



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

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## Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Vigésimo Quinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

September 22, 2019

### **MASSES IN ENGLISH / EN INGLÉS**

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...

**K**eep connected to our parish community,

**N**urture the development of our faith and knowledge of Christ,

**O**ffer to share the Holy Spirit's gifts of time, talent, and treasure,

**W**orship through prayer, Mass and the Sacraments.

THOUGHTS FROM FR. ANAND JOSEPH "AJ"

Today's readings focus on putting "God first in everything," be it in economics, politics or in everyday living. The first reading echoes the Lord's warning to the people of Israel through the Prophet Amos. God here minces no words. For God, how we treat those in need, the poor in all of their disguises and manifestations, truly matters (Amos 8:4-7). In the second reading Paul asks for prayers "for kings and for all in authority.... (1 Tim 2:2)." So just as God is to be allowed to enter into economics, God is also to be allowed to enter into politics and civil laws so "that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity" (1 Tim 2:1-8).

The Gospel, the parable of the dishonest steward, (Luke 16:1-13), speaks about God entering our everyday life with a question - whether I belong to the children of the world or to the children of the light?

The dishonest steward in the parable seems to be a rather selfish, prideful man who stole from his master. This steward had only his own interests at heart. He serves as an example of the children of the world, who squandered their master's property on worldly things. He was not concerned for his master's well-being. Rather, his main

concern was his own well-being and survival. He was driven by sin, pride, and he was resistant to the virtue of humility.

The children of the light, on the contrary, remain ever mindful of the master – God himself. They remain aware of their dependence on God's mercy and grace, thus desiring to know him and serve him. They are willing to put God first in their lives. They grow in awareness of God's love and love for their brothers and sisters.

The question we can ask ourselves is: How are we living our own lives? Are we allowing the light of truth to shine into every area of our lives? Do we believe that the Christian faith is to inform every aspect of how we live, or have we set apart certain areas which are outside of the reach of the saving truth of the Gospel?

The Gospel passage makes it clear: the goods of this earth are given to every one of us as stewards. God alone is to be served and loved with all of our heart. We are called to receive all of these goods, no matter what they are, as a *gift* and direct them toward what is good and true. We are called to be Children of the Light and Stewards of the Kingdom of God.

**Save the Date!!! An Event That Will Change Your Life**

**REBOOT!**  
**Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:00PM – 9:30PM**



With internationally renowned speaker and author, CHRIS STEFANICK. REBOOT! Live! is fun, inspiring and practical. Chris will show you how the beauty and genius of the heart of the Gospel applies to every aspect of your life. From prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! There is no part of your life that will be left untouched!

More details at [www.stbonaventure.net/reboot](http://www.stbonaventure.net/reboot)  
 To register, go online to [www.RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot](http://www.RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot) – or –  
 Contact Jacob or Anthony at 925-672-5800

**Do Not Miss** the opportunity to gain insight into living life more fully!  
 The life God has created for you!

PARISH COMMUNITY

**The Classy Crafters Need Wine!**

We are still seeking donations to make this the best Holiday Gala and Boutique yet! Every year, the Wine Pull is very popular and we need wine of all kinds of wine (individually valued at \$30 or more) to make it happen. We would greatly appreciate any donations by Oct. 15. Any questions, please contact Donna Trana at [rtgoblue@gmail.com](mailto:rtgoblue@gmail.com) or 734.474.7618. THANK YOU!



**Holiday Boutique, Silent Auction & Raffle**  
**November 8 and 9, 2019**



The Classy Crafters & Social Committee are actively seeking donations such as event tickets, gift baskets and gift certificates for our annual Holiday Gala and Boutique Silent Auction and Raffle. We are asking for your help. Perhaps you have a vacation home to offer for a week, you would like to make a special gift basket, have event (sporting, theatre, etc) tickets,

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## PARISH COMMUNITY (cont.)

or something unique you can donate. If you have special relations with businesses who would be willing to donate to this worthy fundraiser benefiting our Food Pantry, please contact them and ask for a donation. All donations are tax deductible. Any questions, please contact Dan Gabe at dan.gabe@gmail.com or 925.408.5964.

