



St. Benedict Catholic Church

May 1, 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

Do You Love Me?

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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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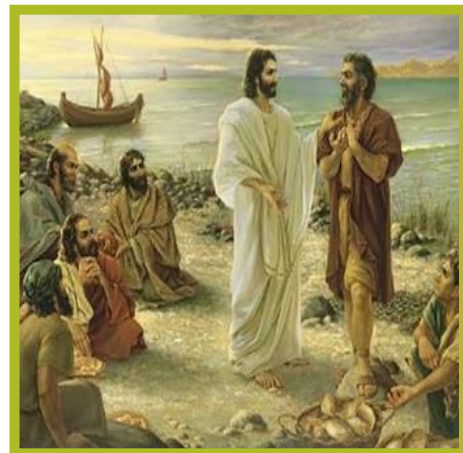
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Three times Jesus asked Simon Peter: "Do you love me?" (John 21:16). This is the same Peter who earlier had sworn three times that, even if everyone else deserted Jesus, he never would. He was so sure of himself. Now, realizing the unreliability of his loyalty to Jesus, Peter is not so quick to answer with such self-confidence. Note that Peter did not reply with a straightforward, "Yes!" Rather, he amplified each response with the telling words: "You know...."

With these words he acknowledged that Jesus could read his mind and heart, that he knew Peter's genuine love of him despite his all-too-human weakness. This itself was an act of faith. This simple exchange did not humiliate Peter. That was not Jesus' way. They both understood what Peter had done, and they both knew how brokenhearted it had left him. Peter was humbled—not by Jesus, but by the recognition of his own human frailty. Despite this, or perhaps because of it, Jesus commissioned Peter to be leader among his followers. Another person might have chosen a more reliable man. However, there is great strength and wisdom in a leader who has learned from experience how circumstances might cause otherwise brave people to turn their backs on their responsibilities and run from danger. Such a leader will challenge while being compassionate and stand firm while being understanding. This is the kind of leader Jesus chose, for he knew that Peter would be that kind of leader.



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For Reflection

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☪ *What have you learned about yourself from your mistakes?*

☪ *In what ways have you been given a second chance?*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: "We must obey God rather than men..." Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

Second Reading: "Worthy is the lamb that was slain...to receive honor and glory."
Rev 5:11-14

Gospel: "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

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

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

Doctors, nurses, storekeepers and supermarket workers, cleaning personnel, caregivers, transport workers, men and women working to provide essential services....Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all.
PATRIS CORDE, DECEMBER 8, 2020



Mary, Mother of Grace
By St Athanasius (297-373)

It becomes you to be mindful of us, as you stand near Him Who granted you all graces, for you are the Mother of God and our Queen.

Help us for the sake of the King, the Lord God and Master Who was born of you.

For this reason, you are called, full of grace.

Remember us, most Holy Virgin, and bestow on us gifts from the riches of your graces, O Virgin full of graces. Amen

SAINT OF THE WEEK—FEAST DAY MAY 2ND
ST. ATHANASIUS OF ALEXANDRIA
Born circa 296–298 – Died 2 May 373



Image: Apostles-Creed.org

St. Athanasius was a Bishop and Doctor of the Church. He is also known as a "Pillar of the Church" and "Champion of Christ's Divinity." He became very knowledgeable in Christian doctrine, Greek literature, and philosophy, and was a great theologian. In 318 Athanasius became secretary to Bishop Alexander of Alexandria and during that time he wrote his treatise on the

Incarnation which is still in use today in Christian theological studies and spiritual literature.

In 323 Arius, a priest of the Alexandrian Church began to deny the divinity of Christ and was preaching a heresy that Jesus was not divine, but was created by God. Alexander removed Arius and eleven other priests and deacons from their offices for their heretical teachings. Arius left Alexandria for Caesarea and continued the false teachings. At the Council of Nicaea Athanasius stood by Alexander to determine matters of dogma. It was during this Council, called by Emperor Constantine that Arius' sentencing was confirmed and the Nicene Creed was adopted as the Creed of the Church as well as a symbol of the Orthodox Church. Five months later Bishop Alexander died and Athanasius succeeded him as Bishop of Alexandria. He continued to fight Arianism against several successive emperors. In those years he was banished five times and spent seventeen years in exile for defending the doctrine of Christ's divinity until he was finally restored by Emperor Valens. His final years ended peacefully.



