



Those who are just must be kind.

– Wisdom 12:19

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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/*Lunes* thru Friday/*Viernes* : 6:30 AM &  
9:00 AM

BAPTISM/BAUTIZOS

In English: Call the office to begin the process.  
This requires two months preparation

*En Español: 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. *Lla-  
me a la oficina para hacer arreglos con un Sacerdote  
ó Diácono. Este requiere seis meses de preparación.*

RECONCILIATION/RECONCILIACIÓN

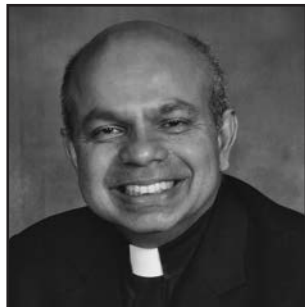
In English: Saturdays 3:30 PM (in the church) or by  
appointment. *En Español: Llame a la oficina para  
hacer arreglos con un Sacerdote. Por cita.*



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. MAT



### MY INITIAL IMPRESSIONS

As I write this article, it's been only 11 days that I am in the parish, and would like to share with you my first impressions. St. Bonaventure parish is a very warm and welcoming community. I'm overwhelmed with your outstanding cordiality and hospitality shown to me. I'm deeply impressed with your openness and caring spirit. I have already started getting invitations for coffee, breakfast, lunch etc. Thank you for going out of your way to make me feel at home here. You are amazing!

The parish has a lot of great lay leadership. In the spirit of Vatican II, the laity here have been well empowered to shoulder very many responsibilities of the church. I am in awe with admiration for the many parishioners who are actively involved in the wonderful ministries and organizations.

We have an outstanding staff in the parish that is cohesive and hardworking. I am captivated with their cordiality, jovialness and connectedness. The ambience in the parish office is very alluring. I have started listening sessions One-On-One with the staff this week and I am learning so much about this amazing parish. I feel and know that I have come to an awesome parish.

### DAILY WEEKDAY MASSES

Over the past few days, some of the parishioners have been asking me if there would be daily Masses on all the weekdays, instead of Holy Communion Services, since we have three priests now. Both Fr. Oscar and I were interested in celebrating daily Masses. So we organized a meeting of Lay Presiders of Holy Communion on weekdays. It was decided to have Masses Monday through Friday, at 6:30

and 9:00 a.m. A big *thank you* to all the lay presiders of Communion Services for preparing well, and serving the community with love and dedication in these past years. May the Lord bless you abundantly for your selfless giving.

I would like to invite you to come to one of the daily morning Masses in the parish. God created us – the very reason we exist, living and breathing right now, is because of the goodness and infinite love of God, and we owe it to Him to spend time with Him every day. This should be enough of a reason for us.

If you, for no other reason, choose to go to daily Mass, let it be for the genuine encounter with Christ. And I don't mean genuine as some sort of euphemism. You will literally encounter Christ in the Mass. We have the chance to partake in the Body and Blood of Our Savior – his flesh mingled with our flesh. If we truly understood this, churches would be filled every day. St. John Vianney says, "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy."

"First things first", as they say. And since we've been blessed to be a member of this one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church, we should understand that it's a privilege and a gift that we can make God the first and most important person in our day by worshipping Him.

One beautiful thing about the Mass is that it is so drenched in scripture. Attending Mass daily allows us to soak in God's Word. Every Mass is a healing experience. It heals wounds caused by our sinful nature, it heals our relationship with God and with one another, bringing us closer to our Lord, giving us opportunities to draw near and receive Him not only in the Word, but also in the Blessed Sacrament.

It is good to be a friend and lover of God. As Saint Augustine says: "my heart is restless until it rests in You." Find your shelter in the wings of the Lord. Find it, every morning, in His temple.

Let us remember the words of Jesus: "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true

food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them (John 6:53-56).

