



St. Benedict Catholic Church

October 9, 2022

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

They Were Cleansed



The men in today's passages were considered outside the realm of God's concern. First, they were foreigners. Naaman was from Syria, a frequent enemy of ancient Israel. The man in the Gospel passage was a Samaritan, a descendant of marriage between Israelites and foreign people who were exiled to northern Israel around 722 BC. These men were outsiders, distrusted, even despised because they were not Israelites who believed that only

they were "a kingdom of priests, a holy nation" (Exodus 19:6). Besides their foreign affiliation, these men suffered from the dreaded disease of leprosy. Their affliction might not have been the disease we know by that name today, but perhaps a skin condition such as psoriasis or eczema. Whatever the case, Israel held that any form of skin flare-up rendered the sufferer unclean or unfit to participate in public ritual. Furthermore, contact with lepers threatened the religious status of others. It was for religious, more than hygienic reasons that lepers were shunned. It appears that God is not inhibited by human customs, even religious customs. Both men are healed of their ailment, one by the prophet Elisha the other by Jesus. This itself would make both stories remarkable. But there is more: Both returned to express their profound gratitude to the agent of God through whom they had been healed. Naaman was willing to transfer his religious allegiance to the God of Israel; the Samaritan fell at the knees of Jesus, a hated Jew. Surely, God works in mysterious ways.

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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.

HAWAIIAN MASS
 Every Second Sunday
 8:00 to 9:00 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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For Reflection

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✠ *Think of someone who belongs to a different religious tradition. Reflect on how God appears to have blessed them.*

✠ *Pray for all countries that today are suffering from poverty or war.*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel."

2 Kgs 5:14-17

Psalm: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. **Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4**

Second Reading: If we have died with him we shall also live with him... **2 Tm 2:8-13**

Gospel: Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." **Lk 17:11-19**

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!

COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

***IF YOU ARE FEELING ILL OR HAVE OUTWARD SYMPTOMS PLEASE STAY HOME! ***

Masks are now optional.

SACRAMENTS

Funerals Please contact the office for information and to plan a funeral.

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.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the office to arrange for a priest in case of serious illness or in anticipation of serious surgery.



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Mass begins with the Sign of the Cross, with these introductory rites, because there we begin to adore God as a community. And for this reason, it is important to make sure you do not arrive late, but rather early, in order to prepare the heart for this rite, for this community celebration.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 20, 2017

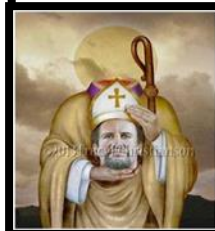


Prayer in Honor of St. Denis

O God, Who conferred Your saving faith on the people of France through Your holy bishop and martyr Denis, and glorified him before and after his martyrdom by many miracles.

Grant us, through his intercession, that the faith practiced and preached by him may be our light on the way of life, so that we may be preserved from all anxieties of conscience, and if by human frailty we have sinned, we may return to You speedily by true penance. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK— FEAST DAY OCTOBER 9TH ST. DENIS OF PARIS, MARTYR—DIED c 258

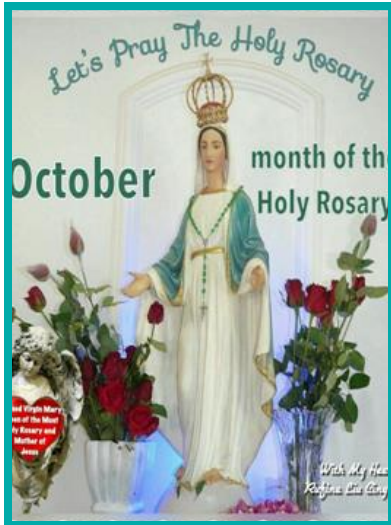


St Denis was Bishop of Paris (then Lutetia) in the third century and, together with his companions, the Priest Rusticus and Deacon Eleutherius, was martyred for his faith by decapitation. Denis is the most famous cephalophore in Christianity (a cephalophore [from the Greek for “head-carrier”] is a saint who is generally depicted carrying their own severed head.) The decapitated Bishop picked up his head and walked several miles while preaching a sermon on repentance. It appears from an account of his life from the 600’s that Denis was sent from Italy to convert Gaul in the third century. Denis and his companions were so effective in converting people that the pagan priests became alarmed over their loss of followers. At their instigation, the Roman Governor arrested the Missionaries. After a long imprisonment, Denis and two of his clergy were executed by beheading on the highest hill in Paris (now Montmartre), which was likely to have been a druidic holy place. St. Denis is patron against frenzy, against headaches, against hydrophobia or rabies, against strife, for France, Paris, and possessed people.

PRAYER

OCTOBER -MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Our Lady's Favorite Prayer—



Join us, please! Everyone is strongly encouraged to come early and join us in praying the rosary 20 minutes before all weekend Masses.

What should we pray for?

...conversion of sinners, reparation for the sins of the world, for the Church's protection from the devil, world peace, for those

suffering in this world due to war, terrorism, persecution, illness, poverty, injustices, natural disasters and, of course, our own personal intentions.

Pray the Rosary Daily !

PRAYER FOR HEALING

Almighty God, You are powerful and strong. You are the creative force behind all that is. You are the energy that flows through us all. I willingly believe Your strength is bigger than the weaknesses we may feel. I believe you can heal them. If it be Your will, Lord, we ask You to heal us, our families and our friends. Provide peace and comfort to those in need of it, in Your mercy. Amen.

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

Azarias Dosdos, Janet Katakura, Merton Ogata, Bobby Kalani, Linda & Alex Cadang, Carol Crusat, Henry Borges, Jim Shrewsbury, Emily Griego, John Sanchis, Rafael Ramirez, Jeffrey Crusat, Robin Crusat, Cheryl Ono, William Anderson, Linda Adkins, Gloria Grapa, Tamayo Hanato, Caroline Smith, Hilda Sebastian, Elizabeth Awa, Ruby Ann Kaho'onei, Johnny Koene, Keiki San Filippo.

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

Pray the Rosary Daily

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!*

PRAYER

CALENDAR

Monday OCTOBER 10
Weekday Gal 4:22–24,
26–27, 31–5:1 Lk 11:29–
32

Tuesday OCTOBER 11
Weekday Gal 5:1–6 Lk
11:37–41

Wednesday OCTOBER 12
Weekday Gal 5:18–25 Lk
11:42–46

Thursday OCTOBER 13
Weekday Eph 1:1–10 Lk
11:47–54

Friday OCTOBER 14
Weekday Eph 1:11–14 Lk
12:1–7

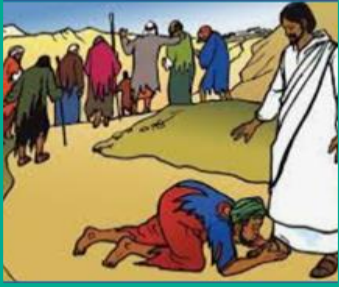
Saturday OCTOBER 15 St.
Teresa of Jesus, Virgin
and Doctor of the Church
Eph 1:15–23 Lk 12:8–12

Sunday OCTOBER 16
Twenty-ninth Sunday in
Ordinary Time Ex 17:8–
13 2 Tm 3:14–4:2 Lk
18:1–8



*“Heaven and
earth
will pass away,
but
my words
will never
pass away.”*

Matthew 24:35



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in Ordinary Time*

[Luke 17:11-19]

Treasure Hunt

1. Upon entering a village near Samaria and Galilee, Jesus encountered **10** _____ who called out to Him in a loud voice, "Jesus, _____ _____ _____ _____!"
2. **What** did Jesus instruct the **10** to do?
3. **One** of the **10**, a _____, realizing that he had been cured by Jesus, returned to Him and conducted himself in **three (3) ways**. What did this man do?
4. When Jesus saw the one who had returned to Him, what did He say about the other nine?
5. **THIS WEEK'S CHALLENGE:** Thank someone who helped you that you forgot to thank previously.
6. **BONUS:** Although in the appearance of Mary to St. _____ in 1214 she is called "Our Lady of the Rosary," Mary used the term herself in 1917 when she appeared to three shepherd children in _____.

**Answers to last week's Treasure Hunt
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

-1- "Increase our Faith."; -2- So that they would become better disciples and proclaimers of *The Good News*; -3- mulberry tree, sea; -4- unprofitable, obliged; -5- They all had FAITH in common.



The PIGS!! Now they're tearing up the front side!! Fencing is coming soon. Will YOU help repair the grassy areas that have been destroyed?

Dear Padre,

How long is Mass supposed to last? My sister leaves after an hour even if the priest is still talking. Shouldn't she wait until it's over? There's no rule about how long Mass should last, but it's inappropriate to arrive late or leave before the final blessing or the end of the recessional song. People should leave early only if they get sick or if they're doctors, police officers, or firefighters called away for an emergency. Weekend activities should be scheduled around Mass. Saturday night Masses were designed for people who work Sundays and for parishes with too few priests to accommodate everyone on Sunday. They weren't designed to make it easier to get a good tee time on Sunday morning. It's also important to remember that local customs and traditions affect the length of Mass. When I worked as a missionary in Brazil, Sunday Mass could go on for nearly three hours. When I celebrated Mass in Scotland, the pastor said I had to be done in a half-hour. Most areas have more than one church. Encourage your sister to either grow accustomed to the tradition of the parish she attends or look for another church. As a rule, I don't think it's good to "shop around" for Mass, but if your sister is that bothered by the length of the Mass at her current church, it might be better for her to go elsewhere.

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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, October 14, 2022.

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.

CHURCH CLEANING

Parishioners are needed to join any one of the volunteer church cleaning groups (usually Saturdays) **or** to start a new group with your own friends and/or family. Volunteers are needed for both churches, weekly. Please call Ramona at 756-2943.