### Join Your Fellow Students for a Home-Building Trip that Will Change How You See the World!

Come to our kickoff meeting on Wednesday, October 2 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Agnes Cauchi Hall, and learn more about our program of building homes for needy families in Tijuana, Mexico. This program, sponsored by the non-profit organization La Morita Mexico Youth Mission, is specifically designed for high-school and college students. If you are under 18, please bring a parent to the first meeting. This year's trip will be during Easter week: Saturday, April 11 through Saturday, April 18, 2020. For more information, or if you can't attend, contact Donna Walton at 925 212 7679 or [jdwalton@astound.net](mailto:jdwalton@astound.net).

## LITURGY AND MUSIC

### Blessing of the Animals: Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00am

St. Francis of Assisi is known for his affinity with animals. As we will have just passed his feast day, we will be holding the Blessing of the Animals on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am in the Ministry Center Courtyard. All of your animal friends are welcome, whether they have four legs, fins, wings, or no legs. We ask that animals be either caged or leashed. Thank you.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Monday:</b>	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
<b>Thursday:</b>	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
<b>Friday:</b>	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22
<b>Saturday:</b>	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
<b>Sunday:</b>	Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

## FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### God's blessings on these children who have become Children of God in the Sacrament of Baptism

#### Baptisms – August 2019

**Camacho, Athena Rose**  
daughter of Mark Camacho  
and Suzanne Ortega

**De Jesus, Isabella**  
daughter of Adrian  
and Kimi De Jesus

**Castaneda, Emily Savannah**  
daughter of Eddy and  
Stacey Castaneda

**Hall, Emma Isabella**  
daughter of Herman and  
Theresa Hall

**Ceja, Nataila Rose**  
daughter of Jose Ceja and  
Marina Lonardo

**McDermott, Mary Christine**  
daughter of Matthew and  
Joanna McDermott

**Corpuz, Leonidas Jacob**  
son of Jacob and  
Genevieve Corpuz

**Rameriz, Raidyn Aleya**  
daughter of Ruben Rameriz  
and Danette Romero

**Cortez, Alani Rose**  
daughter of Jason and  
Stephanie Cortez

**Saki, Sebastian S**  
son of Eamon and  
Beatriz Saki

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### Book Study

*The Time Is Now— A Call for Uncommon Courage*, by Joan Chittister, OSB

Join Fr. Richard Mangini and Christa Fairfield for a three-week book study of Joan Chittister's newest book. In it, she asks us: Are you a churchgoer or a prophet? It's a book for "the weary, the cranky, and the fearful."



Come and join us for a powerful and exciting exploration of how we can bring our spirituality to action. Three Tuesday sessions at 10 am and 7pm: Nov. 5, 12 and 19th.

Register online at [www.stbonaventure.net/book-studies](http://www.stbonaventure.net/book-studies) or with Gina Cattalini at [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net) or (925) 672-5800x2217. Please contact Gina with any questions. Books will be available in the parish office in October.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR**



**MARIA GISELA DE GUZMAN**  
Sept. 22 – Sept. 28

**JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR**



**SYLVIA LEE KAHANE**

**Stewardship of Treasure**

**Weekend of Sept. 14 & 15 Collection**

<b>Budget</b>	\$28,735
<b>Actual</b>	\$24,662
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>(4,073)</b>

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

**Food for Family: 456**

**Upcoming Special Collection:**  
Sept. 28/29 - St. Vincent de Paul

**Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, September 21**

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

**Sunday, September 22**

7:30 Stephen Claeys  
Emidio Busuttill  
Steven Smyth  
Antonio Dungca  
9:00 Joe Mangini  
Grace Saguiped  
Mathew Lane  
Barbara Reigstad  
11:00 Filomena Estrada  
Cesar Diaz Suarez  
Bob Dixon  
Emerita Mateo Bartolome  
12:45 Julieta Suarez  
Josefina Vasquez  
5:00 Agatha Bulado  
Valentina & Maximo Caraca  
Lydia Tooley  
Buena Dungca

**Monday, September 23**

9:00 Juan Merchan  
Jonathan Levens  
Maria Diaz  
Martha Paulos

**Tuesday, September 24**

6:30 St. Bonaventure Community  
9:00 Bill Hopkins

**Wednesday, September 25**

9:00 Bill Hopkins

**Thursday, September 26**

6:30 St. Bonaventure Community  
9:00 Bill Hopkins  
Marilyn Callaghan

**Friday, September 27**

9:00 Stephen Mount  
Ken Roseberry  
Mike Marchiano

**Saturday, September 28**

8:00 St. Bonaventure Community  
5:00 Huy Le  
Jerry Musson  
Ms. Remedios  
Craig Johnson

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION (cont.)**

**WCF Retreat: Save the Date**

Ladies of the parish, please mark your calendars for the 26th annual Women's Christian Fellowship Retreat, January 31-February 2, 2020, at St. Clare's Retreat Center in Soquel, CA. Theme of the retreat is "Be Still and Know that I Am God." Fr. Richard Mangini, former pastor here at St. Bonaventure, will guide us through a weekend of reflection and contemplative prayer to help us draw closer to the God living within us. More information will be available in October.

