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St. Bonaventure Knights of Columbus



Super Bowl Crab Feed Party



Join us for a night of great fun,
delicious food, live & silent auction, and
fabulous door prizes.

Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 6 p.m.

Come help us help others.

The Baptism of the Lord
El Bautismo del Señor

January 13, 2019

MASSES IN ENGLISH/EN INGLES

Saturday Vigil / *Sábado*: 5:00 PM

Sunday / *Domingo*: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM, 5:00 PM

MISA EN ESPAÑOL/ IN SPANISH

Domingo: 12:45 PM

DAILY MASS/MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday / *Lunes* thru Friday / *Viernes*: 9:00AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION / ADORACION AL SANTISIMO

In English: Friday after the 9AM Mass with closing prayer at 3:15 PM

BAPTISM / BAUTIZOS

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

En Español: Llame a la oficina para solicitar información y concertar una cita con el Sacerdote. Este proceso requiere mínimo dos meses de preparación.

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

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

En Español: Llame a la oficina para solicitar información y concertar una cita con el Sacerdote. Este proceso requiere mínimo 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 una cita con el Sacerdote.

CONFECIONES Y ADORACION AL SANTISIMO / CONFESIONS AND EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

En Español: Martes: 7:00-8:00 PM (en la capilla)

Mission

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 DEACON BILL GALL

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

This weekend we not only celebrate Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan river by his cousin, John the Baptist, but we also recall and celebrate our own baptism, where we became sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus, and Temples of the Holy Spirit. We were anointed with Holy Chrism, clothed in Christ symbolized by a white garment and presented with a baptismal candle lighted from the Easter Candle, and encouraged “to keep the flame of faith alive” in our hearts.



Fr. Nicholas Lohkamp, O.F.M. writes: “Baptism means I am *Christened*. I am plunged into the mystery of Jesus. *Christening* defines who I am: a Christian. *Christening* describes how I live, following Jesus. *Christening* challenges me to be true to my calling. It challenges me to follow Jesus daily with the help of the Spirit, to live every day to the glory of the Father, to live every day as a member of the Church, thus, to be a Catholic.”

Baptism signifies a “new beginning of goodness.” Jesus’ baptism was the start of his public ministry and mission, and for us, by our own baptism, we begin our journey in faith to follow him as faithful disciples and start our mission to spread the good news: “Emmanuel, God is with us!”

My good friend and fellow deacon, Dick Folger, reminds us that “each morning of our life we are called to return to our own baptism. To pray that each day of our lives will be a new beginning of goodness.”

May Jesus bless each and every one of you.

You might ask the question: “Why did Jesus need to be baptized?” After all, he was without sin. Looking at each of the four Gospel stories, I’m not certain the answer is fully clear. It might be that he wanted to be baptized because he wanted to be like us, to be one with us, in every way, so he stood in line like everyone else that day, waiting to be baptized by John.

I once read an article written by a Jesuit priest who described baptism as a “combination birthday and wedding day.” By virtue of our baptism we are born into and “wed” to the local church community, as well as to the worldwide “Body of Christ.” One prayer to God reads, “From all who are baptized in water and the Holy Spirit, you have formed one people, united in your Son Jesus Christ.”

Baptism is a sacrament. Sacraments, as Vatican II teaches us, have three functions: “to make people holy, to build up the Body of Christ, and finally, to give worship to God.” (Constitution on the Liturgy, #59).

Shopping Amazon Smile Helps the Parish

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when *you* shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers. When you go to smile.amazon.com you will be prompted to select a charitable organization—choose St. Bonaventure and you’re done. Or you can go to the parish web site. Under “About” – “Giving”, you will find a direct link to our parish Smile Amazon account.



LITURGY AND MUSIC

Altar Linens Help Needed

We are in need of a few more people to help clean our altar linens. This is a “behind the scenes,” yet very important, ministry. Responsibilities include cleaning, ironing, and folding the linens (purificators, hand towels, corporals, and sometimes altar cloths). Instructions are provided. Volunteers are scheduled approximately once a month; less if we get several volunteers.

Please contact Anthony Arteaga at aarteaga@stbonaventure.net or by calling the parish office if you are willing to help.

