



Jacob Perry, St. Bonaventure's new Youth Ministry director.  
Photo Credit: David Blankenhorn

## St. Bonaventure Catholic Church *Iglesia Católica de San Buenaventura*

5562 Clayton Road, Concord, CA 94521 ❖ [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net)

PHONE (925) 672-5800 ❖ FAX (925) 672-4606

Monday thru Thursday – 8:30am – 5:00pm; Friday – 8:30am – 3:30pm

Lunch Break – 12:30-1:30pm

September 25, 2016 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | *25 de septiembre de 2016 Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

### MASSES IN ENGLISH/EN INGLÉS

Saturday Vigil/Sábado: 5:00 PM  
Sunday/Domingo 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,  
11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

### MASSES IN SPANISH/EN ESPAÑOL

Domingo: 12:45 PM

### DAILY MASS/MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday/Lunes,  
Martes, Jueves y Viernes: 9:00 AM  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday/Martes, Miércoles y  
Jueves: 6:30 AM

### COMMUNION SERVICE/SERVICIOS DE

#### COMUNIÓN (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday & Friday/Lunes y Viernes: 6:30 AM  
Wednesday/Miércoles: 9:00 AM

### BAPTISM/BAUTIZOS

In English: Call the office to begin the process.

This requires two months preparation. *En Español:*

*Los Sábados 10:00 AM. Llame a la oficina para hacer arreglos con un Sacerdote ó Diácono. Este requiere dos meses de preparación.*

### MARRIAGE/MATRIMONIO

Call the office to arrange with a Priest or Deacon. This requires six months preparation.

*Llame a la oficina para hacer arreglos con un Sacerdote ó Diácono. Este requiere seis meses de preparación.*

### RECONCILIATION/RECONCILIACIÓN

In English: Saturdays 3:30 PM (in the church) or by appointment. *En Español: Llame a la oficina para hacer arreglos con un Sacerdote. Por cita.*



As disciples at St. Bonaventure, we are committed to know Christ better and make Him better known. To this end we are committed to...

Keep connected to our parish community  
Nurture the development of our faith and knowledge of Christ  
Offer to share the Holy Spirit's gifts of time, talent and treasure  
Worship through prayer, Mass and the Sacraments

THOUGHTS FROM FR. RICHARD  
 PENSAMIENTOS DE PADRE RICARDO

FR KEVIN SENDS  
 GREETINGS & PRAYERS

My dear sisters and brothers ...

... what a blessing all of you in our St. Bonaventure community are to me ... and to each other! This is just a short note to thank each of you for your ongoing prayers and care. Although I miss you all very much, I'm grateful for this time set aside to 'regroup' and re-center. I want you to know that I am very much with you and hold you deep in my heart and in my prayer. May God bless you (and me!) and the entire community of welcome, love and care that you are. I look forward to being with you again and I hold you close within me ... f. Kevin

■ SPIRITED MINISTRY FAIRE

Thank you to the members of the Parish Council for their organizational expertise at putting on the Ministry Faire two weekends ago. There was certainly a spirit of community there, a lot of interest and people talking with one another. We all have a great deal to share with one another. Many people came forward for the first time: new lectors, Eucharistic ministers, art and environment committee members, hospitality ministers. Even eight new volunteers for the upkeep of the parish gardens around the church. That was just what I picked up in one conversation. And many more.

■ ON THE ROAD TO INITIATION

Last Sunday afternoon, 10 persons entered the "Inquiry phase" of the Catechumene. They are a multi-cultural and intergenerational group from interesting backgrounds and experiences. We are all "incarnations" of God. That is how we are all connected, even before Baptism. The process of entering the Catholic Church helps us to understand and embrace who we are. Before knowing what the Catholic Church stands for, we have to begin to understand the spiritual journey and

where we have first encountered God. That is what the group will be doing for the next couple of months. It is not too late still to join. Please call and speak with Eileen Limberg, 672-5800.

■ COME TO BLUE MASS

Come to the annual Blue Mass at Oakland's Christ the Light Cathedral on Friday morning October 14 where Bishop Michael Barber will celebrate the "First Responders"-- the police and firemen, the emergency medical personnel and their families who serve Alameda and Contra Costa Counties with such "Distinction." Not only do we thank and trust them, but we pray for their well-being and safety.

"We honor both the brave men and women who serve and protect our communities every moment of every single day," writes Bishop Barber, "and those fallen heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty."

