



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

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Pilgrimage to Paradise

Sunday of Divine Mercy
Domingo de la Divina Misericordia

April 28, 2019

MASSSES 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: Monday thru Thursday- Holy Hour after 9AM Mass

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.

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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 / 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.

“Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.”

- (Psalm 118)

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THOUGHTS FROM DEACON BILL GALL



“Blessed are the merciful for they shall see mercy”

This weekend we are celebrating the 2nd Sunday of Easter, also known as **“Divine Mercy Sunday.”** On this day in the year 2000, Pope John Paul II proclaimed to the world that “from now on throughout the Church, this Sunday will be called Divine Mercy Sunday.”

The bible describes mercy as a **gift from God**, a gift that is meant to be given to those who need it. It has an action quality. It is God’s invitation to **celebrate** and **practice** this gift of mercy. And so, our readings this weekend reflect the mercy of God and our challenge to extend that mercy to all we come in contact with and even to ourselves.

Our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles tells us that “many signs were done among the people at the hands of the Apostles.” From the portico of the temple, they “carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats.” Joining them was a large group of people from the surrounding towns of Jerusalem “bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.”

In the Gospel reading we find the Apostles, on the first day of the week, huddled behind locked doors in the upper room fearing what happened to Jesus might happen to them. But Jesus appears in their midst and says, “Peace be with you.” He imparts the Holy Spirit by breathing on them and commissions them to forgive sins. The second part of the Gospel features Thomas, one week later in the same upper room, demanding proof of Jesus’ resurrection, and his astounding

expression of faith when he recognizes and affirms Jesus as, “My Lord and my God.”

We might ask ourselves, how is the Risen Jesus present to us today? If you look at the documents of Vatican Council II we learn that **Jesus is present to us in four ways:** in the **Priest/Presider** leading our liturgies; in **Scripture**, especially the Book of the Gospels; in the **Sacraments**, especially in the Holy Eucharist and in **one another**.

And that’s where we come in. Do we really see Jesus in one another? Do we look beyond the physical appearances and/or the circumstances? **Fr. James Keenan, a Jesuit, defines mercy as “the willingness to enter into the chaos of others.** It can get messy!”

Author Judy Esway tells us “encounters with the risen Christ still happen to ordinary people like us.” **Has Jesus ever turned-up in your life, perhaps in a “distressing disguise” as St. Theresa of Calcutta put it?**

- ◆ How about in the newly unwelcomed immigrants?
- ◆ In the beggar at the side of the freeway entrance?
- ◆ In the homeless person sleeping on a sidewalk or bench on a piece of cardboard?

The ‘nail marks’ of Jesus are all around us in the lives of those walking their own Calvary. Jesus calls us to be willing to place ourselves in the pain and struggle of others and bring the joy and peace of Easter into hearts entombed in winter cold and darkness.”

May Jesus bless each and every one of you.

‘Thank You’ From Henry Roberts’ Family

Our family would like to thank all the parishioners from St. Bonaventure for coming to our dad’s funeral mass “Celebration of Henry’s Life.” Our dad was a faithful servant and was also an honorable man with integrity. He loved all his family and friends and he was also loved by everyone he knew. Thank you all and God bless!

The ministry to San Miguel Villa Nursing Home is in need of volunteers for both the Tuesday and Sunday ministries. If you can help and would like to know more about it, please call Helen Starosciak at 925-672-5577.

We’re Bringing it Back!!

**The Eleventh Bill Brunelle Memorial
Rock ‘N Roll Pasta Dinner
Saturday, May 18th
St Bonaventure Social Hall**



**Doors Open: 5:45 \$10 per person – OR -
Dinner Served: 6:45-7:30 \$35 per family
Hula Hoop Contest: 7:30-8:00
Music & Dancing: 8:00 – 10:30p**

**A Springtime Family Event!
Music & Entertainment by DJ Brad
Tickets on Sale After Each Mass
Beginning the Weekend of April 27-28
Come Join the Fun !!**

This Event Often Sells Out – Only 250 Tickets Can Be Sold

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS

Deferred Maintenance Collection

We will begin the special deferred maintenance collection on the 1st weekends of the months that don't already have collections. As our Finance Council reported in our recent Annual Report, we have a number of deferred maintenance projects on the parish property. Just a little parish trivia: we have 8 acres of property, seven buildings, the oldest building was constructed 1958 (the parish hall that was originally our church). The newest building was finished 2010 (our ministry center/classrooms). Our Church carpet and pews are nearly twenty years old. The church welcomes over 10,000 people every month.

