



St. Benedict Catholic Church

August 28, 2022

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

I'm Nobody! Who Are You?

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 Sunday 8:00 a.m.
 Sunday 10:00 a.m.

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

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St. Benedict Honaunau
 7:00 a.m. Tuesday,
 Thursday & Friday
St. John the Baptist
 Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

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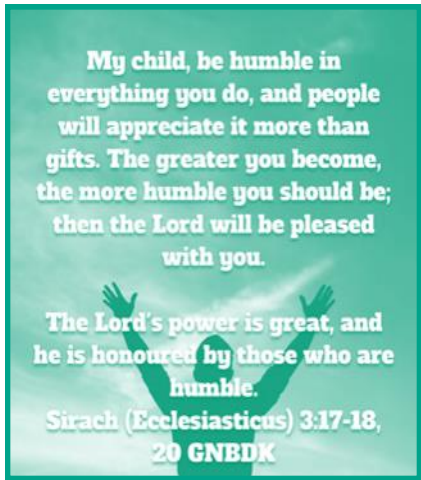
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This is the title of one of Emily Dickinson's most beloved poems. Did she really think she was nobody? Probably not. But neither was she eager to get bogged down by the approval of others. She seems to have been satisfied with who she was and how she lived her life. Unlike Dickinson, many of us live for the approval of others. In fact, we almost glorify celebrities—and not simply for their accomplishments. Their taste becomes our choice in buying clothes; their opinions shape our thinking; their social life becomes our entertainment. This is a strange turnaround, for the

only reason they are famous is that we have given them our approval. We made them celebrities. We all know people who, in the eyes of the broader society, might be considered "nobodies" but who really are the "somebodies." They are like Dickinson. They know who they are and do not pretend to be someone or something else. They do not put on airs; they do not expect to be treated better than others. They simply are who they are. These are the people described in today's readings. They have lived as Sirach counsels: "Humble yourself" (Sirach 3:18). This does not mean humiliate yourself or put yourself down. It means be who you are, the you that God made. Don't try to be someone else. The Gospel story shows what might happen if you think you are more than you really are. The proud man was literally put in his place. So, who are you?

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- ✿ *What do you do to gain other's approval? Does that change who you are?*
- ✿ *How often do you describe yourself as better than others? Is it true?*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: Humble yourself the more, the greater you are... Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Psalms: God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor. Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

Second Reading: No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God... Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a

Gospel: For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted. Lk 14:1, 7-14

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.

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ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

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

Jesus teaches this: "The one who humbles himself will be exalted" (Luke 14:11). God does not exalt us because of our gifts, because of our wealth, or because of our skills, but because of humility. God loves humility. God lifts up those who humble themselves; he lifts up those who serve.



ANGELUS, SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION, AUGUST 15, 2021

Novena Prayer to St. Jeanne Jugan

Jesus, you rejoiced and praised your Father for having revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven.

We thank you for the grace granted to your humble servant, Jeanne Jugan, to whom we confide our petitions and needs.

(pause to voice your personal needs and intentions)
Father of the poor, you have never refused the prayer of the lowly.

We ask you, therefore, to hear the petitions that she presents to you on our behalf.

Jesus, through Mary, your Mother and ours, we ask this of you, who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

Saint Jeanne Jugan, Pray for us.

SAINT OF THE WEEK— Feast Day August 30TH SAINT JEANNE JUGAN 1792 –1879



Jeanne Jugan was born in northern France during the French Revolution. Her father, who was a fisherman, was lost at sea, and her mother struggled to raise her eight children, four of whom died as teenagers. To help the family Jeanne became a kitchen maid for a wealthy family that served the poor, elderly people nearby. Later she became a nurse at a hospital in Le Rosais and joined a third order group founded by St. John Eudes. After six years she became servant and friend to a woman she met through the third order. They prayed, visited the poor and taught catechism to children. The friend died and Jeanne and two other women kept on with this mission. In 1839 they took in their first permanent guest and began an association as they received more members and more guests. Jeanne took the name Sr. Mary of the Cross. She founded six more houses for the elderly by 1849 and the order was named the Little Sisters of the Poor. They begged in the streets and door-to-door for support. She resigned as superior due to a disagreement about her leadership and returned to begging, praying and motivating young nuns. St. Jeanne Jugan is patron of the destitute elderly, and her Little Sisters of the Poor are serving more than 13,000 elderly persons in 32 countries.

