



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

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2019 Vacation Bible Camp



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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Decimoctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

August 4, 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.

CONFESIONES Y ADORACION AL SANTISIMO / CONFESSIONS AND EUCCHARISTIC 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.

*"For though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."
— (Luke 12:13-21)*

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THOUGHTS FROM CHRISTA FAIRFIELD



Falling out of Summer

When I was a kid summer ended on Labor Day. Though that was more years ago than I choose to count or reveal, I still think of summer ending at the end of August when I anticipate the heat fading to fall coolness. That's not the reality today. Kids go

back to school in August. Mid-August. Crazy. But there it is --a point of restart.

Our parish life also sees mid-August as the end of summer and the start of new programs and activities. As we are coming to summer's close, some staff are on vacations, some are closing up and cleaning up from summer activities (like Bible Camp), and others—actually most – are catching their breath and dreaming of what's to come.

As you look through this bulletin and those in the following weeks, you will find information on our Faith Formation Programs (children, teens and adults), Scripture Study, Book studies, and upcoming devotional celebrations.

We are also planning a **Volunteer Appreciation Weekend**, where we can give a big thank you to all for what you do and who you are. We will be acknowledging and blessing our volunteers at all the Masses October 19th & 20th.

The next **Town Hall Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday October 22nd at 7pm. We learned a lot from listening to those who attended and talked about the improvements we want to see in the church. We look forward to learning again at the next gathering.

Property Improvements

We are also continuing the improvements of the parish

property as well as developing plans for the church that parishioners shared as important at the last Town Hall meeting.

The **Solar Panel installation** is near completion. The next major issue that will be visible to the parish is the power shut-down on Thursday, August 8th. The morning masses will be offered and the book study will take place. However, without power we won't have phones, lights or computers, so the office will be closed for the day.

Our **new HVAC system** that we have been saving for is scheduled for installation at the beginning of October. This is a much-anticipated replacement, because the original system was installed in 1958. There are three systems in the hall. We are replacing all the systems. Some of the office staff will be relocated for a period of time to allow them a peaceful, safe work area. We are developing that relocation plan and will publish our whereabouts before the move date.

We are also finalizing the selection of the contractor for the **replacement windows** in the Parish Hall. Again, this is possible with the gifts that were given specifically for the HVAC and Window replacements. The new windows will be dual pane and provide increased energy efficiency.

Church **Improvement** plans are also underway. The recent parish Town Hall meeting confirmed the parish desire for the renewal of the church space. We are currently soliciting bids for refinishing and re-upholstery of the pews, replacement of the floors, removal of the vinyl wall finishes, and painting.

So what are you doing this fall? We'd love to have you join us in one or all of our adventures.

Monthly Luncheon Reminder

There is no scheduled luncheon for the month of August. The next luncheon will resume on September 12.

FAITH DIRECT: Parish eGiving



Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA725

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Holiday Boutique, Silent Auction And Raffle (November 8 and 9, 2019)

The Classy Crafters and Social Committee are actively seeking donations such as event tickets, gift baskets, and gift certificates for our annual Holiday Boutique Silent Auction and Raffle, and we are asking for your help. Perhaps you have a vacation home to offer for a week, you want to make up a special gift basket, have event (sporting, theatre, symphony, etc.) tickets, or something unique you want to donate. If you have special relations with businesses who would be willing to donate to this wonderful fundraiser benefiting our Food Pantry, please contact them and ask for a donation. All donations are tax-deductible. Any questions: contact Dan Gabe at dan.gabe@gmail.com, or mobile 925.408.5964. All proceeds from these events benefit the St. Bonaventure Food Pantry.

LITURGY AND MUSIC

All Are Welcome

The year 2021 marks the 500th anniversary of the Catholic Evangelization of the Filipino people. To prepare for this diocesan celebration, the Filipino communities of the Diocese of Oakland (Diocese), **along with all the faithful**, are invited to celebrate through prayer, renewal, reflection, and celebration.

As part of this grand celebration, the Diocese has organized a **Parish Visitation** to parishes of the replica of the first cross planted by Ferdinand Magellan (year 1521) in the Philippines – the **Pilgrim Cross**.

