



St. Benedict Catholic Church

Sunday February 9, 2020

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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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You Are Really Something!



The description of the disciples found in today's Gospel is an impressive compliment—and an even greater challenge. Jesus tells them they are “salt of the earth” (Matthew 5:13), bringing out the good taste of living. In other words, life would be bland and uninteresting without them. They are also the “light of the world”

(Matthew 5:14), helping people find their way. Without them, others would stumble and fall. Jesus is telling them how important they are in the lives of others. They could each and all say: I am really

something! Such compliments are also a challenge. What must one do to be salt and light in the lives of others? The Isaian passage provides some suggestions: Share your bread with the hungry; shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked; don't turn your back on your own; remove from your midst oppression, false accusation, and malicious speech. In other words, to be salt or light is to meet the needs of the needy. This teaching of Jesus is not as easy as it might at first look. Jesus is speaking to his disciples, his followers. They are not those who are simply curious about this itinerant preacher or remarkable healer. They have chosen to follow him, not merely from place to place, but to model their lives after his. Isn't that what we also claim to be—his followers? Haven't we promised to model our lives after his? If so, as both compliment and challenge he says to us as well, “You are really something!”

FOR REFLECTION □

In what ways do you already enrich or enlighten the lives of others? ☒

In what ways is this compliment a challenge for you?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: ...light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday. (IS 58:7-10)

Psalm: The just man is a light in darkness to the upright (PS 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9)

Second Reading: ... I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. (1 COR 2:1-5)

Gospel: Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds (MT 5:13-16)

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

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.

“Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.”
Romans 15:7

WELCOME OUR LADY INTO YOUR HOME

This week Father Sieg will be commissioning The Lito Guillermo Ohana to take the “traveling statue” of the Blessed Virgin home where they will pray the rosary daily. If you would like to take part in this special devotion, place your name on the **sign up sheet** at the 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.

EUCCHARIST TO HOMEBOUND OR HOSPITALIZED

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

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

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAYS

We continue with our Coffee, Snacks and Conversation Fellowship after Sunday Mass. It has been successful. 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!!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

DATES: 480-547
FEAST DAY: FEBRUARY 10



Scholastica and her brother, St. Benedict, were born to a wealthy Christian family in Nursia, Italy. Details of their lives come from the Dialogues of St. Gregory the Great. After Benedict established his monastery at Monte

Cassino, she founded a convent at Plombariola, and was its abbess for many years. The siblings met once a year outside Monte Cassino. At their final meeting, Scholastica begged Benedict to stay the night and, when he wouldn't, she asked God for help. A violent storm ensued and Benedict had to stay. They spent the night discussing the joys of heaven, and she died three days later. St. Benedict had a vision of her soul ascending to heaven in the form of a dove.

Scholastica is the patron saint of Benedictine nuns and convulsive children.

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COMING WEEK AT A GLANCE / PARISH CALENDAR

MON 2/10	TUES 2/11	WED 2/12	THUR 2/13	FRI 2/14	SAT 2/15	SUN 02/16
No Masses <i>Father's Day Off</i>	7 am Mass at St. Benedict 7 pm SJB Stewardship Meeting	7 am Mass St. John Mission *Cruise Ship: Pride of America	7am Mass at St. Benedict 7pm St. John Prayer Group Meeting	7am Mass St. Benedict	4pm: Mass St. Benedict 6pm Mass St. John Mission	7:15 am St. Benedict 9:30 am Mass St. John Mission



PRAYER

FAITH FORMATION

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.

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

Elizabeth Awa, Bill Myers, Johnny Koene, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Chickie and Tony Dias, Phyllis Blank Leathhead, Robin Crusat, Davies Lynn Carstens, Charles Tripoli, Dolly Primacio, Danny Burgess, Helen Doria, Linda Adkins, DeeDee Tripoli, Guy Miranda, Stephen Texeira, Venancio Mendoza, Alexi Veloso, Keiki San Filippo, Michael Suber, Bobbie and Eddie Navas, Theresa Flemming. Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

A PRAYER FOR HEALING

Dear Jesus our Lord,
We ask you to have mercy on all who are sick. Give them your strength and your love, and help them to carry their cross with great faith in you. May their sufferings be one with yours. Help them to overcome the power of evil, and lead others to our Father in heaven. Lord Jesus, hear our prayer, for you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER TO LOVE GOD ABOVE ALL THINGS

Lord God, my Father, may I love You in all things and above all things.
May I reach the joy which You have prepared for me in Heaven.
Nothing is good that is against Your Will, and all that is good comes from You. Place in my heart the desire to please You and fill my mind with thoughts of Your Love, so that I may grow in Your wisdom and enjoy Your peace. Amen.