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS

Mechanical Engineer Needed

We are looking for some assistance from a mechanical engineer with design experience with HVAC systems. Is this you? Might you know someone? If so, please contact Christa Fairfield at 925-672-5800 x2205 or cfairfield@stbonaventure.net.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

@St. Bonaventure Catholic Community



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

Contact Christa Fairfield at
925-844-9005 or email
cfairfield@stbonaventure.net



SHARE YOUR TALENTS!
Volunteer in a Ministry

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Adult Confirmation: New Dates

Would you like to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation? St. Bonaventure invites you to participate in our Adult Confirmation Program, if you:



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

Bishop Michael Barber will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Bonaventure on Saturday, May 4 at 2:00 pm. Preparation sessions begin in February in both English (Feb. 6) and Spanish (Feb. 3). **English classes are now on Wednesday evenings from Feb. 6 – April 10.** See our website

(www.stbonaventure.net) for the full class schedule and application or contact Gina Cattalini at gcattalini@stbonaventure.net or (925) 672-5800 x2217.

Grief Support at St. Bonaventure

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was unexpected and tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion and sadness. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief.

Healing the Heart is a 6-week program that will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 until 9:00 pm, from February 12th to March 19th in classroom B1. The Grief Companions will share their experiences, and there is time for small-group sharing. We invite you to join us and let us accompany you on your healing journey. For more information and to register, call Helene at 925-681-8105.



Men's Spiritual Network 2019 Retreat

Mark your calendars for a retreat with the men of St. Bonaventure's Parish,



March 1-3 at San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville. Watch for announcements in the bulletin and in your email. Registration forms will soon be available online.

Moms Group

An invitation to all parish moms (and children!): come join our St. Bonaventure Moms Group. We meet at 9:45-11:00am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month in Room A4. Next meeting will be on January 16th. Come explore our Catholic faith as women and as parents, and share the joys and challenges of parenting in a casual, welcoming setting. For more information please contact Michelle at Moms@stbonaventure.net.

Women in Prayer

Are you interested in praying with other women for your own needs or the needs of others? Join the Women's Christian Fellowship on the second Thursday of each month in the chapel at 7:15pm. **February 14th** is our next evening of prayer. Come as you are.

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

Walk for Life

St. Bonaventure Parish and the Knights of Columbus are again sponsoring buses to take people to the Walk for Life in San Francisco on January 26, 2019. The buses will depart the St. Bonaventure parking lot at 9 AM. There will be a nominal fee of \$20, which will get you a Commemorative T-Shirt and a seat on the bus. Sign up after Mass in the vestibule, call or text Mark Di Lisio at 303-903-5377 or email him at m.dilisio@comcast.net to reserve a seat.



La Morita Mexico Youth Mission

Tickets will be on sale after all Masses January 19-20 and 26-27 for our Annual Mexican Dinner. Come to St. Bonaventure's Church Hall on Saturday, February 2 and enjoy a wonderful Mexican meal for \$20 a person or \$65 a family. Local youth and their adult sponsors are raising funds again to build homes in Tijuana during Easter week. This is the fourth year with our new name, La Morita Mexico Youth Mission, and we are under the sponsorship of this non-profit corporation.

Clayton Valley Counseling

For over 20 years, licensed Catholic therapists at St. Bonaventure have continued to serve individuals, couples, and families, and have prepared engaged couples for marriage. Please call 925-210-6176.

Pregnant? Need Help?

☎ 1-800-910-0191,
The Gabriel Project

OUTSIDE OF PARISH

TK/Kindergarten Sneak Peek

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School
866 Oak Grove Road, Concord, CA

Thursday, January 24, 2019

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Check-in 6pm

Please join us for an informative evening to discover all that St. Francis of Assisi School has to offer! Please call to reserve your spot (925) 682-5414 or e-mail pcalton@csdo.org

For more information, visit our website at www.sfaconcord.org

**Stewardship
of Treasure**

Goal \$28,735
Actual \$30,445
Over \$1,710

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

Food for Family: 800 (2 Weeks)

**Upcoming Special Collection:
Jan. 26/27 – St. Vincent de Paul**

**Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, January 12

5:00 Effi Cartan
Jack Henry Day
Michael Vesneski
Joseph Maxwell "JoJo" Melicor

Sunday, January 13

7:30 St. Bonaventure Community
9:00 Joan & William Weightman
Michael Gois
Stewart Morgan
Kathy Gabe
11:00 Geraldine Arriaga
Rosa Marino
Carmela Marino
Josephine Marino
5:00 All souls in purgatory
St. Therese and all the saints
Briccio Concepcion

Monday, January 14

6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Lil Fichtenkort
Kevin McGarry
Thanksgiving for Ophelia Grigsby

Tuesday, January 15

6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Lorraine Guzman
Mike & Millie Ribeiro
Robert Vieira
Penny & Ed Fernandes

Wednesday, January 16

6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Thanksgiving for a special intention
Fe Santos

Thursday, January 17

6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Jovita Cristobal
Antonio M. Estrada
Alberto Metica

Friday, January 18

6:30 Communion Service
9:00 William & Julia Jordan
Vincenzo Marino
Antonio Marino
Adele Marino
Araceli Pongol

Saturday, January 19

5:00 Erin Duncan
Eugene Whittle
Eugene Duckhart
Joseph Maxwell "Jojo" Melicor

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR



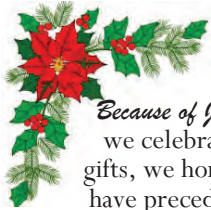
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January 12 to January 18

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR



Jovita Cristobal
and Emil Bada



Because of Jesus Christ, we believe in the Communion of Saints. As we celebrate Christmas and bless each other with grace, love and gifts, we honor living family members; and we remember those who have preceded us to the New Life by our Christmas Church decorations and flowers.



- John Abbott
- Kathleen Bradford
- The Acuna-Ramirez Families
- The Cancio & Casagrande Families
- Russ & Donna Ellis
- The Exten & Guzzo Families
- The Galan Family
- Ted Hoag
- Jennie & Al Introcaso
- Donald Fitzgerald
- Edward & Rita Grapes
- Sandy & Craig Johnson
- The Kimmel Family
- The Jennings & Landoni Families
- Richard LaRossa
- Pauline Martelle & Family
- Agustin Mendoza
- The Mercader – Evaristo Families
- Leon Meyer
- The Milcetic & Picallo Families
- The Ouimet & Leehy Families
- Rita & Francis Raymond
- Matthew Thomson
- The Trespacios & Wranau Families
- People with cancer and MS
- St. Bonaventure Community
- For our nation and the whole world



PENSAMIENTOS DEL DIÁCONO BILL GALL

BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

“Tú eres mi Hijo amado; contigo estoy muy contento ”.

Este fin de semana no solo celebramos el bautismo de Jesús en el río Jordán por su primo, Juan el Bautista, sino que también recordamos y celebramos nuestro propio bautismo donde nos convertimos en hijos e hijas de Dios, hermanos y hermanas de nuestro Señor Jesús y Templos del Espíritu Santo. Fuimos ungidos con el Santo Crisma, nos vistieron en Cristo simbolizado por una prenda blanca y nos presentaron una vela bautismal encendida de la vela de Pascua y alentaron a "mantener viva la llama de la fe" en nuestros corazones.

Podrías hacer la pregunta: “¿Por qué Jesús tuvo que ser bautizado?” Después de todo, estaba sin pecado. Mirando cada una de las cuatro historias del Evangelio, no estoy seguro de que la respuesta sea completamente clara. Puede ser que quisiera ser bautizado porque quería ser como nosotros, ser uno con nosotros, en todos los sentidos, por lo que se puso en fila como todos los demás ese día esperando ser bautizado por Juan.

Una vez leí un artículo escrito por un sacerdote jesuita que describió el bautismo como una “combinación de cumpleaños y día de la boda”. En virtud de nuestro bautismo nacemos y nos “casamos” con la comunidad de la iglesia local, así como con el “Cuerpo de Cristo” mundial. ". Una oración a Dios dice: "De todos los que se bautizan en agua y el Espíritu Santo, ustedes han formado un solo pueblo, unidos en su Hijo Jesucristo".

El bautismo es un sacramento. Los sacramentos, como nos enseña el Vaticano II, tienen tres funciones: “santificar a las personas, edificar el Cuerpo de Cristo y, finalmente, adorar a Dios” (Constitución sobre la liturgia, n. 59).

P. Nicholas Lohkamp, O.F.M. escribe:

“Bautismo significa que estoy bautizado. Estoy sumergido en el misterio de Jesús. El bautizo define quién soy: un cristiano. El bautizo describe cómo vivo, siguiendo a Jesús. El bautizo me desafía a ser fiel a mi llamamiento. Me desafía a seguir a Jesús todos los días con la ayuda del Espíritu, a vivir cada día para la gloria del Padre, a vivir cada día como miembro de la Iglesia y, por lo tanto, a ser católico ”.

El bautismo significa un "nuevo comienzo de bondad". El bautismo de Jesús fue el comienzo de su ministerio y misión pública, y para nosotros, por nuestro propio bautismo, comenzamos nuestro viaje en la fe para seguirlo co-

mo fieles discípulos y comenzar nuestra misión para difundir La buena noticia: "¡Emmanuel, Dios está con nosotros!"



Mi buen amigo y compañero diácono, Dick Folger, nos recuerda que “cada mañana de nuestra vida estamos llamados a regresar a nuestro propio bautismo. Orar para que cada día de nuestras vidas sea un nuevo comienzo de bondad ”.

