



St. Ann Church
Waihe'e Maui

Mass Times:

Daily Mass: 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM (except Thursdays)

Saturday: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

4th Wednesday Masses are at 9:00AM at Hale Makua Nursing Home (Wailuku).

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every 1st Friday: 6:00 AM

CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:30 PM

After every weekday mass or by appointment.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism, Confession, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Funerals please call the office to make an appointment (808) 244-3284 or (808) 385-3021 (please leave a message).

You can also reach us via email at stannwaihee@gmail.com.

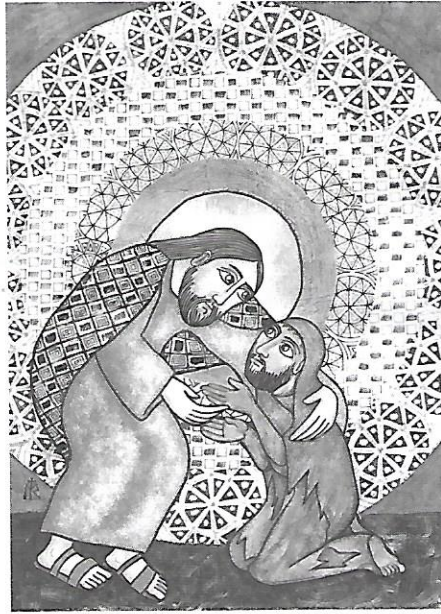
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 14, 2021

Gospel

Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said,
"If you wish, you can make me clean."
Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him,
"I do will it. Be made clean."
The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.
Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once.
He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them."



The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter.
He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly.
He remained outside in deserted places, and people kept coming to him from everywhere.

Readings for the week:

6th Sunday in Ord. Time

Lev 13:1-2, 44-46
Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11
1 Cor 10:31-11:1
Mark 1:40-45

Monday

Gen 4:1-15, 25
Ps 50:1 and 8,
16bc-17, 20-21
Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday

Gen 6:5-8;
7:1-5, 10
Ps 29:1a and 2,
3ac-4, 3b
and 9c-10
Mark 8:14-21

Ash

Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab,
12-13, 14
and 17
2 Cor 5:20-6:2
Matt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Deut 30:15-20
Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4
and 6
Luke 9:22-25

Friday

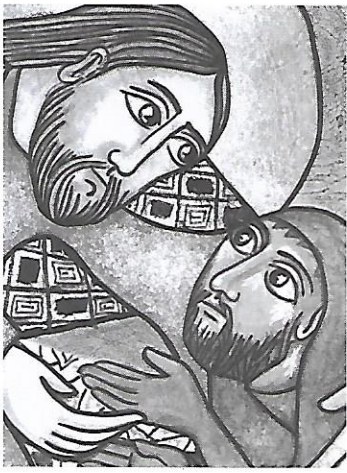
Isa 58:1-9a
Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab,
18-19
Matt 9:14-15

Saturday

Isa 58:9b-14
Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Luke 5:27-32

1st Sunday of Lent

Gen 9:8-15
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
1 Pet 3:18-22
Mark 1:12-15



Opening Prayer

O God, who teach us that you abide
in hearts that are just and true,
grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace
as to become a dwelling pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

In the gospel, Jesus is approached by a leper. He makes no attempt to move away from him. He is moved by compassion, the deep, gut-wrenching response that identifies with the suffering of another, and his hand stretches out to touch the man and affirm his choice to heal him. How long had it been since the leper had felt the touch of another human being on his diseased flesh, had heard words of affirmation rather than insult? We should be more enlightened about the importance of touch—the holding of the hand of the seriously ill or dying person, the silent embrace of the bereaved. Jesus's compassion and humanity bridge the gap between the holy and the unclean, freedom and taboos, sickness and health.

Jesus tells the man to observe the Mosaic Law by showing himself to a priest for the confirmation of his healing, and to offer a public sacrifice, an act of worship from which his leprosy had excluded him. By this instruction Jesus shows that he respects the Mosaic teaching, even though he will soon clash with some of the scribes' interpretation of this. Ironically, the man now goes around publicly and freely, while Jesus must leave the town and go into the country to escape his unwanted publicity. Because he has touched the leper, according to the Law Jesus is also regarded as unclean and excluded. He has taken upon himself another's infirmity; in his passion and death he will be the Suffering Servant who bears all our infirmities and transgressions for the sake of our salvation (cf. Isa 53:4-5). Yet people still come to him, caring nothing for his "infection" and everything for his miraculous power. As those who come to Jesus, what are we seeking from him? Do we want to be infected with his compassion or with the miraculous? How does Jesus touch us—and how do we touch others?

Closing Prayer

God who sanctifies, you are able, by love and compassion, to cleanse our soiled hearts and heal our very souls. We come to you, longing to hear you say, *be made clean*. You alone are holy, you alone can make us whole. Be this your holy will today. **Amen.**

For Reflection:

- We hear that Jesus is "moved with pity" at the plight of the leper and reaches out to touch him, breaking the law of the time. How as Christians shall we respond when laws, rules, or regulations stand in the way of compassion?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Announcements

02/13/21 – 02/14/21

Financials: Last Week 02/02/21-02/08/21

Weekly Collection Goal \$2400	Total \$2126.00	Short \$274.00
In Church	\$ 1875.00	
OnLine Giving	\$ 51.00	
Mail In	\$ 200.00	

Mahalo for your generosity! Our Youth collected \$375.00 for the Maui Food Bank for those in need through the Souper Bowl of Caring drive.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY IS FOR THE AUGUSTINE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION – Make a Student Smile – Give the Gift of Education Campaign. Your gift will be MATCHED by a generous donor up to \$175,000 dollar for dollar from what we collect for our Second Collection. Your generous donations support a quality Catholic education and promotes a successful learning environment. Every school is dedicated to the student experience with a balanced curriculum that integrates faith and culture with life values.

Your donation of any amount helps us fund scholarships for students in Hawaii Catholic Schools. Mahalo for your support!

Bread Baking on Tuesday, Feb. 16th – more hands make the load lighter. Hope to see you there!

Have a Blessed Week!