The greater and more persistent your confidence in God, the more abundantly you will receive what you ask."

St. Albert the Great

9 WAYS TO PRAY

Try out these ways to pray, and then make those that you find most helpful a practice in your daily life!

- #1 **The Newspaper Prayer** (Bulletin of 1/5/2020)
- #2 **Becoming a Character in the Parables** (Bulletin 1/5/20)
- #3 **Journaling** (Bulletin 1/12/2020)
- #4 **A.C.T.S.** (Bulletin 1/19/2020)
- #5 **The Map Prayer** (Bulletin 1/26/2020)
- #6 **Just Listening** (Bulletin 1/26/2020)
- #7 **THE OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS AND YOU** (Bulletin 2/02/2020)
- #8 **THE PRAYER BOX** (Bulletin 2/02/2020)

#9 THE SERVICE PRAYER

Seeing God in the poor and vulnerable can help move you to work for justice. Make a special effort to arrange to spend time with a vulnerable population – for example, you could visit the elderly in a nursing home or serve food at a homeless shelter. Before you serve, ask God to be with you and to help you to recognize his presence in every person with whom you interact. During your service, be especially attentive to God's presence in each person you serve, and the dignity that is in each of them. You might want to try saying a short prayer before you speak with different persons or serve food (for example, "God, be with this person who is made in your image"). After your service time is over, go to a quiet place and think about the ways you saw God in each person. Try to remember details about individuals that you met. Ask for God's blessing on each and then ask God how he might be calling you to work to address the root causes of the challenges they face.

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Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like unto thine.

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. Next open for distribution on Friday, **February 14, 2019**.

CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY

February 15, 2020 —St. Benedict: Peter.

St. John: Damon & Heather Ogata and Marjorie Fujimoto. We appreciate all of you who labor faithfully to keep our churches clean.

MAHALO FOR YOUR FRUIT DONATIONS!!

Thank you to everyone who continues to donate fruit to our gift shop. We are grateful for all. The tourists love the abundance of your tropical farm produce. Your continued sharing is very much appreciated. This week, special thanks to DeeDee and Charles Tripoli!

MARRIAGE-WHAT DOES PROPER FORM MEAN?

According to canon law of the Catholic Church, there are essentially two things that are necessary for marriage to be considered a valid sacramental bond. First and foremost, is the free consent of the two people being married. But Catholics are also bound to make sure that their marriage follows the proper form. So, the question is, what do we mean by form? For Catholics, the proper form of marriage means that the consent of the parties must be exchanged in the presence of a Catholic priest, bishop, or deacon who has the necessary jurisdiction, and in the presence of two witnesses. If any of those elements is missing, then the form is not correct and that marriage is not valid. So, for example, if a Catholic person is married by a minister of another Christian Church, the marriage would be considered invalid for lack of form. Or, if there was only one witness to the marriage, that also means that the form of the marriage was deficient. It should be noted, however, that there are instances in which Catholic parties to a marriage can be dispensed from the requirements of canonical form. Generally speaking, this requires the permission of the local bishop. For example, if a Catholic man and a Lutheran woman were to be married, and wish to be married by her father, a Lutheran pastor, the couple could apply for a dispensation of form from their bishop, through their local Catholic parish. In instances like this, in which the dispensation from form will help to preserve peace in the family, bishops will generally grant the request.

FACT OF FAITH (Catholic Current)

FAITH FORMATION

Dear Padre,

My church spends too much on flower arrangements. Are they really needed?

Flowers and plants in homes and other buildings create a sense of beauty and welcome. They also help lift the spirits of the infirm in hospitals and the pall of sadness from those who mourn a loved one. Similarly, flowers in churches awaken our senses, embody hospitality, and enliven our spirits. Moreover, living flowers and plants serve “as a reminder of the gift of life God has given to the human community” (“Built of Living Stones,” 129, USCCB, 2000). Along with other church adornments—both fixed and movable—flowers enkindle in the worshiper a feeling of what St. Peter said at the transfiguration, “Lord, it is good that we are here” (Matthew 17:4, Luke 9:33). They add dignity to the sacred space and visually express the holiness of the mysteries celebrated there. “Sacred buildings and requisites for divine worship should be truly worthy and beautiful and be signs and symbols of heavenly realities” (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 288). Nevertheless, “floral decoration should always show moderation and be arranged around the altar rather than on the altar table” (GIRM 305). Restraint in floral decoration is the norm during Advent. It’s forbidden during Lent, except on Laetare Sunday and feasts, although simple compositions other than flowers are permissible. To control costs, some parishes rely on volunteers with flower-arranging skills. Arrangements left behind at funerals and funeral homes and from church weddings are also offered for the benefit of the faithful.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR

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