



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

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WHO
IS MY

JULY 14, 2019

NEIGHBOR?

LUKE 10:29

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Decimoquinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

July 14, 2019

MASSSES IN ENGLISH / EN INGLES

Saturday Vigil / *Sábado*: 5:00PM

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

MISA EN ESPAÑOL / IN SPANISH

Domingo: 12:45PM

DAILY MASS / MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL / CAPILLA)

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

Saturday / *Sábado*: 8:00AM

Tuesday / *Martes* & Thursday / *Jueves*: 6:30AM

Liturgy of the Word / *Liturgia de la Palabra*

Monday / Wednesday / Friday: 6:30AM

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 3:15PM

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 3:30PM (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 EUCHARASTIC ADORATION

En Español: Martes: 7:00-8:00PM (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.

“The Samaritan traveler was moved with compassion at the sight of the man stripped and beaten by robbers.” — Luke 10:25-37

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THOUGHTS FROM DEACON BILL GALL

“And Who Is My Neighbor?” — Luke 10:29



In the Gospel reading this weekend we are treated to a well-known and powerful parable with a shocking ending that Jesus tells to a devout Jew, a scholar of the law, who asks him, “Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus takes the opportunity to tell him about a lone traveler on the road from Jerusalem down to Jericho.

It was a very dangerous, winding road, enabling thieves to lay in wait for the most vulnerable to pass. The victim in the parable was a Jew who was beaten and robbed and left for dead. We know it as the “Parable of the Good Samaritan.”

A priest and a Levite, fellow Jews, passed by refusing to help the wounded man. Surprise! Surprise! The hero turns out to be a Samaritan, the hated enemy of the Jews. He not only stops to help and bandage the man’s wounds but takes him to an inn with instructions to the owner to take care of the wounded man until he returns.

Jesus then asks the scholar of the law, “Which of these three was neighbor to the robbers’ victim?” He answered, “The one who treated him with mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

It has been said that “the road from Jerusalem to Jericho passes right through our home, parish, school and workplace.” We may find our spouse, children or parents lying “wounded” by bitter words or scathing criticism or by other more blatant forms of verbal, emotional or physical abuse. Here, Jesus invites us to show our love for others in

our own home, in school, in the workplace, and in the neighborhood as the Good Samaritan did. We are invited to be people of generosity, kindness, and mercy towards all who are suffering. A sincere smile, a cheery greeting, an encouraging word of appreciation, a heartfelt “thank you” can all work wonders for someone suffering and in need. A “neighbor” is anyone who needs help.

Perhaps the question should be “Am I a good neighbor?” People of generosity, kindness and mercy. St Teresa of Calcutta once said, “The biggest disease today is not leprosy or cancer. It’s the feeling of being uncared for or unwanted, of being deserted and alone.” The greatest evil is the lack of love and charity, and an indifference towards one’s neighbor, who may be the victim of poverty or disease or exploitation and at the end of his/her life, left at a roadside.

The call to love one’s neighbor can be overwhelming for most of us yet, Jesus tells us, as he did to the devout Jew, we must do it to gain eternal life. So, we don’t despair or get despondent. From the “Prayer of Archbishop Romero”, he tells us:

“It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view.

The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision.

*We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. **This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.** It may be incomplete but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord’s grace to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own.”*

May Jesus bless each and every one of you.



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Community



Incredible Tour of India with Fr. Mat

Last date for registration: **July 31, 2019**

For information contact:

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HAPPINESS

Since happiness is nothing else but the enjoyment of the Supreme good, and the Supreme good is above us, no one can be happy who does not rise above oneself.

--St. Bonaventure

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS

Fred Directo Retires



Rare are the people in the world that radiate warmth and welcome in every encounter, every day without fail. We have been blessed with such a person here at St. Bonaventure—Fred Directo. Fred is known by most of parishioners as the weekend greeter and can-do guy. Some even mistake him for one of our priests, probably because of his loving heart and faith-filled presence. Fred has been working here for over twenty-two years as a member of our facilities staff.

This weekend at the 11am and 12:45 Masses we are recognizing and celebrating Fred's wonderful gifts to our parish and will bless him with good health and joy in his recent retirement. Fred will continue to be here as a wonderful presence as a parishioner and member of our St. Bonaventure family.

PARISH COMMUNITY

Annual Parish Family Camping at Tahoe—2019

Sunday, July 28th through Sunday, August 4th, Sugar Pine Point State Park, Lake Tahoe

Cost: \$135 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 at 864-4748 or Kathy Riso at 212-3579 for more details and/or to make your reservation.