PRAYER

DEVOTION TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER



*Mary
Queen of
Heaven and
Earth,
Pray for us!*

"Most high Queen of the Universe, Mary ever Virgin, make intercession for our peace and salvation, thou who didst bear Christ the Lord, the Savior of all mankind."

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We humbly ask you to behold, visit, and relieve your sick servants for whom our prayers are offered. Look upon them with your eyes of mercy; comfort them with a sense of your goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the enemy; and give them patience under their affliction. In your good time, restore them to health, and enable them to lead the remainder of their lives in peace, and to your glory; and grant that finally they may dwell with you in life everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Emily Griego, Johnny Kai, Jeanette Laris, Finnan Sam-bursky, 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 MAY 2 St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Acts 6:8–15 Jn 6:22–29

Tuesday MAY 3 Sts. Philip and James, Apostles 1 Cor 15:1–8 Jn 14:6–14

Wednesday MAY 4 Easter Weekday Acts 8:1b–8 Jn 6:35–40

Thursday MAY 5 Easter Weekday Acts 8:26–40 Jn 6:44–51

Friday MAY 6 Easter Weekday Acts 9:1–20 Jn 6:52–59

Saturday MAY 7 Easter Weekday Acts 9:31–42 Jn 6:60–69

Sunday MAY 8 Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 13:14, 43–52 Rv 7:9, 14b–17 Jn 10:27–30



"You will not see anyone who is truly striving after his spiritual advancement who is not given to spiritual reading."

-St. Athanasius of Alexandria-

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!*

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[John 21: 1-19]

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Treasure Hunt

1. The **first** to recognize Jesus, _____ said, "It is the Lord."
2. How did Peter respond when he heard these words?
3. What is the **symbolism** of Jesus asking Peter three (3) times, "Do you love me?"
4. **T / F:** In the **longer** version of today's gospel, Jesus foretells Peter's death.
5. What were Jesus' final words to Simon Peter?

Bonus: By what name do we know Nathanael of Cana?

A Little Math Fun: There are ____ Commandments and ____ Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Add these two numbers together. Now, ADD all the numbers from 1 --> **sum** of your addition and you get ____, the number of fish caught in today's Gospel? **Why?** All of us will be saved by the Holy Spirit's gifts if we follow the Commandments.

Answers to last week's Treasure

Divine Mercy Sunday

1- canonization, John Paul II; 2- souls, sinners; 3- the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father and the Divine Mercy Chaplet; 4- Jesus' blessings, His love from His heart and His extension of endless mercy; 5- "Jesus, I (We) trust in You!"

Bonus: Eugene Kazimirowski

MAY VIRTUE OF
THE MONTH:
JOY

"Christianity spreads through the joy of Christians who know they are saved and loved." - POPE FRANCIS

Dear Padre,

Where was St. Joseph during Jesus' crucifixion?

It's impossible to know for certain when Joseph died, since the Gospels don't refer to it. By the time Jesus starts his public ministry, Joseph had disappeared. We know for sure that Joseph lived at least until Jesus was twelve (see Luke 2:42). While Joseph scholars have many ideas, most believe Joseph probably died around the time of Jesus' baptism and before the wedding feast at Cana, when Jesus was about thirty years old (see Luke 3:23). That's because Mary is mentioned at the wedding feast, but Joseph is not (see John 2:1-12). And, while Jesus is preaching, the only ones looking for him are his "mother and brothers" (see Matthew 12:46-49, Mark 3:32-34, and Luke 8:19-21). Finally, while dying on the cross, Jesus entrusts his mother to the disciple John, who took her to his home (see John 19:27). If Joseph had been alive at the time, this wouldn't have been necessary. Thus, it's entirely likely that Joseph died with Jesus and Mary at his side, giving his death great significance in popular devotion. From ancient times, Christian traditions have held that Joseph died in the arms of the Virgin and Jesus. The origins of Joseph as the patron of a happy death can be seen as early as the second century.

From Husband, Father, Worker: Questions & Answers about St. Joseph © 2012 Liguori Publications

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, May 13th.

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...

*"The celebration of Holy Mass has
the same value as the
Death of Jesus on the Cross."*

-St. Thomas Aquinas-