



St. Benedict Catholic Church

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The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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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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Hail, Christ Our King

The readings for today's feast create a collage of images that capture different characteristics of Christ's kingship. "Shepherd" assures us his kingly rule is characterized by tenderness. "King of Israel" locates him squarely within human time and space. "Image of the Invisible God" acclaims his divine origin. "Firstborn of all Creation" places him over the entire created world. "Source of all Created Things" acknowledges him as the model after which all things were fashioned. "Head of the Body, the Church" underscores the intimacy and interrelationship between him and all those joined to him through faith and baptism. "Firstborn of the Dead" acclaims his resurrection and guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death. The Gospel's image of Christ as the crucified king clearly interprets all the other images. He is a shepherd who protects his flock with his life, a king who rules with dedication despite shame and defeat, divine yet accepted death on a cross. He was God who became a "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." LUKE 23:42 vulnerable child of earth, a simple man who offered himself as sacrifice, the one through whom we will all enjoy resurrection from the dead. In the last words of the Gospel, Jesus opens the gates of his kingdom to a repentant sinner: "Today you will be with me in Paradise." This is what all of us long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority, but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.



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For Reflection

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☞ *Which image of Christ inspires you? Why?*

☞ *Reflect on this verse: What must you do to allow Christ to have sway in your life?*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: 'You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel.'
2 Sm 5:1-3

Psalm: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5

Second Reading: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ...
Col 1:12-20

Gospel: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Lk 23:35-43

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 Liturgical Directives and Cold & Flu Guidelines

All remaining Covid-19 liturgical restrictions are lifted except for the suspension of the distribution of the Precious Blood to the congregation.

As always, you are reminded to use common sense for your health and safety during the annual cold and flu season. If you are feeling ill or think you may have been exposed to a virus, you should refrain from coming to Mass. In the same way, you should refrain from offering your hand to others at the sign of peace. A smile and a heartfelt "Peace be with you" should suffice. All of us must be aware of such sensitive matter in the intimate life of the Christian community and we should expect that some will refrain from a physical expression of the sign of peace out of care of our well-being and not out of unkindness or lack of piety.

SACRAMENTS

Funerals Please contact the office for information about available dates *before* making arrangements with the mortuary or cemetery.

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

The face of God revealed by Jesus is that of a Father concerned for and close to the poor... We do not find him when and where we want, but see him in the lives of the poor, in their sufferings and needs, in the often inhuman conditions in which they are forced to live.



MESSAGE, WORLD DAY OF THE POOR, 11/14/2021

A Prayer to Christ the King

Lord, Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King, the beginning and end of all things, you have made your Church to be a people that bears witness to the goodness and beauty of your kingdom.

By your Holy Spirit, you have united us as one body, called to live as one family of God.

Fill our hearts with your grace, that we would be close to you by being close to the vulnerable and marginalized.

Give us the patience to share one another's burdens, and give us the courage to always be friends of the truth.

May we remain with you always. Amen

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SAINT OF THE WEEK— FEAST DAY NOVEMBER 25TH SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA C. 282—305



Catherine was the daughter of Constus, governor of Alexandria, Egypt, during the reign of the Roman emperor, Maxentius. As a child she read all the books she could find and she asked questions of all the wisest people in the land. Through her studies she learned

about Christianity and converted at about age 14. At 18, she debated 50 pagan philosophers and her wisdom and skills were so great that all of them were converted. Later she also brought many of the pagan emperor's soldiers and members of the emperor's family, including his wife to follow the way of Christ. All of them were martyred. Maxentius still did not want to kill Catherine. He told her if she denied her faith she could be his wife and become Empress. She said "No, my heart belongs only to Christ." After that the emperor ordered Catherine to be tied to a large wheel with sharp spikes and be tortured. The ropes fell off of her and the wheel flew apart in all directions. She was then beheaded.

St. Catherine of Alexandria was one of the *Fourteen Holy Helpers*, saints who were intercessors for many miracles during the Black Plague from 1346 to 1353 when millions of people died. The 14 were Acacius, Barbara, Blaise, Catherine of Alexandria, Christopher, Cyriacus, Dionysius of Paris, Erasmus, Eustace, George, Margaret, Pantaleon, Vitus and Giles. The 14 had their feast day in the Church on August 8th until it was suppressed in 1969 due to the revision of the Catholic Calendar.

