



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

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*Ecumenical Choir Concert Benefit for Paradise Churches*

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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time *Tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

## January 27, 2019

### **MASSES IN ENGLISH/EN INGLES**

Saturday Vigil / *Sábado*: 5:00 PM

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

### **MISA EN ESPAÑOL/ IN SPANISH**

*Domingo*: 12:45 PM

### **DAILY MASS/MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)**

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

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION / ADORACION AL SANTISIMO**

In English: Friday after the 9AM Mass with closing prayer at 3:15 PM

### **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 3:30 PM (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: 7:00-8:00 PM (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,

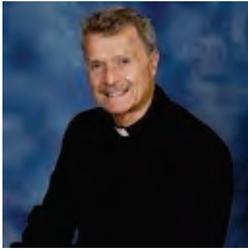
**Nurture** the development of our faith and knowledge of Christ,

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

**Worship** through prayer, Mass and the Sacraments.

THOUGHTS FROM FR. DAVID LAWRENCE

“LISTEN UP!”



A teacher, a coach or parent may bark this command to a group of students, athletes or children at just the crucial moment.

“Listen up!” The command says pay attention to what you hear. Dr. Mardy Grothe, collector of quotations, once said, “People rarely get into trouble by listening too much.”

“Listen up” is the key to today’s readings in which Ezra the priest reads the words of the Covenant to the Jewish people who have returned to Jerusalem from exile after several generations. “Listen up” is the key to what Jesus says in the gospel: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.” Who of us is

not drawn with amazement into Paul’s description of the Body of Christ as we listen attentively (in our second reading) to the remarkable presentation of the parts that make up Christ in the world?

While we Catholics are drawn especially to the Eucharist when we worship, the Liturgy of the Word prepares the way. That Word changes us, molds and shapes us into receivers of grace. We hear a word beyond human words. We hear God speaking to us in ways that touch our hearts. We never hear the words the same way twice. They challenge us at the very moment because we are changing constantly. We are not the same persons that heard the scripture passage previously. The writer David Augsburger says, “An open ear is the only believable sign of an open heart.”

At times, we may want to bypass the scripture readings as we await the homily. But the reality remains that the Word of God is the most important word we hear coming to mass. Opening the scriptures before coming to mass allows us to understand them better. We hear the stories in new ways when we know the historical background, the people involved, how all the scriptures build to an emphatic proclamation that “Jesus is the One,” God’s anointed one sent to save us.

In the gospel, Jesus proclaims to the synagogue in Nazareth, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.” May the scriptures of this Sunday be fulfilled in our lives as we hear Jesus speaking to us.



**From Our St Vincent de Paul Conference**

**HELP!** That is what we offer to the poor and underserved in our immediate community. As we reported recently, your contributions helped us distribute well over \$40K of in-kind support (food, furniture, clothing, household goods, mentoring, moving assistance) PLUS over \$30K in direct financial support (rent, utilities, tuition,

car repair) to 323 families (1128 individuals) last fiscal year. We (and those we serve) are indebted to you for this support.

That said, the families we serve face ever increasing costs of rent, utilities, food, and gas/public transit. In turn, requests to us for assistance have risen.

Not counting generous help we have obtained from other charitable agencies (Seasons of Sharing, Shelter Inc, etc), since Oct we have distributed:

- Just over \$7K of rental assistance, keeping 5 families from eviction
- Nearly \$2K of utilities, gasoline and telephone aid
- Nearly \$2K of assistance to other SVdP conferences facing similar needs, including monies to conferences in Davis/Chico (Camp Fire)
- About \$500 of car repair/registration/smog expense to provide 2 families with safe and reliable donated vehicles.

**We humbly thank you for your continued generosity. You are doing good!**

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS

**Shopping Amazon Smile Helps the Parish**

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to the charitable organizations selected by customers. When you go to smile.amazon.com you will be prompted to select a charitable organization—choose St. Bonaventure and you’re done. Or you can go to the parish website. Under “About” – “Giving”, you will find a direct link to our parish Smile Amazon account.



