



ST. PETER MARTYR CHURCH PRESENTS A PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION TO OUR GIVING TREE MINISTRY

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church *Iglesia Católica de San Buenaventura*

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January 31, 2016 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 31 de enero de 2016 Cuarto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

MASSES IN ENGLISH/EN INGLES

Saturday Vigil/Sábado: 5:00 PM
Sunday/Domingo 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

MASSES IN SPANISH/EN ESPAÑOL

Domingo: 12:45 PM

DAILY MASS/MISA DIARIA (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday/Lunes,
Martes, Jueves y Viernes: 9:00 AM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday/Martes, Miercoles y
Jueves: 6:30 AM

COMMUNION SERVICE/SERVICIOS DE COMUNIÓN (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday & Friday/Lunes y Viernes: 6:30 AM
Wednesday/Miercoles: 9:00 AM

BAPTISM/BAUTIZOS

In English: Call the office to begin the process.
This requires two months preparation. *En Español:*
Los Sábados
10:00 AM. Llame a la oficina para hacer arreglos con
un Sacerdote ó Diácono. Este requiere dos meses de
preparación.

MARRIAGE/MATRIMONIO

Call the office to arrange with a Priest or
Deacon. This requires six months preparation.
Llame a la oficina para hacer arreglos con un
Sacerdote ó Diácono. Este requiere seis meses de
preparación.

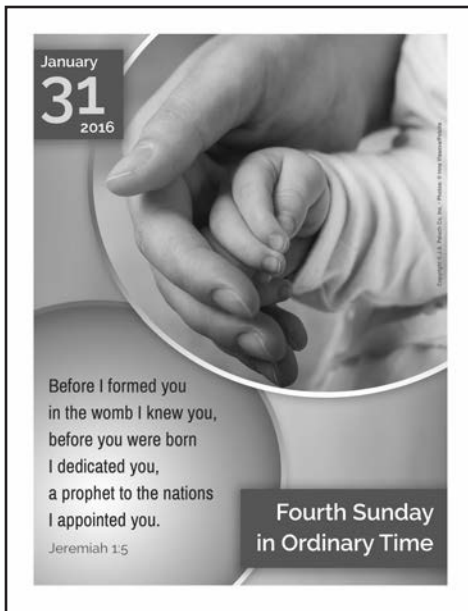
RECONCILIATION/RECONCILIACIÓN

In English: Saturdays 3:30 PM (in the church) or by
appointment. *En Español: Llame a la oficina para*
hacer arreglos con un Sacerdote. Por cita.



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. RICHARD
 PENSAMIENTOS DE PADRE RICARDO

■ **“LOVE YOUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS”
 PANEL CONVERSATION**

Interested in learning how you can support Muslims in our community against Islamophobia and racism? Want to be a part of building solid relationships with our Muslim neighbors? Come to this panel and be a part of this important inter-faith conversation on Monday, February 15 at 7:30 pm, in the Church. Presented in partnership with the Interfaith Council of Contra Costa County. Cosponsored with St. John’s Episcopal Church and Clayton Valley Presbyterian Church.

NO PROPHET IS ACCEPTED



IN HIS OWN NATIVE PLACE

• Amika Nelson

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS
 FROM CHRISTA FAIRFIELD

■ **SECURE YOUR ITEMS**

Our Christmas Eve service was marred by a vehicle break-in during the Mass, between 8 and 9 pm. A parishioner’s car window was smashed and an expensive jacket stolen from the rear seat. The car was in the rear of the parking lot, near the back gate, which was open to allow faster exits at the end of Mass.

Please don’t leave any items visible in your car – put them in the trunk. For the thief, the theft was almost risk-free. He had plenty of time to “case” many cars, because of the length of the Mass. Even if the victim’s car had been alarmed, any noise would probably not have been noticed in time, because the thief could escape quickly through the rear gate.

■ **LENENT BOOK GROUP- MERCY IN
 THE CITY**

Are you wondering how you can fit the acts of Mercy into your busy schedule? So did Kerry Weber, a young Mercy Associate and managing editor of America magazine with a full work and social schedule.

We will be following her Lenten Journey of practicing the seven Corporal Works of Mercy in a meaningful way. Can she do it? Can we? We’re going to find out together.

This Lent we are offering two groups: an afternoon and evening group. You can jump back and forth as your schedules require. If you miss a week, don’t worry – we’ll still be here. Join us when you can.

