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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

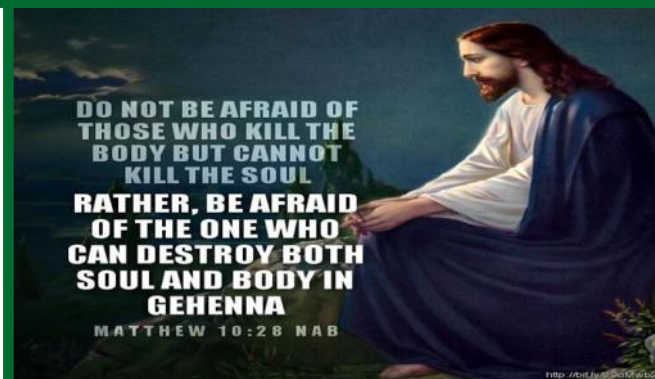
June 25, 2023

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### What is a soul, if not...?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The Gospel of Matthew warns that the greater danger is not about those who may kill the body, but rather it is about those who can destroy both body and soul. Indeed, what if our soul dies long before our body dies? What then has become of our living? Henry David Tho-



reau spent a year at Walden Pond in 1845. He did not go to escape life, he said, but to preserve it, to live it more fully. "I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not when I came to die, discover that I had not lived," he wrote in *Walden* in 1854. "I did not wish to live what was not life, living is so dear, nor did I wish to practice resignation, unless it was quite necessary. I wanted to live deep and suck out all the marrow of life, to live so sturdily and Spartan-like as to put to rout all that was not life." To have a soul is not as if some otherworldly reality has been given a home in our body. Rather, to have a soul is to have a source of hope even in the face of failure, to love in imitation of Jesus even when we are not loved, to see goodness even when it is hidden, to trust in God even when we are powerless. It is the source of mystery, of all that is transcendent, the home of all that is holy.

### *For Reflection*

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***How would you know if your soul was in danger?***

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:** But the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion: My persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph. **Jer 20:10-13**

**Psalm:** Lord, in your great love, answer me. **Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35**

**Second Reading:** But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin... **Rom 5:12-15**

**Gospel:** "Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?" **Mt 10:26-33**

**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 [st.benedict@rcchawaii.org](mailto:st.benedict@rcchawaii.org) Submission deadline: **TUESDAY at 5:00pm.**

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## ALOHA AND WELCOME HOME!



*The 12th Sunday  
of Ordinary Time*

### 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

**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. 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

*The great danger in today's world, pervaded as it is by consumerism, is the desolation and anguish born of a complacent yet covetous heart, the feverish pursuit of frivolous pleasures, and a blunted conscience.... God's voice is no longer heard, the quiet joy of his love is no longer felt, and the desire to do good fades.*

APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION, JOY OF THE GOSPEL (EVANGELII GAUDIUM),  
NOVEMBER 24, 2013



### National Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you give us your flesh and blood  
for the life of the world, and you desire  
that all people come to the  
Supper of the Sacrifice of the Lamb.  
Renew in your Church the truth,  
beauty, and goodness contained  
in the Most Blessed Eucharist.  
Jesus living in the Eucharist,  
come and live in me.  
Jesus healing in the Eucharist,  
come and heal me.  
Jesus sacrificing yourself in the Eucharist,  
come and suffer in me.  
Jesus rising in the Eucharist,  
come and rise to new life in me.  
Jesus loving in the Eucharist,  
come and love in me.  
Lord Jesus Christ,  
through the paschal mystery  
of your death and resurrection  
made present in every Holy Mass,  
pour out your healing love  
on your Church and on our world.  
Grant that as we lift you up  
during this time of Eucharistic Revival,  
your Holy Spirit may draw all people  
to join us at this Banquet of Life.  
You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
God forever and ever. Amen.  
Our Lady of Peace, Pray for us.



*"For all that has been, Thank you.  
For all that is to come, Yes!"*

**To St. Benedict and  
St. John the Baptist**

Thank you for a  
wonderful, humbling  
experience! I know you all  
won't remember what I've shared with you.  
I know you all won't remember what I have  
done (big or small). But I hope in those four  
fruitful years I made each one of you  
important. Rest assured that I will  
remember you all in my prayers. As you  
know, I have remembered most, if not all of  
your names. Please include me in your  
prayers as well.

