



St. Bonaventure Catholic Community *Comunidad Católica de San Buenaventura*

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

February 3, 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.

CONFESIONES Y ADORACION AL SANTISIMO / CONFESSIONS 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 FR. OSCAR ROJAS

WE HAVE BEEN CALLED BY GOD



God has called us before we were born. In the first reading, we can see how God chose Jeremiah:

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.” God knew and chose him and gave him a mission to announce God’s love to the nations, and denounce injustice among the people. We all have been called and chosen by God. We have been chosen since all eternity and sent for a mission. God is our creator and he knows what our mission is. What a beautiful privilege that, before we were born, we had already existed in God’s mind and had been appointed to a mission. Our life is not a coincidence; we have a vocation that we have received. Pope Francis said: *“Each one of us is called – whether to the lay life in marriage, to the priestly life in the ordained ministry, or to a life of special consecration – in order to become a witness of the Lord, here and now.”* God has called us and touched our lips with his hand to proclaim the Good News of God. Nobody has been chosen specifically for a country, community, or ministry. We are called to serve where people are in need. We have been called to announce the love of God to the youth, families, marginalized, and poor.

We are free to accept and embrace our call. Saint Paul in the second reading encourages us to *“Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts.”* Also, he points out love as the engine to develop our vocation. Pope Francis said *“Love is not empty words or what is depicted in romantic films- it is action and service toward others.”* If our vocation is married life, priestly life or consecrated life; love should be at the heart of our vocation. Saint Paul said: *“Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it is not in-*

flated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth.”

Love energizes our life so that we respond to God’s call. Every day we are challenged with temptations that can hide us from the love of God. Every day we are surrounded by evil and we easily can fall prey to it. Love is patient. If we are patient, we will reject anger, hatred, envy, jealousy, and not harm others. We are called to act with a pure and sincere love that others can feel. Sometimes, we misunderstand what love is – it is giving up ourselves for others. Jesus lay down his life for all. He loves us so much that he died on the cross. Today, God is inviting us to examine ourselves about love.

It is time to act and embrace the call of God. In the Gospel of Luke Jesus said *“Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”* The Word of God is fulfilled when we listen and read the sacred scripture. People criticize Jesus. They cannot believe how Jesus was speaking and the language he used. They said, *“Isn't this the son of Joseph?”* It does not have anything to do with our past life or where we come from. How we respond and embrace God’s call will determine whether we will receive joy, love and peace. If we feel we are not responding to God’s call, now is the time to act and put our vocation into action. Pope Francis said: *“We will never discover the special, personal calling that God has in mind for us if we remain enclosed in ourselves, in our usual way of doing things, in the apathy of those who fritter away their lives in their own little world.”* We need to be humble and allow love to penetrate into the depths of our hearts. Jesus is love and he himself becomes the body and blood to nourish our life and fill our hearts with a pure love.

Thank you from St. Peter Martyr Parish

On behalf of the St. Peter Martyr Parish families I want to thank you for your generosity for all the gifts we received last Christmas. We gratefully appreciate your support and contribution.

May God bless you, your parish, your families and the Adopt-A-Family Giving Tree Team for your giving spirit.

- Fr. Jesus Hernandez

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS

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.



FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dates and times for upcoming parish funerals can be found on our parish website:
stbonaventure.net/upcoming-funerals

LITURGY AND MUSIC

Do You Need a Prayer?

Are you, a family member or a friend in need of a prayer? Take a few minutes to drop by **Drive-thru Prayer** held **Monday thru Friday** from 5:00 – 6:00 pm in the church parking lot next to the rectory (except when raining). Look for the signs and you will find your Catholic friends waiting for you to listen and pray with you for your needs. All are welcome.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40;
Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps
22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-3

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15;
Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24;
Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5,
8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21;
Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5,
7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11];
Lk 5:1-11



FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

God's blessings to these children who have become Children of God in the Sacrament of Baptism.

Baptisms—January 2019

Nguyen, Caiden Alexander, son of Minh Nguyen and Christelle Domantay

Escobar, Johan Javier "JJ", son of Arturo Escobar and Martha Quintero

Shaikh, Nava Tahira, daughter of Jamal and Delilah Shaikh

Shaikh, Maya Quirina, daughter of Jamal and Delilah Shaikh

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Men's Spiritual Retreat

The 2019 Men's Spiritual Network Retreat is March 1-3 at San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville. This year we are blessed to have the dynamic Fr. Jim Sullivan as retreat leader. Fr. Jim is currently serving as chaplain at Bishop O'Dowd High School. Registration forms are available on the parish website at www.stbonaventure.net/mens-spiritual-network. Sign up today! For more information please contact Matthew Remington at 925-672-4006 or Joe Talarico at 925-680-7767.

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 February 6th. 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, usually on the second Thursday of each month, in the chapel at 7:15pm. However, because the second Thursday in February is Valentine's Day (February 14), the next meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 21. Come as you are.