**Oakland Cursillo Weekends Are Coming**

Looking for an opportunity to deepen your faith, recognize Jesus Christ's action in your life, and experience Christian community first-hand? Consider attending or sponsoring someone for an Oakland Cursillo weekend. Cursillo offers a short course in Christianity for your heart and soul. Men's weekend is Oct. 10-13; women's weekend is Oct. 17-20, at Holy Redeemer Center in Oakland. Check out our website for forms: [www.oak-cursillo.org](http://www.oak-cursillo.org). Questions? Contact our registrar, Denise Jin, at [jindement@yahoo.com](mailto:jindement@yahoo.com). Here at St. Bonaventure contact Al Limberg at [post303@pacbell.net](mailto:post303@pacbell.net), Gina Cattalini at [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net)/672-5800, or talk to a friend who's made a Cursillo.

**Adult Confirmation: Sign Up Now!**

Are you an adult who is interested in receiving 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.

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 [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net).

The registration form is also available on our website at [www.stbonaventure.net/adult-confirmation](http://www.stbonaventure.net/adult-confirmation).

**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. Next gathering October 10<sup>th</sup>. Come as you are.

**PENSAMIENTOS DEL PADRE ANAND JOSEPH "AJ"**

Las lecturas de hoy se centran en poner a "Dios primero en todo", ya sea en economía, política o en la vida cotidiana.

La primera lectura, hace eco de la advertencia del Señor al pueblo de Israel a través del profeta Amós. Dios aquí no pica palabras. Para Dios, cómo tratamos a los necesitados, los pobres en todos sus facetas y manifestaciones, realmente importan (Amós 8: 4-7). En la segunda lectura, Pablo pide oraciones "por reyes y por todos en autoridad....

(1 Timoteo 2: 2). Así como a Dios se le debe permitir entrar a la economía, a Dios también se le debe permitir entrar a la política y las leyes civiles para que "podamos llevar una vida serena y tranquila con toda devoción y dignidad" (1 Timoteo 2: 1- 8)

El Evangelio, la parábola del administrador deshonesto, (Lucas 16: 1-13), habla de Dios entrando en nuestra vida cotidiana con una pregunta, si pertenezco a los niños del mundo o los hijos de la luz.

El deshonesto administrador de la parábola parece ser un hombre bastante egoísta y orgulloso que le robó a su amo. Este administrador solo tenía sus propios intereses en el corazón. Sirve como un ejemplo de la gente del mundo, que malgastaron la propiedad de su amo en cosas mundanas. No estaba preocupado por el bienestar de su amo, más bien, su

principal preocupación era su propio bienestar y supervivencia. Fue impulsado por el pecado, el orgullo, y fue resistente a la virtud de la humildad.

Los hijos de la luz, por el contrario, siempre están atentos al maestro: Dios mismo. Siguen siendo conscientes de su dependencia de la misericordia y la gracia de Dios, por lo tanto, desean conocerlo y servirlo. Queriendo poner a Dios primero en sus vidas. Crecen en la conciencia del amor de Dios y el amor por sus hermanos y hermanas.

La pregunta que podemos hacernos es: ¿Cómo estamos viviendo nuestras propias vidas? ¿Estamos permitiendo que la luz de la verdad brille en cada área de nuestras vidas? ¿Creemos que la fe cristiana es informar cada aspecto de cómo vivimos, o hemos apartado ciertas áreas que están fuera del alcance de la verdad salvadora del Evangelio?

El pasaje del Evangelio lo deja claro; los bienes de esta tierra se nos dan a cada uno de nosotros como administradores. Solo Dios debe ser servido y amado con todo nuestro corazón. Estamos llamados a recibir todos estos bienes, sin importar cuáles sean, como un REGALO y dirigirlos hacia lo que es bueno y verdadero. Estamos llamados a ser Hijos de la Luz y Administradores del Reino de Dios.

