

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 21, 2021



Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan.

He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested,
Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the
gospel of God:
"This is the time of fulfillment.
The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel."



Readings for the week:

Ist Sunday of Lent Gen 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Pet 3:18-22 Mark 1:12-15 Monday Chair of St. Peter 1 Pet 5:1-4 Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 Matt 16:13-19

Tuesday Isa 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 Matt 6:7-15 Wednesday Jonah 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Luke 11:29-32

Thursday Esth C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Matt 7:7-12 Friday Ezek 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 Matt 5:20-26 Saturday Deut 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Matt 5:43-48 2nd Sunday of Lent Gen 22:1-2, 9a, 10:13, 15:18 Ps 116:10, 15, 16:17, 18:19 Rom 8:31b:34 Mark 9:2-10





Opening Prayer

Grant, almighty God,
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,
that we may grow in understanding
of the riches hidden in Christ
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.
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

The English artist Stanley Spencer (1891–1959) painted a "wilderness series" about the life of Christ. In one of these paintings he depicts Jesus sitting on the desert sands with a "wild beast." But the beast is not a roaring lion or a skulking tiger. In his cupped hands he holds a small but deadly scorpion. Spencer may be suggesting that the really dangerous beasts are those small ones that can slither insidiously into our lives; the persistent sins and small infidelities that, almost unnoticed, can inject a paralyzing venom into our discipleship.

Jesus comes out from his wilderness experience strengthened for praise and pain and mission. The arrest of John the Baptist is the first storm that breaks over Mark's gospel, but over it rises a Galilean rainbow of hope as Jesus proclaims his first words: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." On Ash Wednesday, the last words of that proclamation were an alternative that was pronounced as we were signed as baptized disciples of the Tempted One.

The desert sand is not under our feet but in our hearts. Its grit is the daily irritations and indefinable loneliness we often feel. We need these Lenten weeks of heightened awareness of the importance of uncluttered spiritual and physical space where we can come to grips with our pain, where we can discover the beauty of God and our sisters and brothers under the surface sands of our busy lives, and where we can allow our ears to be "dug out" (Ps 40:6) by closer listening to the Word of God in our Sunday liturgy. We may then become much wiser about the spiritual baggage that we, as wilderness travelers, need to keep or discard in the trek toward Easter.

Closing Prayer

True Voice of Compassion, you always proclaim Good News. Even in times of trial, amidst struggles and division, keep us mindful that *the kingdom of God is at hand:* a kingdom of mercy, love, and redemption. We make this prayer through redemption itself, your son, Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

For Reflection:

 After Jesus's baptism, the Spirit drives "Jesus out into the desert." Where do you find solitude and quiet to be with God?

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 02/20/21 – 02/21/21

Financials: Last Week 02/09/21-02/15/21

Weekly Collection Goal \$2400	Total \$2431.20	Over \$31.20
In Church	\$ 1339.00	
OnLine Giving	\$ 1092.20	
Mail In	\$.00	

Mahalo nui loa to our parish and parishioners from the Augustine Educational Foundation for your generous and continued support of the Make a Student Smile – Give the Gift of Education Campaign 2021 Second Collection. You support makes a difference in hundreds of student's lives. We were able to collect \$439.00 towards this cause. MAHALO!

Have you taken a look at the Bulletin Board lately? Special pictures posted for a walk down Memory lane. Should you have and want to share any pictures please see Frances.

Bread Report by Kathy Texeira ~

Thank you for the many hands that are showing up at the wee hours to make bread with us, those who set up beforehand and those who are there to clean up, deliver and buy our bread. We are so blessed!

With a total of 14 volunteers, we baked a total of 458 loaves of sweet bread. Many hands truly make the load lighter and everyone enjoys the camaraderie. Including miscellaneous donations our **Net Profit: \$2,497.23**. Our next bread day is Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

Have a Blessed Week!