



St. Benedict Parish

St. John the Baptist Mission Church

02/16/2025 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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WEEKEND MASSES

*St. Benedict

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Second Sunday Hawaiian
Mass 8:00 a.m.

*St. John the Baptist

Saturday 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

3rd Sunday Pohnpei Choir

Confession before Masses

Please call the Office to
schedule

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Benedict, Honaunau

7:00 a.m. Tuesday- Friday

PASTOR /Administrator

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Rev. William

Quiamjot (kee-yam-hot)

Today's readings speak of an essential quality for the Christian steward — hope. This is especially fitting this year, as Pope Francis has designated 2025 as a Jubilee Year with the theme, "Pilgrims of Hope."

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit (CCC 1817)."

In many ways, this is the very definition of a stewardship way of life — focusing on eternity as we live our daily lives and relying on God to provide for our needs and satisfy our deepest longings for meaning and happiness right now.

In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus describes the true richness of life that is possible for those of us who are willing to live as his hope-filled disciples. We are all familiar with this passage in which Jesus reveals the Beatitudes: blessed are the poor; they have the kingdom of God.

Blessed are those now hungry because they will be satisfied. Blessed are those who weep because they will laugh. Blessed are those who are hated, excluded, and insulted because they are disciples of Jesus; they will be greatly rewarded in heaven. Jesus is describing here the character of one who is living a life of hope – the life of a Christian steward whose trust is firmly rooted in God and who is focused on others and eternity. It is not always an easy life, but it is a deeply meaningful life and one that leads to eternal reward. ©Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Opening: #643 Praise to You O Christ Our Savior

Resp. Psalm: # Blessed are they who walk in the Lord

Offertory: #720 Where Charity and Love Prevail

Communion: #717 Christians Let Us Love One Another

Going Forth: #686 How Can I Keep from Singing

First Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 33: 14-16

For centuries, since the time of David, the people of Israel had been waiting for the Messiah – a descendant of David, according to God’s promise. In today’s short passage we have a restatement of that promise.

Second Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 3: 12-4:2

Belief in the imminent Second Coming of Jesus was very deeply felt, especially by the faithful of Thessalonica. Such belief had also moral implications, as St. Paul brings out in this beautiful prayer which is particularly relevant at the beginning of Advent.

Gospel Luke 21:25.34-36

Today’s Gospel passage refers to the coming in power of Christ as Judge of all. The second part describes the way in which believers should prepare themselves for the great event on which their eternal destiny will depend.

CALLED TO CHOOSE WHAT LEADS TO LIFE

Today’s Liturgy of the Word invites us to reflect on two fundamental choices: **blessing or curse, life or death**. We choose the best when we put our trust in the Lord and live according to this choice.

Such is the message of the Beatitudes. The Lord should be our only Treasure, our Friend, our Guide, and our final Reward. In this Eucharist, we will pray in a special manner for the grace to always stay close to the Lord Jesus and live by the light of his **Beatitudes**. We will also pray for those who are blinded by their passions and make choices that are destructive of their dignity and endanger their eternal salvation. May all of us see the light and live according to the teaching and example of Jesus.



Dear Padre

I have always been an “every Sunday” Catholic. My problem is that holy Communion doesn’t feel that special. I believe that it’s the Body and Blood of Christ, but receiving feels “routine.” Sometimes I’m even distracted while receiving. Help?

Do you remember the story of the transfiguration of Jesus? (See Luke 9:28–36.) Jesus took his three special disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on the mountain, and while Jesus was praying, what did they do? They fell asleep! In the very presence of Jesus, their Lord and Master. Human beings cannot maintain feelings of awe and ecstasy for long periods of time. We would be exhausted. Feelings don’t always reflect the specialness of the moment. That is why good habits are so important. Feelings may elude us, but we can fall back on the habit of Sunday Mass. Just as two contented, long-married people don’t feel like they did on their honeymoon, they still quietly enjoy the habit of each other’s company. Lent is coming soon. You might consider shaking up your routine a little. Attend one weekday Mass. Prepare for Sunday Mass by reading the Scriptures for that Sunday and praying the entrance antiphon or the psalm. If you don’t already, consider volunteering as a choir member, lector, or extraordinary minister of holy Communion. Meanwhile, continue to receive holy Communion, giving thanks that it is readily available, and perhaps offer a prayer for communities where Communion every Sunday is not possible. ● The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

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

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

WEEKEND Prayer Intentions

Saturday Feb. 15, 2025

4:00 James Porter Jr.,
Special Intention

6:00 Thomas Atou,
Thanksgiving & Blessings

Sunday Feb. 16, 2025

8:00 +Jerry Murphy

10:00 +Jae Hyun Kim

Mass Intentions **Weekdays**

Weekday Mass Intentions

February 18-21, 2025, 7:00 AM

Tuesday +Arthur Miller

Wednesday +Adelaida

Thursday + Marie & Ed Gelbare

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.