■ WHO IS THE NEW PRIEST?

Fr. Shantharaj Thomas is a Jesuit priest studying at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley. We had contacted the Rector of the Jesuit community who emailed the Jesuit community there of our interest in someone who would like to become a part of our community here and who would preside at weekend liturgies.

Fr. Thomas is studying Systematic Theology pursuing his Doctorate. Hopefully, he will be with us for a couple of years. Coincidentally, Fr. Thomas is a member of the Jesuit Province of Bangalore, India. He does not know or have any connection with Fr. TC George although they are from the same City.

For pronunciation purposes, you may address Fr. Thomas as Fr. Thomas. Shortly, he will be writing a small biography for us to read so that we might know him a little bit better. He will begin to rotate through the weekend schedule celebrating two Masses a weekend.



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS  
 FROM CHRISTA FAIRFIELD

■ FAMILY 2 FAMILY

In June, St. Bonaventure and our 'Family to Family' ministry welcomed a refugee family—the Ahmadi family from Afghanistan. The Ahmadi family consists of father and mother - Najib and Zainab respectively, along with their three children: Faisal (son), Marwa (daughter), and Bilal (son). Through your generosity we were able to get them started in their apartment with furniture, food, kitchenware, bedding, toiletries, etc. Najib is anxious to get his driver's license and find a job; and Zainab is learning English. The two oldest children are now starting school.

However, there is still much to accomplish. We need helping hands to drive to doctor's appointments; help with instructions for learning the rules of the road (driving permit and driving practice); driving the family to food pantries in the area; tutoring for the children and ESL tutoring for Zainab, along with other miscellaneous needs. Importantly, your contributions to the 'Family to Family' ministry would help supplement their rent and their everyday and monthly expenses. You can make out your check to "St. Bonaventure Church", *Family to Family* in the memo area. Also, gift cards to Target and Walmart would be most welcome.

If you can help in any way, please contact 'Family to Family' through Jenelle Abrams at [jenelle.abrams@yahoo.com](mailto:jenelle.abrams@yahoo.com); 727-8531. Thank you.

WWW.STBONAVENTURE.NET  
 GO TO "GIVING/OUTREACH" TAB  
 USE CODE CA 725





LITURGY & MUSIC

■ **JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY –  
 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary  
 Time: Jubilee for Catechists**



Amos castigates religious people who, “comfortably complacent” (6:1, 5), ignore the unfolding collapse of culture, nation, religion (6:6). In Jesus’ parable, such complacency becomes the rich man’s undoing. He neither hurt nor harmed Lazarus, neither denied him leftovers nor ordered him removed. That is Jesus’ devastating point. The rich man did nothing wrong to Lazarus; he just did nothing at all good for him. Only in death, separated by “a great chasm” (Luke 16:26), could the rich man finally see Lazarus, whom he had failed to see in life, right before his eyes. Like the rich man’s “five brothers still in my father’s house” (16:27–28), we who are alive in the Church still have time to see that same Someone, Jesus, lying neglected right at our door—and time to do something. Who, specifically, concretely, practically, is Lazarus in my life? What can I do for that Jesus-in-the-flesh during this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*?

—Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY:** JB 1:6-22; PS 17:1BCD-3, 6-7; LK 9:46-50  
**TUESDAY:** JB 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; PS 88:2-8; LK 9:51-56  
**WEDNESDAY:** JB 9:1-12, 14-16; PS 88:10BC-15; LK 9:57-62  
**THURSDAY:** DN 7:9-10, 13-14 OR RV 12:7-12A; PS 138:1-5; JN 1:47-51  
**FRIDAY:** JB 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; PS 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14AB; LK 10:13-16  
**SATURDAY:** JB 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; PS 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; LK 10:17-24  
**SUNDAY:** HB 1:2-3; 2:2-4; PS 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 TM 1:6-8, 13-14; LK 17:5-10

■ **UPCOMING LITURGICAL MINISTRY  
 TRAININGS: Lectors, Eucharistic  
 Ministers, and Ministers of  
 Hospitality**

Are you interesting in proclaiming the Scriptures at Mass? Do you feel called to share the Body and Blood of Christ with the gathered assembly at Mass? Perhaps you would enjoy welcoming people, passing the collection basket, assisting with crowd flow during processions, and other sorts of “usher” duties at Mass? If so, please consider becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Minister of Hospitality! **All of our Masses need more Liturgical Ministers, most especially Masses other than the 9:00am Mass.**

