

St Benedict Parish St. John the Baptist Church

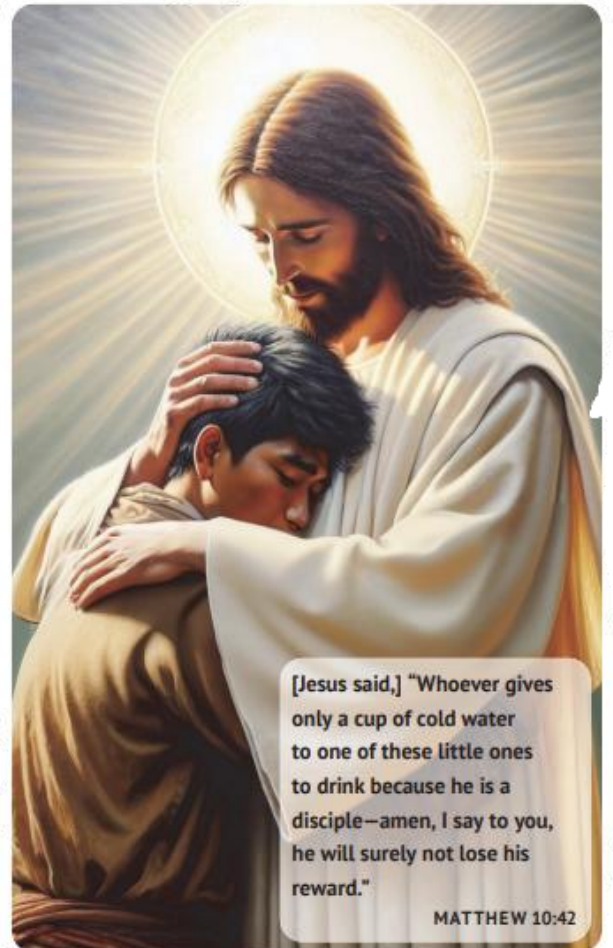
June 28, 2026

13h Sunday in Ordinary Time

All for Jesus

MIGUEL DULICK

Today's gospel passage is challenging. If anyone other than Jesus told you that if you love your own family "more than me," you are "not worthy of me," you would laugh in their face! Or, is this what scholars call a "semitism"—a culturally conditioned exaggeration used for effect? What about you are "not worthy of me" unless you "take up [your] cross and follow me," or "whoever finds his life will lose it"? Does Jesus mean these literally, or are these metaphors? And what is "a prophet's reward"? A friend of mine tried an experiment. He took the Gospel of Matthew and read it through from start to finish as if he had never seen it before. He was astonished! Jesus was serious. He meant it—all of it. Try it yourself without looking for loopholes. The key in the reading today is "for my sake." The standard, the rule, that absolute mark is "me," that is, Jesus himself, only Jesus, always Jesus. And Jesus sets that mark very high. Take up your cross? Jesus was abandoned on the cross. Jesus gave away his Mother from the cross. Jesus lost his life on the cross. But he found that life: resurrection! That is "a prophet's reward," is it not? I have to love Jesus' promise, a special "reward" for just sharing "a cup of cold water" with a "little one." It reminds me of Honduras, where I live. Here, a cup of cold water can make the difference between life and death. And that is no exaggeration!



REFLECT:

Have I read a whole gospel from start to finish?



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Tuesday-Friday 7 am**

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

TUESDAY June 30
 Weekday Am 3:1–8; 4:11–12
 Mt 8:23–27

WEDNESDAY July 1 Weekday
 Am 5:14–15, 21–24 Mt 8:28–
 34

THURSDAY July 2 Weekday
 Am 7:10–17 Mt 9:1–8

FRIDAY July 3 St. Thomas,
 Apostle Eph 2:19–22 Jn 20:24–
 29

SATURDAY July 4 Weekday Am
 9:11–15 Mt 9:14–17

SUNDAY July 5 Fourteenth



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Looking without walking by, halting the frantic pace of our lives, allowing the lives of others...with their needs and troubles, to touch our heart. That is what makes us neighbors to one another, what generates true fraternity and breaks down walls and barriers. In the end, love prevails, and it proves more powerful than evil and death.

