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WEEKEND MASSES

St. Benedict
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:15 a.m.
HAWAIIAN MASS
Every Second Sunday
7:15 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Saturday 6:00 p.m. Sunday 9:30 a.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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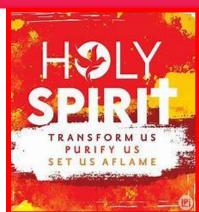
St. Benedict Catholic Church May 28, 2023 Pentecost Sunday

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Fear can be a most powerful imprisoning force.

Like the apostles who locked themselves behind closed doors after the resurrection for fear of the local leaders, there are times when our own fears lock us out of the future and into our past.

We find ourselves choosing not to be generous for fear that if we are, we will find ourselves empty-handed with no one to care for us because all of our resources have been used up. And so, because of our fear, we lock ourselves into our own selfishness. At other times, we hesitate to be kind for fear that



our care will be misconstrued or, worse, will be taken advantage of and abused. And so, for fear of continual demands upon our kindness, we lock ourselves into indifference. At other times, we find ourselves too cautious to speak out in the face of injustice because of a misguided respect for "someone else's business" or because we are afraid anger or rejection will come down upon us. So, we lock ourselves into silence.

It is always the Spirit, however, that enables us to unlock those doors once locked by our fear. While that new power enables us to venture into a sometimes-shattering world, it does not promise we won't be shattered in the process. All that Jesus promised is that the Spirit would bring us peace. Such peace happens to us whenever we choose not to succumb to our fears. It is indeed a new creation taking place in us, even now.

For Reflection

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Has fear ever paralyzed you, keeping you from doing good?

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit... Acts 2:1-11

Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

Second Reading: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. Eph 1:17-23

Gospel: "...I am with you always, until the end of the age." Mt 28:16-20

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday 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

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ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME!



Updated Covid-19 Liturgical Directives and Cold & Flu Guidelines

Bishop Larry Silva has decided to allow parishes to restore Holy Communion under both kinds, on Holy Thursday, April 6th, at the pastor's discretion.

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

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

<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. Call the office 328-2227.

Eucharist to Homebound and Hospital

Call the office to arrange for a visit from a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

On the day of Pentecost, Jesus' disciples were still disoriented and fearful. They did not yet have the courage to go out in the open. We too, at times, prefer to remain within the protective walls of our surroundings. But the Lord...sends upon us theles Holy Spirit who envelops us and overpowers all our hesitations.

REGINA CAELI, ST. PETER'S SQUARE, MAY 23, 2021

Pentecost Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit,

and make us Pentecost People

Let your wisdom and right judgment guide

our decisions and temper our impulses.

Let knowledge and understanding increase

our capacity for empathy and compassion.

Let reverence and awe fill us with

gratitude and respect for all of creation.

Give us the courage to witness boldly

to our faith in word and deed.

Through and with and in Jesus Christ, we pray.

Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK - FEAST DAY JUNE 3RD ST. JUSTIN, MARTYR c. 100— 165 A.D.

St. Justin was born around 100 A.D. of pagan Greek parents in what today is known as the West Bank section of Israel. He was very well educated and had a great desire to find truth, wherever it might be found. He studied Socrates, Plato and Aristotle and also spoke with an elderly Christian man who told him about Jesus and some of the Old Testament figures, especially Abraham. He learned about the martyrs and became fascinated that people would be willing to die for a person and a cause rather than deny it. He deeply admired them. At age 33, after many years of studying philosophy, Justin converted to Christianity through Platonism. From then on he devoted his entire life to the propagation and defense of the Faith in Asia Minor and at Rome. He was able to combine faith and reason in his beliefs and was the first to put Catholic beliefs into written works. He opened his first school of Christian philosophy in Rome and drew attention from the emperor, Antoninus by sending "apologist" materials to him and to the Roman Senate. Antoninus issued an edict that lessened the persecution of Christians. However, Marcus Aurelius, who followed as emperor persecuted and had many Christians slain. While teaching in Rome, Justin was arrested and sentenced to death. When commanded to sacrifice to the Roman gods, he said, "No right-minded man forsakes truth for falsehood." Before he was beheaded he declared, "Yes, I am a Christian." The six who were with him also accepted martyrdom by declaring themselves Christian. These things took place in 165 A.D. St Justin is the patron of lecturers.







