



# *St. Benedict Catholic Church*

## *Sunday June 30, 2019*

### *Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

#### REFLECTION ON TODAY'S GOSPEL [Lk 9:51-62](#)

Jesus is fierce in Sunday's Gospel. He is on the march and will not be turned back. Sometimes the readings startle us. He "rebukes" the disciples. He shouts, "let the dead bury the dead" to a man who wants to bury his father and then follow Jesus. He is moving fast, and his mood is intense. Get ready for it. But what is the reason for his intensity? Do you remember back when Jesus began his public ministry? We heard about this before Lent and Easter. He came from the desert filled with the Holy Spirit, and headed straight to his hometown, Nazareth. He wanted to preach his mission. But his own townspeople rejected him. They were more than blunt about it: they tried to throw him off a cliff (Luke 4:14). He leaves his hometown. The people in Samaritan towns turn him away. He had sent messengers ahead to "warm up the audience," so to speak, but the villagers would not let him enter. Jews and Samaritans were hostile to each other, and surely that is part of the reason for the rejection of him. But Luke says the real reason is that they knew he was "going up to Jerusalem". "Going up to Jerusalem." Think about that phrase. The "going up" part is literal, since Jerusalem is built upon a hill or rise and you have to climb to get up to it. But Luke wanted the metaphorical sense too. Jesus had set his face to go up to the height of the cross. The Greek word Luke uses for "go up" is the same one used in the Second Book of Kings for the prophet Elijah's ascent into heaven (2 Kings 2:11). A flaming chariot and flaming horses came – and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. But Jesus' "going up" will not be in a fiery chariot. His "ascent" will end up in a plunge downwards into humiliation and death. The hill of Golgotha was high and barren and his life's ending was low and shameful. Maybe we can see now why Jesus was so severe with people in the reading for today. He knew what going up to Jerusalem would mean. In all this there is a question we should think about. Do we want to go along with this man on his journey? What if we hear him say, "The Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head" (and neither will we)? Or, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God"? Very harsh. Wouldn't you or I turn on our heels and run away? Yes. But think about it. Jesus is saying that Christianity (and Catholicism) are challenges, not just warm blankets. Jesus values God more than safe sleep, than family funerals, even more than courtesy to relations and friends. None of these are evil or bad, they are good. But they receive their worth from love. God-love. The primary reason for our lives and our deeds is the mission Jesus so urgently invites us to. Love of God above all. Love of our neighbor as ourselves, no matter what.

*-John Foley, S.J.*

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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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**Rev. Ornelo Cherrez**

**DEACON**  
**Craig Camello**

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**FOOD PANTRY**  
**Francisco and Debra Javar**

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** - The LORD tells Elijah to anoint Elisha as prophet to succeed him (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

**Psalm** - You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

**Second Reading** - Use your freedom in Christ to serve one another through love (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

**Gospel**- While journeying to Jerusalem, Jesus speaks of the costs of discipleship (Luke 9:51-62).

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 Wednesday 8am-12pm. 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](mailto:st.benedict@rcchawaii.org) **Submission deadline: TUESDAY at 5:00pm.**

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# THANK YOU !!!

Week ending  
06-23-2019

## FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE!



### HOSPITALITY

#### ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

We pray that you enjoy celebrating Mass with us this weekend, whether you are just visiting or live here. If you are a visitor, we hope you take fond memories back home. If you are living here, we welcome you to become part of our parish family. You may register with us by dropping into, or calling, our Parish Office during the week at (808) 328-2227. There are also registration forms at the entry of the church.