Repairing and maintaining all of those gifts is our privilege. It is our faith communities' home, the home we come together and the home to which we invite others to join.

As replacements and improvements are needed in our family homes, they are needed here—just at an escalated rate. We are currently moving forward with replacing the HVAC systems in the Large Hall and evaluating if we have the finances to replace the windows (thank you for your generosity).

Our future efforts include improving the Church bathrooms, replacing the Church carpet, and improving the audio/visual systems in the church. Your donations in these collections will make a difference in making our facilities more welcoming and inviting.

Parish Town Hall Meeting to Discuss Upgrades to the Church

We would like to hear from you. Your opinion matters. You are invited to a **Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, May 2nd at 7 p.m. in the church** to share your thoughts and hear others' thoughts about a couple of proposed changes that we would like to make in our church sanctuary. The first is a replacement of our carpet and the second is installing screens and additional speakers in the church.

The carpet is nearly twenty-years old. With over 10,000 people entering the space every month, the wear and tear is substantial. We want our sanctuary to be welcoming. We are looking at **replacing the carpet** and will have a few options to present.

We are also looking to install two A/V screens. Lyrics of the hymns and the Mass parts would be projected on the screens. Worship Aids would be made available for those who read the music.

Here are the reasons for two screens in the church: During the Mass, direct attention should be on the altar and not on the screen. Moving the screen from the center to the sides will help to focus better in the liturgy. When the Mass is not being celebrated, the focus of attention in the church should be on the tabernacle with the Eucharist.

The A/V system that we have now is outdated, as far superior quality screens and projectors are available. The present screen is not fully visible from all parts of the church. A large church like ours really requires two screens for great effectiveness. Two new screens on the sides will have better clarity and legibility for all.

With our present sound system, there are some dead spots in the church.

The people who built our beautiful church 30 years ago thought of putting a screen at the back center of the sanctuary. Already some 30 years ago, they understood the importance of A/V in the church to enhance liturgy. Screens can be used in a way that not only respects the dignity and nature of the liturgy, but also adds to it and facilitates that "full, conscious and active" participation we've been aiming for.

In the long run, we save time and money from buying hymn books and making worship aids for all every two months. The screens increase participation. Young people are drawn to the screens. They may not pick up a worship aid, but they will look up and sing or at least read the words.

Screens allow us to display some of the key responses in the liturgy and help us extend hospitality to those who may not be familiar with the prayers. People respond better when the words are readily available. Screens give us flexibility to include visual components in the homily, and announcements at the end of the Mass.

When pulpit announcements are made, the date, time and venue etc. of the upcoming event can be projected, or the brochure of the event could be displayed. When bi-lingual liturgy takes place, translations can be projected on the screens. So, please do come to the Town Hall meeting and join the discussion.

HOPE WALK 2019 supports those battling cancer and their families by providing free services. **Saturday, May 18th 8:30-12:30, Heather Farms Walnut Creek** You Can Give Hope!! Join the St. Bonaventure team to walk or donate to one of the team members. To join our team (1) go to www.hopewalkbayarea.net (2) click on join a team and find St. Bonaventure's team and (3) click on register OR donate at: <https://cancersupportcommunityhopewalk.rallybound.org/Team/View/103405/St-Bonaventure>. If you have any questions contact Vicky Farnham 672-3422.

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Fr. Mat at mvellankal@stbonaventure.net

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR



Josephine Torres
April 27 to May 3

LITURGY AND MUSIC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31-37; Ps 2:1-4, 7-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21 or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 -- 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]



Monthly Luncheon

Thursday, May 9th at 11:30 AM, Large Hall, \$13 per person

Come celebrate Mexican Fiesta with La Tapatia Restaurant. We will have carne asada, enchiladas, salsa, salad, guacamole and chips. Drinks and dessert are included.