Faith Day At The A'S

Saturday, August 17, 1:05pm

Faith Day tickets \$24 each on Sec. 208, shade seats. I can order parking passes @ \$16 each which can be used any time. If interested, please call Gerry ASAP: 925-709-5404.

LITURGY AND MUSIC

Daily Mass Schedule Change During Bible Camp

During the week of July 15-19, the 9:00am Mass will begin at 8:00am. The 6:30am liturgy time will remain the same. There will also be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during the week, including Friday, July 19. The chapel and gardens will be closed

during Bible Camp hours (9:30am-12:30pm). We will return to the normal schedule once Bible Camp week is over.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8; Mt 10:34 -- 11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9; 24-27; Mt 11:28-30

Friday: Ex 11:10 -- 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42



FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Sunday Morning Child Care?



Are you a parent of a child under the age of 4? Do you want to fully participate in the Sunday experience without worrying about your children? We are exploring starting a child care co-op during the 9:00am &

11:00am Masses. Please take a short survey and let us know if there is interest:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/S66FBHP>. You can also go to the parish website home page to access the survey. For more information, contact Eileen Limberg at elimberg@stbonaventure.net or Jen Ruff.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Summer Book Study: *Hatch, Match, & Dispatch: A Catholic Guide to Sacraments*

Journey through the history, liturgy, and theology of the seven sacraments with Fr. Richard Leonard's *Hatch, Match, & Dispatch: A Catholic Guide to Sacraments*. Join our Director of Liturgy & Music, Anthony Arteaga, to explore these celebrations of God's grace. How do we respond to the invitation to new life in a way that may not only change us but transform the world?



Thursdays, July 25, Aug. 1, Aug. 8, & Aug. 22, at 10 am or 7pm, Room B1. Books will be available through the parish office for \$20. (Also available online or on ereaders). 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.

Thinking About Becoming Catholic or Completing Your Sacraments?

Are you curious about what it means to be Catholic? Interested in learning more? Come and see what the journey may have in store for you. No pressure or commitment, just the opportunity to explore.

Are you someone who has never been baptized? Were you baptized in another Christian denomination, but feel

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR



DAVID L. PICALLO
July 13 to July 19

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR



ALL HOMELESS FAMILIES

ADULT FAITH FORMATION (con't.)

drawn toward Catholicism? 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 exploring the possibility of becoming Catholic or thinking about being baptized will begin meeting August 18. For more information and registration, please contact Gina at 672-5800 x2217 or gcattalini@stbonaventure.net. This is a great time to invite someone in your life who might be ready for the next step in their faith journey. We also need sponsors to walk with candidates through this process. Sponsors are current Catholics who are willing to share their own faith journey and help connect candidates to the broader parish community. Please contact Gina for more information.

Alpha: Have Fun and Explore Faith

Looking for a fun place to meet people and discuss life's big questions? Alpha explores the basics of the Christian faith with food, films, and laughter. Run over eleven sessions (plus a Saturday), each film looks at a different question about faith and is designed to create conversation. It is an open, informal and honest space to



Stewardship of Treasure

Weekend of July 6 & 7 Collection

Budget	\$28,735
Actual	\$27,654
Deficit	(\$1,081)

EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) included in above figures

Food for Family: 417 (2 weeks)
2nd Collection: Facility Improvement— **\$1,699.95**
Peter's Pence Collection: **\$1,545**

explore where you can say or ask anything. Alpha returns September 2019. Whom will you invite?

For more information visit www.stbonaventure.net/alpha. Or, contact Gina at 672-5800 x2217 or gcattalini@stbonaventure.net.

Respect Life Ministry

Are you interested in actively promoting a renewed respect for human life - in all its stages? We are happy to announce the renewal of a Respect Life Ministry here at St. Bonaventure. As you are aware, there are many moral issues out there which deserve our prayerful attention, including abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment, and suicide. Our goal is to witness together on the life and dignity of the human person and to live out that witness through prayer, action, walks and legislative advocacy.

Please join us for light refreshments and a brainstorming session on what Respect Life could look like at St. Bonaventure on Tuesday, July 23 at 7pm in Classroom A1.