### GETTING TO KNOW FR. OSCAR ROJAS

I am Fr. Oscar Rojas. I was born in Santo Tomas, San Salvador, El Salvador. I grew up with my family in the small village Concepcion Los Planes, San Francisco Chinameca, La Paz. I began my priestly formation in the Diocese of Zacatecoluca, El Salvador, in 2005. After two years of minor seminary and three years of philosophy. I came to the United States in 2010, went to study English for two years, then went to study theology for five years at Mount Angel Seminary in Oregon. I finished my studies on May 2017, and was ordained on May 26, 2017. I am a newly ordained priest and happy to begin my priestly ministry here at Saint Bonaventure in Concord. I am happy to become part of this great community with welcoming people. I want to serve each of you with the heart of a good shepherd. Pray for me as I continue my priestly ministry in this community of Saint Bonaventure.

## PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS

### NEWS FROM OUR ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE:



Thank you in advance for your generosity next weekend (July 29-30) when a second collection for our work will be offered. Your contributions help us to support the poor and underserved here in the immediate area of our parish. Since Oct 1st of last year, we have distributed over \$50K of in-kind support (food, furniture, clothing, household goods, moving assistance) and direct financial support (rent, utilities, tuition, car repair) to 206 families (618 individuals). Here are some other ways you might wish to help:

- Our SVdP retail stores in both Pleasant Hill and Pittsburg could use regular volunteers to help sort, tag, and merchandise donations. Once a week, once or twice a

month, for however many hours you can spare. Interested? Contact Dan Gabe at (925) 408-5964.

- We prepare food boxes for a number of our SVdP families every Friday, redistributing donated food we pick up from Trader Joe's in Concord that morning. We welcome your help. We gather at 9am each Friday in the Small Hall.

### FR. MATHEW IS BEING INSTALLED AS PASTOR

All are invited to the installation of our new pastor. Fr. George Mockel, Vicar General, will be celebrating liturgy with us and installing Fr. Mathew as our new pastor:

Sunday, August 6th at 9am Mass

### FAITH DIRECT: PARISH EGIVING



Thank you for being a part of our St. Bonaventure family. I appreciate all that you do for our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Your active participation in the life of our parish helps us to fulfill our vision and mission.

This summer, I pray that you will have some quiet and restful time that includes the love, joy, and peace of being with family and friends. Please consider that St. Bonaventure continues to be open for Mass, numerous activities, and the Sacraments. During these summer months, your generosity through *Faith Direct* can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish ministries. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: **CA725**.

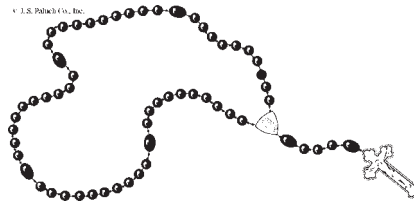
Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

### LITURGY & PRAYER

#### 9AM DAILY MASS SACRISTAN HELP NEEDED

Due to medical issues, Tony Sammut is no longer able to be the sacristan for 9am Daily Mass. We thank him for his many years of service and ministry! A couple of volunteers have stepped up and have been keeping things going, but more help is greatly needed, especially with some upcoming vacations in August. The more people we have, the better, as it results in no one person being responsible every day. We are open to "part-timers" as well, those who would only help when the "regulars" are not available. Basic responsibilities include: arriving at least 15-20 minutes before Mass begins to set up items needed for Mass, assisting the priest presider at the altar, and assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion. Training is provided. If you are able to help, please contact Anthony Arteaga, Director of Liturgy & Music at [aarteaga@stbonaventure.net](mailto:aarteaga@stbonaventure.net), by calling the parish office, or by stopping by to see him after Daily Mass Monday through Thursday. Thank you for your consideration!

#### FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: SUNDAY, JULY 30



All are invited to pray the rosary with our Knights of Columbus on Sunday, July 30 at 10:30am in the chapel. Come after the 9:00am Mass or prior to the 11:00am Mass.