Here at St. Bonaventure, the **Parish Visitation** is scheduled from **August 16-30, 2019**. Prayer and Thanksgiving are as follows:

Date and Time	Event	Gathering Place
Friday, 8/16 6pm – 9pm	Arrival of the Pilgrim Cross and Patron Saint of the Year. Novena Prayer.	Church
Saturday, 8/17 5pm	Reception of the Pilgrim Cross @ 5 pm Mass Dinner celebration after the Mass	Church Large Hall
Sunday, 8/18 to Thursday 8/29 7pm	Novena Prayer @ evening	Venue varies daily: Church, Chapel or Hospitality Room. Venue may change. Please check with parish office.
Friday, 8/30 9am	Departure of Pilgrim Cross and Patron Saint of the Year. Thanksgiving Mass.	Church

For more information, please contact one of the coordinators of the Pilgrim Cross – Sol Cuenco @ solemama@yahoo.com; Hermie Cuenco @ 925-827-3294; Gloria Leigh @ 925-685-7490

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15;

Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-

14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt

1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2,

25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-

7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2,

6-9; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16,

21; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-

2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12,

18-22; Heb 11:1-2,

8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-

40]



FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Registration For Religious Education Classes

St. Bonaventure's religious education classes will begin the week of September 22nd. Our faith formation programs begin with children as young as age 4 and Kindergarten and continue through High School.

We offer a Sunday morning program for Pre-School age 4 and Kindergarten-age children that meets during the 9am Mass.

Classes for students who are in the 1st through 5th grade occur during the week after school. We will meet

your child wherever they are in their faith journey with class offerings for Baptism, First Communion, and Reconciliation, as well as continuing faith formation. We also have sacramental preparation classes for First Communion that are taught in Spanish.

Registration for Faith Formation Classes will be held on Saturdays, August 17th and 24th from 9AM to 6PM in Classroom A-1. We will be available to answer any questions you have and assist you with registering your child for the appropriate class. You will also be able to register in the church office after August 17th between 1:30-4:00pm. If your child has been in our Faith Formation program last year, you will be receiving a packet of materials in the mail. Registration forms will be in the church foyer, in the church office and on our website at www.stbonaventure.net. Just click on the link for Faith Formation Registration.

We look forward to having your child in our Faith Formation Programs!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Thinking About Becoming Catholic or Completing Your Sacraments?

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

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR



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August 3 to August 9

JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR



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ADULT FAITH FORMATION
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journey and help connect candidates to the broader parish community. Please contact Gina for more information.

Alpha: Have Fun and Explore Faith

We all have questions. Why Jesus? 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. It is an open, informal and honest space, where you can say or ask anything. Alpha is perfect for anyone with questions, but designed especially to be welcoming to those who may feel far away from God or the Church. It's a great place to invite family or friends to come and explore. Alpha begins September 9. Whom will you invite? For more information visit

www.stbonaventure.net/alpha.

Or, contact Gina at 672-5800

x2217 or [gcat-](mailto:gcat-talini@stbonaventure.net)

talini@stbonaventure.net. We

need parishioners to help volunteer as team members in different capacities, especially with hospitality.

Adult Confirmation

Are you an adult who is interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? St. Bonaventure invites you

**Stewardship
of Treasure**

Weekend of July 27 & 28
Collection

Budget	\$28,735
Actual	\$25,729
Deficit	(\$3,006)

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

Food for Family: 230

Upcoming Special Collection:
Aug. 24/25—**Mission Coop**
Aug. 31/Sept. 1—**Deferred
Maintenance.**

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.

Preparation sessions begin in the fall in both English (Oct. 2) and Spanish (Sept. 22). If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the process, please contact Gina Cattalini at (925) 672-5800 x2217 or gcat-talini@stbonaventure.net. The registration form is also available on our website at www.stbonaventure.net/adult-confirmation.

Register Now for Bible Study on Mark

Join us for an exciting new Bible Study – *Mark: The Gospel through the eyes of Peter*. Through the eyes of Peter, you will experience Jesus as a “worker of mighty deeds” who expels demons, heals the sick and teaches that the Kingdom of God has not only arrived but is in power.