Details:

The book: *Mercy in the City*, by Kerry Weber

The day: Tuesdays (5 weeks) starting February 9 followed by Feb. 16, Mar. 1, Mar. 8, Mar. 15

The times: Afternoon meetings from 1:30 to 3:00pm

Evening meetings from 7:30 to 9:00 pm

The Place:

Afternoons: Classroom A-1

Evenings: Classroom A-3

More details: Books will be available in the parish office for \$15. You can also purchase it in digital format for your e-book reader. We do ask that you *sign-up for your time of preference*, but you can always show up at the other time. You can sign-up at the parish office or by emailing eileen.limberg@stbonaventure.net.

**OPENING OUR DOORS
 YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
 RECTORY ON FEBRUARY 17**

Pope Francis has reminded us that “The Church is the house of mercy.” Each of our homes is a small house of faith. As we enter the Church’s Jubilee Year of Mercy our Parish is working to create opportunities for intimate gatherings for parishioners to come together and get to know each other.

On February 17 we will gather from 7:00pm to 8:30pm for hospitality, conversation and prayer. An invitation is extended to all, but especially to those parishioners who want to get to know others in our Church family or want to learn more about the great offerings and opportunities at St. Bonaventure. We want to meet you, greet you and welcome you into the full life of God’s house of mercy.

Because the rectory is a home, with limited space, and we want to offer an intimate gathering, there is a maximum number of guests whom we can accommodate, which necessitates a registration from all guests. These is an adult only evening. Later in the year, we will be offering an opportunity with children.

Please register by Sunday, February 7 by following the link <http://whoozin.com/FPT-PJV-UNFY>. If you have any questions, please contact Christa Fairfield at christa.fairfield@stbonaventure.net.

LITURGY & PRAYER

■ **JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**
January 31, 2016
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Rave reviews greeted Jesus' first hometown homily proclaiming a year of God's mercy, but the mood turned violent when he went on to declare that God's mercy embraces outsiders; it rejects distinctions between citizen and foreigner, acceptable and unworthy, even sinner and saint. Far from being anyone's personal possession, God's kingdom is open to everyone, God's love unconditional, God's mercy boundless. By this *Jubilee Year of Mercy*, Pope Francis repeats Jesus' challenge in today's Gospel to broaden our horizons until our vision matches Jesus' vision of every sinner as a potential saint, and each suffering stranger as our neighbor. Jesus, says Pope Francis, continually went beyond the law, keeping company with public sinners and even sharing meals with them to demonstrate that God's mercy is "the beating heart of the Gospel" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 12). To be truly Jesus' disciples, such unconditional love and boundless mercy must also be at the center of all we say and do.

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■ **IT IS TIME TO RECYCLE LAST YEAR'S PALMS**

As Lent approaches, you are invited to gather all of your old palms and bring them back to be burned on the day before Ash Wednesday (which is sometimes called Shrove Tuesday). The ashes from these palms will be used on Ash Wednesday. Palms can be brought to the office during the week or placed in the basket you will find in the foyer when you come to Mass.



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■ **FEBRUARY 10: ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

- 6:30 AM Mass
- 9:00 AM Mass
- 12:15 PM Communion Service with Distribution of Ashes
- 4:00 PM Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of Ashes
- 7:30 PM Bi-lingual Mass

Between services, a blessing and distribution of ashes will be given in the church for those who cannot attend one of the above liturgies, from 10:30-11:30am, 2-3pm, and 5:30-6:30pm.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- MONDAY:** 2 SM 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; PS 3:2-7; MK 5:1-20
- TUESDAY:** MAL 3:1-4; PS 24:7-10; HEB 2:14-18; LK 2:22-40 [22-32]
- WEDNESDAY:** 2 SM 24:2, 9-17; PS 32:1-2, 5-7; MK 6:1-6
- THURSDAY:** 1 KGS 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 CHR 29:10-12; MK 6:7-13
- FRIDAY:** SIR 47:2-11; PS 18:31, 47, 50, 51; MK 6:14-29
- SATURDAY:** 1 KGS 3:4-13; PS 119:9-14; MK 6:30-34
- SUNDAY:** 6:1-2A, 3-8; PS 138:1-5, 7-8; 1 COR 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; LK 5:1-11

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
Weekend of January 23 & 24 Collection

Goal: \$25,440
Actual: \$ 21,751
Deficit: (\$3,689)

Food for the Family: 293
EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) included in above figures

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LIFE AND JUSTICE MINISTRY

■ 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 in serving people living in poverty. We see Christ in the poor because Jesus told us “whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters you do for me.” Join us for an SVdP Information Night on Tuesday, February 9 at 6:15pm in the Small Hall. Contact Dan Gabe (408-5964), parish St. Vincent de Paul Conference President, for more details.

FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

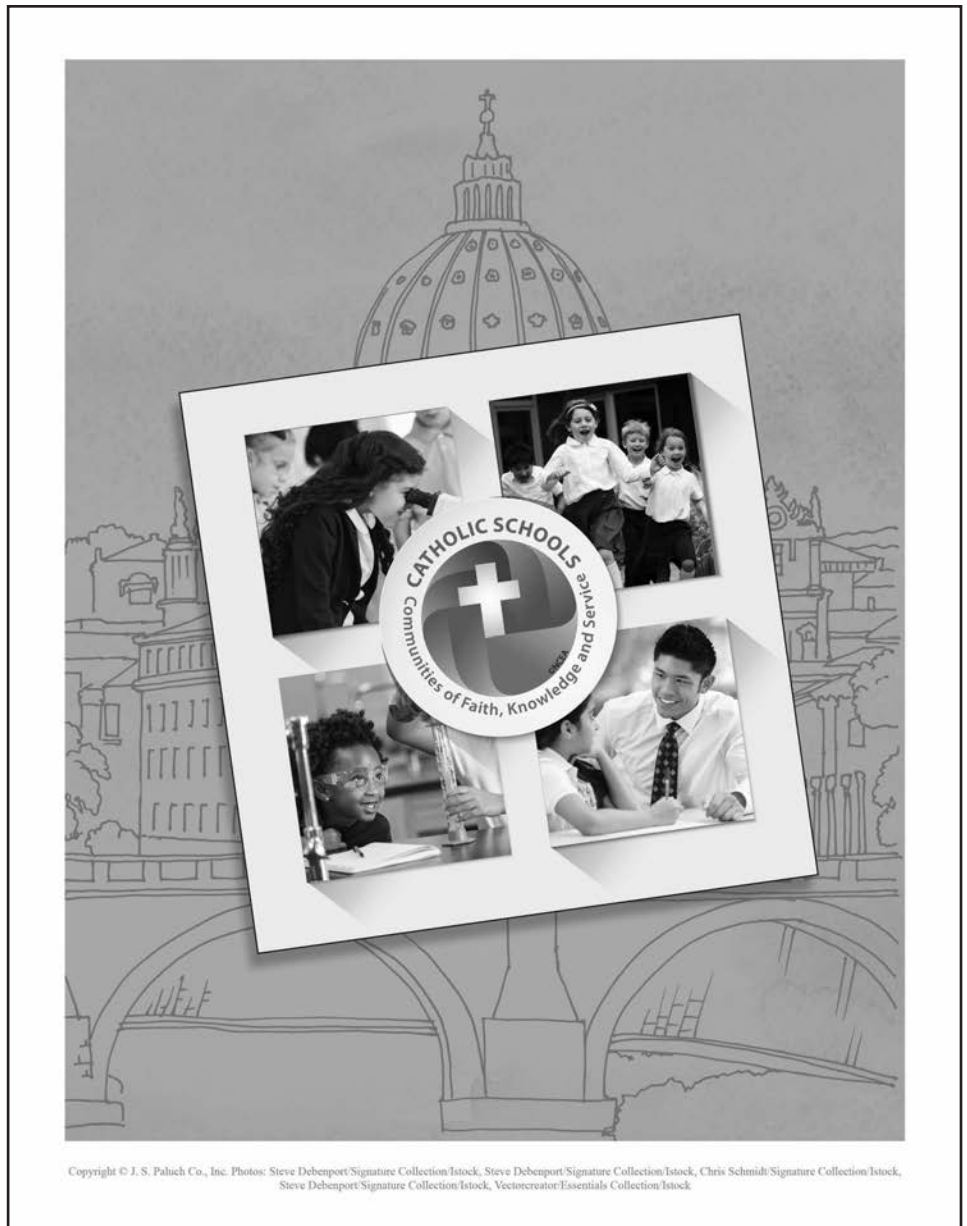
■ MOMS' GROUP

An invitation to all mothers: Come explore our Catholic faith as women and as parents, and share the joys and challenges of parenting! We welcome mothers of all ages on the 1st Wednesday of the month (February 3) at 9:45-11:00 a.m. in the Ministry Center A3. Free babysitting provided! We also have an evening Moms' group led by Gwen Crane on the first Tuesday of the month (February 2) in A4, 7:30-9:00pm. Come to “Moms' Night Out” the first Friday of the month and join our Yahoo Group to keep connected to St. Bonaventure moms, even if you can't make the meetings.

Contact Tara Sundy for more info: (925) 890-1343 or tnaughto@hotmail.com

■ PARENT ENRICHMENT

Give yourself an evening away to nurture your relationship. Free childcare provided! Once a month, on a Tuesday evening, we are offering an enrichment series for parents, in collaboration with Worldwide Marriage Encounter, entitled “*Love Never Ends.*” Our next gathering is February 9 at 6:00pm in A2. **You must pre-register for childcare.** The link can be found on the homepage of our parish website www.stbonaventure.net. Call Eileen (672-5800 x2217) for questions.



■ ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

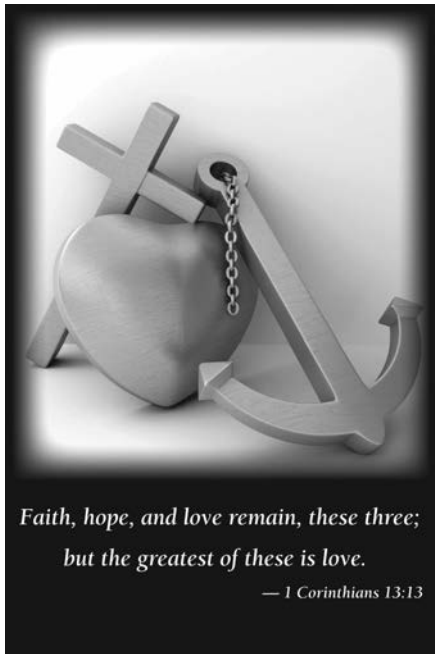
Are you planning to marry in the Church in the next year? St. Bonaventure offers three preparation weekends throughout the year. Couples are invited to attend the next weekend on February 20 & 21, 2016. It is never too early to attend a weekend. It is usually recommended that couples attend at least 3 months before the wedding. This is a wonderful opportunity to discuss and discern your future life together. The cost is \$125/couple. Contact Matthew & Stacey Remington (672-4006) for more information, or to register for the weekend.

■ 2016 MEN'S RETREAT: REGISTRATION OPEN!

Registration is now open for the 2016 St. Bonaventure Men's Retreat, which will be held March 4-6 at San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville. Our theme this year, “Merciful Like the Father,” is inspired by the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Our retreat master will be Fr. Leo Edgerly, pastor of Corpus Christi parish in Oakland, CA. For more information, call Peter Nixon at 925-381-7853 or Matt Remington at 925-672-4006. Registration is available online at <http://www.stbonaventure.net/parish-ministries/adult-faith/mens-spiritual-network>.

■ CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

Let us begin the New Year spending time with God in quiet prayer. Give yourself the opportunity to sit quietly with God – not asking for anything and letting the worries and busyness of the world go away. We have two opportunities during the week to practice Contemplative Prayer in the Chapel. We start with a short reflection, enter into 20 minutes of silent prayer and end with the Our Father. Join us Tuesday from 4:05-4:30pm and/or **Thursday** (a change from Wednesday) from 7:15-7:45am. Just come when you can. Call Eileen (672-5800 x2217) if you have questions.



■ COUPLES WHO WANT TO BE MARRIED IN THE CHURCH

Mark your calendar now for Saturday, June 18, 2016 at 2:00p.m.

For the past couple of years, we have offered the opportunity for couples married civilly to participate in a Communal Marriage Blessing. It is a beautiful experience and we would like to continue this offering.

June 18 will be a communal renewal of vows at a Wedding Mass, followed by a reception.

Many young married couples who come to celebrate the baptism of their children have not been married in the church. If interested, we ask you to follow up by speaking first to Eileen Limberg (925-672-5800 x2217) before February 15. She will put you in contact with one of the priests or deacons. You can designate whichever priest or deacon whom you would like to get you started.

What do you need to do? What do you need to know? Those who come forward will help decide on details and specifics of the celebration.

Items:

- **Participation in a Saturday retreat.**
- **Normal application forms** for being married in the church need to be filled out.
- **Normal witness forms** need to be filled out.
- **Selection of two official witnesses is required.**
- **The Blessing of the Marriage will be entered into St. Bonaventure's Marriage Register**
- **The couple may invite as many guests as they wish**
- **There is no expense** except a donation to the church, if the couple wishes
- **Couples will help prepare the ceremony and reception.**

Put your wedding celebration in the church on your calendar – Saturday, June 18, 2:00p.m.

■ MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Love is patient, kind, not jealous or pompous, not inflated, rude or quick-tempered. How are you doing when it comes to loving others, especially your spouse? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are February 26-28 and August 5-7. Early registration, 4 to 6 weeks out, is highly recommended. For more information, contact Mike & Jeanne @ 925.672.2016 or Joe & Sue @ 925.680.7767 now or go to www.oakland-wwme.org. Weekend presentations are in the Pleasanton/Dublin area.