### GOOD NEWS for You

#### READINGS for the WEEK

**MONDAY:** EX 14:5-18; EX 15:1BC-6; MT 12:38-42  
**TUESDAY:** 2 COR 4:7-15; PS 126:1BC-6; MT 20:20-28  
**WEDNESDAY:** EX 16:1-5, 9-15; PS 78:18-19, 23-28; JN 20:1-2, 11-18  
**THURSDAY:** EX 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20B; DN 3:52-56; MT 13:10-17  
**FRIDAY:** EX 20:1-17; PS 19:8-11; MT 13:18-23  
**SATURDAY:** EX 24:3-8; PS 34:2-11; JN 11:19-27 OR LK 10:38-42  
**SUNDAY:** 1 KGS 3:5, 7-12; PS 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; ROM 8:28-30; MT 13:44-52 [44-46]

### FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

#### ADULTS BECOMING CATHOLIC

Have you never been baptized and wonder what the big deal is? Were you baptized in another Christian faith, but wonder what makes Catholics different? Were you baptized Catholic, but never received Eucharist and Confirmation? If you fall into any of these categories, this process may be for you. A new group of adults interested in becoming Catholic or thinking about being baptized will begin on August 20. Individuals will be brought into the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil (March 31, 2018). For further information and registration, please contact Eileen ☎ 672-5800 x2217 or [elimberg@stbonaventure.net](mailto:elimberg@stbonaventure.net)

#### PRAISE NIGHT

Come and Praise with us as "VINTAGE's" Joyce, Santi and Maryann lead us to joyfully sing to God for all the good things he has given us. It's on Friday, August 11 from 7.30- 9.00pm in the church. It is **free** and it is going to be **fun!** See you there.

Faith Formation for Adults continued on page 4 ►



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**SCRIPTURE STUDY: JOSHUA,  
 JUDGES and RUTH**

This year's scripture study examines 3 important books of the Old Testament—Joshua, Judges and Ruth. In Joshua, we discover a faithful leader who carries out God's commands. This is followed by the deteriorating faith and failure we find in the book of Judges. Finally, we conclude with the heart-warming story of grace and redemption in the book of Ruth!

The Scripture Study will begin on Thursday September 7, 2017 and will continue each week through to the end of May 2018. The morning class begins at 10:00 a.m. and the evening class begins at 7:00 p.m. Participants can attend either class. Each weekly session is 90 minutes long and includes a discussion on the commentary and study questions by Steve Ray and Video Lectures by either Father Courtney or Father Pacwa SJ.

The scripture study program is from Catholic Scripture Study International [www.cssprogram.net](http://www.cssprogram.net). In addition, there are video presentations throughout the year on various Catholic topics, and a class retreat before Holy Week. Students can register in the church office until August 15, 2017. The cost for the program is \$55.00. If you have additional questions or need a form in order to mail in your registration, I can be contacted at [bonaventurebible@astound.net](mailto:bonaventurebible@astound.net)

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER**

Summer is here!! Do you want to find a nice cool air-conditioned haven of peace and quiet? Join us for Contemplative Prayer in the Chapel on Tuesdays, 4:05-4:30pm. Come and add some quiet time to your life and give thanks for the blessings we receive.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Just as a small mustard seed can become a large and elaborate bush, discover how a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend can encourage our marriage to blossom and provide a lifetime of joy. The next weekend is at San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville, from September 29- October 1st. Space is *very* limited!

Early registration 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)

**PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS**

**ANNUAL PARISH FAMILY  
 CAMPING AT TAHOE – 2017**

The dates are set for the annual family camping trip. **Sun, August 6 through Sun, August 13**, Sugar Pine Point State Park, Lake Tahoe. The cost will be **\$130** for the week – same as last year. Plan your vacation week and come join us. Come for a few days or the entire week and relax with the family. Call Piedad or Kathy today to hold your spot for this year's fantastic week of family fun, rafting, hiking, etc. Please call Piedad (Pie) Fracasso ☎ 864-4748 or Kathy Riso ☎ 212-3579 for more details and/or to make your reservation.