Our upcoming schedule of trainings is listed below:

**Monday, October 3**  
**7:00pm: Lector Training**  
**8:00pm: Eucharistic Minister Training**  
**Thursday, October 13**  
**7:00pm: Eucharistic Minister Training**  
**8:00pm: Lector Training**

**Monday, October 17**  
**7:30pm: Minister of Hospitality Training**

Training sessions will last approximately one hour. If you are interested in participating, please contact Anthony Arteaga at [aarteaga@stbonaventure.net](mailto:aarteaga@stbonaventure.net) or by calling the parish office and let him know which ministry you are interested in and which training date you plan to attend. If you already expressed interest and signed up at our recent Ministry Faire, we will be in contact with you soon! Thank you!



■ **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:  
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 @ 9:00 AM**

St. Francis of Assisi is known for his affinity with animals. To honor his upcoming feast day on October 4, we will have the Blessing of the Animals at 9:00 am on the lawn area behind the Ministry Center on Saturday, Oct. 1. All of your animal friends are welcome, whether they have 4 legs, fins, wings, or no legs. We ask that animals be either caged or leashed. Thank you.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Weekend of September 17 & 18  
 Collection

Goal: \$25,440  
 Actual: \$24,253  
 Deficit: (1,187)

**2nd Collection**  
**El Salvador: \$6,743**

**Food for Family: 226**

*EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)  
 included in above figures*

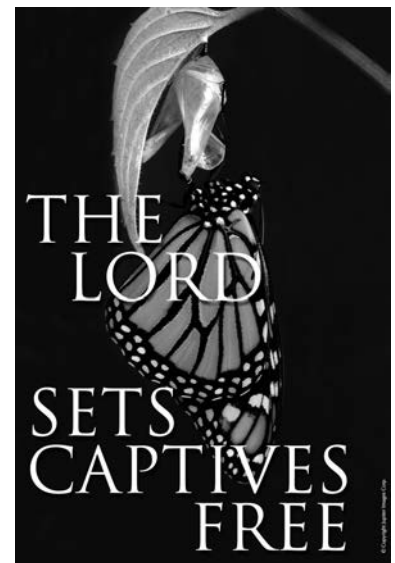
■ **PUBLIC ROSARY CRUSADE**

Please join the 2016 Public Rosary Crusade. As we all know, the United States is in great need of prayers, repentance and conversion. We must ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.



Please join us in praying for our nation on October 15, 2016 at noon. The local Public Square Rosary Rally will take place in Concord, outside Newhall Park on Ayers Road and Murchio Drive. Look for Our Lady of Fatima Banner by the road curb.

Contacts : **Tony or Maria** (St. Bonaventure) ☎ 925-459-2557, [asammutsam@gmail.com](mailto:asammutsam@gmail.com); **Jorge Garcia** (St. Agnes) ☎ 925-383-9547, [jorge7garcia@yahoo.com](mailto:jorge7garcia@yahoo.com)



**FAITH FORMATION FOR  
CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

■ **REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION CLASSES**

St. Bonaventure's religious education classes will begin the week of October 2. Our Faith Formation programs begin with children as young as age 4 and kindergarten and continue through high school.

We offer a Sunday morning program for pre-school age 4 and kindergarten-age children that meets during the 9am Mass. This program is designed to share stories from the Bible and to engage the youngest of our community to grow in their faith, with interactive activities. We also offer classes after school during the week for students who are in the 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The Jr. High program meets on Thursday from 7-8:30pm. Confirmation/High School meets on Sunday. Each grade builds on the child's faith journey with Jesus. This includes preparation for the sacraments of our faith. We will share the weekly Gospel with students to increase their awareness of Jesus' life and teachings. We will talk about the foundations of our Catholic faith, how we live it and how we build that faith to become who Jesus wants us to be.

We will meet your child wherever they are in their faith journey, with class offerings for Baptism, First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation. We also have Sacramental Preparation classes that are taught in Spanish.

Registration for Faith Formation Classes has begun. You are able to register in the church office from the hours of 9am to 4pm Monday through Friday (we are closed from 12:30-1:30pm daily). Registration forms are available in the church foyer, in the church office and on our website at [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net). Just click on the link for Faith Formation Registration.

We look forward to having your child in our Faith Formation Programs!

**FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS**

■ **ADULTS INTERESTED IN BECOMING  
CATHOLIC**

A new process will begin September 18 for adults interested in becoming Catholic or thinking about being baptized. Individuals will be brought into the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil (April 15, 2017). These sessions are for adults (over the age of 18) who have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian faith, or were baptized Catholic but never received Eucharist nor Confirmation. For further information and registration, please contact Eileen ☎ 672-5800 x2217 or [elimberg@stbonaventure.net](mailto:elimberg@stbonaventure.net)

■ **PARENT ENRICHMENT**

Give yourself an evening away to nurture your relationship. We will meet, Tuesday, October 11 in Classroom A2, from 6:00-7:30pm. Free childcare is available in A4. Come and meet other families in the parish and hear what is happening in the upcoming year. If you have questions, please contact Eileen, ☎ 925-672-5800 or [elimberg@stbonaventure.net](mailto:elimberg@stbonaventure.net)

■ **MAKING A HOLIDAY SURVIVAL PLAN**

A one-evening discussion about strategies for surviving stress and loneliness after the loss of a loved one. All adults are welcome, if you have or haven't participated in the Healing the Heart sessions previously. Please join us on October 25 at 7:30pm. Please register by October 6 with Helene Billeci ☎ 925-681-8105 so we have enough cookies and chairs!!

■ **CONVERSATIONS ABOUT YOUR END-  
OF-LIFE WISHES**

Fr. Richard invites you to begin a conversation about your end-of-life wishes. This is a four-week series. Each evening will include large-group and small-group discussions. Some topics discussed will be:

- identifying your wishes
- society's perspectives on dying and death
- communicating your wishes to family and loved ones
- funeral planning

The series is on Tuesday evenings on October 11, 18, November 8, 15, at 7pm in the Ministry Center Room B1. There is no cost. Registration is required. To register, please contact Eileen Limberg ([elimberg@stbonaventure.net](mailto:elimberg@stbonaventure.net)).

■ **TRUNK OR TREAT**

Join us for our 3rd annual Trunk or Treat for the children on October 22 after the 5:00pm Mass, in the Halls and side parking lot. The Knights of Columbus are returning with their Haunted House in the Small Hall. We will have crafts for the children while people decorate their trunks and get ready to hand out candy. Everyone is welcome. We need people to hand out candy as well as children to collect it. If you are an empty nester or grandparent who misses the costume parade, join us. Maybe your small group would like to participate? It's fun for everyone! Contact Eileen Limberg with questions or to sign-up (to give out candy and/or bring your children)

■ **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

The diocesan celebration of Adult Confirmation will be on February 18, 2017 at the Cathedral with Bishop Michael Barber, SJ. Parish preparation for those adults/young adults interested **will begin November 7**. There will be evening and afternoon session offered. Each candidate must:

- be over 18 years of age
- no longer be in high school
- be a baptized Catholic
- have received First Communion and
- attend Mass on a regular basis.

If you are interested, please contact Eileen ☎ (925)672-5800 x2217 or [elimberg@stbonaventure.net](mailto:elimberg@stbonaventure.net). Registration is requested by October 15.

■ **CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER**

*"But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you."—(Mt 6:6)*

The practice of contemplative (or silent) prayer is just that: "practice." It's not

always easy and some days are better than others, but the results are worth it. An opportunity to sit quietly with God – not asking for anything and letting the worries and busyness of the world go away. We start with a short reflection, enter into 20 minutes of silent prayer and end with the Our Father. Join us Tuesday 4:05-4:30pm. Just come when you can. Call Eileen (☎ 672-5800 x2217) if you have questions.

#### ■ MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

As men and women of God we are to “pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience and gentleness.” We are called to keep his commandment to love one another as he has loved us. Is this evident in your lives and marriages? Strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter on Nov. 18-20. Early registration, 4 to 6 weeks out, is highly recommended. For more information, contact Mike & Jeanne (☎ 925.672.2016) or Joe & Sue (☎ 925.680.7767) now or go to [www.oaklandwwme.org](http://www.oaklandwwme.org). Weekend presentations are in the Pleasanton/Dublin area.

#### PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

#### ■ LOOKING FOR AN ADULT TRIP COORDINATOR

We are looking for someone or a couple to take over planning the adult trips. We usually have 3 interesting, informative or spiritual trips, and 3 or 4 casino trips each year. We make arrangements with American Stage Tours. We let them know what our dates of preference are and they make arrangements with the receiving venues for us. If interested, contact Gerry ☎ 709-5404 for more details.