Questions: Jane Walker, 916-759-3674 or Sandy Mazza, 925-890-3749

Respect Life Rosary

Please join us for a Respect Life Rosary on the second Sunday of each month after the 9:00 Mass in the Chapel, beginning on Sunday, July 14. Sponsored by the Respect Life Ministry.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 13

- 8:00 St. Bonaventure Community
- 5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

Sunday, July 14

- 7:30 Emidio Busuttill
Charles Stellini
Fr. David Lawrence
Nick Camera
- 9:00 Joan and William Weightman
Michael Gois
Joey Mangini
Ricardo L. Diaz
- 11:00 Jose Castro
Kazimiera Spolnik
Helena Tworzzydlo
Nestor Cabrera
- 12:45 Maria Luisa Perez
Ruben Valenzuela
Margarito Esquivia
Gustavo Yañez
- 5:00 Judy McCloskey
Matthew Lanel
Lil Fichtenkort
Winthrop Liwag

Monday, July 15

- 9:00 Ruben Villanueva
Ken Serpanchy
Pamela Romano
Fr. David Lawrence

Tuesday, July 16

- 6:30 St. Bonaventure Community
- 9:00 Lil Fichtenkort
Pam Romano
Ofelia Ebuén
Angel Manosca

Wednesday, July 17

- 9:00 Gregory Boggs
Margarita Garcia
Trish Norket
Peggy Merk

Thursday, July 18

- 6:30 St. Bonaventure Community
- 9:00 Ofelia Ebuén
Michael Conway
Luis Eduardo Galiano

Friday, July 19

- 9:00 Jim & Sue Martling
Nel Pascual

Saturday, July 20

- 8:00 St. Bonaventure Community
- 5:00 John Muscat
June Perez
Judy Roberts Family
Linda & Clark Colvis Family

“Ser un vecino, mostrar amor tratando a otros con misericordia.”

—Lucas 10:25-37

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PENSAMIENTOS DEL DIÁCONO BILL GALL



“¿Y QUIÉN ES MI VECINO?”

—Lucas 10:29

En la lectura del Evangelio de este fin de semana, se nos presenta una parábola conocida y poderosa con un final impactante; Jesús le dijo a un judío devoto, un doctor de la ley, quién le pregunta: "Maestro, ¿qué debo hacer para heredar la vida eterna?", Jesús aprovecha la oportunidad para contarle la parábola de un viajero solitario en el camino de Jerusalén a Jericó. Era una carretera muy peligrosa y sinuosa que permitía a los ladrones esperar a que pasaran los más vulnerables. La víctima en la parábola era un judío que fue golpeado, robado y dado por muerto. La conocemos como la "Parábola del buen samaritano."

Un sacerdote, un levita, y compañeros judíos, se negaron a ayudar al hombre herido. ¡Sorpresa! ¡Sorpresa! El héroe resulta ser un samaritano, el enemigo odiado de los judíos. No solo se detiene para ayudar y vendar las heridas del hombre, sino que lo lleva a una posada con instrucciones al dueño para que cuide al hombre herido hasta que regrese.

Luego, Jesús pregunta al doctor de la ley: "¿Cuál de estos tres es el prójimo de la víctima de los ladrones?" a lo que el doctor de la ley respondió: "El que lo trató con misericordia". Jesús le dijo: "Ve y haz lo mismo."

"El camino de Jerusalén a Jericó pasa a través de nuestra casa, parroquia, escuela y lugar de trabajo." Podemos encontrar a nuestro cónyuge, hijos o padres "heridos" por palabras amargas o críticas mordaces o por otras formas más flagrantes de abuso verbal, emocional o físico. Aquí, Jesús nos invita a mostrar nuestro amor por los demás en nuestra propia casa, en la escuela, en el lugar de trabajo y en el vecindario, como lo hizo

el buen samaritano. Estamos invitados a ser personas de generosidad, bondad y misericordia hacia todos los que sufren. Una sonrisa sincera, un saludo alegre, una alentadora palabra de agradecimiento, un sincero "gracias" pueden hacer maravillas a alguien que sufre y está en necesidad. Un "vecino" es cualquier persona que necesita ayuda.

Quizás la pregunta debería ser "¿Soy un buen vecino?" Soy una persona de generosidad, bondad y misericordia? Santa Teresa de Calcuta dijo una vez: "La enfermedad más grande hoy en día no es la lepra ni el cáncer, es la sensación de no ser atendido o no deseado, de estar abandonado y solo. El mayor mal es la falta de amor y caridad, y una indiferencia hacia el prójimo que puede ser víctima de la pobreza o la enfermedad o ser explotado y al final de su vida, dejado en una carretera.