Que Jesús los bendiga a todos y cada uno de ustedes.

Bautizos 2019			
Lugar del Bautizo: Iglesia			
Lugar de la clase: B-1			
Encargado: Gregorio Menchaca (925) 826-5102			
****Para información sobre clases, favor contactar la oficina****			
Fecha de Bautizo	Hora de Bautizo	Fecha de Clase	Hora de Clase
Sat 01/19	10:00 a.m.	Fri 01/18	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 02/23	10:00 a.m.	Fri 02/15	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/16	10:00 a.m.	Fri 03/08	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/30	10:00 a.m.	Fri 03/22	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/06	2:00 p.m.	Fri 03/29	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/13	12:00 p.m.	Fri 04/05	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/13	2:00 p.m.	Fri 04/12	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/18	2:30 p.m.	Fri 05/17	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/08	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/07	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/22	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/14	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/29	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/21	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/13	10:00 a.m.	06/21- 6/28	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/13	12:00 p.m.	Fri 06/28	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/27	10:00 a.m.	Fri 07/26	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/10	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/02	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/24	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/16	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/31	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/23	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/14	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/30	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/14	12:00 p.m.	Fri 09/06	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/28	10:00 a.m.	Fri 09/20	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/12	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/04	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/26	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/18	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/09	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/25	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/23	10:00 a.m.	Fri 11/15	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 12/14	10:00 a.m.	Fri 12/13	7-9:30 p.m.

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Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:30-1:30pm
Lunes a Jueves: 8:30 a.m. -5:30pm
Viernes: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Alpha – Register by January 15th!



The new year is a great time to stop and take stock of our lives. What is God doing? Why am I here anyway? Join us on Alpha to explore and discuss life's big questions together – while having a lot of fun. We meet over eleven sessions (plus a special Saturday) to explore the basics of the Christian faith. Each Alpha night includes food, a high-quality video talk, and great conversations.

As we bring Alpha to our parish and our larger Concord and Clayton community, we need a group of parishioners to be part of the initial program. The only requirement is a loving heart and the willingness to show up -- no experience necessary. If you can show God's love with a smile and a cup of coffee, this might be the ministry for you. This year, will you think about being a gift to the community through participating in our first Alpha? This first Alpha session will be a smaller "pilot" program to test the program and train the team for future sessions. Please pray about whether you might be called to join us, or whether you know someone who might just need to be asked.

Our pilot program will begin soon, running Monday evenings from January 21st to April 15th. To learn more about Alpha, go to alphausa.org/about/. For more information, please contact Gina Cattalini at gcattalini@stbonaventure.net or 672-5800 x2217. Please sign up with Gina or at stbonaventure.net/alpha by January 15.

January 19th Ecumenical Choir Concert Benefit for Paradise Churches @2pm

Please join us for a fundraising concert to aid Christian communities in Paradise affected by the Camp Fire. As of right now, all funds collected will go directly to help St. Thomas More Catholic Church and Paradise United Methodist Church, both heavily damaged in the fire. The week of

January 18-25 is traditionally known as the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, making this a perfect opportunity to come together and support our Christian brothers and sisters in need. We are working in collaboration with the choirs at Clayton Valley Presbyterian church, Concord United Methodist church, and Good Shepherd Lutheran church. The benefit concert will take place here at St. Bonaventure.

Super Bowl Crab Feed Party! Saturday, January 26, 2019. Doors open at 6pm

Hurry!! There are only a few weeks left to join in the fun Knights of Columbus Super Bowl Crab Feed Party!  Wear your favorite team's apparel and join in the live-silent auction of incredible items, and fabulous door prizes. There will be delicious crab, pasta, wine and more. Tickets are on sale this weekend, in the foyer or in the church office. \$55 per person or \$50 per person if you purchase a table of eight, before Jan.13th. Contact Mike Farnham with any questions or to reserve your table. 925-766-2864. Come help us, help others and enjoy a fun evening!

Begin 2019 with the Experience of God's Mercy!

Come join us in the 25th Women's Christian Fellowship Annual Women's Retreat from **February 1-3, 2019**, at St. Clare's Retreat Center in Soquel, CA. Theme of the retreat is "MERCY Falls Like Gentle Rain." Father Richard McAlear, OMI, retreat master, returns for the 4th time with his special gifts of hope and healing through the Merciful Heart of Jesus. Retreat brochures are available online at www.stbonaventure.net and at wcf2019retreat.eventbrite.com.

For information, contact Andrea at 925-529-7675. Hurry, there are just a few spots left!