- Payment must be made with your reservation no later than Sunday, May 5th.
- You can pay cash or check (payable to St. Bonaventure Church) after the Saturday 5pm mass or Sunday morning masses the weekend of May 4/5.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Book Study: Building a Bridge

How the Catholic Church and the LGBT Community Can Enter into a Relationship of Respect, Compassion, and Sensitivity, by James Martin, S.J.

Join us for a study of Fr. James Martin's quest to build a bridge across the chasm that often divides us when we approach the question of homosexuality and the Catholic Church.

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of April 20 & 21 Collection

Budget \$60,000 (Easter)

Actual \$50,195

Deficit (\$9,805)

EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)

included in above figures

Food for Family: 834 (3 wks)

Upcoming Special Collection:
May 18/19—Catholic Charities

Given the realities of Church teaching in this area, how do we move toward greater understanding and love so that the Church may truly be the sign of unity it is called to be? Father Martin turns to three virtues from the Catechism of the Catholic Church - "respect, compassion, and sensitivity" - as a model for how both the Catholic leadership and LGBT Catholics can move together on a "two-way bridge" toward reconciliation and love.

Tuesdays, May 14 & 21, June 4 & 11, at 10 am or 7pm, Room B1. Books are available through the parish office for \$15. (If buying on your own, be sure to get the revised edition.) Register online at www.stbonaventure.net/book-studies or in the parish office. For more information contact Gina Cattalini at gcattalini@stbonaventure.net or (925) 672-5800 x2217.

WCF May Dinner

"Fiat! Opening Our Hearts to God" is the theme of the Women's Christian Fellowship annual May Dinner on Thursday, May 16th, from 6:30 to 9:00 pm in the Large Hall. Guest speaker is Jacob Perry, our parish Director of Youth Ministry, who will share his own "fiat" story of conversion. An Italian pasta dinner, catered by Bambino's Restaurant, will precede the talk. Cost of the evening is \$25 per adult, and \$15 for students who may wish to

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 27

5:00 Abel and Helen Santiago
Bon & Nelia Andrada
Kyle Krawesky
Yvette Ipsen

Sunday, April 28

7:30 Mike Geraghty
Louie Mendoza
Donna Bersaleari
Fred Domerofski
9:00 Joe Mangini
Josephine Torres
Jerry Frieberg
Dick Denard

11:00 Frank Rojas
Mary Alice Rendon
Maria Diaz
Lucio & Baldomera Arcilla
5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

Monday, April 29

9:00 Courtney Hutt
Ann Elizabeth Jwazsko
William Hanlon
Joy Camarillo

Tuesday, April 30

9:00 Catherine Ryan
Jim Grundman
Delores Novicky

Wednesday, May 1

9:00 Alberto P. Metica
Reed Erol Brunges
Silvia Arcos

Thursday, May 2

9:00 Fred Directo
Ophelia Grigsby

Friday, May 3

9:00 Don Davis
Craig Hassler

Saturday, May 4

5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

attend. Reservation flyers are located in the church foyer, at the parish office, and on the parish website. An online payment option is also available. Deadline for reservations is May 9th. Make plans now to attend this special event in honor of our Blessed Mother. Questions? Contact Andrea at 925-529-7675.

“La misericordia del Señor es eterna. Aleluya.”

- (Salmo 118 [117])

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PENSAMIENTOS DEL DIÁCONO BILL GALL



“Bienaventurados los misericordiosos porque verán misericordia”

Este fin de semana celebramos el segundo domingo de Pascua, también conocido como "**Domingo de la Divina Misericordia**". En este día del año 2000, el Papa Juan Pablo II proclamó al mundo que "de ahora en adelante, en toda la Iglesia, este

domingo se llamará Domingo de la Misericordia.”

La Biblia describe la misericordia como un **regalo de Dios**, un regalo que está destinado a los que lo necesitan. Tiene una calidad de acción. Es la invitación de Dios a **celebrar** y **practicar** este don de misericordia. Y así, nuestras lecturas de este fin de semana reflejan la misericordia de Dios y nuestro desafío de extender esa misericordia a todos los que tenemos contacto e incluso a nosotros mismos.

