# Baptism of the Lord January 10, 2016



# Reflection on the Scriptures

"The people were full of anticipation." —Luke 3:15

Many people expected John the Baptizer to be the Messiah (Luke 3:15). Their expectations for a Messiah were too low because Jesus, "Who is mightier" than John, is the Messiah (Luke 3:16).

Peter had seen God work through him to raise Tabitha from the dead (Acts 9:40). Under these circumstances, he expected his initial visit to the house of a Gentile to be significant. However, God far exceeded his expectations by pouring out the Holy Spirit on the Gentile, Cornelius, and his entire household (Acts 10:45).

Today, on the last day of the Christmas season, we should have high expectations. The Lord is sure to love us in wondrous ways. Nevertheless, no matter how high our expectations, they will always be too low because they can never match God's infinite love for us.

Because the Lord will do immeasurably more than we can ever ask for or imagine (Ephesians 3:20), we may not understand what He is doing. However, we must have faith in His promises. We have to expect the Lord to establish "justice on the earth" (Isaiah 42:4), "open the eyes of the blind" (Isaiah 42:7), "bring out prisoners from confinement" (Isaiah 42:7), heal those "in the grip of the devil" (Acts 10:38), baptize us "in the Holy Spirit and in fire" (Luke 3:16), and so much more.

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#### **Next Sunday's Readings**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 96:1-3, 7-10
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Holy Gospel: John 2:1-11

#### This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:15 pm

Sunday – 7:30 am
9:30 am
6:00 pm

Monday, 6:30 am

Tuesday, 6:30 am

Wednesday, 6:30 am

#### Remember in Prayer

Thursday, 6:30 am Friday, 6:30 am

Lawrence Alejado Rnyaft Robert Jospeh Char Ancheta Cathy Llanos Aiden Ancheta Jeff Kwock Rose Aranita Ashlev Nawahine Michael Bello Eufrosina Olaso Melvin Bonifacio Geoffrey Padilla Gloria R. Padilla Anna Buenventura Grant Padilla Gilbert China Bridida Dizon Mary Pires Emmie Arambulo Durado Sky Racoma Flora Franco Patricia Ramos Carmen Espiritu-Igawa Charles Richelieu Juan Ferrer Bernie Serrano Violeta Guieb Jovina Tabanacura Joseph Hurst James Taeno Addison Jospeh Lani Test Emma Jospeh

Please call or email the Parish Office if you would like us to pray for someone.

Weekly Stewardship		
General Offering	\$	10,814.94
New Building Fund	\$	2,101.00
Other:	\$	913.00
TOTAL:	\$	13,828.94
Online-General	\$	4,162.00
Online-Building	\$ \$	927.50
New Building Fund Balance:	\$	1,384,403.22

Please remember Resurrection of the Lord Church in your will or trust!

### This Week @ Resurrection

## Monday (January 11):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m. Communion Service, 6:30 a.m.

### Tuesday (January 12):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m. Mass, 6:30 a.m. Pastoral Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

## Wednesday (January 13):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m. Mass, 6:30 a.m. ROL Epic, 7 p.m.

### Thursday (January 14):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m. Mass, 6:30 a.m. TMIY Men's Group, 7 p.m.

## Friday (January 15):

Rosary, Marian Chapel, 6 a.m. Mass, 6:30 a.m. Youth Ministry, 7 p.m.

## Saturday (January 16):

# Sunday (January 17):



## **Announcements**

**THE WELCOME KIOSK** Please visit our Welcome Kiosk after Mass on the lanai if you are new and would like to register, RSVP for events, volunteer for ministry, or for more information about our parish activities!

CHRISTMAS MAHALO Thank you to everyone who was so generous with gifts, cards, and prayers during the Christmas season. You are always so gracious to remember us and it is a joy serving with you at ROL. Be assured of our prayers and best wishes for the New Year!

- Fr. William, Deacon Joe, and our entire Parish Staff

CHRISTMAS APPEAL Our annual parish Christmas Appeal is underway. The appeal is our only general fundraiser of the year and it serves to offset unanticipated expenses and to fund opportunities for new ministries that arise during the year. Your gift of \$25, \$50, \$100 or more is most appreciated. We hope that every registered household will participate in the appeal. Thank you for your continued generosity.

A CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS FOR A LOVE WITHOUT LIMITS Copies of our new 5 Year Pastoral Plan are available in the back of the church. Please take one home.

**ONLINE GIVING** Consider giving online. It only takes a few minutes to set up your account and you can schedule your gifts to be made using a credit or debit card. It is an easy and secure way to give. At the end of the year, you will also have an accurate record of your charitable contributions to the parish. Visit our website <a href="https://www.resurrectionhawaii.org">www.resurrectionhawaii.org</a> and look for the icon to be connected to Our Sunday Visitor's online giving portal.

**ALTAR SERVING MINISTRY** If anyone is interested in joining the altar serving ministry here at Resurrection of the Lord Church, there will be two mandatory training days on January 16 and January 23 from 11 AM – 3 PM. The age requirement is 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up. For more information, please contact to our Pastoral Assistant, Zach Ramones, at <a href="mailto:reg">reamones@rcchawaii.org</a>.

**EPIC MINISTRY** All are welcomed to join our young adult faith sharing this Wednesday, January 13 from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Dinner will be provided. For more information, visit our website at <a href="https://www.epicministry.net">www.epicministry.net</a>.

**BLOOD DRIVE** There will be a blood drive on Saturday January 23 from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. To sign up, please go to the welcome kiosk or the parish office.

LIGHTHOUSE DINNER SERVING will be on Sunday, January 31st. If you are would like to help with the dinner, please see the sign up board on the Lanai after Mass. Thank you for your continued support.