



St. Benedict Catholic Church

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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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 Honaunau
7:00 a.m. Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday

St. John the Baptist
Wednesday 7:00 a.m.

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I Can't Believe It!



This sentence can mean two very contradictory things. It might Express skepticism, similar to: "You've got to be kidding!" It means that what we are asked to accept as fact is just too far-fetched. Or we might marvel at something we think is magnificent, far beyond our expectations. Here it means: "I'm speechless!" Lest we think that the empty tomb alone is proof of Jesus' resurrection, today's Gospel shows us that even his closest

friends had initial problems with the idea. When Mary of Magdala found the tomb empty, she did not immediately conclude Jesus had risen. By itself, an empty tomb proves nothing. She thought his body had been taken. In the first reading, Peter describes how later several of Jesus' followers experienced him alive. This experience certainly changed their thinking. Like Peter, they then went out and proclaimed the truth of the resurrection. However, only those who had the experience were sure. Neither empty tomb nor someone else's personal experience are by themselves certain evidence of the resurrection. Then what is? We find the beginning of an answer in the even-later writing of Paul. Speaking to the Colossians he says: "For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God" (3:3). In other words, the real proof of the resurrection is the faith of centuries of Christians whose lives have been changed by that faith. In other words, the way you and I live proclaims whether Jesus is alive and well in us. I can hardly believe it.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

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☯ *We may have to wait for our own resurrection to get insight into the resurrection of Jesus. Pray for a deepened faith.*

☯ *What might you do to make your own life a stronger witness of Jesus' resurrection?*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us ... Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23.

Second Reading: Think of what is above, not of what is on earth... Col 3:1-4

Gospel: On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb... Jn 20:1-9

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



ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME UPDATED 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' answer does not leave [the good thief] waiting; he speaks of the present. He says, "Today you will be with me in Paradise." In the hour of the cross, the salvation of Christ reaches its height; and his promise to the good thief reveals the fulfillment of his mission: that is, to save sinners.



GENERAL AUDIENCE, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

A SPECIAL '**THANK YOU!**' FROM FATHER SIEG

The Sacred Triduum is the highest point of the Church's Liturgical Year. It takes many volunteers to accomplish the heavenly beauty of these celebrations. Father Sieg wants to acknowledge and thank those who assisted in preparation and those who participated.

Liturgy Committee (for making sure planning was in accord with the rubrics for each day and helping with the labor): Marjorie Fujimoto, Ramona Ciriaco, Cammy Yeaman, Ariel Hadap, Poli Olorvida.

Altar Environment (for the beauty glorifying God): Karen Sacilowski for changing altar linens (colors) for each event, helping with flowers, providing and sewing covers to veil the statues. Wynn Hanato-Smith for gifting and arranging all the white orchids, peace lilies and other flowers & pots, Vaughn & Regie Vasquez (for providing and arranging additional lovely flowers) Keoni Jenny & Dale Delaries for making the splendid arrangement in front of the Altar of Repose. Allan & Marites Bravo-Bala and Gwen DeGuair for all their help in decorating the hall chapel and serving as ushers.

Altar Servers: Emily Diaz, Shane Fujimoto, Poli Olorvida, Palani & Kauhane Hashimoto.

Six Apostles (for the foot washing): Galileo Mascarina, Mark Nellis, Rodney Amor, Henry Hadley & Damian Diaz.

Presenting the Holy Oils: Mr. & Mrs. Poli Olorvida and Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Lomongo.

Lectors: Lisa Koene, Marjorie Fujimoto, Marites Bravo-Bala, Keikiali'i San Filippo, Healani Cahill, Edwina Fujimoto, Penny Burgess. Bill Myers.

Last but not least—

The St. Benedict and St. John the Baptist Choir (for their awesome instrumental and vocal accompaniment to the liturgies): Ariel Hadap, Gemma & Angela Hadap, Carlo Mireles, Jerry Lomongo, Keikiali'i San Filippo, Healani Cahill, Carolyne Cravens, Cammy Yeaman, Elnora Olorvida, John Sanchis, Felicia & Isabella Bowen, Shirley Abad, Ululani Cho, Dani Santiago, Susan & Tiana Nellis, and Edwina Fujimoto.

Providing Beautiful Leis: Cecilia Joab and Maria Asbel

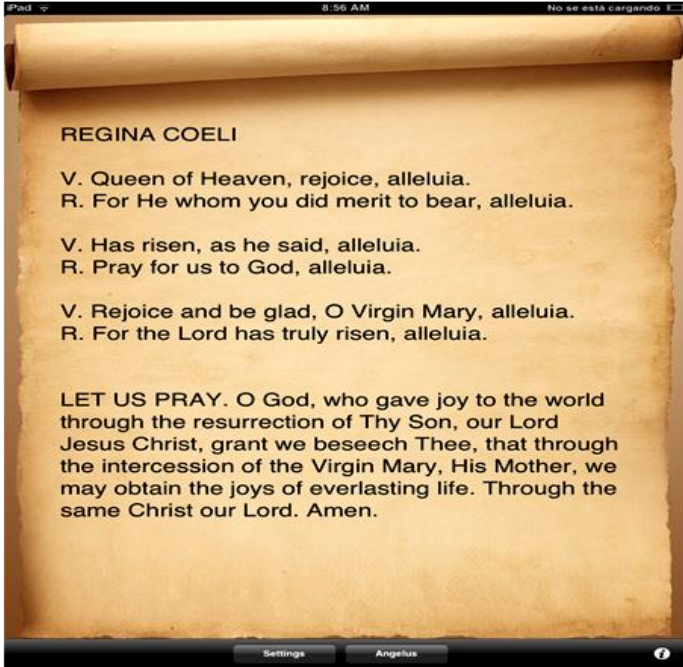
THANK YOU! FROM THE PARISHIONERS

Mahalo nui loa to **Father Sieg** for his priesthood and to **Deacon Craig** for his diakonia (service); and also to **the Angels** who surrounded them during their glorious celebration of the Last Supper, and Passion and Resurrection of our Lord that made this Sacred Triduum a magnificent and joyful beginning of our Easter Season.