Nuestra primera lectura de los Hechos de los Apóstoles nos dice que “se hicieron muchas señales entre la gente a manos de los Apóstoles”. Desde el pórtico del templo, “llevaron a los enfermos a las calles y los pusieron en cunas y esteras. "Junto a ellos estaba un gran grupo de personas de las ciudades cercanas de Jerusalén" trayendo a los enfermos y los perturbados por espíritus inmundos, y todos fueron curados ”.

En la lectura del Evangelio encontramos a los Apóstoles, el primer día de la semana, acurrucados detrás de las puertas cerradas en la habitación superior, temiendo que lo que le sucedió a Jesús les pueda pasar a ellos. Pero Jesús aparece en medio de ellos y dice: "La paz sea con ustedes". Él imparte el Espíritu Santo al respirar sobre ellos y les ordena perdonar los pecados. La segunda parte del Evangelio

presenta a Thomas, una semana después en la misma sala superior, que exige una prueba de la resurrección de Jesús y su asombrosa expresión de fe cuando reconoce y afirma a Jesús como "Mi Señor y mi Dios".

Podríamos preguntarnos, ¿cómo está hoy presente Jesús resucitado? Si miras los documentos del Concilio Vaticano II, aprendemos que **Jesús está presente para nosotros de cuatro maneras:**

En el **Sacerdote /Celebrante** que preside nuestras liturgias; en la **Escritura**, especialmente el Libro de los Evangelios; en los **Sacramentos**, especialmente en la Sagrada Eucaristía y **entre ellos**.

Y ahí es donde entramos nosotros. ¿Realmente vemos a Jesús en uno con el otro? ¿Miramos más allá de las apariencias físicas y / o las circunstancias? **Padre James Keenan, un Jesuita, define la misericordia como “la voluntad de entrar en el caos de los demás. ¿Podría ser sucio!**

La autora Judy Esway nos dice que "los encuentros con el Cristo resucitado todavía sucede a personas comunes como nosotros". **¿Alguna vez se ha presentado Jesús en su vida, tal vez con un "disfraz angustioso", como lo expresó Santa Teresa de Calcuta?**

- ◆ ¿Qué tal en los nuevos inmigrantes no bien recibidos?
- ◆ ¿En el mendigo al lado de la entrada de la autopista?
- ◆ ¿En la persona sin hogar que duerme en una acera o banco en un pedazo de cartón?

Las "marcas de clavos" de Jesús están a nuestro alrededor en las vidas de quienes caminan en sus propios Calvarios. Jesús nos llama a estar dispuestos a ponernos en el dolor y la lucha de los demás y llevar la alegría y la paz de la Pascua a los corazones sepultados en el frío y la oscuridad del invierno ”.

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

Aviso Importante

Hermanos y hermanas, Dios nos invita a construir una familia, una familia unida a través de la oración donde nazca el amor fraterno mutuo. Especialmente nuestros seres queridos que han partido a la vida eterna necesitan de nuestra oración. El sentir con nuestros hermanos debe unirnos a orar en comunidad para confortar nuestra alma. Si usted tiene la intención y el deseo de orar por su ser querido, encomendándolo en la Santa Misa Dominical, es importante que se acerque a la oficina de la Parroquia de San Buenaventura al menos con tres semanas de anticipación para registrar el nombre. De esta manera, su inten-

ción será mencionada en la Santa Misa sin falta y podrá encontrar el nombre de la persona en el boletín de ese domingo.