*“Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God.”*

*Romans 15:7*

#### WELCOME FATHER SIEG!! ALOHA!!

Rev. Siegfred Baunsit Dosdos is our new Parish Administrator. He is from the Diocese of Butuan Philippines and was ordained on June 15, 2004. Fr. Sig came to Las Vegas in the U.S. in 2017 being petitioned by his parents, Azarias and Vivencia Dosdos who had residence there for 14 years. He has been Parochial Vicar at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Oahu, since January 1, 2018. Fr. Sieg has had much experience in the Philippines, including Secretary to the Bishop, Chancellor, Judicial Vicar. He has a Licentiate in Canon Law. His sport is basketball. His 44th birthday is coming up on July 25<sup>th</sup>. He will arrive June 30<sup>th</sup> to concelebrate Unity Mass. Please give him a warm welcome!



St. Benedict 4 pm	\$ 342.00
St. Benedict 7:15 am	\$ 670.00
St. John the Baptist Mission 6 pm	\$ 763.00
St. John the Baptist Mission 9:30 am	\$ 508.00
Total Parish Offering *	\$2,283.00

\*The above figures are for your weekly offerings only. If you have any questions about the parish financial status or budget, please call the office to make an appointment with our Business Manager.



#### *Please pray for healing and strength:*


Guy Miranda, Stephen Texeira, Dominga Guillermo, Venancio Mendoza, Alexi Veloso, Wendy Ka’ahanui, Keiki San Filippo, Josiah Sanarez, Chickie and Tony Dias, Michael and Lynne Suber, Bobbie and Eddie Navas, Theresa Flemming, Dolly Mamac, Danny Burgess Jr. Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

#### **EUCCHARIST TO HOMEBOUND**

**OR HOSPITALIZED:** Call the office to make arrangements for a visit from a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

**WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS:** For the Sacrament of Matrimony, contact the church directly for information on the documentation that needs to be submitted in order for the process to begin. When planning a funeral, please call the parish office before making arrangements with a funeral director.

#### COMING WEEK AT A GLANCE / PARISH CALENDAR

MON 07/01	TUES 07/02	WED 07/03	THUR 07/04	FRI 07/05	SAT 07/06	SUN 07/07
No Mass <b>Pastor's Day Off</b>	7am: Mass St. Benedict	7am: Mass St. John Mission	7am: Mass St. Benedict  Independence Day 	7am: Mass St. Benedict	4pm Mass St. Benedict  6pm Mass St. John Mission	7:15am Mass St. Benedict  9:30am Mass St. John Mission



## PRAYER

### DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



As a spiritual devotion to Mary, our Blessed Mother and the Patron Saint of the U.S., the Rosary and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary are prayed at approximately 35 minutes before all weekend Masses at St. Benedict and St. John. Join in this powerful prayer to our Mother who intercedes for us.

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God Our Father, we thank You for calling men and women to serve in Your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, religious, and consecrated persons. Send Your Holy Spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to Your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in your youth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### WE APPRECIATE YOU AND WILL MISS YOU!



Dinner at Huggo's with Ken & Gloria Ciriako, Lisa Ciriako and Kurt and Karen Thornburg. Thank you, Father Ornelo, for all you have done at St. Benedict and St. John's. We'll miss you!!

### To Father Ornelo...

The Lord be always at your side, Father Ornelo! You are a wonderful shepherd and you are loved and appreciated by your people. We will miss your gentle kindness, your humility and your beautiful liturgies. Thank you for working so hard, *with* volunteers or *without*, to beautify our parish. Thank you even more for your guidance in showing us what we need to do to attain eternal salvation. Your teachings, your witness and your inspiration are direct and to the point. God bless you for being our Priest! *I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus. 1 Corinthians 1:4*

### DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS,

First of all, I thank God for this time that He has given me and for the opportunity to work in this parish. It has been an excellent experience. I have met many very good people who have helped me selflessly in the different activities and commitments that we have had. I believe that, generally, results have been good. We have worked step by step, slow but sure. We have tried to save, financially, as much as we could, for the economy of the parish and I feel happy with everything that has been done.

Our priestly life is like that, today we are here, and tomorrow no more. That is the will of God and the desire of Bishop Larry Silva, who has seen fit to move me to Maui.