At the conclusion of the Gospel of Mark study in February, the morning class will study *Angels through the Ages*. The evening class will study *The Kingdom of Happiness*, a look at the Beatitudes.

The Scripture Study begins on Thursday, September 5 and continues weekly through May 2020. 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

Saturday, August 3

8:00 Charles Goode
Thanksgiving to St. Joseph
5:00 Kyle Krawesky
Joelsano Nagrampa
Kenneth Serpanchy
Bill Hopkins

Sunday, August 4

7:30 Ben Camera
Mike Geraghty
Emidio Busuttli
Victor Grech
9:00 Armenderez Family
Margaret & Raymond Mangini
Henry Alumia
Hubert Steidley
11:00 St. Bonaventure Community
12:45 Ofelia Funez de Paz
Gloria Perez Diaz
Consuelo Reinoso
Benjamín Orozco
5:00 Conrad Kanipe

Monday, August 5

9:00 Maria Diaz
For World Peace

Tuesday, August 6

6:30 St. Bonaventure Community
9:00 Kimberly Begna

Wednesday, August 7

9:00 Marilyn Callaghan

Thursday, August 8

6:30 St. Bonaventure Community
9:00 Virginia Brown
Ken Serpanchy

Friday, August 9

9:00 Rosario Uy Mamosca
Angel Mamosca
Denise Marsh

Saturday, August 10

8:00 St. Bonaventure Community
5:00 Cecil Palma
Duncan Jericho Untal
Ben Mercurio
Joseph Purcell

90 minutes long and includes a discussion on the commentary, and study questions. For more information see www.stbonaventure.net/scripture. Register in the church office until August 29. The cost for either the morning or evening program is \$60.00. If you have additional questions or need a form in order to mail in your registration, please contact Greg Gamache at: bonaventurebible@astound.net

“Tu vida no consiste en las posesiones, sino en las riquezas del Reino de Dios.”

— (Lucas 12:13-21)

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PENSAMIENTOS DE CHRISTA FAIRFIELD



AL FINAL DEL VERANO

Cuando era niña, el verano terminaba para mí en el Día del Trabajo. Aunque eso fue hace más años de los que elijo contar o revelar, todavía pienso en el final del verano a finales de agosto, cuando anticipo que el calor se desvanecerá con la frescura del otoño. Esa no es la realidad de hoy. Los niños

vuelven a la escuela en agosto. Mediados de agosto. Confundido. Pero así es, un punto de reinicio.

Nuestra vida parroquial también considera a mediados de agosto como el fin del verano y el inicio de nuevos programas y actividades. Cuando estamos llegando al final del verano, algunos empleados están de vacaciones, algunos se están cerrando y limpiando de las actividades de verano (como el Campamento Bíblico) y otros, en realidad la mayoría, están conteniendo la respiración y soñando con lo que está por venir.

A medida que revisa este boletín y los de las próximas semanas, encontrará información sobre nuestros Programas de Formación en la Fe (niños, adolescentes y adultos), estudio de las Escrituras, estudios de libros y próximas celebraciones devocionales.

También estamos planeando un Fin de **Semana de Reconocimiento a los Voluntarios**, en el que podemos agradecerles a todos por lo que hacen y por quiénes son. Estaremos reconociendo y bendiciendo a nuestros voluntarios en todas las Misas el 19 y 20 de octubre.

La próxima reunión del **Asamblea** está programada para el martes 22 de octubre a las 7pm. Aprendimos mucho escuchando a los que asistieron y a los comentarios para las mejoras que queremos ver en la iglesia. Esperamos a aprender mucho más en la próxima reunión.

Mejoras a la Propiedad

También continuamos con las mejoras de los bienes de la pa-

rrroquia y con el desarrollo de planes para la iglesia que los feligreses compartieron como importantes en la última reunión de la Asamblea.

