

PARISH CALENDAR

**Eleventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

June 12, 2016

O Lord, hear my voice!

Saturday, June 11	..... 5:00 p. m.	Mass Confirmation
Sunday, June 12	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 5:00 p. m.	Mass
Monday, June 13	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, June 14	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Communion Service
Wednesday, June 15	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, June 16	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 7:30 p. m.	<i>Prayer Meeting - Church</i>
Friday, June 17	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, June 18	..... 4:00-4:45 pm	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Zech: 12:10-11, 13:1: God has mercy on Israel, as they suffer for their sins.

Gal:3:26-29: There is one common identity among all who are baptized in Christ.

Luke:9:18-24: Disciples must take up their crosses.

***Living Catholic in the 808:
Catholics Need to Read the Bible Too***

Reading the Bible can truly nourish your soul. It is something very simple that can help you grow in your faith. Once a day or even once a week just pick up your Bible and read His Word.

His Word is alive! If you had a hard day or just need an answer to something, pray with the Bible and ask Him about it. God will answer you. It is truly amazing how every time I've prayed with the Bible for something that I was going through, God opened it to just the right page and pointed out just the right passage that I needed at that moment. (And I don't mean this in a magical way, only that God can speak to us through His Word.)

How amazing is our Lord that He answers us in so many different ways! He fills our souls with His Word so that we need not falter on His path but stand strong in the faith even when everything seems to be going wrong.

So open your Bible and hear what He is trying to say to you. It may not be what you want to hear, but it will always be what you need to hear.

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Your faith
has saved
you. Go in
Peace.



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Confirming



*We welcome **Very Rev. Gary Secor, V. G.** to St. Rita. Fr. Gary will share the Sacrament of Confirmation with the following youths at the 5:00 p. m., Saturday evening Mass. We congratulate our youth and pray that the Holy Spirit will be their guide and strength.*

***Shiloh Kaeo Emily Kalili
Braeden Taramasco***



ANNOUNCEMENTS

2016 FAITH FORMATION CONFERENCE: "MERCY

OVERFLOWING": Friday, June 17 & Saturday June 18 at St. Theresa Co-Cathedral and School. Sessions topics include: Blessed Mother Theresa: A Witness of Mercy; Helping Great Parents Parent Great; Talking Story about the Good Book;. Registration Forms are at the back of church. You can also register on at www.catholicahawaii.org/oahufaithconference.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "Your faith has saved you go in Peace" Jesus wants to have peace in our lives and marriage. Have faith that he will grant us this peace and consider signing up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are: **Oahu - September 23-25 and Maui - August 26-28.** For more information contact Lee & Tanya Barbero @ (808) 268-1578 on Maui or Jose & Mary Elizabeth Alvior @ (808) 391-2045; or visit our website at www.hawaiiwwme.org. Get your spot reserved now.

WORD OF LIFE: "In the wake of the so-called sexual revolution, many have been hurt by their own sins, the sins of others, confusion, and broken relationships and families. . . No wound is so deep, however, as to be out of the reach of Christ's redeeming grace." -"Create in Me a Clean Heart: A Pastoral Response to Pornography," USCCB (www.goo.gl/okSvz3)

WEEKLY READINGS

Jun 12 Sun: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Sam:12:7-10, 13; Ps 32; Gal:2:16, 19-21; Lk: 7: 36-50

Jun 13 Mon: Memorial of Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the church

1 Kings: 21:1-16; Ps 5: 2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7; Mt 5:38-42

Jun 14 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

1 Kings: 21:17-29; Ps: 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 & 16; Mt:5:43-48

Jun 15 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

2 Kings: 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31: 20, 21, 24; Mt: 6:1-6, 16-18

Jun 16 Thur Ordinary Weekday

Sir:48:1-14; Ps 97: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7; Mt: 6:7-15

Jun 17 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

2 Kings: 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132: 11, 12, 13-14, 17-18; Mt: 6:19-23

June 18 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

2 Chr: 24:17-25; Ps 89: 4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34; Mt 6:24-34

GOD'S GRACIOUS GIFT

Paul today gives tribute to "the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me" (Galatians 2:20). This former persecutor of Christians now boasts of his faith in Jesus. How grateful he must have been for the gift of forgiveness! The God who called Paul saw beyond his sinfulness, saw one who loved God passionately if misguidedly, and redirected his efforts.

For contemporary humans, forgiveness is as difficult today as it was in the time of the story of David; it is as hard as it was in the time of Simon. We humans have trouble seeing beyond externals and so easily fall into the habit of judging others unfairly.

Jesus' example calls us to look beyond externals, to find the goodness in each person, to forgive. Then God's gracious gift of the Son will not have been, as Paul says, pointless.

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

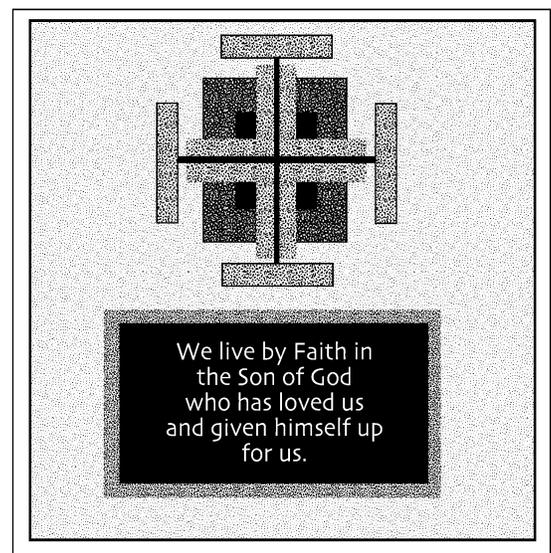
In today's Gospel we encounter the Pharisee who is rather inhospitable to Jesus. He doesn't seek Jesus' friendship. And yet the unknown woman who appears is quite eager to be where Jesus is and to show him her tremendous gratitude. She does some extraordinary things: She gets down by Jesus' feet, and, weeping, she wets his feet with her tears and wipes them with her hair! She even kisses his feet and anoints them with some perfumed oil. The woman lavishes her love and appreciation for Jesus. Christian stewards show their love for Jesus in tangible ways every day. Others don't really seek his friendship. Who are we more apt to be like in this Gospel story, the Pharisee or the grateful woman? (International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin)

IF THIS MAN WERE A PROPHET

In today's Gospel, Simon observes Jesus accepting the ministrations of a sinful woman. He questions whether Jesus can be a prophet since Jesus apparently does not know "what sort of woman this is" (Luke 7:39). Jesus, however, knows far more than what Simon observes about the woman. Jesus knows not only her sinfulness but her great love as well. And Jesus responds, not to Simon's verbal objections, but to his unspoken criticism. Here, indeed, is a prophet who knows our thoughts and sinfulness, but knows our goodness, too.

People frequently judge each other by externals, just as Simon did. They categorize each other and, having been categorized, they can do little to escape. The woman in the Gospel was "a sinful woman in the city" (Luke 7:37). Her gestures to Jesus of love and humility were, therefore, overlooked by Simon. A sinner can, apparently, do no good.

Jesus sees things differently. He points out the goodness of the woman and appreciates her love in spite of her failures. Likewise, Jesus knows we are all sinners, but he loves us anyway.



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