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

Monthly Luncheon

Thursday, February 14th at 11:30 AM in the Large Hall. \$13/person. Come share your love—

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

We will enjoy Italian cuisine prepared by Chef Greg. Drinks and dessert are included. Please make **reser-**

ervations by registering after Mass on Feb. 9th or 10th or call Stan at 925-375-1543. **All reservations are due by Monday, Feb. 11th.**

St. Mary's Senior Dinner in Oakland—Feb. 17, 2019

Please help us provide cakes, coffee and bingo prizes* for the low-income seniors we serve at St. Mary's Center in Oakland. Cakes, cans of coffee and bingo prizes can be left in the **Hospitality Room at church before the 11:00 Mass on that Sunday.** Cash donations for St. Mary's can be left in the church office. **All** items need to be marked "St. Mary's-Oakland." (*Bingo prize suggestions: socks, soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste/toothbrush, nail polish). Thank you for your generosity. It is much appreciated! Co-chairs: Pete & Carol Chrobak 672-7158 and Lori & Dor Neely 672-6083

Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Community Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on Saturday, March 23, 2019 in the Large Hall from 10 AM to 4 PM. More information will follow later this month. If you are able to donate blood please note this event on your calendar.

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.

OUTSIDE OF PARISH

COME JOIN OUR LOVING, FAITH-FILLED SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

- St. Agnes School is currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year for pre-school through 8th grade.
- New Student Testing will be on Saturday, Feb. 9, beginning at 8 a.m.

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR



Filomena Estrada
February 2 to February 8

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR

Merly Sangalang



PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS
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**Stewardship
of Treasure**
Weekend of Jan. 26 & 27
Collection

Goal	\$28,735
Actual	\$25,632
Deficit	(\$3,103)

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

2nd Collection:
St. Vincent de Paul—\$3,616
Food for Family: 320

Save the Date!
**St. Joseph's
Dinner**
Saturday,
March 30th
6pm

*All Food is Handmade and Donated
By the Attendees*

*All Proceeds and Leftover Food
To Benefit St Vincent de Paul and
Their Mission to Support Those in Need*

**A Lenten Opportunity
To Share!**

**Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, February 2
5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

Sunday, February 3
7:30 Ofelia Ebuena
Filomena Estrada
Fr. Richard McAlear
Vicente Mercader
9:00 Tony Sammut
Margaret Mangini
Joselito Sapinoso
Josephine A. Torres
11:00 Esteban Mercado
Geraldine Arriaga
Richie Ang
Bruce Ely
John Sangalang
5:00 Gloria Whittaker
Jerry Frieberg
Jerry Chafkin
Yvonne LaBrie

Monday, February 4
6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Judy Dominic
Kyle Krawesky
Emma Jean Panjada
Marciana L. Semper

Tuesday, February 5
6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Fely Crusit
Eduardo Orlina
William Weakland

Wednesday, February 6
6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Bill O'Malley

Thursday, February 7
6:30 Communion Service
9:00 Warde Comeaux
Merly Sangalang
Katrina Salcedo

Friday, February 8
6:30 Communion Service
9:00 William & Julia Jordan
Ofelia Ebuena
Bruce Ely
Virginia Albo

Saturday, February 9
5:00 Filemona Estrada
Yolanda Flores Silva
Susan Rieger
Frank Billeci

Eagle Scout Project

This past weekend, Tristan Fossan, for his Eagle Scout project, installed the first of two new bike racks. This is a wonderful addition to our property. Now parishioners have a place to secure their bicycles. We are very grateful for his work.



PENSAMIENTOS DEL PADRE OSCAR ROJAS

DIOS NOS HA LLAMADO



Dios nos ha llamado antes de nacer. En la primera lectura, podemos ver cómo Dios escogió a Jeremías: **"Antes de formarte en el vientre te conocí, antes de que nacieras, te dediqué a profetizar a las naciones que te designé"**. Dios lo conoció, lo eligió y le encomendó una misión. Anunciar el amor de Dios a las naciones y denunciar las injusticias entre la gente. Todos hemos sido llamados y escogidos por Dios. Hemos sido elegidos desde toda la eternidad y enviados para una misión. Dios es nuestro creador y él sabe cuál es nuestra misión. Qué hermoso privilegio es que antes de nacer ya existíamos en la mente de Dios y destinados con una vocación de servir a los demás. Nuestra vida no es una coincidencia, todos tenemos una vocación que hemos recibido: el Papa Francisco dijo: **"Cada uno de nosotros está llamado, ya sea a la vida del matrimonio, a la vida sacerdotal en el ministerio ordenado, o a la vida de Dios con una consagración especial: para ser testigo del Señor, aquí y ahora"**. También, Dios nos ha llamado y nos ha tocado los labios con su mano para ir a proclamar la Buena Nueva de Dios. Nadie ha sido elegido específicamente para un país, comunidad o ministerio. Todos estamos llamados a servir donde las personas están en necesidad. Hemos sido llamados a anunciar el amor de Dios a los jóvenes, familias, marginados y sobre todo a los pobres.

