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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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FOOD PANTRY
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St. Benedict Catholic Church Sunday October 13, 2019 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gratitude is the key to a stewardship way of life. Today's readings demonstrate the power and vital importance of gratitude in the life of the Christian disciple, for gratitude leads us to worship God, who offers us salvation.

We see the power of gratitude on display in the Gospel passage from Luke after Jesus heals the 10 lepers. "And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned." Only one of the 10 recognized

the tremendous blessing he had received from Jesus, and he returned to thank Him. While it's easy to feel indignant at the failure of the nine others to return and thank Jesus, how often do we fail to recognize the blessings, answered prayers, and healings (both physical and spiritual), that the Lord showers upon us day and night? The truth is that our very lives and every breath we take are His gift to us. But we can get so caught up in the stresses and distractions of daily life that we lose touch with this truth.

The Samaritan reacts to his gift of healing with the proper response to our loving God. Recognizing what he had just received from the Lord, he "returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked Him." He was grateful for what God had done for him and this gratitude led to worship.

And because of this response, Jesus offered him a far more precious gift that physical healing; He offered him the gift of salvation. "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Too often we hear the phrase, "Count your blessings," and write it off as nothing more than a trite saying. Today's Gospel shows us otherwise. Gratitude is powerful. It deepens our faith in God and leads us to fitting worship of Him.

-Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Naaman, cleansed from his leprosy, returns to Elisha and pledges his belief in and allegiance to the LORD (2 Kings 5:14-17).

Psalm — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — Remember Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead. If we persevere, we shall reign with him (2 Timothy 2:8-13).

Gospel — After ten lepers are cleansed by Jesus, only one, a Samaritan, returns to give him thanks (Luke 17:11-19).

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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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HOSPITALITY



ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

We welcome all visitors this weekend, and hope you will enjoy being part of our liturgical celebration. If you are living here, we invite you to become a member of our parish family. You may register by coming to our Parish Office during the week or by calling us at (808) 328-2227. There are also registration forms at the entry of the church.

"I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Matthew 25: 35

WELCOME OUR LADY INTO YOUR HOME

This week Father Sieg will be commissioning Teresa Spain to take the "traveling statue" of the Blessed Virgin home where she and family members will pray the rosary daily. If you would like to take part in this special devotion, please sign up at back of Church.

"The family that prays together stays together."

-Fr. Patrick Payton

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Father Sieg will be available to hear confessions 20 minutes before each of the weekend Masses or by appointment.

EUCHARIST TO HOMEBOUND OR HOSPITALIZED

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

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Although we must cherish, protect, and defend human life year-round, the Catholic Church in the United States sets aside each October as Respect Life Month.

This year's theme, "Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life," is particularly suited for our times. While attacks against human life seem to grow ever more numerous and callous, we know that Christ has conquered sin and death. Through our Christian hope in the Resurrection, we are given the grace to persevere in faith.

Jesus asks us to be as leaven in the world, to bring His light to the darkness. Our daily activities take each of us to places only we can go, to people only we will meet. May we allow Christ to renew and strengthen us, that He may work through us in each moment of every day.

-Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, of Kansas City, Kansas, Chairman of the Committee on Pro-Life Activities



Please take note!

As ushers and gift shop greeters, your stewardship of time and talent can be put to good use on the cruise ship dates shown below.*

COMING WEEK AT A GLANCE / PARISH CALENDAR						
MON 10/14	TUES 10/15	WED 10/16	THUR 10/17	FRI 10/18	SAT 10/19	SUN 10/20
No Mass	7am: NO Mass St. Benedict	7am: Mass St. John Mission	7am: Mass St. Benedict	7am: Mass St. Benedict	4pm Mass St. Benedict	7:15 am: Mass St. Benedict
Pastor's Day Off	6:30 pm: SJB Parish Pastoral Council Mtg.	*Cruise Ship: Pride of America	7pm: Prayer Group Meeting Plus sandwich making for the Homeless.	11:45 The Friendly Place Feed the Hungry	6pm Mass St. John Mission	9:30 am Mass St. John Mis- sion



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.

Please pray for healing and strength for:

Helen Doria, Linda Adkins, DeeDee Tripoli, Robin Crusat, Guy Miranda, Stephen Texeira, Dominga Guillermo, Venancio Mendoza, Alexi Veloso, Wendy Ka'ahanui, Keiki San Filippo, Chickie and Tony Dias, Michael and Lynne Suber, Bobbie and Eddie Navas, Theresa Flemming. Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

WORDS FROM POPE FRANCIS...

Lukewarm faith, the Pope said, leads so many to find excuses in uncertainty and fuels the tendency to procrastinate. It causes so many people to waste their lives and end up "in tatters because they have done nothing except nurture sentiments of peace and calm within themselves". But that, he said, "is the peace of graveyards".

Pope Francis warned the faithful that when we become "spiritually lukewarm", we become half-Christians, without substance. Instead, he said, the Lord wants conversion, today.

