

St. Benedict Parish St. John the Baptist Mission Church

01/12/2025 The Baptism of the Lord

RIVER

OF

GLORY



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WEEKEND MASSES

*St. Benedict

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Second Sunday Hawai-
ian Mass 8:00 a.m.

*St. John the Baptist

Sunday 10:00am
3rd Sunday Pohnpei
Choir

Confession before Mass-
es

Please call the Office to
schedule

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Benedict, Honaunau

7:00 a.m.

Tuesday- Friday

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As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership. We see in Jesus a type of leadership that is characterized by humility and leading by example.

Certainly, the sinless Savior did not need a baptism of repentance! But Jesus humbly made Himself one with his people to draw us to Him and create a relationship with us so that we would be open to His teachings and influence.

As a servant leader, we also see that Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them. To lead like Jesus, we, too, must "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." If we want those who we lead to be generous and hard-working, then we must show them how to do this by demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves.

Immediately after His baptism, we learn of the powerful affirmation of the Father who opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in bodily form, and says audibly, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased." Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too.

First Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 42: 1-4.6-7

What we are about to hear is the first of the four Songs of “the Servant of the Lord.” All Christian generations have seen in him a prophetic figure of Jesus of Nazareth, the one in whom alone the Father is fully pleased.

Second Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 10:34-38

The passage we are about to hear contains the beginning of the discourse of Peter in the house of the Roman centurion Cornelius. This text is used in today’s feast because of its reference to Jesus whom God “anointed with the Holy Spirit and power.”

Gospel: Luke 3:15-`16.21-22

The baptism of Jesus at the Jordan was the first official “manifestation” of his identity in his public life. No less than God the Father Himself proclaimed him “beloved Son” while the Holy Spirit descended on him as the “Anointed of the Lord.”

GOOD NEWS

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

The Spirit that descended upon Jesus is the same Spirit with which we have been baptized. In one way or another, it calls us out into the world, into the lives of others. At times, that call is a passionate desire that burns like fire “eager to do what is good,” as Paul wrote to Titus (Titus 2:14). It shows itself as a call to the work we do in life— perhaps parenting, teaching, medical work, or creating jobs through business. The Spirit beckons us into making the world a better place in which to live. Sometimes, however, the Spirit’s voice echoes with calls made to us by others. Teachers are urged to become principals. Employees are recognized as potential managers and supervisors. People receive requests to volunteer in community or school projects. At other times, the Spirit calls us through the needs of life. A child may need to care for an aged parent. A family may have a child with special needs. One-sided relationships may call for a listening ear that saps our patience. Saint Paul wrote to Titus that, in all of this, we are being trained by God’s Spirit to live life as follows: temperately, with a sense of balance, perhaps between giving and receiving; justly, because life is not all about us; and devoutly, for there is a power greater than ourselves (Titus 2:12). It may help to realize that those in training do not always perform their work perfectly. It is the nature of being trained. Trust the Spirit to train you well. ●

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SON OF THE FATHER AND OUR BROTHER

Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan River is the second “epiphany,” i.e., the second manifestation of his identity and mission. The Father’s voice revealed that Jesus is the “Son/Servant,” the man filled with the Spirit of the Lord, sent to “establish justice on the earth.” His mission will also entail taking upon himself the weight of mankind’s sinfulness, as foretold in the last of the Servant’s Songs. Jesus’ baptism reminds us of our own baptism when the Father pronounced over us the most splendid sentence we will ever hear: “You are my beloved son/daughter!” it is this unparalleled dignity which entitles us to participate in this Eucharist. Let us do so with gratitude and love.

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

*Marguerite Nalto *Hank Silva
*Miriam Janczak
*Kelii Lovell,
*Jerry Sheehan
*Joevelyn Delas Reyes
*Kathy Wood
*Gwen Menchaca *Deb Reed,
*Gloria Grapa *William Anderson

Weekend Mass Intentions

Saturday Jan. 11, 2025

**4:00 Josephine Cassidy Sampson,
healing**

**6:00 Roasale & Frank Mescall, 40th
Wedding Anniversary**

Sunday Jan. 12, 2025

8:00 Arnulfo Valdovinos

10:00 Louise Cournayer, Spec. Int.

