ST. BEDE CHURCH

REFLECTION
The devil tempted Jesus by quoting scripture, as today’s Gospel reminds us. Try a self-serving miracle. Try selling out. Try dazzling the audience; people are gullible, after all. Try all these easy ways. The tempter tries to urge Jesus onto the slippery slope attempts the old soft-soap, the snake-oil solutions that are always readily at hand. The devil knows better, but is powerless to do better, much less be better. The devil is evil personified, who senses in Jesus the stronger, truly attractive presence of holiness. Evil is exposed and engaged, we are reminded in this Sunday Gospel. Evil knows the jig is up. The undoing of lies begins with Jesus, who takes up the work of soul-healing and world-healing. This Lent the Church invites us to enter into this renewing, re-creative work and be made whole again.

February 14, 2016
Jesus and the Devil

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert.

LENTEN SCHEDULE
Fridays – 2/19, 2/26, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18 - Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.
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Adoration (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Eucharistic Chapel) – Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Daily Scripture Readings (Read prayerfully, reflect on it, pray about it, listen to the Spirit.)

Monday: LV 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46 – Tuesday: IS 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; LK 11:29-32 – Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3 7C-8; Mt 7:7-12 – Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26 – Saturday: St 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48 – Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 – 4:1 [3:20-4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

NEWS UPDATE
TOMORROW – Monday, February 15th is Presidents Day, a Federal Holiday. The Rectory Office will be closed. Morning Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

CALLING ALL WOMEN! – Magnificat Ministry for Catholic Women invites you to our March Prayer Breakfast. Date: March 12, 2016, Time: 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM, Where: Crown Plaza Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, CA – Please join us in welcoming our speaker, Denise Bossert! Dense is a well-known author and syndicated columnist. She is the daughter of a Protestant minister and will share with us her story of conversion to the Catholic faith! Join us in Prayer, Praise, and Inspiration! Reservations are $28/$35 after March 5th. Please go to www.magnificatsoti.org for info or reservation call (925) 788-7762.

“GET OUT YOUR GREEN” – On Saturday, March 12th, The Knights of Columbus are having a St. Patrick’s Dinner-Dance at St. John’s Church 264 E. Lewelling Blvd., San Lorenzo, 94580. Dinner includes salad, corned beef and cabbage, vegetables, roll, dessert, or a half chicken dinner. Cost is only $20 till February 29th after it will be $25. For reservations, or more info, call Louie at 278-5315 or Mike at 889-7488.

YOUNG ADULT RETREAT! “SEEKING GOD’S DREAM FOR ME” – Tools for Christ-Centered Decision Making. Date: Saturday, March 5th – Time: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Includes 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass – Where: Notre Dame de Namur Campus, Belmont, CA – Cost: $10:00 (Lunch and Snacks) – RSVP by February 29th. Online Registration: http://bit.ly/GodsDream For more information: Sister Lisa DC, srllaguna@doc1633.org - 650-949-8890 or Bro. Chris, FSC brochrisfsc@dlsi.org - 310-849-1061

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