PRAYER

DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Lord Jesus, you are the Master of life and death. Everything we have is your gift. We trust in you. With only a touch you heal the sick, restore the broken and brighten the darkness. Only You can do this. We ask you to be with our loved ones who suffer now. Let them feel your presence and your power. May they know your love, light and truth. Cover their bodies with wellness, if it is your will. We thank you for overcoming the world, holding all of heaven and earth in your loving hands, and mostly Lord, for giving us the promise of eternity. Amen.

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

Johnny Kai, Jeanette Laris, Finnan Sambursky, Gwen McKinney, Rafael Ramirez, Tamo Wong, Jeffrey Crusat, Robin Crusat, Cheryl Ono, Michelle Paopao-Skillern, William Anderson, Lionel Gaspar, Gloria Grapa, Mary Bunao, Tamayo Hanato, Linda Laskow, Caroline Smith, Hilda Sebastian, Dorothy Kelepolo, Elizabeth Awa, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Johnny Koene, Charles & DeeDee Tripoli, Linda Adkins, Guy Miranda, Keiki San Filippo, Dottie Combs. * Call the office to add your loved one or yourself to the list of those needing prayer.

PRAYER

CALENDAR

Monday APRIL 18 Easter Weekday Acts 2:14, 22–33 Mt 28:8–15
Tuesday APRIL 19 Easter Weekday Acts 2:36–41 Jn 20:11–18
Wednesday APRIL 20 Easter Weekday Acts 3:1–10 Lk 24:13–35
Thursday APRIL 21 Easter Weekday Acts 3:11–26 Lk 24:35–48
Friday APRIL 22 Easter Weekday Acts 4:1–12 Jn 21:1–14
Saturday APRIL 23 Easter Weekday Acts 4:13–21 Mk 16:9–15 Sunday APRIL 24
Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy) Acts 5:12–16 Rv 1:9–11a, 12–13, 17–19 Jn 20:19–31

“... Scripture, as a whole, is God’s one perfect and complete instrument, giving forth, to those who wish to learn ...

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!

It is one Saving Music...”
 -Origen Theologian & Father of the Church



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Treasure Hunt

1. **To whom** does Mary Magdala tell that Jesus' body is missing from the tomb?
2. **What** does she *fear* happened to Jesus' body?
3. **J** _____, "the disciple whom Jesus loved," sees the **b** _____ **c** _____ in the tomb. **Why** is it *important* for him to tell **us** what he saw?
4. **T/F:** The three (3) witnesses of the empty tomb believed in Jesus' Resurrection from that day on.
5. Today, we begin the **E** _____ **S** _____ which is _____ days for us to reflect on the **h** _____ that Jesus' Resurrection brings to mankind.

Bonus: T/F: The early Christians dyed eggs RED at Easter to symbolize the blood of Christ.

**Answers to last week's Treasure Hunt
Palm Sunday through the Easter Vigil**

1- betrayers; 2- Passover 3- veneration, Good Friday; 4- Holy Saturday; 5- creation, Exodus, Messiah.



WELCOME EVERYONE!!

RETURN TO FELLOWSHIP!

We will be holding our **first** post-pandemic "fellowship and food" gathering after the 10:00 am Mass at Saint Benedict on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24, 2022. There are sign up sheets with the ushers to let us know what we can all add to the meal: Main Dish, Salad, Dessert, or Drinks. Let's all come together with love to celebrate the Easter season, springtime, and God's infinite goodness and mercy... Jesus is our model.

Dear Padre,

The Church says unless you're baptized, you will not enter heaven. So how was the unbaptized good thief able to enter paradise? Jesus was crucified with two thieves. One taunted Jesus, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us." The other, rebuking him, said Jesus had done nothing criminal adding, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replied to him, saying, "Today you will be with me in Paradise" (Luke 23:39-40, 42-43). When the good thief rebuked the other, how did he know Jesus had done nothing wrong or that Jesus was going to his kingdom when he died? Scripture provides no background on the good thief to suggest he was baptized, but he's evidently familiar with Jesus' reputation before the crucifixion. Regardless, even to his dying breath, Jesus desired for all a conversion experience with our compassionate God. God desires salvation for everyone. However, "God has bound salvation to the sacrament of baptism, but he himself is not bound by his sacraments" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1257). So while the typical way of salvation is through baptism, our merciful God can also give baptismal grace without the sacrament being conferred! For example, when unbaptized infants die, we have "hope that God will save [them] when we have not been able to do for them what we would have wished to do, namely, to baptize them" (2007 Vatican Commission, "The Hope of Salvation for Infants Who Die Without Being Baptized," 103).

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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, April 22nd.

SHARE YOUR HARVEST WITH OUR VISITORS

If your harvest is bountiful, please bring a portion to St. Benedict Gift Shop where we offer it to visitors as part of their "aloha experience" at the Painted Church.

THE HOLY MASS..

DON'T MISS IT FOR THE 'WORLD'!!