**PREGNANT? NEED HELP?**

☎ 1-800-910-0191, The Gabriel Project

**CLAYTON VALLEY COUNSELING  
 CENTER (CVCC) AT YOUR SERVICE**

For 15 years, CVCC has been serving the St. Bonaventure Community. The Counseling Center, with licensed therapists, serves individuals, couples and families, and prepares engaged couples for marriage using the well-established Prepare Program. ☎ 925-210-6176.


**OUTSIDE PARISH**

**SAN DAMIANO RETREAT  
 UPCOMING EVENTS**

Greetings and Happy Summer to you. San Damiano Retreat in Danville invites you to visit this summer. Here is a sampling of upcoming events:

- Monday mornings in July: Free Children's Book Series at San Damiano (K-5 + adult)
- July 28-30: Franciscan Hermitage Experience (silent retreat) with Sr. Mary Jo Chaves, OSF and Dorothy Charbonneau.

For additional details and to register, please visit [www.sandamiano.org](http://www.sandamiano.org) or call ☎ 925-837-9141



# STEWARDSHIP of Treasure

**Weekend of July 15 & 16 Collection**

Goal: \$25,440  
 Actual: \$21,118.50  
**Deficit: (\$4,322)**



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Food for Family: 134

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

**SANCTUARY LIGHT  
IS LIT FOR**

LEILANI & JAMES TADEO  
 July 22 – July 28, 2017

*Pray For*

Bruce Keim



**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK**

**NEED A NEIGHBOR?**

Neighbor-to-Neighbor Ministry is here to assist parishioners with temporary, minor needs. Those we serve must be adults (over 18 years old) and physically mobile. There are established community organizations in place to meet long-term and other needs.

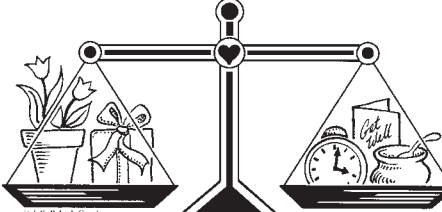
We Offer:

- Assistance with transportation to the parish, the grocery store or doctor.  
 \*We can assist in finding regular rides to a specific Mass or parish offering
- Assistance with an errand or a light task
- Visiting the sick or homebound

For Assistance Leave a Message at 672-5800 x2238. We will pick up calls Monday-Friday. Every effort will be made to respond within 24 hours of the call. Please note that the ministry is not designed for immediate or emergency needs. It can take a few days to locate a volunteer to meet the need.



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# MASS INTENTIONS



FOR THE WEEK

**SATURDAY, JULY 22**

- 5:00 David Picallo  
 Rafael & Juanita Sison  
 Fr. Richard Mangini  
 Edward Wayne Larwood

**SUNDAY, JULY 23**

- 7:30 St. Bonaventure Community  
 9:00 Joe Mangini  
 Cecile Derosier  
 Josefa O. Lapid  
 Kepris Meletiou  
 11:00 Cora Cortez  
 Nenita Soria Purification  
 Dionisio Soria  
 Diane Dyoco  
 5:00 Robert Uy  
 Joselito Montecillo  
 Jack Paulos

**MONDAY, JULY 24**

- 6:30 Fr. Mathew Vellankal  
 9:00 Carlos Sibayan  
 Frances Tonna  
 Roland Lacey

**TUESDAY, JULY 25**

- 6:30 Fr. Oscar Rojas  
 9:00 Angelina Dizon  
 Resurrection Lorenzo  
 Breonna Pattison

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 26**

- 6:30 All priests and seminarians  
 9:00 Emily Crescencio

**THURSDAY, JULY 27**

- 6:30 William M. Jordan  
 9:00 DaTonya Bridges-Cortez  
 Lutgarda Bornilla Lopez  
 Edgardo Cortez

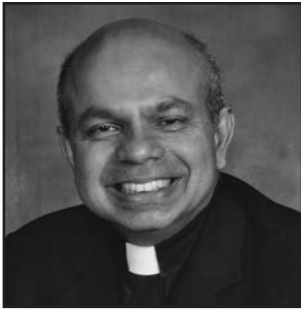
**FRIDAY, JULY 28**

- 6:30 All Souls in Purgatory  
 9:00 Matthew Merrigan  
 Stephen Claeys  
 Precop Colaco

