



# St. Benedict Catholic Church

## August 22, 2021

### Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### MAKE UP YOUR MIND

One can say that life is a series of choices. You have to make up your mind; which shall it be? Some of these choices are insignificant: red or green? Others are much more important: To what shall I commit my life? Shall I get married? There are some choices that are even more momentous: What kind of a person do I want to be—trustworthy or crafty? Should I even bother with God and religion? Having spent a lifetime in the wilderness, the Israelites were poised in the land of the Amorites, ready to enter the land promised to them by God. Before they moved forward, a pressing decision had to be made. Which god were they going to worship? A Canaanite god who presumably made the land before them fertile and inviting? Or the God who delivered them from Egypt, fed them in the wilderness, brought them safely to this point, and yet with whom they quarreled throughout their wilderness sojourn? Joshua voiced his decision: “As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD” (Joshua 24:15). Jesus’ declaration of himself as “the bread of life” (John 6:35) troubled many people. It was then, and still is today, a difficult saying. It was repulsive to many, and they thought that Jesus sounded blasphemous. Those who could not accept his claim, left him. He asked his closest followers, as he asks us today: “Do you also want to leave?” Speaking for all, Peter replied: “Master, to whom shall we go?” (John 6:67–68). How might you answer?

-Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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#### For Reflection

- ☯ What decisions of conscience has life placed before you? How did you decide?
- ☯ Trust in God’s care and protection even if you might have chosen better.

#### TODAY’S READINGS

**First Reading:** “As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

**Psalm:** Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21

**Second Reading:** Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church...  
Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

**Gospel:** “Master, to whom shall we go?” Jn 6:60-69

**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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#### WEEKEND MASSES

**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 Hall, Honaunau**

**7:00 a.m. Tuesday,**

**Thursday & Friday**

**St. John the Baptist**

**Wednesday 7:00 a.m.**

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## HOSPITALITY

*Welcome...*  
may all who enter as guests  
leave as friends ☺

### ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME

In compliance with Bishop Silva's directives, our Masses are being held at St. Benedict Hall Chapel. Social distancing and masks are required. Due to limited space it would be best to arrive early. No one has been turned away yet, however more are attending each week.

Thank you for your understanding.

#### **FROM BISHOP LARRY SILVA: EFFECTIVE EASTER SUNDAY, 4/04/2020**

I am ending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, which has been in effect since mid-March, 2020. However, anyone who is sick, may have been exposed to anyone with COVID-19, or who has a health condition that would endanger themselves or others by being present in church, continues to be dispensed.

### 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. Funerals at this time may not include visitation times, only the Vigil for the Deceased, a Funeral Mass and Committal may be held.

**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.

### CONFIRMATION

**"I can do all things through him who strengthens me." – Philippians 4:13**

### LIVE STREAMING ONLINE MASS

Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace—Oahu

Sunday: 10am (Bishop Silva) Mon—Sat: 12pm Sat:

5pm. [https://www.facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/HonoluluCathedralBasilica/live)

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### YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

8 DECEMBER 2020, TO 8 DECEMBER 2021



### ***The Death of Saint Joseph, 1787***

Oil on Canvas

By

Francisco Goya

Born 1746

Fuendetodos, Aragon,  
Spain

Died 1828

Bordeaux, France

*Most glorious St. Joseph, pray for me, that I  
may accomplish the will of God all the days  
of my life.*

### VATICAN NEWS

Courage needed to place needs of others first,  
cardinal says...

The sense of shared responsibility for the common good requires the courage to place the needs of others before one's own, a Vatican official wrote on behalf of Pope Francis. by Junno Arocho Esteves

### **FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL**

**\*\* IF YOU FEEL SICK PLEASE STAY HOME! \*\***

**WE MUST CONTINUE TO:**

**1-WEAR MASK**

**2-SOCIAL DISTANCE –SIX FEET**

**3-SANITIZE OUR HANDS BEFORE ENTERING OUR  
HALL CHAPEL**



## PRAYER

### DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



My dear Mother,  
I place myself in your Holy and Immaculate Heart.  
I know that you will take care of me, and all those who have recourse to you, in all our needs.  
With your motherly help,  
I wish to sanctify this entire day, for the conversion of sinners, the reparation of our sins, for the glory and love of the Most Holy Trinity.  
Amen.