## LITURGY AND MUSIC

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

A reminder that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed after the **9:00am** Mass every Friday, with Benediction & Closing Prayer **beginning at 3:15pm**. We always need people to spend time with our Lord throughout the day on Fridays. There is a sign-up sheet in **the chapel** or you can contact Rose Carroll through the parish office if you are interested in an on-going weekly time-slot.

**Altar Linens Help Needed**

We are in need of a few more people to help clean our altar linens. This is a "behind the scenes," yet very important, ministry. Responsibilities include cleaning, ironing, and folding the linens (purificators, hand towels, corporals, and sometimes altar cloths). Instructions are provided. Volunteers are scheduled approximately once a month; less if we get several volunteers.

Please contact Anthony Arteaga at [aarteaga@stbonaventure.net](mailto:aarteaga@stbonaventure.net) or by calling the parish office if you are willing to help.

**Do You Need a Prayer?**

Are you, a family member or a friend in need of a prayer? Take a few minutes to drop by **Drive-thru Prayer** held **Monday thru Friday** from 5:00 – 6:00 pm in the church parking lot next to the rectory (except when raining). Look for the signs and you will find your Catholic friends waiting for you to listen and pray with you for your needs. All are welcome.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**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

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30   
**Tuesday:** Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35  
**Wednesday:** Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20  
**Thursday:** Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25  
**Friday:** Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34  
**Saturday:** Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]  
**Sunday:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 -- 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

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 7:30pm until 9:00 pm, from February 12 to March 19, 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. 

**Men's Spiritual Retreat**

The 2019 Men's Spiritual Network Retreat is March 1-3 at San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville. This year we are blessed to have the dynamic Fr. Jim Sullivan as retreat leader. Fr. Jim is currently serving as chaplain at Bishop O'Dowd High School. Registration forms are available on the parish website at [www.stbonaventure.net/mens-spiritual-network](http://www.stbonaventure.net/mens-spiritual-network). Sign up today! For more information please contact Matthew Remington at 925-672-4006 or Joe Talarico at 925-680-7767. 

**Moms Group**

An invitation to all parish moms (and children!): come join our St. Bonaventure Moms Group. We meet at 9:45-11:00am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month in Room A4. Next meeting will be on February 6th. Come explore our Catholic faith as women and as parents, and share the joys and challenges of parenting in a casual, welcoming setting. For more information please contact Michelle at [Moms@stbonaventure.net](mailto:Moms@stbonaventure.net).

**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, usually on the second Thursday of each month, in the chapel at 7:15pm. However, because the second Thursday in February is Valentine's Day (February 14), the next meeting will be on Thursday, February 21. Come as you are.

## PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

**Boy Scouts Annual Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, February 10, 2019, Large Hall, 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Cost is \$5.00/person or \$15.00/family.

All proceeds go to St. Bonaventure Catholic Community. 

**Blood Drive**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Community Blood Drive for the American Red Cross on Saturday, March 23, 2019 in the Large Hall from 10 AM to 4 PM. More information will follow later this month. If you are able to donate blood, please note this event on your calendar.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR**



**Robert Fenn**  
January 26— February 1

**JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR**

**Segundo Atendido**



**PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS**  
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**Classy Crafters Invites You!**  
Classy Crafters meetings will begin on Wednesday, February 6 from 10 am to 2 pm and thereafter every Wednesday at the same time in room A1. We are looking forward to our 2019 season culminating with the Gala and Boutique in November, with proceeds benefiting the Food Pantry. If you enjoy working on crafts and having fun with new friends, please join us. Our meetings are casual, so you can come and go as you please, and everyone is welcome, so feel free to bring a friend. Not sure if you are crafty? We have a wide variety of talented people more than willing to help you. Collectively, talents come together forming fellowships and bonding beyond your expectations. We are looking forward to seeing you!

