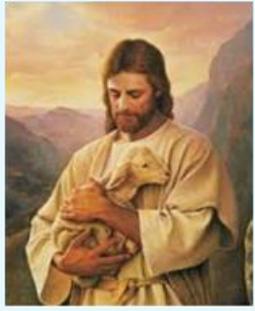
*Thank God ...
for the gift of Jesus
in the Eucharist!*

CALENDAR

- Monday** MAY 9 Easter
Weekday Acts 11:1–18 Jn 10:1–10
- Tuesday** MAY 10 Easter
Weekday Acts 11:19–26 Jn 10:22–30
- Wednesday** MAY 11 Easter
Weekday Acts 12:24–13:5a Jn 12:44–50
- Thursday** MAY 12 Easter
Weekday Acts 13:13–25 Jn 13:16–20
- Friday** MAY 13 Easter
Weekday Acts 13:26–33 Jn 14:1–6
- Saturday** MAY 14 St. Matthias, Apostle Acts 1:15–17, 20–26 Jn 15:9–17
- Sunday** MAY 15 Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 14:21–27 Rv 21:1–5a Jn 13:31–33a, 34–35



*A well-read
Bible is a
sign of a
well-fed
soul.*



*Fourth Sunday of
Easter*
Good Shepherd Sunday
May 8, 2022
Treasure Hunt

Your **challenge** this week is to read John 10:1-30 for a deeper appreciation of Jesus, The Good Shepherd.

1. In John 10:7-9, Jesus says, "Amen, amen I say to you, I am the g_____ for the sheep. Whoever enters through me will be s_____."
2. In John 10, Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd _____ for his sheep."
3. In *John 10: 12-13*, Jesus explains that a h_____ h_____ is **not** a shepherd. He sees a w_____, leaves the sheep, and runs away because he works for p_____ without concern for the sheep.
4. **T / F**: Jesus acknowledges that there are "other sheep" that do **not** belong to His fold yet?
5. In *John 10:28-30*, Jesus says He (and The **F**_____, who are ONE) give His sheep e_____ l_____.

Bonus: On what **occasion** does Jesus speak about the Good Shepherd? What **season** of the year is it?

Answers to last week's Treasure

Third Sunday of Easter

1- John; 2- Peter tucked in his garment and jumped into the sea; 3- It is Peter's atonement for having denied Jesus three times; 4- T (true); 5- "Follow me". **Bonus:** Bartholomew **Math Fun:** 10, 7, 153.

"I give them
eternal life,
and they shall
never
perish".



Dear Padre,

Because it's not in the Bible, our Protestant friends don't believe in purgatory. When did the Catholic Church adopt this belief? "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but [who are] still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they [must] undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1030). This process of purification is purgatory. The word purgatory may not appear in the Bible, but it does capture a truth found there. Scriptural imagery of figuratively passing through fire for spiritual refinement helped formulate the doctrine of purgatory in the patristic period (see 1 Corinthians 3:15). Forgiveness of sins after death is also suggested in Matthew 12:32 and 2 Timothy 1:18. By the Middle Ages, purgatory had been defined at the Second Council of Lyons (1274), the Council of Florence (1439), and in the Decree on Purgatory at the Council of Trent (1563). The doctrine of purgatory is part of our Tradition and deposit of faith. At one of his weekly general audiences in 2011, Pope Benedict XVI said, "Purgatory is like a purifying fire burning inside a person, a painful experience of regret for one's sins. A soul stained by sin cannot present itself to God" (see Revelation 21:27).

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SERVICE

ST. BENEDICT FOOD PANTRY

The regular St. Benedict Food Pantry schedule continues to be the 2nd and 4th Fridays from 9 am to 10 am.

Next open on Friday, May 13th.

SHARE YOUR HARVEST WITH OUR VISITORS

If your harvest is bountiful, please bring a portion to St. Benedict Gift Shop where we offer it to visitors as part of their "aloha experience" at the Painted Church.

THE HOLY MASS...

"The heavens open and multitudes of angels come to assist in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass."