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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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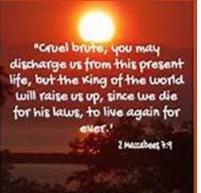
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# St. Benedict Catholic Church

*November 6, 2022* 

### Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### I Believe in the Resurrection of the Dead



We say this every time we pray the Creed. It is such a familiar statement that we might fail to be astounded. The ancient Israelites did not think that death was the ultimate end. They believed the dead went to a place called Sheol. This was a place just for the dead; there was neither reward nor punishment. Some scholars think that it was only much later, when Israel encountered Greek culture, that we see a more developed teaching on the afterlife. We hear that teaching in the first reading. Facing martyrdom for his faith, one of

the brothers insisted, "The King of the universe will raise us up to live again forever" (2 Maccabees 7:9). His faith was based on his assurance that his covenant bond with God would not be severed, even by death. In the Gospel, the Sadducees are trying to make Jesus look ridiculous. There was a custom that if a man died without an heir, his brother was to have relations with the widow. The child born of that union was considered the legal heir of the deceased man. This custom was meant to ensure that the inheritance remained within the family. The Sadducees, who do not believe in resurrection, are mocking Jesus with their question. Jesus, aware of their intention, does not fall into their trap. Instead, he replies that in the coming age, marriage will not be necessary because resurrected life will not end. Finally, if God is a God of the living and not the dead, as Moses declared, then all are somehow resurrected.

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For Reflection

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**S** Reflect on the implications in your life of this teaching on the resurrection of the dead.

**%** How prepared are you for the inevitable reality of death?

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading:** "... We are ready to die rather than transgress the laws of our ancestors." 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

Psalm: Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full. Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15

Second Reading: May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God ... 2 Thes 2:16-3:5

**Gospel:** "...and he is not God of the dead, but of the living for to him all are alive." Lk 20:27-38

**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**

<u>Funerals</u> Please contact the office for information and to plan a funeral.

<u>Baptisms</u> 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.

All the Holy Souls...

Pray for Us

as We Pray for You

#### A WORD FROM Pope Francis

It is of great comfort and hope to listen to this simple and clear word of Jesus about life beyond death; we need it very much especially in our time, so rich in knowledge about the universe but so lacking in wisdom about eternal life.

ANGELUS, NOVEMBER 10, 2019

#### PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

My Jesus, by the sorrows You suffered in Your agony in the Garden, in Your scourging and crowning with thorns, on the way to Calvary, in Your crucifixion and death, have mercy on the souls in Purgatory, and especially on those that are most forsaken; deliver them from the terrible torments they endure; call them and admit them to Your most sweet embrace in Paradise. Amen.

### SAINT OF THE WEEK- FEAST DAY NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> POPE ST. LEO THE GREAT circa 400—461

Little is known about the early life of Pope St. Leo except that he was born into a Roman aristocratic family After



responding to the call to priesthood he became a well-known deacon of the church by 431. He quickly became a papal advisor and was praised for his work and writings against Nestorius, the heretic. In 440, after the death of Pope Sixtus III, St. Leo was elected as pope by unanimous vote. He immediately went to work to stop the Pelagi-

ans in Aquileia, Italy, from receiving people into the Church before they were formally absolved from their sins through Baptism, confession, and repentance. The Pelagians mistakenly believed that man could perfect himself without God's grace or assistance. He opposed several other religions and heretical teachings during his papacy. He also did many charitable works in Rome to help suffering families who were poor and hungry. He preached that clergy and the faithful should fast and offer the proceeds of the fasting to charity. He reaffirmed papal authority by centralizing spiritual authority within the Church and instituted the name "pope" to mean only the Bishop of Rome, overriding the general view that any bishop would be referred to as pope. He made it clear, as Jesus had, that all other bishops are "assistants to the holder of the "chair of St. Peter". St. Leo the Great was one of the most important popes in the growth of the Church and he helped strengthen the Church when so many heresies and schisms were threatening to destroy it. He was the first pope to be titled "the Great."

#### PRAYER

#### **OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS**



The Church, in November, commemorates all the souls in purgatory and we pray for their release into the eternal presence of God.

Blessed Virgin Mary, said to Saint Bridget, "I am the Mother of all the Poor Souls, for my prayers serve to mitigate their sufferings every single hour that they remain there." St. Thomas

Aquinas said, "Many souls are in heaven through 'the prayers of Mary' who otherwise would not be there."

O Mary our Mother, Mother of Grace, Mother of Mercy, pray for us now and at the hour of our death. O Eternal Father through the most Precious Blood of Jesus and through the Sorrows of Mary have pity upon the holy souls in purgatory. Amen.

#### 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...

Francisca Delo Santos, Azarias Dosdos, Janet Katakura, Merton Ogata, 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

#### PRAYER

CALENDAR

Monday NOVEMBER 7

Weekday Ti 1:1–9 Lk 17:1–6

Tuesday NOVEMBER 8

Weekday Ti 2:1–8, 11–14 Lk

17:7–10

Wednesday NOVEMBER 9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Rome) Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12 1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16– 17 Jn 2:13–22

**Thursday** NOVEMBER 10 St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Phmn 7–20 Lk 17:20–25

Friday NOVEMBER 11 St.
Martin of Tours, Bishop 2 Jn
4–9 Lk 17:26–37
Saturday NOVEMBER 12 St.

Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr 3 Jn 5–8 Lk 18:1–8 **Sunday** NOVEMBER 13 Thirty—third Sunday in Ordinary

Time Mal 3:19–20a 2 Thes

3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19



As for God,
His way is perfect;
The word of the
Lord is proven;
He is a shield to all
Who trust in Him

2 Samuel 22:31



### Saints & the Beatitudes

[Part I]

**Treasure Hunt** 

The Treasure Hunts for the next two weeks are about SAINTS who modeled the 8 Beatitudes. Who are they?

### Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

 A twin, I was the 25th child born of my mother during the plague of 1347. I entered the Third Order of St. Dominic and lived in solitude at home. I was mystically married to Christ and led a life of humility—giving everything (often without permission) to the poor and sick.

#### Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

2. The daughter of the King of Hungary, I was "quite happy" in my arranged marriage until my husband was killed in the Crusades. When my parents insisted that I remarry, I cut off relations with them and entered a convent. I devoted my life to the needs of those who endured violence, hatred and injustice. I am often depicted wearing a crown and bearing a basket of roses.

#### Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

My life was rooted in love, brotherhood and peace. I left my wealth behind and voluntarily embraced poverty after experiencing a vision of Christ on the cross. With a spirit of gentleness, I embraced lepers, conversed with birds, domesticated wolves, and turned tyrants into humble servants of the people.

## Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.

4. I lived a short life because of my poor health. At age 10, I fell gravely ill and got well by praying fervently to the Virgin Mary who "smiled at me." At age 14, I received a dispensation to become a Carmelite nun (even though I was underage). I wrote *The Story of a Soul*, a book about my spiritual experience and infinite love for Jesus.

We need to build up society in the light of the Beatitudes, walking towards the Kingdom with the least among us.

Pope Francis

# Dear Padre,

# What is the purpose of confession if we're punished anyway when we die?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, sin has a double consequence: eternal punishment and temporal punishment. "Grave sin deprives us of communion with God and therefore makes us incapable of eternal life." This consequence is called the "eternal punishment" of sin. "On the other hand, every sin, even venial...must be purified either here on earth, or after death in the state called Purgatory. This purification frees one from what is called the 'temporal punishment' of sin" (CCC 1472). Thus, with the remission of the eternal punishment incurred by mortal sins, and the remission at least in part—of the temporal punishments resulting from sin, the sacrament of penance allows penitents to attain complete purification "in such a way that no punishment would remain" (CCC 1472). Because our relationship with God was ruptured by sin, Christ instituted the sacrament of penance so that our friendship and communion with God can be restored, including our unity with his body on earth, the Church. In fact, "reconciliation with the Church is inseparable from reconciliation with God" (CCC 1445). The words of absolution in the sacrament attest to this reality: "Through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace." God is loving and merciful, not vindictive and unforgiving. Our Creator, who made us to be with him for eternity, doesn't desire an eternal punishment that prevents the very purpose for which we were created!

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#### SERVICE

#### 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.

#### ST. BENEDICT FOOD PANTRY

The regular St. Benedict Food Pantry schedule continues to be the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month from 9 am to 10 am. Next open on Friday November 11.

#### Answers to last week's Treasure Hunt Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

-1- to see Jesus [He is short so he can't see Jesus among the crowd.]; -2- "Zacchaeus, come down quickly for today I must stay at your house."; -3- grumbling, joy; -4- give to the poor and repay others many times over to atone for our transgressions; -5- Abraham, lost; ; -6- BONUS: plenary, church, family faithful.