**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

**Stewardship  
of Treasure**  
Weekend of Jan. 19 & 20  
Collection

<b>Goal</b>	\$28,735
<b>Actual</b>	\$19,678
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>(\$9,057)</b>

*EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) included  
in above figures*  
*Food for Family : 386*

**Concert for Paradise  
Churches- \$19,325**

**OUTSIDE OF PARISH**

- COME JOIN OUR LOVING, FAITH-FILLED SCHOOL COMMUNITY!**
- St. Agnes School is currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year for pre-school through 8th grade.
  - New Student Testing will be on Saturday, Feb. 9, beginning at 8 a.m.

**ST. AGNES SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday, January 27, from 10 a.m.—12 noon

Please join us after the 9 a.m. Mass on January 27 at St. Agnes School for classroom visits, hospitality, and a book fair.

School tours begin at 10:30 a.m.

For more information, please contact the school at 925-689-3990 or visit the website at [www.stagnesconcord.com](http://www.stagnesconcord.com).

**FIND US ON FACEBOOK!**

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**Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK**



**Saturday, January 26**  
5:00 Fernan Gonzalo & Saul Ricardo Villalba  
Baltazar Nagma  
Paul Dougherty  
Marcosa Dayao  
Souls in Purgatory

**Sunday, January 27**  
7:30 Ben Camera  
Joe Mangini  
Ofelia Ebuon  
Bruce Ely  
9:00 Joan & William Weightman  
Michael Gois  
Janice Gallagher  
Robert Fenn  
11:00 Geraldine Arriaga  
Ogie Frez  
Danilo del Fierro  
Loreta Bleakley  
Josephine Torres  
5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

**Monday, January 28**  
6:30 Communion Service  
9:00 Lita Diaz

**Tuesday, January 29**  
6:30 Communion Service  
9:00 Ofelia Ebuon

**Wednesday, January 30**  
6:30 Communion Service  
9:00 Teresita Conejero

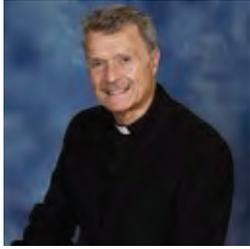
**Thursday, January 31**  
6:30 Communion Service  
9:00 Ofelia Ebuon  
Victoria Arevalo  
Carmencita Reyes

**Friday, February 1**  
6:30 Communion Service  
9:00 William & Julia Jordan  
Bruce Ely

**Saturday, February 2**  
5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

**PENSAMIENTOS DEL PADRE DAVID LAWRENCE**

**"ESCUCHEN!"**



Un maestro, un entrenador o un padre pueden gritar este comando a un grupo de estudiantes, atletas o niños en el momento crucial. "¡Escuchen!" El comando dice que preste atención a lo que escucha. El Dr. Mardy Grothe, coleccionista de citas, dijo una vez: "La gente rara vez se mete en problemas por escuchando demasiado".

"Escuchen" es la clave de las lecturas de hoy en las que el sacerdote Ezra lee las palabras del Pacto al pueblo judío que ha regresado a Jerusalén después del exilio después de varias generaciones. "Escuchen" es la clave de lo que Jesús dice en el evangelio "El Espíritu del Señor está sobre mí". Quien de nosotros no se asombra ante la descripción de Pablo del Cuerpo de Cristo mientras escuchamos atentamente (en nuestra segunda lectura) ¿A la notable presentación de las partes que conforman a Cristo en el mundo?

Mientras que los católicos nos sentimos especialmente atraídos por la Eucaristía cuando adoramos, la Liturgia de la Palabra prepara el camino. Esa Palabra nos cambia, nos moldea y nos convierte en receptores de la gracia. Oímos una palabra más allá de las palabras humanas. Escuchamos a Dios hablarnos de maneras que tocan nuestros corazones. Nunca escuchamos las palabras de la misma manera dos veces. Nos desafían en este preciso momento porque esta-

mos cambiando constantemente. No somos las mismas personas que escucharon el pasaje de las Escrituras anteriormente. El escritor David Augsburger dice: "Un oído abierto es el único signo creíble de un corazón abierto".