HOMILY, CASTEL GANDOLFO, JULY 13, 2025

**Stewardship of Treasure
 Mahalo for your generosity!**

June 13-14, 2026

Collection	\$ 2871.00
Immaculate Con.	50.00
Maintenance	375.00
Food Pantry	57.00
Total	\$3302.00

Attendance

St. John	92	8
St. Benedict	104	5
	169	13

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Mass intentions

June 20-21 2026

SATURDAY

4:00 PM +Nelly Beltz

6:00 PM Mark Rhoads, health
 +June Madden

SUNDAY

8:00 For those who have lost
 their path to God

10:00 Missa Pro Populo

+WEEKDAYS

June 30, July 1-3, 2026

TUESDAY +Don & Carmen

Toppmeyer +Liszeuski Family

WEDNESDAY Sarah Frey , heal-
 ing

THURSDAY + Tom & Carmen

Toppmeyer & +Lisczeuski family

FRIDAY Kameron, Special
 Intention

- FOR STRENGTH,
 PEACE AND HEALING,
 MERCIFUL GOD,
 HEAR OUR PRAYERS.
- * Geraldine Gabriel
 - * Cindy Pangan
 - *Linda Alcain
 - *Terrance Terada
 - *Hano Grace
 - *Craig Camello
 - *Pam Shultise
 - *Merla Kline
 - *Earl Adkins
 - *Paul Ruskey
 - *Carla Vonderahe
 - *Mahina Kaupiko
 - *John Sanchis
 - *Kamala Galletes
 - *Miriam Janczak
 - *Joevelyn Delas Reyes
 - *Gwen Menchaca
 - *Deb Reed
 - *Gloria Grapa
 - *William Anderson
 - *Elizabeth Awa
 - *Johnny Koene

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 - Wed. 5: 30 St. John Church, Choir Practice
 - Food Pantry
 - Kenneth & Gloria Ciriako
 - Tom McLoughlin

St. Benedict Feast Day Celebration
Sunday, Unity Mass, July 12,
10:00 am

Entertainment

Potluck Lunch

Games & Prizes

St. Benedict Chapel.

To Do **Sign up for a main dish**

Deserts furnished by the church

Drinks furnished by the church

***Ora et labora* – Pray and work**

“Idleness,” writes **St. Benedict in The Rule**, “is an enemy of the soul; That is why the brothers have to devote themselves to manual work, in some hours, in others, to reading books containing the word of God.” Prayer and work are not in opposition, but establish a symbiotic relationship. Without prayer, it is not possible to encounter God.

The monastic life, however, defined by Benedict as “a school of the service of the Lord,” cannot be without concrete commitment. Work is an extension of prayer. “The Lord,” St. Benedict reminds us, “expects us daily to respond with facts to the doctrines of his holy teachings.”

Dear Padre,

I raised my children in the faith, but two of them left the Church to embrace another denomination, and two others, although still Catholic, have not committed to regular church attendance. I worry about their salvation. Your experience is not unknown to many Catholic parents. Many mothers and fathers could probably carry on a good conversation with you about their concerns for the faith lives of their children. The journey of faith has many paths. An individual may think more deeply about the meaning of life or may find religion after a momentous experience or in the process of gathering with a community in which they find support, clarity, shared beliefs, or guidelines for living morally. For those of us who grew up believing, chances are, we were not introduced to religion through logic. Children are brought to church long before they are aware of their need for God. They learn doctrine and attend worship before questions of faith and religion form within them. Passing on the faith is a great gift that parents give, and it will serve these young people well. Your children have the tools to help them find their way, and God continues to be with them. Follow the example of St. Monica and pray for them. Trust this one to God and continue to be a good example. ● The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

DEAR VISITOR TO ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH, ALOHA! THANK YOU FOR VISITING US TODAY! WE WISH YOU A BEAUTIFUL EXPERIENCE AND THAT YOU LEAVE ST. BENEDICT, 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.

Following Jesus Will Cause Conflict

This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16 • Elisha and the Shunammite woman
- ▶ Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 • Death to sin, life in God
- ▶ Matthew 10:37-42 • Conditions and rewards of discipleship

The Gospel reading today is a continuation of last week's instructions to the apostles as Jesus sends them out to expand his work of healing, teaching, and driving out demons. The first half of the reading contains some solemn teachings: disciples must love Jesus more than their own families, and they must be willing to lose their lives in to find it.

It is easy for us to get defensive or upset about being asked to love Jesus more than our parents or our children. Yet what Jesus was asking wasn't a new teaching in his tradition, a tradition which emphasized that one must follow God before one's parents. We should be clear that Jesus is *not* telling us it is wrong to love our family or that we should love them less than we do.

What he *is* saying is that sometimes following him will create conflict within our families. We should expect resistance and breaks in some relationships if we are faithful to what Jesus is asking of us. In those



"Whoever receives you, receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."

Sheepish Question:

How have I been blessed by the hospitality of another? How did I express my gratitude?

times, we will lose the life as we know it to be faithful to him. Still today, it is not unusual for there to be family conflict when one person begins to deepen in his or her faith commitment while others around them don't. Ask any parish RCIA director, and she can tell you stories of how painful it is for catechumens to become Catholic when their family disagrees or even disowns them for their faith in Jesus. Yet all of them who go through with it do so because they believe they are "finding" new life despite losing their old life.

Questions of the Week

- 1 Has your faith ever caused disagreements or conflicts with loved ones? Please share.
- 2 Share about something you have "lost" in your life because of your faith, and also about how your faith has helped you to find new life.

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