Holy Spirit, guide me to the mantle of Mary so that she might draw me closer to Him.

Pray
the
Rosary
Daily



Blessed are those
who cherish the name of Mary.
Her favor will sustain them
in the midst of trials
and they will bring forth
fruits of salvation.

-St. Anthony of Padua

PRAYER FOR HEALING

O God who are the only source of health and healing, the spirit of calm and the central peace of this universe, grant to us such a consciousness of your indwelling and surrounding presence that we may permit you to give us health and strength and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Noah Mullen, Deb Reed, Ronald Pegelow, Joby Kanda-Alvarez, Clifford Chow Jr., Bernard Labasan, Azarias Dosdos, John Herman, Janet Katakura, Merton Ogata, Henry Borges, Rafael Ramirez, Robin Crusat, William Anderson, Linda Adkins, Gloria Grapa, Elizabeth Awa, Johnny Koene, Ruby Best, Jimmy Best.

Call thea 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. Sínce 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

> Thank God ... for the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist!

from You.

Amen

PRAYER

CALENDAR

MONDAY May 29

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Gn 3:9–15, 20 or Acts 1:12– 14 Jn 19:25–34

TUESDAY May 30 *Weekday* Sir 35:1–12 Mk 10:28–31

WEDNESDAY May 31
Visitation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
Zep 3:14–18a or Rom 12:9–
16 Lk 1:39–56

THURSDAY June 1 St. Justin, Martyr Sir 42:15–25 Mk 10:46–52

FRIDAY June 2 *Weekday* Sir 44:1, 9–13 Mk 11:11–26

SATURDAY June 3 St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs Sir 51:12cd–20 Mk 11:27–33

SUNDAY June 4 *Most Holy Trinity*Ex 34:4b–6, 8–9

2 Cor 13:11–13 Jn 3:16–18

"Everyone, then, who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock..."

Mt. 7:24



Pentecost Sunday

[John 20:19-23] [Acts3:1-11] [1 Cor. 12:3-7 & 12-13]

Treasure Hunt

- 1. With what words did Jesus greet His disciples when He entered the locked room after His Resurrection?
- What <u>sacrament</u> was instituted when Jesus said:
 "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."
- **3.** <u>T/F</u>: John's gospel provides a detailed description of the conferring of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples.
- 4. What is the gift of glossolalia that was given to the disciples by the Holy Spirit?
- 5. In 1 Cor 12:12-13, St. Paul says: "For in one

 S we were all b into one body,
 whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and
 we were all given to d of one Spirit."

Answers to Last Week's Treasure Hunt

The Ascension of the Lord

-1- Mount Olives in Galilee; -2- Eleven (11); -3-Jesus instructs the disciples to "go, make disciples of all nations, baptize them, and teach them to observe the Commandments; -4- F) False; -5- "I am with you always, until the end of the age"; -6- Nicene and Apostles Creeds.

"Out of the darkness of my life, so much frustrated, I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Blessed Sacrament ...

There you will find romance, glory, honour, fidelity, and the true way of all your loves upon earth."

-J.R.R. Tollien





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Dear Padre,

I am a practicing Catholic and I don't remember being confirmed. Is it too late for me to be confirmed?

The sacrament of confirmation usually happens when a person is older, and therefore you would likely remember the occasion. It could be that you were not confirmed. You can check with the parish you lived in during your school years to be sure. They keep records of confirmations done in the parish. Confirmation is the final sacrament of initiation. Baptism ushers us into our life with God by giving us new life. Confirmation seals us with the spirit so we can follow Jesus and live out our particular vocation. And the Eucharist gives us strength for the journey and keeps us in union with God.

If you discover you have not been confirmed or if you can't find out for certain, talk with your pastor. You would not be the first adult seeking confirmation. Your pastor can tell you how your diocese handles confirmation for adults. There might be a program of adult instruction for confirmation to ensure you understand the sacrament and the teachings of the Church.

Today is Pentecost, the day when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit into the lives of the apostles.
The Spirit gave them strength for what they had to do.
The Spirit can do the same for you.

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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 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Next Distribution will be on Friday June 9, 2023.

MAHALO FOR THE FRUIT!

Thank you to all who share their

abundance of fruit with the Painted Church. Many visitors have never seen some of the tropical varieties we display. Tasting adds a little extra to their 'Aloha' experience...