A veces, es posible que deseemos evitar las lecturas de las Escrituras mientras esperamos la homilía. Pero la realidad sigue siendo que la Palabra de Dios es la palabra más importante que escuchamos viniendo a misa. Abrir las Escrituras antes de venir a misa nos permite entenderlas mejor. Escuchamos las historias de nueva manera cuando conocemos el trasfondo histórico, las personas involucradas, cómo todas las Escrituras construyen para una enfática proclamación de que "Jesús es el Uno", el ungido de Dios es enviado para salvarnos.

En el evangelio, Jesús proclama a la sinagoga en Nazaret: "Hoy, en tu audiencia, se cumple este pasaje de las Escrituras". Que las escrituras de este domingo se cumplan en nuestras vidas al escuchar a Jesús hablándonos.

**HORARIO DE OFICINA**  
Padre Oscar Rojas

**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.**

**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 01/19	10:00 a.m.	Fri 01/18	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 02/23	10:00 a.m.	Fri 02/15	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/16	10:00 a.m.	Fri 03/08	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/30	10:00 a.m.	Fri 03/22	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/06	2:00 p.m.	Fri 03/29	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/13	12:00 p.m.	Fri 04/05	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/13	2:00 p.m.	Fri 04/12	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/18	2:30 p.m.	Fri 05/17	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/08	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/07	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/22	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/14	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/29	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/21	7-9:30 p.m.

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

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## FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

**Gina Cattalini, Director of Adult Faith Formation and Initiation** .....x2217

**La Morita Mexico Youth Mission**

Our Annual Mexican Dinner will be next Saturday, February 2, at 6 pm at St. Bonaventure's Church Hall. You can buy tickets today after all Masses, or order them at jdwaltont@astound.net or 925 212 7679. The cost will be \$20 a person and \$65 for a family. This is our fourth year under the sponsorship of our new non-profit corporation, the La Morita Mexico Youth Mission, but the wonderful food and our mission of working with the Oblate Missionaries of Immaculate Mary in Tijuana to build homes remains unchanged! Come have fun and support local youth and their adult sponsors as we raise funds to build homes for needy families.

**WCF Retreat Full – Waiting List Available**

The 25th Women's Christian Fellowship Annual Women's Retreat runs from February 1-3, 2019, at St. Clare's Retreat Center in Soquel, CA. Theme of the retreat is "MERCY Falls Like Gentle Rain." Father Richard McAlear, OMI, retreat master, returns for the 4th time with his special gifts of hope and healing through the Merciful Heart of Jesus.

Retreat brochures are available online at [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net) and at [wcf2019retreat.eventbrite.com](http://wcf2019retreat.eventbrite.com). To be placed on the waiting list, contact Andrea at 925-529-7675. Please join us in prayer for a successful retreat.

**Adult Confirmation: New Dates**

Would you like to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in 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. Bishop Michael Barber will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Bonaventure on Saturday, May 4 at 2:00 pm. Preparation sessions begin in February in both English (Feb. 6) and Spanish (Feb. 3). **English classes are now on Wednesday evenings from Feb. 6 – April 10.** See our website ([www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net)) for the full class schedule and application or contact Gina Cattalini at [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net) or (925) 672-5800 x2217.

**Adult Faith Formation Planning Group**

How do we help each other to know Jesus and to make Him better known? Join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, February 5 at 7:00 pm in A2 (new room). Please contact Gina Cattalini at [gcattalini@stbonaventure.net](mailto:gcattalini@stbonaventure.net) or 672-5800 x2217 for more information or to be added to the email list.

Contact Christa Fairfield at  
925-844-9005 or email



**SHARE YOUR TALENTS!**



**Save the Date!**

**St. Joseph's  
Dinner**

**Saturday,  
March 30th  
6pm**

*All Food is Handmade and Donated  
by the Attendees  
All Proceeds and Leftover Food  
To Benefit St Vincent de Paul and  
Their Mission to Support Those in Need*

**A Lenten Opportunity  
To Share!**