

St. Benedict Parish

St. John the Baptist Mission Church

08/3/2025

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MEMORIES



Remember this: Jesus said, “one’s life does not consist of possessions.” But, if not that, what then? Think back upon your memories: the first warm day of spring, when the fireworks of new life exploded upon you; laughing so hard that your sides hurt, and you and your friends could not stop laughing even to breathe; walking barefoot in the dewy grass; your best friend telling you you’re best friends; learning to finally ride a bike no-handed and thinking that you moved up a rung on the ladder of awesomeness; the first time you dared to risk reaching for the hand of someone you discovered you liked more than anyone else; the unbelievable wonder at the birth of your child; making googly faces at a burbling baby, and the baby googling back; your child snuggling into bed with you at two in the morning because she’s frightened by the thunderstorm; talking with friends on and on into the night and wishing it could go on for forever; a cold beer, the reward for cutting the grass on a dizzying summer afternoon; being young with an abundance of dreams of what might be; growing old and thinking life was worth it all. Remember this: there is so much more to life than one’s possessions. We all know this, and yet we forget. Perhaps in forgetting, we might be surprised again and again by the beauty of what cannot be purchased and so recognize the loving touch of our God. •

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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

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Rev. William

Quiamjot (kee-yam-hot)

Confession at St. Benedict

Saturday 10AM-12:00
Noon

NUMBERING OUR DAYS ARIGHT; GAINING WISDOM OF HEART!

On this First Sunday of August, God's Word invites us to reflect on the emptiness and meaninglessness of a life caught up in the web of selfishness, materialism, and hedonism. Unfortunately, so many fall into such a trap that Qoheleth calls "vanity of vanities." What matters most in this life is not to work for what the world considers the "ultimate" and become rich in money and properties, but "to become rich in God's sight." We can do that by living a virtuous life under the guidance of His Law and the help of His grace. It means knowing what to value and how, as reflected in the prayer we all ought to be familiar with: "Teach us Lord, to number our days aright, and so gain wisdom of heart."

First Reading: Book of Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

So many things in life do not seem to make sense if our horizon is limited to earthly existence and logic. Such is the conclusion drawn by the philosopher Qoheleth and by all those who lose sight of the transcendental dimension of our existence. Only God and eternal life in heaven can give meaning to the good we do.

Second Reading: Letter of Paul to the Colossians 3:1-5.9-11

Today, St. Paul reminds us of that faith in the resurrection of Christ and our own resurrection is what gives meaning to our existence and what should guide our priorities.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

In today's Gospel parable of the foolish rich man, Jesus reminds us of the purpose of this world's resources. They are meant to be used not for our own selfish satisfaction but to do good to others and thereby become rich in God's sight.

Mass Intentions

SAT. 4:00 +Anne Muldowney
6:00 +Anna Luksic
SUN 8:00 The grieving Strobel Family
10:00 +Tadhg (Tig, like tiger) Kenna
August 5-August 8, 2025
7AM Mass
TUES. Misa Pro Populo
WED.. The Hail-Wohlgemuth family, special Intention
THUR. Pat Rowsfnd Roland, Special Intention
FRIDAY Darlene Clark, healing

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you
for your generosity!

Week of July 20 2025

\$1881.00 Collection
185.00 Maintenance
45.00 Food Pantry
2111.00 Total

Attendance

St. Benedict	74	10
St. John	<u>77</u>	<u>12</u>
TOTAL	151	22

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FOR THEIR HEALING AND STRENGTH, LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...*

*Paul Ruskey	*Carla Vonderahe	*Mahina Kaupiko
*John Sanchis	Susan Keen	*Kamala Galletes
*Drew Sanbei	*Keiki San Filippo	*Hank Silva
*Marguerite Naito	*Jerry Sheehan	*Miriam Janczak
*Joevelyn Delas Reyes	*Kathy Wood	*Gwen Menchaca
*Deb Reed,	*Gloria Grapa	*William Anderson
*Elizabeth Awa	*Johnny Koene	



Stewardship way of life

Today's Gospel passage comes as a pat on the back from Heaven for all of us striving to live a stewardship way of life. It reminds us why we live the way we do and why we make the choices we make. Let's face it, if we truly embrace this way of life, there will be people who find our choices — based on serving God and others — downright foolish. But let's see what God thinks. Spoiler alert: turns out Christian stewards are not the fools!

In this passage, Jesus makes it clear that life is not about “stuff” as he tells the parable of the wealthy businessman who thought he had everything figured out. The man had such an abundance of stuff that he didn't have room to store it all. So, thinking of earthly things and not on what is above, he decided to build a bigger place to store all that stuff. Patting himself on the back, he thought about what good times he would have in the years ahead. But Jesus tells us that day would turn out to be the man's last day on the earth. And he had spent it thinking only of himself. How foolish!

Don't be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. You are wise in God's eyes, Christian steward. And you will be rich in what matters most.

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MON August 4
 St. John
 Vianney, Priest
 Nm 11:4b–15
 Mt 14:13–21

TUES August 5
 Weekday
 Nm 12:1–13
 Mt 14:22–36 or
 Mt 15:1–2, 10–14

WED August 6
 Transfiguration
 of the Lord Dn
 7:9–10, 13–14 2
 Pt 1:16–19 Lk
 9:28b–36

THUR August 7
 Weekday
 Nm 20:1–13
 Mt 16:13–23

FRI August 8
 St. Dominic,
 Priest
 Dt 4:32–40
 Mt 16:24–28

SAT August 9
 Weekday
 Dt 6:4–13
 Mt 17:14–20

SUN August 10
 Nineteenth
 Sunday in
 Ordinary Time
 Wis 18:6–9 Heb
 11:1–2, 8–19 or
 11:1–2, 8–12 Lk
 12:32–48 or Lk
 12:35–40

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Covetousness of goods, the desire to have goods, does not satisfy the heart, but rather causes more hunger!... Be careful! Love...is the source of true happiness, whereas the exaggerated search for material goods and wealth is often a source of anxiety, adversity, abuse of power, war. Many wars begin from covetousness.

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Treasure Hunt



[Luke 12:13-21, Ecclesiastes 1:1;2 & 2: 21-23 and
Colossians 3:1-5 & 9-11]

1. **What** is the name of the **VICE**, or selfish desire, in humans that causes us to want more than we need?
2. In material terms, what was the **source** of the rich man's wealth? To Jesus, what is the source of the "riches" (or treasure) we have in our lives?
3. What is the **irony** in the parable?
4. Is it "**money**" **or** "**the love of money**" that is **the root of all evil**? Explain your choice.
5. In the *First Reading*, **vanity** fills one's days with s_____ and g_____, and all one's night with a r_____ mind.
6. In the *Second Reading*, since we are "*raised with Christ*" what must we **seek** and what must we **"put to death"**?

Answers to Last Week's Treasure Hunt

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-1- the Lord's Prayer; **-2-** friendship, persistence; **-3-** "Ask and you will receive; Seek and you will find; Knock and the door will be opened to you."; **-4-** Holy Spirit; **-5-** Sodom, for the sake of even 10 innocent people; -
6- Baptism.

Jesus urges us to be rich in what matters to God. The psalmist warns us against hardening our hearts.
Are our hearts open to what really matters?

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



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"Take care to guard against greed,
for though one may be rich,
one's life does not consist of possessions."

Sheepish Question:

What action(s) might change my perspective regarding goals in life?



St. Benedict Catholic Church

Opening: 6#82 Though the Mountains May Fall
Psalm #981 C If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

Presentation of Gifts #655 These Alone are Enough
Communion #558 Parable

Going Forth #733 Lead Me Lord