



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

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## Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration



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## The Epiphany of the Lord *La Epifanía del Señor*

January 5, 2020

### 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

Wednesday / Miercoles: 6:30AM

Liturgy of the Word/Liturgia de la Palabra

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/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 EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

*En Español: Martes: 7:00-8:00PM (en la capilla)*

*In English: Tuesday: 7:00-8:00PM (in the chapel)*

## 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.

*“Magi from the east arrived, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews?”” — (Matthew 2:1-12)*

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**THOUGHTS FROM GINA CATTALINI**

*Director of Adult Faith Formation*

**Following Yonder Star**



What star do you follow? At Epiphany we celebrate the journey of the magi, who followed the star from its rising until it led them to the newborn king. It is a story of revelation, of God reaching out and leading them to an experience they did not expect, a babe in a manger rather than a

king on a throne. It is a story of wonder, as they came to recognize and worship that babe as the king they had sought. And it is a story of transformation, as the changed magi departed for their home by another road.

God puts stars in each of our lives, lights to reveal the path to Jesus. Sometimes these stars are other people: people who have touched our hearts, been there when we needed help or hope, who have been the voice or hands of Jesus here on earth. Many of these stars may not even recognize their own light, but we see it nonetheless. Our parish is blessed with many such stars. Perhaps you have been called to be a star yourself.

At other times the star’s light may come from a situation – that “aha” moment we also call an epiphany – where we

recognize the action of God in our lives. Or perhaps the light comes from nature, where we glory in the wonder of God’s creation. God reaches out in so many ways, eager for us to look up like the magi and see the star at its rising. Like the magi, we are called to recognize Jesus in unlikely places – and to be changed by that encounter. Recognizing Jesus in the homeless man knocking at our car window, the migrant family jailed at the border, the pregnant teenager and her unborn child, helps to move the Church’s social teachings from the head to the heart, and to inspire action. How do we move beyond tending the wounds of the world to helping to prevent them? This recognition may also inspire discomfort, as the call to action is rarely easy or popular.

The magi traveled together, knowing that there is strength in community. When the road gets tough, it helps to have a sister or brother to turn to. We offer our gifts together to Jesus, present in all the poor, hungry, and needy people of our world. These may include the gifts of our discomfort and our fear. But the feast of Epiphany reminds us that God is waiting for all who seek – and that God always reaches out first.

What star will you follow this year? Where might you encounter Jesus? And on what new roads might that encounter lead you?

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

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



With internationally renowned speaker and author, CHRIS STEFANICK. 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!

**FAITH DIRECT: Parish eGiving**



Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: CA725  
Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Contact Christa Fairfield at 925-844-9005 or email [cfairfield@stbonaventure.net](mailto:cfairfield@stbonaventure.net)



**SHARE YOUR TALENTS!**  
Volunteer in a Ministry

## PARISH COMMUNITY

Because of Jesus Christ, we believe in the Communion of Saints. As we celebrate Christmas and bless each other with grace, love and gifts, we honor living family members; and we remember those who have preceded us to the New Life by our Christmas Church decorations and flowers.



Ed Chelloti  
Scott Holm  
John C. Muscat  
Jamie Vincent

### Keep Christ In Christmas Essay & Poster Competition

The Knights of Columbus reminder for the Annual "Keep Christ In Christmas" Essay & Poster competition: deadline is January 25, 2020.

Now is a great time to enter both youth programs. If entry forms are needed please contact Claire Tryon, Youth Director and Chairman for Youth Programs at [greyeto-to@gmail.com](mailto:greyeto-to@gmail.com) or (9254) 673-8564. Remember: "Jesus is the Reason for the Season."

### Thanks to Troop/Crew 444

"We had a great turnout on Saturday from Troop 444B and Troop 444G. Our scouts and scouters wrapped, distributed gifts and sang Christmas carols to the residents of the Bayberry Care Center in Concord."—Mr. Petty



### Super Bowl Crab Feed Party!


Don't miss out on your chance to attend the Knights of Columbus Super Bowl Crab Feed Party! Tickets have begun to sell for this fun evening in your team's apparel. Saturday, January 25th 6:00pm.

There will be a live-silent auction of incredible items and fabulous door prizes. And, of course, delicious crab, pasta, wine and more.

Tickets are on sale this weekend in the foyer or in the church office for \$55 per person, or get together a table of eight or more friends/family for \$50 per person, if purchased before Jan. 10th. Contact Mike Farnham with any questions or to reserve your table. 925-766-2864



### Pregnant? Need Help?

 1-800-910-0191,  
The Gabriel Project

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### Grief Group Begins

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 from 7:30 until 9:00 pm, from January 21st to February 25th, 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 Gloria at (925) 683-4148.



### Walk for Life

Please join us for the 16th annual 'Walk for Life West Coast' in San Francisco on Saturday, January 25, 2020. Buses will leave the St. Bonaventure parking lot at 9 am.

## LITURGY AND MUSIC

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25



**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a

**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

## SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR



**MARCELINO  
DOMINGO**  
Jan. 4—Jan. 10

## JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR



**ALL PRIESTS  
AND  
SEMINARIANS**

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

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The cost of the round-trip from St. Bonaventure to San Francisco and back, plus a Walk for Life T-Shirt, will be \$25.00 - payable to the Knights of Columbus.