**Mahalo,  
Father Sieg**



Please pray for Father Sieg and Father William:

**O Queen of the Apostles,  
Mother of Jesus Christ,**



**you were with Him at  
the beginning of His life  
and of His mission.**

**You sought the Master  
among the crowd.**

**You stood beside Him  
when He was**

**lifted up from the earth**

**consumed as**

**the one eternal sacrifice**

**And you had John close by you, your son;**

**accept from the beginning those**

**who have been called,**

**protect their growth, accompany your sons**

**in their life and in their ministry,**

**O Mother of Priests.**

-a verse from the Prayer for Priests to Our Blessed Mother by  
St. Pope John Paul II-

### PRAYER FOR HEALING

**ALMIGHTY and Eternal God,  
the everlasting salvation of those who  
believe, hear us on behalf of Thy sick  
Servants for whom we implore the aid  
of Thy pitying mercy, that, with their bodily  
health restored, they may render thanks  
to Thee in Thy Church. Amen.**

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

Susan Pegelow, Bill Myers, 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 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  
in the Eucharist!*

### PRAYER

#### CALENDAR

**MONDAY** June 26  
Weekday  
Gn 12:1-9 Mt 7:1-5

**TUESDAY** June 27  
Weekday  
Gn 13:2, 5-18  
Mt 7:6, 12-14

**WEDNESDAY** June 28  
St. Irenaeus, Bishop  
and Martyr Gn 15:1-12,  
17-18 Mt 7:15-20

**THURSDAY** June 29  
Sts. Peter and Paul,  
Apostles Acts 12:1-11  
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18  
Mt 16:13-19

**FRIDAY** June 30  
Weekday Gn 17:1, 9-10,  
15-22 Mt 8:1-4

**SATURDAY** July 1  
Weekday  
Gn 18:1-15 Mt 8:5-17

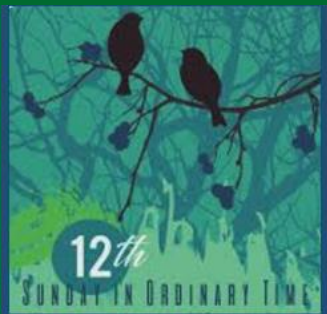
**SUNDAY** July 2  
Thirteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11  
Mt 10:37-42

*'Before beginning to READ...*

*...raise your mind to the  
Lord and implore Him to  
GUIDE your mind  
Himself, to SPEAK to  
your heart, and MOVE  
your will.*

*-St. Padre Pio*





## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Matthew 10:26-33]  
[Jeremiah 20: 10-13]  
[Romans 5:12-15]

### Treasure Hunt

1. **What** does Jesus say **twice** to His disciples about people who want to hurt them, spread lies about them, or kill them? [**Hint**: four words]
2. **Who** are the disciples (and us) told **not** to fear?
3. **Whom** should we fear?
4. **What** is Jesus teaching His disciples when He uses the example of the sparrows?
5. **What** does Jesus tell us is the **importance** of professing our faith in public?

#### BONUS:

- A. [**Jeremiah 20:11**] **What** helps Jeremiah to rise above “friends” who are waiting for him to make a mistake so that they can take vengeance on him?
- B. [**Romans 5:15**] **Who** is the **one** whose transgression caused many to die? Who is the one whose “gracious gift overflowed for the many”?

#### Answers to Last Week's Treasure Hunt Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

-1- pity (compassion); -2- “who betrayed Him”; -3- ability to drive out unclean spirits and the ability to cure every disease and illness; -4- “the lost sheep of the house of Israel”/ pagan territory and Samaria; -5- received, give; **BONUS: -a-** “I bore you up on eagle wings”, -b- “You shall be my special possessions, dearer to me than all other people.”



What God's Son has told me, take for truth I do;  
Truth Himself speaks truly  
or there's nothing true.

- St. Thomas Aquinas  
Adoro Te Devote



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## Dear Padre

### A friend of mine wants to be cremated. Does the Church permit it?

The Church permits cremation when extraordinary circumstances warrant it. There was never a direct canonical ban on cremation until 1886, simply because it was not widely practiced by the Christian Church; its members preferred inhumation—the traditional form of burial—in hopeful imitation of Christ, whose body was resurrected from the dead. The Church reacted to a proliferation of nineteenth-century cremation societies, primarily in Europe, with a decree that forbade Catholics from membership in these societies or from cremation (with obvious exceptions made in times of public crisis, plagues, wars, etc.). The Church restated the ban as late as 1926 out of concern that these groups were anti-religious in promoting cremation as an argument against belief in the resurrection. The Vatican has allowed cremation as an acceptable alternative to burial since 1963, except in cases where irreligious motives are apparent (Canon 1176, No. 3). Nevertheless, “although cremation is now permitted by the Church, it does not enjoy the same value as burial of the body. The Church clearly prefers and urges that the body of the deceased be present for the funeral rites, since the presence of the human body better expresses the values which the Church affirms in those rites” (No. 413, *Order of Christian Funerals*, “Appendix 2, Cremation,” 1997).

**Moreover**, while the Church permits cremation, the scattering of ashes is forbidden. They are to be reserved with reverence in a sacred place.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

## SERVICE

### ST. BENEDICT FOOD PANTRY

**Mahalo to The County Food Basket** for delivering an unexpected supply of food items, many items which we don't often receive. 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, July 14, 2023.**

### MAHALO FOR THE FRUIT! MORE IS NEEDED!

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.