PRAYER

DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Our Lady of Humility

"Mary has the authority over the angels and the blessed in heaven. As a reward for her great humility, God gave her the power and mission of assigning to saints the

thrones made vacant by the apostate angels who fell away through pride. Such is the will of the almighty God who exalts the humble, that the powers of heaven, earth and hell, willingly or unwillingly, must obey the commands of the humble Virgin Mary. For God has made her queen of heaven and earth, leader of his armies, keeper of his treasure, dispenser of his graces, mediatrix on behalf of men, destroyer of his enemies, and faithful associate in his great works and triumphs."

--Saint Louis Marie de Montfort,
True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin

Pray the Rosary Daily

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Heavenly Father,
we lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, grant them healing, according to Your will. Keep them in Your loving care, and surround them with Your peace. Amen.

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

Carol Crusat, Ron & Susan Pegelow, Henry Borges, Jim Shrewsbury, Declan Garner, Emily Griego, Finnan Sambursky, Rafael Ramirez, Tamo Wong, Jeffrey Crusat, Robin Crusat, Cheryl Ono, William Anderson, Linda Adkins, Gloria Grapa, Tamayo Hanato, Mary Buno, Caroline Smith, Hilda Sebastian, Dorothy Kelepolo, Elizabeth Awa, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Johnny Koene, Linda Laskow, Keiki San Filippo, 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 AUGUST 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mk 6:17-29

Tuesday AUGUST 30 Weekday 1 Cor 2:10b-16 Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday AUGUST 31 Weekday 1 Cor 3:1-9 Lk 4:38-44

Thursday SEPTEMBER 1 Weekday 1 Cor 3:18-23 Lk 5:1-11

Friday SEPTEMBER 2 Weekday 1 Cor 4:1-5 Lk 5:33-39

Saturday SEPTEMBER 3 St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church 1 Cor 4:6b-15 Lk 6:1-5

Sunday SEPTEMBER 4 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 9:13-18b Phlm 9-10, 12-1

It is easy to find truth, though it is hard to face it, and harder still to follow it.

Archbishop Fulton Sheen



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[Luke 14: 1-14]

Treasure Hunt

1. The **THEME** of this week's readings is **h**_____.
2. This week's Gospel takes place on the **s**_____ at the home of a **p**_____ where "**p**_____ were observing Him (Jesus) carefully."
3. **What** did Jesus observe about the invited guests' behavior?
4. Jesus tells a parable about a wedding feast to teach every guest an important lesson. What is that **lesson**?
5. According to Jesus, **who** should the host invite to future feasts?

Challenge: Complete Jesus' famous message and apply it to your daily life at least once this week. Jesus said, "For everyone who **e**_____ himself will be **h**_____, but the one who **h**_____ himself will be **e**_____."

Answers to last week's Treasure Hunt
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1- narrow, attempt, strong; -2- Moses; -3- last, first;
-4- nations, language, glory; -5- discipline, father, son.

ST. BENEDICT SOCIAL MINISTRY

We are expanding our outreach beyond our Food Pantry to more of those who are in need of assistance in the community.

The first priority is the Food Pantry. Also, our prayer group prepares one lunch a month for about fifty homeless persons who are fed at The Friendly Place in Kona.

Recently we helped to stock a closet at Konawaena Middle School with various items needed by the children of low income families —slippers, P.E. shorts, and personal hygiene products, snacks, etc.

Our parish is now partnering with social ministries of Christ Church Episcopal to assist in donating bathing

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Dear Padre,

Isn't natural family planning (NFP) a form of birth control? The couple still controls the potential of human life that God may have wanted to create at a particular moment. Couples who use NFP aren't practicing contraception. By giving themselves completely to one another in body and soul, they're preserving the integrity of the marriage sacrament. In God's design, women are naturally infertile for many days of the menstrual cycle. The marital act during these times promotes bonding and yet is open to new life. There is no sin in abstaining from the marital act. When a husband and wife use NFP appropriately, they share responsibility for living with their combined fertility. Neither spouse takes the other for granted. NFP is a healthy and holistic way to plan for children. Many couples find that living an NFP lifestyle gives them a better understanding of their fertility, frees them from fear of medical side effects, increases their communication, encourages a greater sense of sharing and a generosity toward life, fosters sexual self-control, and gives them the peace of following their spiritual, religious, cultural, or ethical beliefs. Periodic abstinence encourages couples to focus on aspects of their relationship beyond the physical, resulting in a "honeymoon effect." NFP's most important benefit is that it enables spouses to live the mutual gift of self that is an essential element of marriage. The Church values marital sexual love. NFP helps couples to be authentic in the expression of that love.

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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, September 9, 2022.

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needs for the shower facilities that are provided for the homeless people in the Ocean View area. This includes bath towels, wash cloths, soap, shower gels, shampoo, etc.

Thank you to all who continually contribute to Community Outreach so that we can offer help to families and to the homeless.