Sign up in the foyer on the weekends of January 11/12 and 18/19.

Let's show awesome support as we walk for the littlest among us, who have no voice. For more info, contact Chuck Cooper 925-849-5466, or Jane Walker 925-934-2129.

**Adult Confirmation**

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 January in both English (Jan. 29) and Spanish (Jan. 26) for Confirmation at St. Bonaventure May 2.

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's Christian Fellowship  
Retreat**

Please sign up now for the WCF 26th annual retreat, as we are nearly sold out and a "wait list" is forming. The retreat will be held January 31-February 2 at St. Clare's Retreat Center in Soquel, CA. Theme of the retreat is "Be Still and Know that I Am God." Father Richard Mangini will direct our contemplative prayer experiences and help draw us closer to the God living within us.

Registration forms are available at the parish office, in the church foyer, and on the St. Bonaventure website. For more information, please call Andrea at (925) 529-7675 or Joy at (925) 673-7025.

**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 at 7:15pm. Next gathering is January 9<sup>th</sup> in the Hospitality Room. Come as you are.

## OUTSIDE OF PARISH



*The Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
of Contra Costa County*

**Are you downsizing? Are you  
cleaning your closets for the  
Holidays?****St. Vincent de Paul would be  
grateful for your items!**

Repurpose, Reuse and Recycle with St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County!

Drop your donations to:

**Pittsburg Thrift Store**

2210 Gladstone Dr.  
Pittsburg, CA 94565  
Mon. – Sat: 9 AM – 5 PM

**Pleasant Hill Thrift Store**

2815 Contra Costa Blvd.  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523  
7 days a week: 9 AM – 5 PM


**Mass Intentions  
FOR THE WEEK**
**Saturday, January 4**

8:00 St. Bonaventure Community  
5:00 Tom & Pat O'Brien  
Justina Lusiana  
Craig Johnson

**Sunday, January 5**

7:30 Nonato & Iria Almeida  
Ken Rousch  
9:00 Vincenzo Alfano  
Fr. Mathew Vellankal  
Margaret & Raymond Mangini  
Joseph Keaveny  
11:00 Eric Vaughn  
Darlene Bliss  
Martin Quimson  
12:45 St. Bonaventure Hispanic  
Ministry  
5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

**Monday, January 6**

9:00 Ken Serpanchy  
William Hanlon, Jr.  
Julie Jordan  
Steve & Bev McMurdo

**Tuesday, January 7**

9:00 Ernie Guerrero  
Teresita Dimaguila

**Wednesday, January 8**

9:00 Severina Victorino  
Perla dela Cruz

**Thursday, January 9**

9:00 Poor souls in Purgatory

**Friday, January 10**

9:00 Fr. David Lawrence  
Lil Fichtenkort  
Emilia Ang

**Saturday, January 11**

8:00 St. Bonaventure Community  
5:00 Don Davis  
Anne Desler  
Javier Leon  
Carol Anderson

**Brentwood Help & Hope Thrift  
Center**

8890 Brentwood Blvd.  
Brentwood, CA 94513  
7 days a week: 10 AM – 6 PM

Furniture will be picked up! Call 925-439-5060 to arrange for a pickup!

*“Magos del oriente llegaron, diciendo: “¿Dónde está el rey de los judíos que ha nacido?” —(Mateo 2:1-12)*

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**PENSAMIENTOS DE GINA CATTALINI**

*Directora de Formación de Fe Para Adultos*

**SIGUIENTE ESTRELLA DE YONDER**



¿Qué estrella sigues? En Epifanía celebramos el viaje de los reyes magos, que siguieron la estrella desde su ascenso hasta que los llevó al rey recién nacido. Es una historia de revelación, de Dios extendiéndose y guiándolos a una experiencia que no esperaban, un bebé en un pesebre en lugar de un

rey en un trono. Es una historia de asombro, ya que llegaron a reconocer y adorar a ese bebé como el rey que habían buscado. Y es una historia de transformación, ya que los magos cambiados partieron hacia su hogar por otro camino.

Dios pone estrellas en cada una de nuestras vidas, luces para revelar el camino a Jesús. A veces estas estrellas son otras personas: personas que han tocado nuestros corazones, han estado allí cuando necesitábamos ayuda o esperanza, que han sido la voz o las manos de Jesús aquí en la tierra. Es posible que muchas de estas estrellas ni siquiera reconozcan su propia luz, pero de todos modos la vemos. Nuestra parroquia ha sido bendecida con muchas de esas estrellas. Quizás usted también ha sido llamado a ser una estrella.

En otras ocasiones, la luz de la estrella puede provenir de una situación, ese momento "ajá" también lo llamamos epifanía, donde reconocemos la acción de Dios en nuestras vi-

das. O tal vez la luz proviene de la naturaleza, donde nos gloriamos en la maravilla de la creación de Dios. Dios se extiende de muchas maneras, ansioso por que miremos hacia arriba como los magos y veamos la estrella en su ascenso.