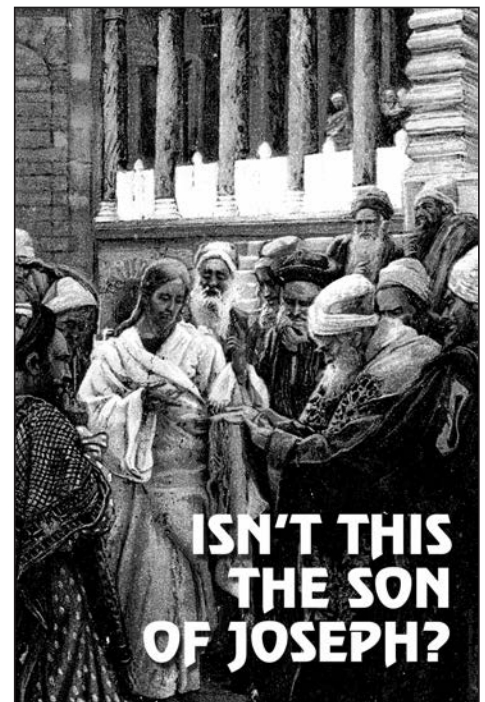
NEED A NEIGHBOR?

Neighbor-to-Neighbor Ministry is here to assist parishioners with temporary, minor needs. Those we serve must be adults (over 18 years old) and physically mobile. There are established community organizations in place to meet long-term and other needs.

We Offer:

- Assistance with transportation to the parish, the grocery store or doctor.
- *We can assist in finding regular rides to a specific Mass or parish offering
- Assistance with an errand or a light task
- Visiting the sick or homebound

For assistance leave a message at 672-5800 x2238. We will pick up calls Monday-Friday. Every effort will be made to respond within 24 hours of the call. Please note that the ministry is not designed for immediate or emergency needs. It can take a few days to locate a volunteer to meet the need.



Adult Faith Formation continued from page 5

■ TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

Blessings from Tai Chi for Health! Join us in the powerful, playful practice of Tai Chi & Qi Gong. Sessions are each Wednesday, in the Small Hall, and Friday in A4, from 10am to 11am. Bring an open mind and bottled water. Love offerings \$10. Contact Instructor Ben at 925 565-4636 with questions.



PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

■ SENIOR LUNCHEON

Thursday, February 11 at 11:30 AM in the Large Hall, \$12 per person.

Come share your love in the spirit of Valentine's Day. We will enjoy Italian cuisine prepared by the Pavilion Restaurant. As always, drinks and dessert are included. Please make reservations by Monday February 8 by calling George or Mary Brown at 363-4708 or by registering after Mass on February 6 or 7. Adults of all ages are welcome!

■ SAVE THE DATE: MINI PILGRIMAGE TO SAN JUAN BAUTISTA

Wednesday, February 24. Hosted by our Adult Adventure & Travel Ministry

■ HOSPITALITY WEEKEND

Thank you to the parishioners and volunteers who have donated to this fine ministry.

Our next Hospitality Weekend is on **February 6 – 7**. After the 5pm Saturday Mass, we'll have wine, soda, cheese, cookies and crackers. After the 7:30am, 9am, and 11am Masses, there will be coffee, juice, donuts, and bagels. All are welcome!

■ HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE 2016- ADDING EVENING CRAFTING

Each Wednesday, beginning February 3, room A1 is open from 10am-2pm for any and all crafters. Bring a bag lunch, a friend or two, and a craft you're working on (or a desire to help someone else!). Come for the full 4 hours or just stop in when you can.

We are also starting an *evening* craft session. Does daytime crafting conflict with your schedule? Join us on Tuesday evenings, starting on February 16 from 6-9 pm, in room A1 for a few hours of fun and fellowship. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you.

■ PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

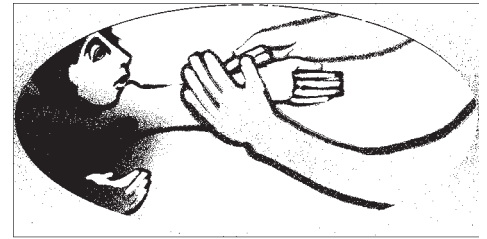
☎ 1-800-910-0191, The Gabriel Project

■ CLAYTON VALLEY COUNSELING CENTER (CVCC) AT YOUR SERVICE

For 15 years, CVCC has been serving the St. Bonaventure Community. The Counseling Center, with licensed therapists, serves individuals, couples and families, and prepares engaged couples for marriage using the well-established Prepare Program. ☎ 925-210-6176.