El llamado a amar al prójimo puede ser abrumador para la mayoría de nosotros, pero Jesús nos dice que, como lo hizo con el judío, debemos hacerlo para obtener la vida eterna. Por lo tanto, no nos desesperamos ni nos desanimamos. La "Oración del arzobispo Romero", nos dice: "Ayuda, de vez en cuando, dar un paso atrás y tener una visión larga.

El reino no solo está más allá de nuestros esfuerzos, está incluso más allá de nuestra visión. No podemos hacer todo, y hay un sentido de liberación al darnos cuenta de eso. Esto nos permite hacer algo, y hacerlo muy bien. Puede estar incompleto, pero es un comienzo, un paso en el camino, una oportunidad para que la gracia del Señor entre y haga el resto. Es posible que nunca veamos los resultados finales, pero esa es la diferencia entre el maestro de obras y el trabajador. Somos trabajadores, no somos maestros; los ministros no son mesías. "Somos profetas de un futuro que no nos pertenece."

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

Fred Directo Se Retira



Raras son las personas en el mundo que irradian calidez y bienvenida en cada encuentro, todos los días sin falta. Hemos sido bendecidos con una persona así en San Buenaventura; Fred Directo. Fred, es conocido por la mayoría de los feligreses por su alegría, su amabilidad, disponibilidad y sonrisa al saludar en cada encuentro, especialmente los fines de semana. Algunos incluso lo confunden con uno de nuestros sacerdotes, probablemente debido a su corazón amoroso y su presencia llena de fe. Fred ha estado trabajando aquí durante más de veintidós años como miembro de nuestro personal en el área de mantenimiento.

Este fin de semana en las Misas de las 11am y las 12:45, estamos reconociendo y celebrando a Fred; una bendición para nuestra parroquia. Le deseamos y enviamos nuestras bendiciones para que tenga salud y alegría en su reciente retiro. Fred continuará alegrándonos con su maravillosa presencia como feligrés y parte de nuestra familia de San Buenaventura.

Puesto que la felicidad no es más que disfrutar el bien Supremo, y el bien Supremo está por encima de nosotros, nadie puede ser feliz si no se eleva por encima de sí mismo. --San Buenaventura

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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.



Clothing Drive

Bundle Sunday Weekend—
July 13-14

St Vincent de Paul is sponsoring a clothing *drive* at our parish the weekend of July 13-14. Please bring clean, gently used clothing to church during mass hours on these days only. Clothing items may include belts, purses, and shoes. In addition to clothing, we are looking specifically for household items such as:

Clean linens

Silverware

Dish Sets

Pots & Pans

Blenders

Toasters

Coffee Pots

Towels & Wash

Counter Top Micro-

Cloths

waves

*Operational Small appliances only, please.

Vincentians will be manning a SVdP truck in the rear parking lot July 13-14. Bring only the clothing and household items requested to the church. No electronics, toys & games. If you have furniture items to donate, please call our VM line 672-5800 x 2234 and leave description and contact info. PLEASE DO NOT BRING FURNITURE ITEMS TO THE CHURCH. We will try to arrange pickup instead. As always, we are very grateful for the generosity with which you respond to the needs of those less fortunate. Questions? Contact Dean: deanlstb@yahoo.com; text/call (925) 285-7070.

Monthly Luncheon Summer
Sabbatical

Please mark your calendars. We are taking a summer sabbatical for August. In August, we plan to take a summer break for ourselves. Don't forget to register! We look forward to seeing you at 11:30 on September 12th.

Monthly Luncheon Needs
Your Help

We are looking for some leadership and some helping hands with the Monthly Luncheon. The luncheons are held on the second Thursday of each month in the Large Hall. No major skills are necessary, just a love of community and willingness to jump in. If you are interested in joining our team in either a leadership role or a supporting role, please contact Christa Fairfield at cfairfield@stbonaventure.net or 925-672-5800 x2205.

Adult Bible Camp Evening:
It's Not Just for Kids Anymore

Don't let the kids have all the excitement! Enjoy an evening exploring the

Bible with creativity and fun, whether you are new to the Bible or experienced with scripture study. All adults are invited to join the fun, especially parents with children in Bible Camp.

This year we'll be joining the kids in looking at the Exodus from Egypt, a powerful story of God's love from the Old Testament.

Tuesday, July 16th,
7:00 pm in the Church. Please contact Gina Cattalini at gcattalini@stbonaventure.net to reply or if you have any questions about this event. Replies are helpful for planning but not required.



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.