La respuesta de nuestra vocación. Somos libres de aceptar y abrazar nuestra llamada. San Pablo en la segunda lectura nos exhorta a **"esforzarnos ansiosamente por los más grandes dones espirituales"**. Además, señala al amor como el motor para desarrollar nuestra vocación. El Papa Francisco dice: **"El amor no es palabras vacías o lo que se representa en las películas románticas, es acción y servicio hacia los demás"**. Si nuestra vocación es la vida matrimonial, la vida sacerdotal o la vida consagrada: El amor debe ser el corazón para que nuestra vocación siga siendo efectiva. San Pablo nos dice: **"El amor es paciente, el amor es amable"**. **No es celoso, no es pomposo, no está inflado, no es grosero, no busca sus propios intereses, no es de mal genio, no se queja de las lesiones, no se regocija por las**

malas acciones sino que se regocija con la verdad". El amor llena nuestra vida para que podamos responder al llamado de Dios. Aunque, todos los días nos enfrentamos a las tentaciones que pueden desviar nuestra vista del amor de Dios. Todos los días estamos rodeados de maldad y fácilmente podemos caer en ella. El amor es paciente. Si somos pacientes, rechazaremos la ira, el odio, la envidia, los celos y no perjudicaremos a los demás. Estamos llamados a actuar con amor puro y sincero para que otros puedan sentir lo que significa el verdadero amor. A veces, tenemos un significado incorrecto de amor, el amor es renunciar a nosotros mismos por servir y amar a los demás. Jesús dio su vida por todos. Nos amó tanto que entregó su vida en la cruz. Hoy, Dios nos invita a examinarnos sobre el amor.

Es hora de actuar y abrazar el llamado de Dios. En el Evangelio de Lucas, Jesús dijo: **"Hoy mismo se ha cumplido este pasaje de la Escritura que acaban de oír"**. La Palabra de Dios se cumple cuando escuchamos y leemos la Sagrada Escritura. La gente critica a Jesús. No podían creer la manera de cómo hablaba Jesús y el idioma que usaba. Ellos dijeron: **"¿No es este el hijo de José?"** No tiene nada relacionado con nuestra vida pasada o de dónde venimos. Es cómo respondemos y abrazamos el llamado de Dios por el cual encontramos la alegría, el amor y la paz al desarrollar nuestra vocación. Si sentimos que no estamos respondiendo al llamado de Dios: ahora es el momento de actuar y poner nuestra vocación en acción. El Papa Francisco dijo: **"Nunca descubriremos el llamamiento especial y personal que Dios tiene en mente para nosotros, si permanecemos encerrados en nosotros mismos, en nuestra forma habitual de hacer las cosas, en la apatía de aquellos que desperdician sus vidas en su pequeño mundo"**. Si todavía no estamos satisfechos y cumpliendo con nuestro compromiso vocacional como persona laica, casada o sacerdotal. Necesitamos ser humildes y permitir que el amor penetre en lo más profundo de nuestros corazones. Jesús es amor y él mismo se convierte en el cuerpo y la sangre para alimentar nuestra vida y llenarnos de ese amor puro que nace del corazón de Jesús.

HORARIO DE OFICINA Padre Oscar Rojas

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.

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 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.

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(6th through 12th Grade)

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FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

**Gina Cattalini, Director of Adult Faith Formation
and Initiation**x2217

Boy Scouts Annual Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 10,
Large Hall, 8:00
a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Cost is \$5.00/person
or \$15.00/family.

All proceeds go to St. Bonaventure
Catholic Community.



Adult Confirmation: Classes Begin This Week

This is the final
opportunity to
sign up for Adult
Confirmation this
spring! Spanish
classes begin today (Sunday) at 11am
in room A3; English classes begin
Wednesday at 7pm in the Rectory
Conference Room. 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. See our website
(www.stbonaventure.net) for full
class schedule and application or con-
tact 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 7:30pm

until 9:00 pm, from February 12 to
March 19, in classroom B1. The Grief
Companions will share their experi-
ences, 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 infor-
mation and to register, call Helene at
925-681-8105.

Adult Faith Formation Planning Group

What types of Adult Faith Formation
activities would you like to see here
at St. Bonaventure? Join us for our
next meeting on Tuesday, February 5
at 7:00 pm in A2. Please contact Gina
Cattalini at
gcattalini@stbonaventure.net or 672-
5800 x2217 for more information or
to be added to the email list.

Classy Crafters Invites You!

Classy Crafters meetings will begin
on Wednesday, Feb. 6, from 10 am
to 2 pm and thereafter every
Wednesday at the same time in
room A1. We are looking forward
to our 2019 season culminating
with the Gala and Boutique
in November, with proceeds bene-
fitting the Food Pantry. If you en-
joy working on crafts and having
fun with new friends please join us.
Our meetings are casual, so you can
come and go as you please, and eve-
ryone is welcome, so feel free to
bring a friend. Not sure if you are
crafty? We have a wide variety of
talented people more than willing
to help you. Collectively, talents
come together forming fellowships
and bonding beyond your expecta-
tions. We are looking forward to
seeing you!

Contact Christa Fairfield at
925-844-9005 or email



SHARE YOUR TALENTS!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

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