■ ST. BONAVENTURE CANCER SUPPORT

A community of parishioners and survivors of cancer are waiting and willing to share your experience, pray with you and be there to help you through your ordeal. We offer ourselves in love and prayer to be at your side in many ways. *Please call us; know that you are not alone:* ☎ Elaine Shingleton at 672-1850, or Maria Padilla Fulmore (*Que habla Español*) 686-6916. *Section: Outside of Parish*



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OUTSIDE PARISH

■ SAINT AGNES PARISH AND WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER — St. Agnes Church Hall, 3966 Chestnut Ave. Concord

Starts Saturday, February 13, at 1:00pm and concludes with 5:00pm Mass and Renewal of Vows

Reception immediately following Mass.

St. Agnes cordially invites you to an **Enrichment for Married Couples**, based on the book written by Dr. Frank W. Nelson, "Love Never Ends."

Advance registration required. Email mikerhodawwme@yahoo.com or mail registration to: Mike and Rhoda Pereira, 1234 Kings River Rd. Livermore, CA 94550

■ PARKING UPDATE FOR WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Saturday, February 6, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm, The Cathedral of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison St., Oakland
Oakdiocese.org/WDS

The annual World Day of the Sick Mass will be held on Saturday, February 6 at 11:00 am at The Cathedral of Christ the Light. Those who are sick or ill and their families, caregivers, and healthcare providers are invited to observe this day with the religious and lay people from the Diocese of Oakland.

Parking for the World Day of the Sick Event will be located in the Kaiser Center Parking Complex, which is directly across from the Cathedral parking garage, located on 21st street and Kaiser Plaza. Persons needing wheelchair or no-stairs access may use the drop-off areas located on Harrison, 21st, or Kaiser Plaza streets.



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■ **MISSIONARY DISCIPLES FORMATION PROGRAM: GOING FORTH IN JOY**

Saturday, February 20, Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 500 Fairview Avenue, Brentwood

Join the Marian Missionaries of Divine Mercy for an inspiring Mercy and Mary Weekend Retreat, featuring bestselling author and speaker Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC. The retreat includes:

- 3 Conferences with Fr. Gaitley
- Book signing with Fr. Gaitley
- Q & A with Fr. Gaitley
- Personal witness: Marian Missionaries
- Rosary, Chaplet, Benediction, community prayers
- And much more to help you experience the Year of Mercy!

Registration is required. Lunch is included with a general admission fee of \$49.

Mail-in registrations, for check payments only, will be accepted until February 14 while space is open. All registrations are on a first-come, first-serve basis. Visit <http://www.events.marianmissionaries.org/> for registration form. Send registration form to Marian Missionaries of Divine Mercy, PO Box 1401, Stockbridge, MA 01262 ATTN: Mercy & Mary Retreat/CA

■ **VOCATION RETREAT FOR WOMEN**

Have you ever thought about becoming a Sister? Single Catholic women, ages 18-40, are invited to a prayerful and reflective **Religious Vocation Discernment Weekend Retreat** with the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, March 4-6, Los Altos Hills, CA. For reservations and more information contact **Sister Lisa Laguna, D.C.**, 650/949-8890 or 213-210-9903, or email srllaguna@doc1633.org; or go to www.Daughters-Of-Charity.com/retreats/

■ **RETOUVAILLE MARRIAGE HELP**

February 26-28, Jeff & Donna Heusler, 510-276-4118, Retrouvaille.org

Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. The Retrouvaille Program consists of a weekend experience combined with post-weekend sessions. The program, which emphasizes communication, provides the tools to help put marriages in order again. The program offers the opportunity for couples to rediscover each other and examine their lives together in a new and positive way. The program has been highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. To register or obtain more information, visit Retrouvaille.org or call Jeff & Donna Heusler at 510-276-4118.

SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR

GEORGE SUZA

January 30 – February 5, 2016



Pray For

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Pat Walsh

Victims of vehicular accidents



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Mass Intentions For The Week



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SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

5:00 St. Bonaventure Community

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

7:30 Mary Lina Carbungco

Gen Camera

Pat Walsh

9:00 Fran Ford

Constance Melody

Damian Kemp

Rocco Papapietro

11:00 Veronica Pardi

Erlinda Guiao

Albert Giovanonni

Aniceta Buenaventura

5:00 Children in Faith Formation

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

6:30 Communion Service

9:00 Idonna Tryon

Lil Fichtenkort

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

6:30 Victims of violence

9:00 Vicente Mercader

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

6:30 Homeless families

9:00 Communion Service

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

6:30 People suffering from illnesses

9:00 George Brown

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

6:30 Communion Service

9:00 Fely Crusit

Fran Ford

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

5:00 Patrick Smith & Brothers

Mary Vitale Peacock

Carlos Luis Brenes

Special Intentions

to St. Joseph

■ LUCAS 4,21-30

En aquel tiempo, después de que Jesús leyó en la sinagoga un pasaje del libro de Isaías, dijo: “Hoy mismo se ha cumplido este pasaje de la Escritura que ustedes acaban de oír”.