**SATURDAY, JULY 29**

- 5:00 Sandra Widjaja  
 Edward Wayne Larwood  
 Thecla Daniels  
 Rosemarie Hornsby

## PENSAMIENTO DE PADRE MATHEW VELLANKAL



### MIS IMPRESIONES INICIALES

Al momento de escribir este artículo, solo han pasado 11 días que yo estoy en la parroquia y me gustaría compartir con ustedes mis primeras impresiones. La parroquia de San Buenaventura es una comunidad muy cálida y acogedora. Estoy muy agradecido por su excelente cordialidad y hospitalidad mostrada para mí. Estoy muy impresionado con su apertura y espíritu de cuidado. Yo he comenzado a recibir invitaciones para un café, desayuno, almuerzo, etc. Gracias por su manera de ser, me siento como en casa ¡ Son Fabulosos.!

La parroquia tiene un gran liderazgo laico. En el espíritu del Vaticano II, los laicos aquí han sido bien facultados para asumir muchas responsabilidades de la iglesia. Estoy impresionado y admiro a los muchos parroquianos que están muy envueltos y participan activamente en los maravillosos ministerios y organizaciones.

Tenemos un personal excepcional en la parroquia que es unido y trabajador. Me encanta su cordialidad, amabilidad y relación. El ambiente en la oficina parroquial es muy atractivo. He empezado las sesiones de escuchar Uno-a-uno y estoy aprendiendo mucho acerca de ésta increíble parroquia. Me siento muy privilegiado de haber venido a esta parroquia.

### MISAS DIARIAS SEMANALES

Durante los últimos días, algunos de los feligreses me han preguntado, si habrán misas todos los días de la semana, en lugar de Santos Servicios de Comunión, ya que hoy tenemos tres sacerdotes. Tanto el padre Oscar y yo estamos interesados en celebrar misas diarias. Así, se organizó una reunión para escoger celebrantes de la Eucaristía los días de la semana. Se decidió que las misas serán de lunes a viernes a las 6:30 y 9:00 de la mañana. Muchas gracias a todos los laicos que han presidido los Servicios de Comunión por servir con amor y dedicación todos estos últimos años. Que Dios los bendiga abundantemente por su entrega desinteresada.

Me gustaría invitarles a venir a la parroquia a una de las misas diarias por la mañana. Dios nos creó – la verdadera razón de nuestra existencia, vivir y respirar en este momento se debe al amor infinito de Dios y se lo debemos a él y deberíamos pasar un tiempo con él todos los días. Esto debería de ser una razón suficiente para nosotros.

Si por alguna razón decides venir a la misa diaria que sea por el verdadero encuentro con Cristo... Y no me refiero que literalmente se encontrarán con Cristo, en la misa tenemos la oportunidad de participar del Cuerpo y Sangre de Nuestro Salvador – su carne mezclada con nuestra carne. Si realmente entendiéramos esto las iglesias estarían llenas todos los días. San Juan Vianney dice: “Si de verdad comprendiéramos la misa moriríamos de alegría.”

Así como dicen “Lo primero es lo primero.” Y ya que hemos tenido la suerte de ser miembros de esta santa, católica y apostólica Iglesia, nosotros deberíamos entender que es un privilegio y un regalo que podamos adorar a Dios como la persona más importante de nuestro día.

Lo bonito de la misa es que está bien empapada de la escritura. Asistir a la misa

diaria nos permite sumergirnos en la Palabra de Dios. Cada misa es una experiencia de curación. Ella cura las heridas causadas por nuestros pecados, ella sana nuestra relación con Dios y con los demás, nos acerca a nuestro Señor, nos da la oportunidad de acercarnos y recibirlo no sólo en Palabra sino también en el Santísimo Sacramento.

Es bueno ser un amigo y amante de Dios. Como dice San Agustín: “Mi corazón está inquieto hasta que descansan en Ti.” Encuentra su refugio en las alas del Señor. Todas las mañanas encuéntralo en su templo.