Let us ask the Lord for the grace not to fall into that "half-Christian" spirit which makes us Christians without substance — "Rose water Christians" as some would say - the Pope said, Christians who perhaps "sowed a lot but reaped very little, lives that promised so much, and in the end did nothing".

May the Lord help us, he concluded, to "wake-up from a tepid spirit" and fight "this gentle anesthesia of spiritual life".

PRAYER



"If you want peace in your heart, in your home, in your country, assemble together every night and say the rosary." -Pope St. Pius X

FAITH FORMATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RE Faith Formation classes for all grades today (Sunday) from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm St. John the Baptist Hall. Parents please meet with Fr. Sieg in the church. Mahalo to those who donated to our refreshments and mahalo to Angela & Andrew for cooking the chicken long rice.

FRENCH-BORN JESUIT, ST. ISAAC JOGUES

St. Isaac Jogues was born January 10, 1607. He was ordained in the Society of Jesus in 1636. He was assigned as missionary to Canada and worked first with the Huron Indians near Georgian Bay where he instructed and aided many Native Americans. In 1641 he began missions to the Ojibwa tribe at Sault-Ste-Marie. The following year, warring Iroquois captured him and his companion Rene Goupil, and a Huron band of converts. They were terribly beaten and Goupil was slain. Jogues' captivity lasted 13 months, during which his hands were mutilated and he lost several fingers, among other tortures. He was ransomed and aided by the Dutch near what is now Albany, NY. After escaping he returned to France in 1643. He was eager to return to his missions, and In 1645 was sent to establish peace between the French and the Mohawk Indians. The Mohawks, having recently suffered a deadly outbreak of European diseases, accused Jogues of witchcraft and murdered him and his companion. He and several other North American martyrs (collectively The Martyrs of North America) were canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1930. St. Isaac Jogues' feast day is October 19th.

SERVICE

CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY

October 19, 2019 — St. Benedict: Peter. St. John: Susan Kim, Verna Tavares, Susan Morton, Linda Cadang. We appreciate all of you who labor faithfully to keep our churches clean.

MAHALO FOR YOUR FRUIT DONATIONS!!

Thank you to <u>everyone</u> who continues to donate fruit to our gift shop. We are grateful for all. The tourists love the abundance of your tropical farm produce. We appreciate your continued generosity.



STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Help <u>your</u> parish! It is high season for visitors. Come to the Painted Church and greet them. Remember the Pillar of Hospitality. Talk to Father or anyone on the Stewardship Committee or call the office. Bus tour days will be on the "week at a glance" schedule in the bulletin. That is when we really need your presence.

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. Next open for distribution on Friday, October 25th.

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAYS

We continue with our Coffee, Snacks and Conversation Fellowship after Sunday Mass. We have the first and third Sundays at St. John Mission and 2nd and 4th Sundays at St. Benedict. Bring snacks if you want. Your joining in our fellowship can be part of your stewardship of time. Come, and be happy stewards!!

ALL SOULS DAY REMINDERS

A scroll is being made to list all of our loved ones who have passed away from October 1, 2018 to present. Last day to give these names and date of death to either Marjorie or the office is October 26th. Any names entered in books in previous years are still here and will be placed at the altar again this year.

You are also welcome to bring photos of your dearly departed to place on the shelves near the altar, as we have done in the past.

HELP FEED THE HOMELESS AND HUNGRY

Friday, 10/18/2019 the Stewardship Committee will be distributing lunches at The Friendly Place Shelter between 11:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. If you would like to help, please call Ramona Ciriaco at 756-2943 or Susan Kim at 938-9726. They also will accept any donations of sandwich items, fruits (apples, tangerines, bananas, etc.) and individually packaged snack items (chips, cookies, nut mixes, etc.)

Thursday, 10/17/2019 at 7 p.m. the Prayer Group helps by preparing and packing the lunches. If you would like to help them, you are welcome.

****** IMPORTANT ****** UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday 10/26/2019, 10:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Living Steward, an Island Treasure, with Bishop Larry Silva.
 - All are welcome.
- Saturday 10/26/2019 Last day to provide names of those who passed away after 10/01/2018 for names to be added to scroll for All Souls Day.
- Sunday 10/27/2019, 9:30 a.m. St. John Mission. Children's Mass.
- Friday, 11/01/2019—All Saints Day
- Saturday, 11/02/2019—Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day). Mass times to be announced.
- Saturday, 11/23/2019—Workshop on new "Catholic Advance Healthcare Directive" at St. Michael the Archangel, Kailua Kona from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Lunch to follow.

ANNUAL PARISH STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

October is the third month of our annual Stewardship Campaign and we are focusing on the stewardship of **treasure**. For encouragement, there will be homilies, articles and this week there will be testimonies, all relating to <u>treasure</u>. On the last week of October, the Stewardship Committee will distribute "promise" cards, where you will promise God and yourself that you will do your best to share your blessings, to give thanks to our loving God for the many blessings He has given to you.