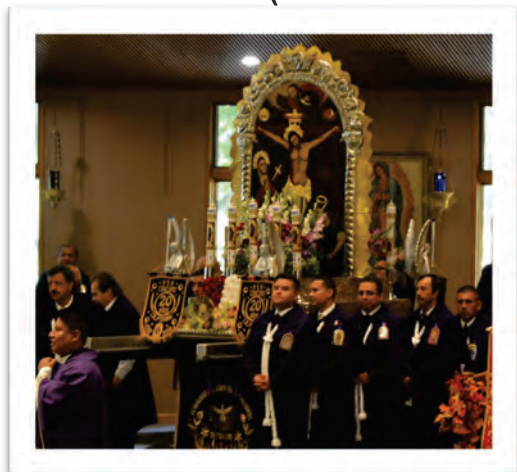
**THE MEMBERS OF THE HERMANDAD DEL SENOR DE LOS MILAGROS DE CONCORD (LORD OF MIRACLES)**

SE COMPLACE EN ANUNCIAR LA TRADICIONAL CELEBRACION DE LA NOVENA, MISA Y PROCESSION EN HONOR A NUESTRO SENOR, JESUS  
**TODA LA COMUNIDAD ES BIENVENIDA A PARTICIPAR EN ESTE GLORIOSO EVENTO.**

**NOVENA**  
27 DE SEPTIEMBRE AL 5 DE OCTUBRE, 2019  
**Hora:** 7:30 P.M.

**MISA Y PROCESSION**  
13 de Octubre 2019  
**Hora:** 12:45 P.M.

**ST. BONAVENTURE CHURCH | 5562 CLAYTON RD, CONCORD**



<b>Bautizos 2019</b>			
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 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.

**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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**FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS**

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**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

**An Invitation to Serve from St. Vincent de Paul**

Are you looking for ways to experience God? Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul invite you to share in their ministry of experiencing God by serving people living in poverty. We see Christ in the poor because Jesus told us “whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters you do for me.” Please join us for an SVdP Information Night on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30pm in Classroom A-1. Food and refreshments will be provided. Contact Dan Gabe (408-5964), St. Vincent de Paul Conference President, for more details.

**Blood Drive**

Every day in the U.S. roughly 44,000 pints of blood are needed. That means nearly every two seconds someone needs blood. Every donation may help save up to three lives. Won't you be part of this life-saving journey? The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Community Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on Saturday, September 28, 2019 in the B1/B2 Classrooms from 10 AM to 4 PM. So that the process will be efficient and effective we are asking that you schedule an appointment. Appointments can be scheduled for every 15 minutes by either calling 1-800-Red Cross (800-733-2767), by logging onto the redcrossblood.org website and entering Sponsor Code:

St. Bonaventure, or by calling Denis Thomson at 925-673-0720. Denis will be taking appointments after the Masses on September 21 & 22. Drop-ins will be welcome on Sept 28, but there may be a wait while clients with an appointment are handled first.

**Taizé Prayer Service to End Gun Violence**

Join us for an evening of prayer and remembrance, to ask God's intercession and honor all lives affected by gun violence. Taizé is an ecumenical, candlelit service of prayer offered in simple chant, Scripture readings, silent worship and veneration of the Cross. Thursday, September 26, 7pm in the Church. Sponsored by the St. Bonaventure Social Justice Ministry. For more information or to help, email [stb.sj.ministry@gmail.com](mailto:stb.sj.ministry@gmail.com).

**Alpha Returns January 27**

Did you miss the September Alpha? Don't worry, you'll have another chance in 2020. Mark your calendars for Monday, January 27. Whom will you invite?

**Moms Group Takes A Break**

Our Moms Group is taking a temporary break, waiting for new leadership. If you're feeling called to step forward to leadership, or if you would like to be notified when the group begins meeting again, please contact Gina Cattalini at [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net).

**40 Days for Life**

*Help save lives in Walnut Creek*  
Fall 2019 Kick-off, Tuesday, 9/24  
Saint Mary Parish Gymnasium:  
1198 Bont Lane, Walnut Creek at  
7:00pm

Learn more: Get involved and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign by visiting [40daysforlife.com/walnutcreek](http://40daysforlife.com/walnutcreek).

Contact Christa Fairfield at  
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