



**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](mailto:stannwaihee@gmail.com).

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 7, 2021

## Gospel

John 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near,  
Jesus went up to Jerusalem.  
He found in the temple area those who sold  
oxen, sheep, and doves,  
as well as the money changers seated there.  
He made a whip out of cords  
and drove them all out of the temple area,  
with the sheep and oxen,  
and spilled the coins of the money changers  
and overturned their tables,  
and to those who sold doves he said,  
"Take these out of here,  
and stop making my Father's house a  
marketplace."

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,  
*Zeal for your house will consume me.*  
At this the Jews answered and said to him,  
"What sign can you show us for doing  
this?"

Jesus answered and said to them,  
"Destroy this temple and in three days I  
will raise it up."

The Jews said,  
"This temple has been under construction  
for forty-six years,  
and you will raise it up in three days?"  
But he was speaking about the temple of his  
body.



Therefore, when he was raised from the dead,  
his disciples remembered that he had said  
this,  
and they came to believe the Scripture  
and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of  
Passover,  
many began to believe in his name  
when they saw the signs he was doing.  
But Jesus would not trust himself to them  
because he knew them all,  
and did not need anyone to testify about  
human nature.  
He himself understood it well.

## Readings for the week:

### 3rd Sunday of Lent

Exod 20:1-17 or  
20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17  
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11  
1 Cor 1:22-25  
John 2:13-25  
(or other readings)

### Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab  
Pss 42:2, 3;  
43:3, 4  
Luke 4:24-30

### Tuesday

Dan 3:25, 34-43  
Ps 25:4-5ab, 6  
and 7bc, 8-9  
Matt 18:21-35

### Wednesday

Deut 4:1, 5-9  
Ps 147:12-13,  
15-16, 19-20  
Matt 5:17-19

### Thursday

Jer 7:23-28  
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
Luke 11:14-23

### Friday

Hos 14:2-10  
Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9,  
10-11ab, 14  
and 17  
Mark 12:28-34

### Saturday

Hos 6:1-6  
Ps 51:3-4, 18-19,  
20-21ab  
Luke 18:9-14

### 4th Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16,  
19-23  
Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6  
Eph 2:4-10  
John 3:14-21  
(or other readings)



## Opening Prayer

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. 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

We find it easy to admire—even if we do not imitate—the compassionate Jesus, but an angry Jesus armed with a corded whip, driving traders and moneychangers out of the Jerusalem temple and overturning their tables, may shock us. This gospel does not actually use the word “angry,” but Jesus’s actions are played out against the backdrop of the “zeal” of Psalm 69:10, and the burning passion of the psalmist for God and the house of God, the temple, that Mark places in the mouth of Jesus. This is the zeal that will consume Jesus in the hot noon of Calvary.

The cause of Jesus’s anger is not so much the money exchange in the outer court of the temple. Something much more radical is happening: the reclamation of the holy place from marketplace to his Father’s house; from empty, atrophied ritual to living worship.

The contemporary church cannot consider itself beyond the reach of Jesus’s whip or overturning hands. When church leaders connive with unjust and tyrannical civil leaders, when fundraising takes precedence over faith raising, when we refuse to tolerate or even imagine alternatives to religious practices and institutions (even when some of these are obviously in their death throes), when protecting clerical reputations trumps protecting the most vulnerable among us, then ecclesial “cleansing” is needed by prophets driven by that Spirit of Jesus. For us who are living stones in the temple of Christ’s Body, Lent is also a time for cleansing the deep personal sanctuary of our hearts, for driving out of our lives whatever clutters our discipleship, blocks our ears to the Word of God and the prophets, and distracts us from trading justly and lovingly with the gifts God has given us.

## Closing Prayer

Your dwelling is lovely, Lord of Hosts. May we not only desire to share eternity there with you, but may we embody *zeal for your house* here on earth. May we show reverence in your holy places, and wonder and awe in your presence. **Amen.**

### For Reflection:

- In the gospel Jesus purifies the temple. How does your faith community maintain a sacred and holy space for the people of God to worship?

### 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

03/06/21 – 03/07/21

**Financials: Last Week 02/23/21-03/01/21**

<b>Weekly Collection Goal \$2400</b>	<b>Total \$2195.00</b>	<b>Short \$205.00</b>
<b>In Church</b>	<b>\$ 1844.00</b>	
<b>OnLine Giving</b>	<b>\$ 51.00</b>	
<b>Mail In</b>	<b>\$ 300.00</b>	

**Second Collection next week for Catholic Relief Services. Funds for this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and help Jesus in disguise.**

**March 16<sup>th</sup> is Bread day. The order sign up sheet is at the church entry. Mahalo for your continued support.**

### **Holy Week Mass Schedule**

**March 28, 2021 Palm Sunday, 8:30am**

**March 29, Holy Monday Mass 6:30am**

**March 30, Holy Tuesday Mass 6:30am**

**March 31, Holy Wednesday Mass 6:30am**

**April 1st, Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, Washing of the Feet  
6:00 p.m.**

**April 2nd, Good Friday Adoration of the Cross, 3:00 pm**

**April 3rd, Easter Vigil, Confirmation and First Communion 7:00 pm**

**April 4th, Easter Sunday Mass, 8:30 am**