#### ■ HOSPITALITY WEEKEND

Our next Hospitality Weekend is on **October 1 & 2.**

Thank you to the parishioners and volunteers who have donated to this fine ministry.

After the 5pm Saturday Mass, we will have wine, soda, cheese, cookies, and crackers.

After the 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am Masses, there will be coffee, juice, donuts, and bagels. All are welcome!

#### ■ HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE, SILENT AUCTION AND WINE PULL (NOVEMBER 2016)

Our group is actively seeking donations such as event tickets, gift baskets, and gift certificates for our annual Silent Auction and Raffle, and we are asking for your help. Perhaps you have a vacation home to offer for a week, want to make up a special gift basket, have event (sporting, theatre, symphony, etc.) tickets, or something unique you want to donate. Or maybe a wine donation for the wine pull, ranging in value from \$30 to \$150 per bottle. Contact me and let's talk about it. If you have special relations with businesses who would be willing to donate to this wonderful fundraiser benefiting our Food Pantry, please contact them and ask for a donation. Any questions or suggestions, contact Jenny Meeker at [jennykay12@aol.com](mailto:jennykay12@aol.com), or ☎ (925.693.0457).

All proceeds from these events benefit St. Bonaventure Food Pantry

#### ■ TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

Blessings from Tai Chi for Health! Join us in the powerful, playful practice of Tai Chi & Qi Gong. We meet on Wednesday in the Small Hall, 10:00-11:00am. Bring an open mind and bottled water. Love offerings \$10. Contact instructor Ben at ☎ 925-565-4636 with questions.

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR  
 MARIA GISELA DE GUZMAN  
 September 24 – September 30, 2016



Pray For

WORLD PEACE

## Mass Intentions For The Week



#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

5:00 Huy Le  
 Emidio Busuttill  
 Peggy Cashman  
 Kathleen Darcy

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 Alan Sardelich  
 Dimitris Argyriou  
 Carol Ely  
 Howard Marshall  
 9:00 Francisco Chavez Aguilera  
 St. Bonaventure Community  
 11:00 Jonel Sangalang  
 Carol Ely  
 Valerie Jones  
 5:00 Segundina Continiano

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

6:30 Communion Service  
 9:00 Emiliana Crescencio  
 Carol Ely  
 Mark Reyes  
 Lido Songco

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

6:30 All priests and deacons  
 9:00 Earl Carroll  
 Stephen Mount

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:30 Communion Service  
 9:00 Communion Service

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

6:30 Matthew Marrigan  
 Emmett O'Connell  
 9:00 Elisa de Guzman

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

6:30 Communion Service  
 9:00 Jaime R. Diaz  
 Pat O'Brien

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

5:00 Emidio Busuttill  
 Benny & Ramon Marquez  
 Souls in Purgatory  
 S. William Hornsby, Sr.



## ■ LUCAS 16, 19-31

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a los fariseos: “Había un hombre rico, que se vestía de púrpura y telas finas y banqueteaba espléndidamente cada día. Y un mendigo, llamado Lázaro, yacía a la entrada de su casa, cubierto de llagas y ansiando llenarse con las sobras que caían de la mesa del rico. Y hasta los perros se acercaban a lamerle las llagas.

Sucedió, pues, que murió el mendigo y los ángeles lo llevaron al seno de Abraham. Murió también el rico y lo enterraron. Estaba éste en el lugar de castigo, en medio de tormentos, cuando levantó los ojos y vio a lo lejos a Abraham y a Lázaro junto a él.

Entonces grito: ‘Padre Abraham, ten piedad de mí. Manda a Lázaro que moje en agua la punta de su dedo y me refresque la lengua, porque me torturan estas llamas.’ Pero Abraham le contestó: ‘Hijo, recuerda que en tu vida recibiste bienes y Lázaro, en cambio males. Por eso él goza ahora de consuelo, mientras que tú sufres tormentos. Además, entre ustedes y nosotros se abre un abismo inmenso, que nadie puede cruzar, ni hacia allá ni hacia acá.’

El rico insistió: ‘Te ruego, entonces, padre Abraham, que mandes a Lázaro a mi casa, pues me quedan allá cinco hermanos, para que les advierta y no acaben también ellos en este lugar de tormentos.’ Abraham le dijo: ‘Tienen a Moisés y a los profetas; que los escuchen.’ Pero el rico replicó: ‘No padre Abraham. Si un muerto va a decírselo, entonces sí se arrepentirán.’ Abraham repuso: ‘Si no escuchan a Moisés y a los profetas, no harán caso, ni aunque resucite un muerto.’”