Todos le daban su aprobación y admiraban su sabiduría de las palabras que salían de sus labios, y se preguntaban: “¿No es éste el hijo de José?”

Jesús les dijo: “Seguramente me dirán aquel refrán: ‘Médico cúbate a ti mismo’ y haz aquí, en tu propia tierra, todos esos prodigios que hemos oído que has hecho en Cafarnaúm”. Y añadió: “Yo les aseguro que nadie es profeta en su tierra. Había ciertamente en Israel muchas viudas en los tiempos de Elías, cuando faltó la lluvia durante tres años y medio, y hubo un hambre terrible en todo el país; sin embargo, a ninguna de ellas fue enviado Elías, sino a una viuda que vivía en Sarepta, ciudad de Sidón. Había muchos leprosos en Israel, en tiempos del profeta Eliseo; sin embargo, ninguno de ellos fue curado sino Naamán, que era de Siria”.

Al oír esto, todos los que estaban en la sinagoga se llenaron de ira, y levantándose, lo sacaron de la ciudad y lo llevaron hasta un barranco del monte, sobre el que estaba construida la ciudad, para despeñarlo. Pero él, pasando por en medio de ellos, se alejó de allí.

En la lectura de Jeremías 1:4-19, está escrito la profecía de lo que iba a pasar a Jesús y como debía de actuar con autoridad, porque Dios estaría a su lado. En la lectura del profeta Jeremías dice: “Te harán la guerra, pero no podrán contigo, porque yo estoy a tu lado para salvarte” desde antes de formarte en el seno materno, te conozco; desde antes de que nacieras, **te consagré como profeta para las naciones.**

Cíñete y prepárate; ponte en pie y diles lo que yo te mando. No temas, no titubees delante de ellos, para que yo no te quebrante. Así se trate de los reyes de Judá, como de sus jefes, de sus sacerdotes

o de la gente del campo; te harán la guerra pero no podrán contigo, porque ya te he hecho ciudad fortificada, columna de hierro y muralla de bronce.

La Iglesia cristiana ha entendido que Jesús es el cumplimiento de esta promesa. Jeremías apunta claramente a la presencia profética como precursora del acontecimiento de Cristo.

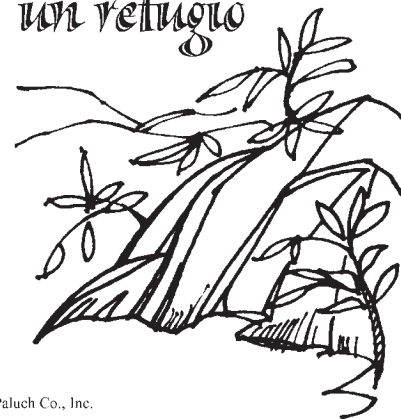
Después de treinta años de vivir una vida sencilla, de trabajo, de familia, Jesús emprende el camino, emprende su misión de instaurar el Reino de Dios. Deja todo atrás y comienza su vida pública, curando, enseñando, haciendo caminar a los que no podían caminar, dándoles de comer a los que no tenían y haciendo mirar a los que no podían mirar. Había llegado el momento de anunciar el Reino de Dios, de dar las pistas necesarias para que todo el pueblo alcanzara su salvación, que existiera “un bienestar integral” en todos los seres humanos especialmente en los oprimidos y marginados. Dios les ayude. Diácono Mariano Preza

Horario de Oficina:
Diácono Mariano Preza
Teléfono ☎ (925) 844-9015
Cerrado para almuerzo de 12:30-1:30p.m.
Lunes a Jueves: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Viernes: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



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■ FORMACIÓN DE LÍDERES, MINISTROS Y PARROQUIANOS

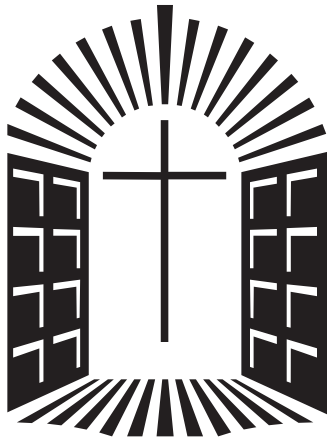
Se invita a los ministros, a los líderes y a la comunidad en general a la formación teológica impartida por el diácono Mariano Preza. Muchas personas de la comunidad han aprovechado esta formación antes, pero cada clase es una nueva experiencia al conocimiento, el programa está abierto a toda la comunidad y es gratis. Esta formación ayudará a conocer mejor y a ampliar nuestra visión de Dios. En este Año de la Misericordia, regalémonos la oportunidad de aprender, reconocer y vivir el amor de Dios.