I am being assigned to assist the Hispanic community of three parishes in Maui and to help with the Masses in English at St. Theresa Parish, Kihei.

I have nothing more to give than my sincere thanks to each and every one of you for your great patience that you have shown, especially in regard to language. Pray to God for me, and I will be praying for you every day. That is the best way to always be united. Until then, God bless you always. **-Father Ornelo Cherez**





**Saturday, June 29**

4:00 pm— No Mass

6:00 pm -SJB No Mass

**Sunday, June 30**

7:15 am—SB No Mass

9:00 am – SB Captain Jack, for healing

- Jesse Crusat †
- Francisco Lominario †
- Teresa Dela Cruz †
- Feliciano Paguirigan †
- Nicasia Paguirigan †
- Federico Paguirigan †

**Monday, July 1**

**NO MASSES**

**Tuesday, July 2**

7:00 am—SB People of the Parish

**Wednesday, July 3**

7:00 am –SJB People of the Parish

**Thursday, July 4**

7:00 am– SB People of the Parish

**Friday, July 5**

7:00 am—SB The John Byrne Family,  
Special Intention

**Saturday, July 6**

4:00 pm—SB Janet & John Jelen, Special Int.  
Captain Jack, for healing

6:00 pm—SJB People of the Parish

**Sunday, July 7**

7:15 am—SB Captain Jack, for healing

9:30 am—SJB People of the Parish

**FOR YOUR INTENTIONS**

Mass Request forms are available at the church entrance. Mail the form to the office or place it in the collection along with your stipend. The usual stipend is \$10.00 or more.

SERVICE

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP!**

We recently began preparing lunches once a month on Thursday evenings and distributing them on Friday at the Friendly Place Shelter in Kailua. We want to thank those who have donated items for this new ministry. Mahalo to Glenda Sugi, Patsy Sabarre and Les & Karen Au. We are doing this every third Thursday of the month, if you wish to help. Call Ramona at 756-2943.

**CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY**

July 6, 2019 —St. Benedict: Hashimoto Family. St. John: Damon & Heather Ogata, Marjorie Fujimoto. We appreciate all of you who labor faithfully to keep our churches clean.

**MAHALO FOR YOUR HARD WORK!**

Several parishioners helped to clean up St. Benedict grounds last week. Jim Morton comes every week and he was here on Friday and Saturday joined by Brian Aoki, Susan Morton and Poli Olorvida clearing the area around the drainage ditch so that a safety fence can be installed. The Micronesian group came on Saturday and worked hard in the heat and sunshine to help groom the property, pulling weeds, trimming plants, etc. Thank you to Jeffrey Marquez, Danny Amor, Dionisio Semes, Kane Amor and Romeo. Ramona Ciriaco graciously brought lunch for the workers on Saturday. Thanks to those who are helping with bathrooms and the church while Peter is away. This includes Haunani Hashimoto, the Hashimoto Ohana, Bradda Hose and Jim and Susan Morton. Thanks so much to all of you!! Your stewardship is always appreciated!

**OUR PAINTED CHURCH IS AN EVANGELICAL INSPIRATION—CAN YOU VOLUNTEER TO TALK TO VISITORS ?** Please read the email we received .



Good day to you,

We wanted to share with you photos of the recent Catholic Pilgrimage in Vleeschfontein, South Africa. This is an annual event at the site of an old monastery in the now Madikwe Nature Reserve. This year the Stations of The Cross were included in the Pilgrimage, **inspired by your example**. Friends of the pilgrimage's founder and organizer Father Noel Gillespie, visited your church **St Benedict's** in Keala-kekua in April and forwarded photos to him. We wanted to share with you that **your aloha**, your sharing of the word of love and healing, and **example of peace** has spread to **South Africa**. Should you wish to contact Father Noel directly, here is his email: [nollaigmacg@gmail.com](mailto:nollaigmacg@gmail.com)

With gratitude,  
Bernadette & Randy Griebenow