Nuestra vida terrena está llena de divisiones de todo tipo. Los seres humanos hemos dividido el planeta que Dios nos ha dado. Hemos creado fronteras, levantado muros, colocado banderas... todo ello para ser y sentirnos diferentes. Esta división es la que crea conflictos en nuestro interior y en nuestra relación diaria con el mundo. Dios nos ha dado un solo mundo para una única humanidad; nosotros en nombre de la diversidad, de la justicia o de lo que sea, nos hemos encargado una y otra vez

de marcar las diferencias. Los primeros cristianos y los santos padres encararon este tema y nos dejaron vidas ejemplares y páginas magníficas sobre el derecho de los pobres y la justicia que emana del Evangelio.

En las relaciones humanas hemos hecho lo mismo. Nos hemos inventado las castas y los escalafones sociales para dejar bien claro que no somos iguales; que “yo valgo más que tú...” El Evangelio nos trae una parábola donde se destaca una de estas diferencias sociales. Nos habla de un pobre y de un rico, ambos en esta vida y en la otra. Los judíos pensaban que la prosperidad material era una señal más que evidente de la bendición de Dios. Los pobres eran unos malditos. No tenían nada, ni siquiera—según ellos—la bendición de Dios.

El mensaje de Jesús se predica especialmente a los pobres y en ellos tiene su profunda resonancia. No es que se descarte a los ricos del camino de la salvación ya que Jesús no les censura su riqueza sino la falta de compasión hacia los pobres. La falta de compasión sea en un rico o en un pobre es muestra de un rechazo hacia el amor de Dios. La compasión es uno de los certeros caminos para llegar a la salvación.

Lázaro aparece como un hombre mísero en todos los aspectos de su vida; no tenía salud, ni comida, ni casa, ni amigos, ni abrigo alguno. Sólo tenía la esperanza de que algo sobrante saciara su indignidad. No hay mayor pobreza que no saber salir de ella.

Para los cristianos el tema de los pobres es central. Sentirse pobre es reconocer que Dios tiene en nuestra vida la totalidad de nuestra salvación. No confío en lo que he podido acumular, no me fío de lo que he podido aprender. Todo es para ponerlo al servicio de los más menesterosos para llegar juntos a unas sociedades más justas y humanas. Los seres humanos de todas las épocas siempre hemos tenido un déficit de humanidad, de ahí que el Evangelio nunca pierda actualidad. Jesús no condena la riqueza en sí sino el uso que se hace de ella; condena el egoísmo que nos impide llegar a caminos de solidaridad.

Quien está apegado a las riquezas (dinero, prestigio, seguridades de tipo intelectual, poder, el creerse que se tiene el monopolio del Evangelio..) no puede percibir el camino del Reino de Dios. Los pobres, los que son capaces de desprenderse de sus distintas riquezas y ponerlas al servicio de los demás, son los que están más disponibles a aceptar y vivir la fe.

## ■ AÑO JUBILAR DE LA MISERICORDIA Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



El profeta Amós reprende a los religiosos quienes, "cómodos y complacientes" (6:1, 5), ignoran el colapso del despliegue de cultura, nación y religión (6:6). En la parábola de

Jesús, tal complacencia se convierte en la perdición del hombre rico. El hombre rico ni hirió ni perjudicó a Lázaro, tampoco le negó las sobras ni ordenó quitarlo de ahí. Esto es algo que devastó a Jesús. El hombre rico no le hizo nada malo a Lázaro; sencillamente no hizo en absoluto nada bueno por él.

Sólo en la muerte, separadas por "una gran abismo" (Lucas 16:26), pudo el hombre rico finalmente ver a Lázaro, a quien no había podido ver en vida. Al igual que el hombre rico habían "cinco hermanos en casa de mi padre" (16:27 – 28), nosotros que vivimos en la Iglesia todavía tenemos tiempo para ver alguien, necesitado o descuidado en nuestra puerta y aún tenemos tiempo para hacer algo. ¿Quién, específicamente, en concreto, prácticamente, es Lázaro en mi vida? ¿Qué puedo hacer durante este Año Jubilar de la Misericordia?

— Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

## ■ FRASES DEL PAPA FRANCISCO

“Miren a Jesús; miren a Jesús en el hambre, en el preso, en el enfermo, en el desnudo, en la persona que no tiene empleo para sustentar a su familia. Miren a Jesús en estos hermanos y hermanas nuestros. Miren a Jesús en aquellos que están solos y tristes, en aquellos que cometen un error y necesitan consejo, en aquellos que necesitan entrar en el camino con él en silencio para poder sentirse acompañados.”

## ■ REGISTRACION PARA CLASES DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

La catequesis es un programa de dos años y está diseñada para que en el segundo año los niños/jóvenes reciban los sacramentos.

Las clases de Educación en la Fe para niños y jóvenes comenzarán la semana del 2 de octubre.

Ofrecemos clases en español en preparación para la Primera Comunión los domingos de 11:00 AM-12:30 PM. También tenemos clases en inglés los lunes y martes de 4:00-5:00 PM y el miércoles de 2:00-3:00 PM y de 6:30 a 7:30 PM.

Las clases de preparación para la confirmación son en inglés y las sesiones son los domingos por la tarde/noche.

Ubicaremos a su hijo dondequiera que se encuentre en el camino de la fe.

Estaremos disponibles para contestar cualquier pregunta que tenga y ayudarle a inscribir a los niños en la clase apropiada. Si su niño estuvo en nuestro programa de formación en la fe el año pasado, recibirá un paquete de materiales por correo a mediados de agosto. También habrá formularios de inscripción en la entrada de Iglesia, en la oficina Parroquial y en nuestra página web.

¡Esperamos tener a su hijo en nuestros programas de formación en la fe!

## ■ RENOVACION - AMBIENTE SEGURO PARA NIÑOS

Desde el 1ro de Julio 2016, San Buenaventura comenzó la renovación anual del entrenamiento "Ambiente Seguro para Niños." Todos los miembros de ministerios, devociones, catequistas, voluntarios tienen que tomar el entrenamiento proveído por el programa VIRTUS antes del 30 de septiembre. Para poder hacerlo primero tienen que registrarse en [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org).

Nuestra Parroquia ofrece entrenamiento tanto en inglés como en español. **Recuerde que para poder atender uno de nuestros entrenamientos, primero tiene que registrarse en el website de VIRTUS.** Si le es más conveniente se puede tomar el entrenamiento en línea.

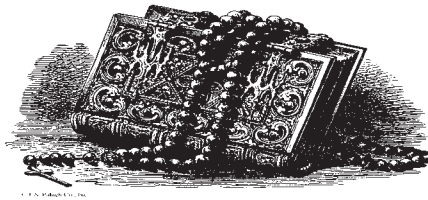
Sesiones de entrenamiento Ambiente Seguro para Niños:

### ESPAÑOL

Jueves, 29 de sept. – 7:00pm, salón B1

Si tiene preguntas favor llamar a Virginia al (925) 672-5800

**Horario de Oficina:**  
 Diácono Mariano Preza  
 Teléfono ☎ (925) 844-9015  
 Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:30-1:30p.m.  
 Lunes a Jueves: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
 Viernes: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



**Un mendigo, llamado Lázaro,  
 yacía a la entrada  
 a la casa  
 del hombre  
 rico,**

**cubierto  
 de llagas  
 y ansiando  
 llenarse con  
 las sobras que caían  
 de la mesa del rico.**

Lucas 16:20-21

## HERMANDAD DEL SEÑOR DE LOS MILAGROS DE CONCORD Cristo Moreno Viajero: Todos los 18s de cada mes, en diferentes hogares y ciudades se ofrecen Rosarios a nuestro Cristo Moreno. Homenaje Bendiciones del Señor de los Milagros 2016



**Novena:** Del 23 de Setiembre al 1 de Octubre a las 7:30 PM  
 Capilla Iglesia San Buenaventura.

**Presentación Hermandad Infantil y Juvenil**

**Misa, Procesión y Almuerzo:** Domingo 9 de Octubre 12:45 PM.

Iglesia de San Buenaventura,

5562 Clayton RD. Concord CA. 94521.

Facebook: Señor de los Milagros- Hermandad de Concord, Ca- Usa

Solicitamos de su participación y apoyo. Para hacer realidad nuestro Homenaje 2016.

Roxana Sánchez al 925 698 6628 [delcampocal@hotmail.com](mailto:delcampocal@hotmail.com).

Bendiciones del Señor de los Milagros.