Please include the name and the intention or contact the office with the information.

Funeral Mass—
St. Benedict Hall Chapel
for
Raymond Ciriaco
Saturday February 22, 10:00

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Mon. February 17
Weekday
Gn 4:1–15, 25
Mk 8:11–13

Tues. February 18
Weekday
Gn 6:5–8;71–5, :10
Mk 8:14–21

Wed. February 19
Weekday
Gn 8:6–13, 20–22
Mk 8:22–26

Thurs. February 20
Weekday
Gn 9:1–13
Mk 8:27–33

Friday February 21
Weekday
Gn 11:1–9
Mk 8:34–9:1

Sat. February 22
The Chair of Saint
Peter the Apostle 1
Pt 5:1–4 Mt 16:13–
19

Sun. February 23
Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time
1 Sm 26:2, 7–9, 12–
13, 22–23
1 Cor 15:45–49
Lk 6:27–38

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for your generosity!

February 9, 2025

2552.00 Collection

55.00 Augustine fund

325.00 Food Pantry

\$2932.00 TOTAL

Attendance

Adults/Children

St. John 74 21

St. Benedict 63 4

130 25

*Can you be a greeter to our
tourist visitors at the Gift
Shop area or in the church?*

*We will have extra Ship
Days in the 2nd half of
April and Beginning of
May. Call the office for
more information.*



BUSINESS MANAGER

Susan Keen

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Ariel Hadap

Wed. 5:30 St. John

Church, Choir

Practice

Food Pantry

Kenneth & Gloria

Ciriaco

Tom & Vicky

McLoughlin

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Luke 6:17 & 20-26, Jeremiah 17:5-8
& 1 Corinthians 15:12 & 16-20]



Treasure Hunt

1. One of the distinct differences between Matthew's Sermon on the Mount and Luke's Gospel this week is that Jesus delivers His sermon on a stretch of _____.
2. In today's Gospel, Jesus uses the pronoun "_____", [not "they"] to bring The Beatitudes to light for the crowd.
3. According to Jesus, what will happen to those hated, excluded, insulted and denounced as "evil on account of The Son of Man"?
4. In today's Gospel, what ONE WORD, spoken in a triple warning, does not appear in the other version of this sermon.
5. In Jeremiah's description of the "cursed" and the "blessed" in the First Reading, what metaphors does he use to describe the contrast between them?
6. In the Second Reading, what central belief as followers of Christ would make our FAITH "in vain" without it?

Answers to Last Week's Treasure Hunt

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-**1**- Gennesaret, teach; -**2**- go out into the deep water and cast their nets, Peter's boat had been out all night and never yielded any fish; -**3**- they caught so many fish that both boats were in danger of sinking; -**4**- catchers of men; -**5**- that they were sinners and unworthy of the Lord's call; -**6**- F (False). Paul saw the Risen Lord later on the Road to Damascus.

Treasure Hunt is created by Georgia Goetas and is printed with her permission to share with each of you!

*Thank you for supporting
our Parish!*

GOOD NEWS

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Where we put down our spiritual roots matters. For some, the old adage "Bloom where you are planted" may offer wisdom; however, the prophet Jeremiah reminds us that if we find ourselves planted in a lava bed or a salty and empty land, we won't do much blooming. We'll be no more than a shriveled, barren bush. So, where we plant our inner spiritual lives makes a difference. This week's gospel may seem to sap all the joy out of life. Woe if you have money to spend, a banquet to feast on, fun and laughter to dress up your days. Woe to you, it seems to caution, because when you die, the opposite will be your lot. What's so wrong, we wonder, with having cash in our pockets, food on our tables, and a good time once in a while? Life can be downright dreary otherwise. The answer, of course, is that there is nothing wrong with any of that—unless that's where we put down our roots. In other words, if that's what life is all about, sooner or later, we are likely to discover we have become a barren bush standing in lava waste. Jesus didn't come to suck the joy out of life but to give us a heads up on how to live a life that is full. He hoped we might avoid the lure that can become a wasteland. He hoped we might become "like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream" (Jeremiah 17:8). Printed with permission by Linguori Publishing

**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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