La instalación del **Panel Solar** está casi terminada. El siguiente problema importante que será visible para la parroquia es el cierre de la red eléctrica el 8 de agosto. Se ofrecerán las misas de la mañana y se llevará a cabo el estudio del libro; sin embargo, sin electricidad no tendremos teléfonos, luces ni computadoras, por lo que la oficina permanecerá cerrada durante todo el día.

Nuestro nuevo sistema de **climatización** que hemos estado guardando está programado para su instalación a principios de octubre. Este es un reemplazo muy esperado ya que el sistema original se instaló en 1958. Hay tres sistemas en la sala. Estamos reemplazando todos los sistemas. Parte del personal de la oficina será reubicado por un período de tiempo para permitirles un área de trabajo segura y pacífica. Estamos desarrollando ese plan de reubicación y publicaremos nuestra nueva localización antes de la fecha de mudanza.

También estamos finalizando la selección del contratista para el remplazo de las ventanas en el Salón Parroquial. Nuevamente, esto es posible con las donaciones que se colectaron específicamente para los reemplazos de HVAC y ventanas. Las nuevas ventanas serán de doble panel y proporcionarán una mayor eficiencia energética.

Los planes de **mejoramiento** de la iglesia también están en marcha. La reciente reunión de la Asamblea parroquial confirmó el deseo de renovar el espacio de la iglesia. Actualmente estamos solicitando ofertas para el acabado y remodelación de las bancas, la sustitución de los pisos y la eliminación de los acabados de las paredes de vinilo y el pintarlas.

Entonces, ¿qué estás haciendo este otoño? Nos encantaría que nos acompañes en una o todas nuestras aventuras.

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 08/10	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/02	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.

HORARIO DE OFICINA
Padre Oscar Rojas
Teléfono (925) 844-9015

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.

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Bible Camp Was A Roaring Success!

Vacation Bible Camp, July 15-19, was attended by 320 Campers 180 Counselors and 70 Adults. There were games, crafts, snacks, song, skits and Bible Stories about God's Goodness. No matter what happens in life, God is always good and He is with us. Fun was had by all. Many thanks to the adults who led groups and the teen counselors who were buddies to the campers, as well as working behind the scenes. Thanks also to the Parish office staff: Virginia, Marion, Evelyn and John for the beautiful environment created in the sanctuary, Danny and Alfredo for keeping the campus clean, Fr. Mat, Fr. Oscar, Christa, Gladys, Gina and Anthony for jumping in when and where it was needed. We look forward to seeing you all next year when camp will be **JUNE 22-26, 2020**. Mark your calendars now.

Many thanks from Eileen, Jacob & Debbie.



REMINDER!

A reminder to those of you who took ornaments or envelopes from our 'Christmas in July' trees. Please bring back the ornament or envelope and the requested item or contribution to the Hospitality Room after any of the masses the weekends of August 10-11 and August 17-18. And thank you for supporting our Food Pantry in this unique way! Questions? Call/text Dan at (925) 408-5964.

Walking Through the Door: Sexual Assault & Abuse Survivors Group

You are not alone! Come join 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. Our next meetings will be

Wednesdays, Aug. 7, and Sep. 11 at 7pm in the Rectory Conference Room. All survivors, family, and friends are welcome. Come and see where the Spirit leads us. Please contact Gina Cattalini at gcattalini@stbonaventure.net or 672-5800 x2217 for questions or more information.

Respect Life Rosary

Please join us for a Respect Life Rosary on the second Sunday of each month after the 9:00am Mass in the Chapel, sponsored by the Respect Life Ministry. Next rosary Sunday, August 11.

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 9:00pm from September 10th to October 15th 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 by September 5th.



The Classy Crafters Need Wine!

One of the popular events at the Holiday Gala & Boutique (November 8 and 9, 2019) is the **Wine Pull**. We need wine to play this game and would greatly appreciate your donation of **wines** (red, white or sparkling) ranging in value from \$30 to \$150 per bottle. We request that donations be given by **October 1st**. You may give them to a crafter or bring them to the office, addressed to the Classy Crafters. Thank you for your loving generosity. For any questions, contact Donna Trana at rtgoblue@gmail.com, or mobile 734.474.7618. All proceeds benefit St. Bonaventure Food Pantry.

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.