Al igual que los reyes magos, estamos llamados a reconocer a Jesús en lugares poco probables y a ser cambiados por ese encuentro. Al reconocer a Jesús en el hombre sin hogar que tocaba la ventana de nuestro automóvil, la familia migrante encarcelada en la frontera, la adolescente embarazada y su hijo por nacer, ayudan a trasladar las enseñanzas sociales de la Iglesia de la cabeza al corazón e inspirar la acción. ¿Cómo nos movemos más allá de atender las heridas del mundo para ayudar a prevenirlas? Este reconocimiento también puede inspirar incomodidad, ya que el llamado a la acción rara vez es fácil o popular.

Los reyes magos viajaron juntos, sabiendo que hay fuerza en la comunidad. Cuando el camino se pone difícil, es útil tener una hermana o hermano a quien recurrir. Ofrecemos nuestros regalos juntos a Jesús, presente en todas las personas pobres, hambrientas y necesitadas de nuestro mundo. Eso puede incluir el regalo de nuestra incomodidad y nuestro miedo. Pero la fiesta de la Epifanía nos recuerda que Dios está esperando a todos los que buscan, y que Dios siempre se acerca primero.

¿Qué estrella seguirás este año? ¿Dónde podrías encontrar te con Jesús? ¿Y en qué nuevos caminos podría conducir ese encuentro?

**Bautizos 2020**

Lugar del Bautizo: Iglesia

Lugar de la clase: B-1

Encargado de la Clase: 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 01/11	10:00 a.m.	Fri 01/10	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 02/15	10:00 a.m.	Fri 02/07	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/14	10:00 a.m.	Fri 02/28	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/21	12:00 p.m.	Fri 03/06	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/28	12:00 p.m.	Fri 03/13	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/04	12:00 p.m.	Fri 03/20	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/18	10:00 a.m.	Fri 03/27	7-9:30 p.m.

**Monument Impact**

2699 Monument Blvd. Concord, CA 94520

**Curso Avanzado**

Martes y Jueves, 9:00am a 2:00pm – Enero 7 a Junio 4, 2020

**Curso Básico**

Lunes y Viernes, 12:00m a 2:00pm – Enero 6 a Marzo 13

**Curso Intermedio**

Lunes y Viernes, 9:00m a 11:00am – Enero 6 a Marzo 13

Para mas información contactar a:

Eva Chena – 925-682-8248 Ext. 2250

Abriendo sus cofres, le ofrecieron regalos: oro, incienso y mirra.

— Mateo 2:11b

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(6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

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## FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

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**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.**

FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

@St. Bonaventure Catholic  
Community



## Filipino Santo Niño Festival

**St. Bonaventure Church, 2:00pm Mass in English**  
**Dinner "open to all" follows**

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 11, 2020** at 2:00pm and join the Filipino Community of St. Bonaventure's as we celebrate the annual Fiesta of the "Santo Niño," The Holy Child. Santo Niño is the principal Christmas feast celebrating the divine and human nature of Jesus. The principal Basilica and national celebration takes place every third Sunday of January in Cebu, Philippines, where millions gather for Masses and processions.

One of the special moments of the feast's celebration is the procession of individuals and families carrying their Santo Niño in procession. The Santo Niño is the European "Infant of Prague." The history of the devotion centers on local tribal leaders, the finding of a burned statue of the Santo Niño, and faith-inspired miracles/healings dating to the early 16th century.

**Each child who comes will receive a special blessing for good health and divine protection.**

Christmas Taizé Prayer  
This Tuesday

Celebrate the birth of our Lord with Taizé prayer before the manger, on Tuesday, January 7, at 7pm in the church. Give



yourself the gift this Christmas season of a peaceful evening of music and chant, readings, and both communal and silent prayer. Music will be led by the combined St. Bonaventure choir directors.

## Why Alpha?

Alpha creates a space where people are invited to explore the Christian faith with respect and love. Each video talk is designed to communicate the basics of Christianity. Guests are encouraged to honestly share what they think and believe without judgment.



Do you know someone whom you'd want to experience the love of God? Maybe that someone is you? Why not Alpha?

Mark your calendar for our kick-off party on Monday, February 24. Alpha is coming. Whom will you invite?  
[www.stbonaventure.net/alpha](http://www.stbonaventure.net/alpha)

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 reflect the power of God's healing grace.

Due to the holidays, our next meeting will be Thursday, January 9 at 7pm in the front Rectory meeting room. All survivors, family, and friends are welcome. Come and see where the Spirit leads us. Please contact Gina Cattalini at [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto: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 9:00 Mass, in the Chapel. Next rosary is Sunday, January 12. Sponsored by the Respect Life Ministry.

## Marriage Encounter

Register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend – it's the best gift you'll ever give to each other and your marriage! The next Marriage Encounter Weekends include: **Feb 21-23, and Jul. 10-12, 2020 in Danville, CA.** For more information and/or to register for a Weekend, visit our website at: [oaklandwwme.org](http://oaklandwwme.org) or contact Chuck & Annie at [applications@oaklandwwme.org](mailto:applications@oaklandwwme.org) or 925-849-5466.