Las clases son los lunes y empiezan el lunes, 25 de enero, 2016.

Cuando: Lunes
Hora: 7:00-9:00 PM
Lugar: Salón de clases B-1
¡Todos son bienvenidos!

■ FRASES DEL PAPA FRANCISCO

“¿Es verdad que en las diversas situaciones y circunstancias de la vida tenemos en nosotros los mismos sentimientos de Jesús? Por ejemplo, cuando sufrimos algún mal o cualquier afrenta, ¿conseguimos reaccionar sin animosidad y perdonar de corazón a quien nos pide excusas? ¡Qué difícil es perdonar! ‘¡Me la pagarás!’, esa palabra viene de dentro.”



■ AÑO JUBILAR DE LA MISERICORDIA

Jesús proclama la misericordia de Dios, pero el estado de ánimo se tornó violento cuando él fue a declarar que la misericordia de Dios abarca a los forasteros; rechaza la distinción entre ciudadano y extranjero, aceptable e indigno, incluso el pecador y el Santo. Lejos de ser la posesión personal de nadie, el Reino de Dios está abierto a todo el mundo, con amor incondicional, sin límites es la misericordia de Dios. En este Año Jubilar de la Misericordia, El Papa Francisco repite el desafío de Jesús en el Evangelio de hoy al ampliar nuestros horizontes hasta que nuestra visión coin-

cida con la visión de Jesús de cada pecador como un santo potencial y cada sufrimiento desconocido como nuestro. Jesús, continuamente dice el Papa Francisco, fue más allá de la ley, estando en público en compañía con los pecadores y aún compartiendo las comidas con ellos demostrando la misericordia de Dios que es “el corazón del Evangelio” (Misericordiae Vultus, 12). Para ser verdaderamente discípulos de Jesús, tal amor incondicional y misericordia sin límites deben ser también el centro de todo que lo decimos y hacemos.

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■ FEBRERO 10: MIERCOLES DE CENIZA HORARIO

6:30 AM Misa
9:00 AM Misa
12:15 PM Comunión y
Distribución de Ceniza
4:00 PM Liturgia de la Palabra y
Distribución de Ceniza
7:30 PM Misa Bilingüe

Para aquellos que no pueden venir a los servicios antes mencionados, pueden venir de 10:30-11:30am, 2-3pm, y de 5:30-6:30pm

■ ES TIEMPO DE RECICLAR LAS PALMAS

Es hora de reciclar las palmas utilizadas en la Semana Santa del año pasado. Se les invita a reunir sus palmas viejas y traerlas de vuelta a la parroquia para ser quemadas el martes anterior al Miércoles de Ceniza. Las cenizas obtenidas de quemarlas se utilizarán el Miércoles de Ceniza. Las palmas del año pasado pueden ser llevadas a la oficina durante la semana o colocadas en la canasta que hay en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia cuando vengan a Misa.

BAUTIZOS 2016
LUGAR DE BAUTIZO: IGLESIA • LUGAR CLASES: B-1
ENCARGADO: GREGORIO MENCHACA, 826-5102
****PARA INFORMACIÓN SOBRE CLASES, FAVOR CONTACTAR LA OFICINA****

FECHA DE BAUTIZO	HORA DE BAUTIZO	FECHA DE CLASE	HORA DE CLASE
Sat 02/06	10:00 a.m.	Fri 01/29	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 02/27	10:00 a.m.	Fri 02/19	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/12	12:00 p.m.	Fri 03/04	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/19	2:00 p.m.	Fri 03/11	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/02	12:00 p.m.	Fri 04/01	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/09	12:00 p.m.	Fri 04/08	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/14	12:00 p.m.	Fri 05/06	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/21	2:00 p.m.	Fri 05/13	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/28	10:00 a.m.	Fri 05/20	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/11	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/03	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/18	12:00 p.m.	Fri 06/10	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/25	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/17	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/09	12:00 p.m.	Fri 07/08	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/16	12:00 p.m.	Fri 07/15 Chapel	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/30	10:00 a.m.	Fri 07/29	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/13	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/05	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/20	12:00 p.m.	Fri 08/12	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/27	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/19	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/10	10:00 a.m.	Fri 09/09	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/24	10:00 a.m.	Fri 09/16	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/15	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/07	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/29	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/14	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/05	12:00 p.m.	Fri 11/04	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 11/19	12:00 p.m.	Fri 11/18	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 12/17	12:00 p.m.	Fri 12/16	7-9:30 p.m.