*Pray the Rosary Daily*

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Divine Healer, it is Your grace and mercy that has sustained us, and for these things we are grateful. So God, if it be Your will, touch our bodies now with Your healing power. Restore us, Your children, to sound health. Through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen



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

Cardinal Raymond Burke, William Anderson, Lionel Gaspar, Susan Pegelow, Gloria Grapa, Tamayo Hanato, Cheryl Ono, Mary Bunao, Gary Whitaker, Linda Laskow, Caroline Smith, Liam Jones (age two), Hilda Sebastian, Dorothy Kelepolo, Tony Dias, Elizabeth Awa, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Johnny Koene, Robin Crusat, Charles Tripoli, Danny Burgess Jr., Linda Adkins, DeeDee Tripoli, Guy Miranda, Venancio Mendoza, Keiki San Filippo, Eddie Navas, Dottie Combs.

\*\*\*Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

***Thus says the Lord: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears.  
I will heal you.***

2 Kings 20:5

## 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 23**  
Weekday 1 Thes 1:1-5,  
8b-10 Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday AUGUST 24**  
St. Bartholomew, Apostle  
Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51

**Wednesday AUGUST 25**  
Weekday 1 Thes 2:9-13  
Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday AUGUST 26**  
Weekday 1 Thes 3:7-13  
Mt 24:42-51

**Friday AUGUST 27**  
St. Monica 1 Thes 4:1-8  
Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday AUGUST 28**  
St. Augustine, Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church 1  
Thes 4:9-11 Mt 25:14-30

**Sunday AUGUST 29**  
Twenty-second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time Dt 4:1-  
2, 6-8 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-  
22, 27 Mk 7:1-8, 14-15,  
21-23



***“Just as in  
Paradise,  
God walks  
in the  
Holy Scriptures,  
seeking man.”***

St. Ambrose of Milan



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(August 22, 2021)

1. Because we are human, we doubt that Jesus' Body and Blood will bring us to eternal life, so He promises to send us the \_\_\_\_\_ to fill us with faith.
2. T/F: At this time, Jesus did **not** know who would return to their former lives or who would betray Him.
3. Today's **Gospel** and **First Reading** have the number **12** in common. To what does the number refer to in each reading?
4. When asked whether he too would leave, Simon Peter tells Jesus, "Master...you have the \_\_\_\_\_."
5. In today's **Second Reading**, the relationship between a husband and a wife is an analogy for the relationship between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answers to last week's Treasure Hunt

#### The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1- T (true); 2 -the child she was carrying leapt in her womb;  
3- 3; 4- Pope Pius XII; 5 -veneration; **Bonus**:- (any 2) The Assumption of Mary; the Immaculate Conception, the Divine Maternity (conception by the Holy Spirit)

### SAINT OF THE WEEK ST. LOUIS OF FRANCE

Feast Day August 25  
1214-1270



Crowned King Louis IX of France in 1226, he married Marguerite of Provence in 1234 and they had 11 children. He was an ideal medieval king, promoting justice and peace at home and abroad. His subjects greatly admired his piety and goodness.

Following a serious illness, he went on a Crusade to the Holy Land. Louis was taken prisoner in Egypt in 1250, and to free himself and his soldiers had to give back a city he had captured and pay a large ransom. He embarked on another Crusade in 1270 but died of dysentery in Tunisia. He was canonized in 1297.

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## Dear Padre,

My husband has vascular dementia and is unable to make an examination of conscience. Part of the anointing of the sick involves the confession of sins, so will it be valid when he receives it?

If circumstances permit, the sacrament of anointing of the sick may be preceded by the sacrament of penance and followed by the sacrament of the Eucharist (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1517). However, when conditions such as your husband's don't allow this, judgment on the suitability for anointing is to be made prudently and without scruple (Pastoral Care of the Sick, 8). For example, anointing is conferred on people who have lost consciousness or the use of reason if, as Christian believers, they would have "at least implicitly asked for it when they were in control of their faculties" (PCS 14). Therefore, because of the degree of brain-function loss in this circumstance, the sacrament of anointing also absolves any sins. When a habitual desire to die as a faithful Catholic is implied before a person's illness, the special grace of the sacrament of anointing has this as one of its effects: "the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of Penance" (CCC 1532).

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### A WORD FROM Pope Francis

When someone is sick, we at times think: "Let's call for the priest to come"; "No, then he will bring bad luck. Let's not call him."...The idea is floating about that the

undertakers arrive after the priest, and this is not true....It is Jesus himself who comes to relieve the sick person...and also to forgive his sins.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 26, 2014

### 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 each month.

Next open for distribution on August 27, 2021.

### TIME—TALENT—TREASURE



**You are cordially invited  
To get involved**