Nota

En la Misa de Domingo solo se registrarán cuatro intenciones debido a que la Misa de Domingo es ofrecida por todos los fieles. Ya no se reservarán Misas privadas de: **Acción de Gracias, Aniversario de difunto** (Coloque su intención en la Misa del Domingo: ofrenda, \$10 dólares). **Presentación de Niños:** serán el Primer Domingo de cada mes. **Oremos unos por otros.**

- Padre Oscar Rojas

Easter Flower Names - In Honor & In Memory Of

The Adams Family
The Brigini Family
The Casagrande Family
Francisco & Juana Cuenco
Joel Cuenco
The Daly Family
The Diaz Family
The Exten Family
The Ewing Family
The Feliciano Family
The Fink Family
The Gray Family
The Guzzo Family
The Holcomb Family
Jennie & Al Introcaso
The Jennings Family
Iris V. Jordan
Percival A. Jordan
The Landoni Family
Ancilla McKenzie
The Milcetch Family
Julia Olvarado
The Picallo Family
The Richey Family
Connie Rizzi
Henry A. Roberts
Orville Thisius
The Trespalacios Family
Joe & Grace Urbina
The Wranau Family

Saturday Morning Mass

Starting from the month of May, we will have an 8AM Mass on Saturdays in the chapel. May is the month dedicated to Mother Mary. Let us honor our Blessed Mother with a Saturday Mass and Perpetual Help Novena. If we do get a sizable attendance, we will continue the Saturday morning Masses after the month of May.

Be Prepared to ROAR! Bible Camp is July 15-19, 2019

Now is the time to plan activities for those sunny days of summer. Our Bible Camp offers a pre-school program for 3 and 4-year olds which meets from 9:30-11:30am each day of camp. Our Kinder – 6th grade program meets from 9:30-12:30pm. 6th Graders are counselors-to-be and will be involved in some really awesome camp activities. Forms are now available in the Church foyer, office and on our website. Registration will begin on Saturday, May 4th, 9:00AM - 1:00PM in classroom A-1. The registration fees are \$70 for pre-schoolers and \$85 for Elementary- aged students. Registration fees will go up by \$10 after June 1. Register early! Adults, we need you to be our Team Leaders. All you need is a desire to have loads of fun with kids! Contact Eileen Limberg at 672-5800, Ext. 2204 or elimberg@stbonaventure.net for more information. Teens: 7th grade through high school - we need you to be our camp counselors. This is a great way to have fun, share your faith and serve in a variety of ways at camp. Contact Jacob Perry at 672-5800, Ext. 2229 or jperry@stbonaventure.net for more information.



Where Are The Holy Water Fountains?

You will notice that our large holy water fountains have been removed. Our church was originally designed with Holy Water Fountains on the walls by each main entrance. About 20 years ago these were removed and large basins were added to the side entrances, along with a fountain in the foyer. In an effort to open up some space, the original wall fountains have been refurbished and reinstalled thanks to a very generous donation by our Filipino-American Community. The fountain from the foyer is being repurposed.

'Just Faith' Session on Migration Starting Soon

St. Agnes and St. Bonaventure will be starting a joint 'Just Faith' class on May 2nd. The class will study and explore migration using Catholic social justice values to guide us. Contact Jack Walton with any question: jdwalton@astound.net or (925)825-7931.

Walking Through the Door: An Invitation for Sexual Abuse Survivors, Family & Friends

Our message for sexual abuse survivors, family, and friends is simple: you are not alone. It is a gift to be able to meet with other survivors and share whatever feels comfortable in a group setting. We focus especially on the spiritual journey of healing from sexual abuse. Our meetings have reflected the power of God's healing grace. We usually meet on the first Thurs-

day of each month at 7pm in the Hospitality Room. However, our May meeting will be on Wednesday, May 1, in the Rectory Conference Room due to the parish town hall on May 2. Please contact Gina Cattalini at gcattalini@stbonaventure.net or 672-5800 x2217 for more information or if it would be helpful to talk in person before walking through the door. All survivors, family, and friends are welcome. Come and see where the Spirit leads us.

Concern America Craft Sale Today

After Mass this Saturday and Sunday, volunteers from St. Bonaventure will host a "Concern America Craft Sale" featuring unique, quality handcrafts that offer us the opportunity to purchase with love. The gifts we find for special events like First Communion and Confirmation, holidays, or to brighten our homes are an exchange of caring with artisans in impoverished communities. Concern America supports cooperatives in Bangladesh, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Mexico by purchasing their beautiful pieces at fair trade prices, set by those who make them. Funds generated by these sales are used to support the Concern America field projects in these same countries. Learn more about Concern America and view a selection of their crafts on their web site at www.concernamerica.org.