PRAYER

Pray the Rosary Daily

PRAYER

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS



In her diary, St. Faustina wrote "I saw my Guardian Angel, who ordered me to follow him. In a moment I was in a misty place full of fire in which there was a great crowd of suffering souls. They were praying fervently, but to no avail, for themselves; only we can come to their aid. The flames which were burning them did not touch me at all. My Guardian

Angel did not leave me for an instant. I asked these souls what their greatest suffering was. They answered me in one voice that their greatest torment was longing for God. I saw Our Lady visiting the souls in Purgatory. The souls call her "The Star of the Sea." She brings them refreshment. I wanted to talk with them some more, but my Guardian Angel beckoned me to leave. We went out of that prison of suffering. [I heard an interior voice] which said, "**My mercy does not want this, but justice demands it.**" Since that time, I am in closer communion with the suffering souls."

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Dear God, we pray for our loved ones who are ill and in need of Your healing. We commend them to Your warm and loving embrace. Please, comfort them and ease their suffering. Lord, if it is Your will, deliver them from the hardship they are undergoing. We humbly ask that You have mercy, renew their strength, and heal what afflicts them, in Your loving name O Lord. Amen.

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

Patsy Sabarre, Bernard Labasan, Azarias Dosdos, John Herman, 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.**

*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*

CALENDAR

- Monday** NOVEMBER 21
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday** NOVEMBER 22 St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr Rv 14:14-19 Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday** NOVEMBER 23
Weekday Rv 15:1-4 Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday** NOVEMBER 24 St. Andrew Dűng-La.c, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a Lk 21:20-28
- Thanksgiving Day** (US) Sir 50:22-24 1 Cor 1:3-9 Lk 17:11-19
- Friday** NOVEMBER 25
Weekday Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2 Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday** NOVEMBER 26
Weekday Rv 22:1-7 / Lk 21:34-36
- Sunday** NOVEMBER 27 First Sunday of Advent Is 2:1-5 Rom 13:11-14 Mt 24:37-44

**All
the Holy Souls...
Pray for Us
as We Pray for
You**



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[Luke 23: 35-43]

Treasure Hunt

1. What is the setting of Luke’s Gospel today?
2. In labeling Jesus the “_____,” the rulers in Jesus’ time showed their ignorance; in truth Jesus IS “_____”.
3. The thief at Jesus’ side who rebuked Him had NO_____.
4. The other thief shows us **THE PROMISE** of acknowledging our sins and asking for forgiveness. What is that promise?
5. We know that Jesus did not “save Himself” from From death. What then was the **PURPOSE** of his dying on the cross?

BONUS:

- A) What POPE instituted the Feast of Christ the King?
- B) In which country—Brazil or Poland—is the largest statue of Jesus in the world?

Answers to last week’s Treasure Hunt Saints & the Beatitudes [Part II]

-1- St. Peter Claver; -2- St. Joan of Arc; -3- St. Leo the Great; -4- St. Thomas More.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE + HANDOUT

The back of today’s bulletin insert includes a handout for preparing for our Advent Penance Service, to be held on **Wednesday, December 6, 2022 at St. John Mission, 6:00pm**. Please read it and scan the QR code or enter the link noted there to view a diocese video about the sacrament. Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend this Penance Service.

TIME TO CELEBRATE – “BACK TO CHURCH”

Next weekend there will be **light breakfast and fellowship** after the 7:15 Mass at St. Benedict and also after the 9:30 Mass at St. John the Baptist Mission. Please join us! Let’s revive the spirit of being “one ohana” again.

Dear Padre

Can all good people go to heaven after they die, even if they haven’t been a Christian? My dad is from India and grew up with another religion. The rest of my family is Catholic. I am afraid that we won’t see each other again after we die.

Put your mind at ease. A person who is not a Christian can go to heaven. Heaven is not just for Christians, but for everyone who loves God and responds to God’s will in his or her life. We know that God wants all people to be saved, not just Christians. Jesus began a Church to help people achieve salvation. The Church teaches that those who seek “the truth and [do] the will of God in accordance with their understanding of it can be saved” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1260). What we know as Catholics is that God called us into the Church. It is there that we will work out our salvation. “Since Christ died for all, and since all are called to one and the same destiny, which is divine,” we must believe that the Holy Spirit makes a way for everyone, a way that only God knows (CCC 1260). You should pray for your dad and be a faithful Catholic. Perhaps your good example will help him become a Christian. Even if he never becomes a Christian, your prayers will help him work out his salvation without the benefit of the sacraments and a believing community. If he does what is right, God will reward him.

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SERVICE

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. **PLEASE NOTE –EXCEPTION: NEXT OPEN ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 9TH DECEMBER DISTRIBUTION DATES will be ONLY on the 2nd & 3rd Fridays, December 9th and 16th.**

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.