Recordemos las palabras de Jesús: “En verdad, os digo que si no comen la carne del Hijo del hombre y no beben su sangre, no tendrán vida en ustedes. El que come mi carne y bebe mi sangre tiene vida eterna, y yo lo resucitaré en el último día; porque mi carne es verdadera comida y mi sangre es verdadera bebida. El que come mi carne y bebe mi sangre permanece en mí y yo en él.” (Juan 6: 53-56).

### CONOCIENDO AL PADRE OSCAR ROJAS

En Cristo somos una gran familia. Soy el padre Oscar Rojas, nací en Santo Tomas, San Salvador, El Salvador. Crecí en un pueblo pequeño Concepción Los Planes, San Francisco Chinameca, La Paz. Empecé mi formación en la Diócesis de Zacatecoluca, La Paz, El Salvador en el año 2005. Estudie dos años en el Seminario Menor y tres años de filosofía en el seminario mayor. Llegue a los Estados Unidos en el Año 2010 y estudie Inglés por dos años. Después estudie cinco años de teología en el Seminario de Monte Angel en Oregon. Terminé mis estudios teológicos en Mayo de 2017. Me ordene sacerdote el 26 de Mayo de 2017. Nuestro Obispo de Oakland Michael Barber me asignó a esta parroquia de San Buenaventura. Es una alegría venir a esta parroquia para servir a la comunidad en Inglés y en español.

Somos una gran familia de hermanos y hermanas y todos somos importantes para construir el reino de Dios. Pido oren por mí para que pueda servir con el corazón del Buen pastor que es Jesús y hacer mi ministerio con alegría. Oren por mí y yo voy a rezar por ustedes.

**REFLEXIÓN DEL EVANGELIO:  
 16 DOMINGO DE TIEMPO  
 ORDINARIO**

“El que siembra la buena semilla es el hijo del hombre; el campo es el mundo, y la buena semilla son los hijos del Reino. Las malezas son hijos del maligno.”— *Mateo 13.37-38*

El domingo pasado el Evangelio nos llevó a la sección de la parábola de la narrativa bien organizada de Mateo, capítulo 13. Escuchamos la parábola del sembrador. Este domingo escuchamos las siguientes tres parábolas: el riesgo de escardar trigo, la promesa del crecimiento en semillas pequeñas y el efecto de la levadura en la masa de pan.

Cuando Jesús interpreta la parábola las malas hierbas y trigo para sus discípulos, recomienda dejarlos crecer juntos hasta la cosecha. Esto significa que separar los pecadores de los justos no es nuestro trabajo. Del mismo modo el Papa Francisco insiste, “El tiempo es mayor que el espacio”, y da prioridad a los procesos que construyen y desarrollan las comunidades con el tiempo en lugar juzgar. La semilla de mostaza indica cómo una idea, un momento de gracia puede crecer con el tiempo. Otro de los principios pastorales del Papa Francisco es “la unidad es mayor de conflicto”. La mayoría de nosotros reconoce la facilidad que magnificamos las diferencias cuando en realidad tenemos más en común que lo que nos divide. “El espíritu puede armonizar cada diversidad”, dice el Papa Francisco.

Vida y el crecimiento toman tiempo. Reino de Dios toma tiempo para crecer en cada uno de nosotros como levadura tarda en transformar la masa de pan. A la luz de nuestro diario noticiero, es confortante pensar en las diarias acciones de amor que los discípulos de Jesús hacen invisible en nuestro mundo.

**¿Qué estas sembrando** en tu barrio? **¿Qué esfuerzo pequeño** esperas que crezca mucho más grande?

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Sat 10/28	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/27	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/11	10:00 a.m.	Fri 11/03	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/18	12:00 p.m.	Fri 11/10	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 12/16	10:00 a.m.	Fri 12/15	7-9:30 p.m.

Jesús dijo:  
 “El Reino de los cielos  
 se parece a un hombre  
 que sembró buena  
 semilla en su campo”.

*Mateo 13:24*

23 de julio de 2017

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