Weekdays Jan. 14-18, 2025

Tues. +Margit Hoffman

**Wed May, Renan, Randy, Joey,
Isaiah, Steve, healing & Special
Intention**

Thurs +David Freeman

Friday Misa Pro Populo

**Mass Request forms are available at
the church entrance.. The usual
stipend is \$10 or more. You may
place it in the collection or mail to
the office. You may also submit via
PayPal through our website at:
thepaintedchurchhawaii.org**

Opening: #517 River of Glory

Responsorial Psalm #881 O bless the Lord, my soul.

Gifts: #785 Behold the Lamb of God

Communion: #516 Baptized in Water

Sending Forth # 303 Joy to the World

St. Benedict Parish

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for your generosity!

Dec. 31, 2024,

200.00 Collection

200.00 TOTAL

January 5, 2025

3,376.00 Collection

25.00 Solemnity of Mary

60.00 Maint./repairs

85.00 Food Pantry

\$ 3,546.00 TOTAL

Attendance

Adults/Children

St. John 69 7

St. Benedict 61 5

130 12

New Years Eve 23

New Year's Day 67

90



MONDAY

January 13

Weekday

Heb 1:1-6

Mk 1:14-2

TUESDAY

January 14

Weekday

Heb 2:5-12

Mk 1:21-28

WEDNESDAY

January 15

Weekday Heb

2:14-18

Mk 1:29-39

THURSDAY

January 16

Weekday

Heb 3:7-14

Mk 1:40-45

FRIDAY

January 17

St. Anthony,

Abbot

Heb 4:1-5, 11

Mk 2:1-12

SATURDAY

January 18

Weekday

Heb 4:12-16

Mk 2:13-17

SUNDAY

January 19

Second Sunday

in Ordinary

Time Is 62:1-

5 1 Cor 12:4-

11 Jn 2:1-11

BUSINESS MANAGER

Susan Keen

OFFICE SECRETARY

Carolyn Craven

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Angie Tabieros

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Ariel Hadap

Choir Practice

Wed. 5: 30 St. John Church,

FOOD PANTRY

Kenneth & Gloria Ciriako

Tom & Vicky McLoughlin

The Baptism of the Lord

[Luke 3: 15-16 & 21-22, Isaiah 40: 1-5 & 9-11,
and Titus 2:11-14 & 3:4-7]



Treasure Hunt

1. **What** did the people gathered at the Jordan ask themselves about John the Baptist?
2. **How** does John the Baptist distinguish his baptism from the baptism they will receive through Jesus?
3. **T/F**: In Luke's account of Jesus's baptism, Jesus was the **only** person baptized that day.
4. What **physical form** did the Holy Spirit take on this occasion? [**BONUS**: Name another occasion in the Old Testament when the Holy Spirit was revealed in this same form.]
5. From the *First Reading*, **name TWO** (2) **manifestations** (visual representations) of Jesus that are contained in Isaiah's prophesy.
6. In the *Second Reading*, **what** are we told to **reject** and **how** are we instructed to **live**? **What** is our **reward** for being "cleansed" and "eager to do what is good"?

Answers to Last Week's Treasure Hunt

The Epiphany of the Lord

-**1**- Matthew; -**2**- "troubled"; -**3**- gold = royalty, frankincense = divinity. myrrh = sacrifice/humanity; -**4**- in a dream they were warned not to return to Herod; -**5**- light, radiance; -**6**- *Gentiles "are coheirs, members of the same body and copartners in the promise of Christ Jesus through the Gospel."*; -**7**- T (true); -**8**- lamb (symbolizing Jesus, the Paschal Lamb).

DEAR VISITOR TO ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH, THANK YOU FOR VISITING US TODAY! WE WISH YOU A BEAUTIFUL EXPERIENCE AND THAT YOU LEAVE ST. BENEDICT'S, TODAY, REFRESHED IN SPIRIT AND WITH PEACE IN YOUR HEART!

SINCE THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CHURCH, IT HAS BEEN A CATHOLIC TRADITION TO OFFER A "MASS INTENTION". THIS IS A WAY OF REMEMBERING A PERSON AND LIFTING THEM UP IN PRAYER. YOU MAY ASK THE GREETER FOR A FORM AND ENVELOPE.



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