

Photo of Fr. Richard holding a check to pay off the church loan

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

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Monday thru Thursday – 8:30am – 5:00pm; Friday – 8:30am – 3:30pm

Lunch Break – 12:30-1:30pm

August 21, 2016 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time | *21 de agosto de 2016 Vigésimo Primer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

### MASSES IN ENGLISH/EN INGLÉS

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, Miércoles y Jueves*: 6:30 AM

### COMMUNION SERVICE/SERVICIOS DE

#### COMUNIÓN (CHAPEL/CAPILLA)

Monday & Friday/*Lunes y Viernes*: 6:30 AM  
Wednesday/*Miércoles*: 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

■ **FR. KEVIN WITHDRAWS TO FRIARY**

It is with deep regret that I announce that Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw has withdrawn as Parochial Vicar of our parish and returned to his Holy Family Friary in Castro Valley.

So many parishioners had expressed their deep admiration for Fr. Kevin as a presider at liturgy on Sundays and have enjoyed his enthusiasm and charismatic style of celebrating Sunday Mass.

It was Fr. Kevin's desire to come to St. Bonaventure's to join our pastoral staff and work full-time as a parish priest. Unfortunately, at this time it is not.

Fr. Kevin is unable to serve at this time and needs your caring prayers and support. I hold Fr. Kevin in highest esteem, but it is important for him to begin now a period of personal healing.

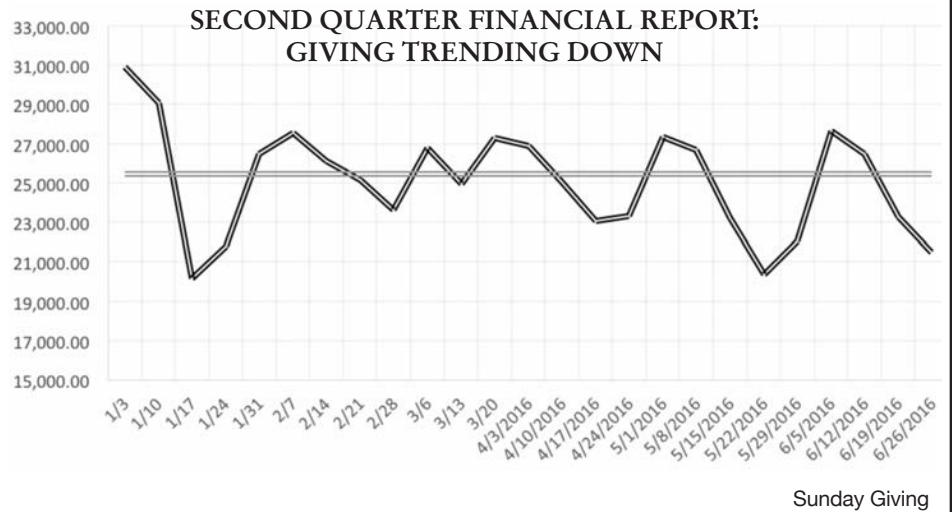
Fr. Kevin will not be returning to celebrate Sunday liturgy or to work here at St. Bonaventure's for the time being.

You may send personal notes of thanks and support to Holy Family Friary, 19697 Redwood Road, Castro Valley, CA 94546.

■ **A NOTE FROM FR. DAVID TO THE COMMUNITY**

As some parishioners know, I have suffered anxiety and panic disorder for several years. Three years ago, I needed to pull away from my ministry to attend to my personal health. The mini-sabbatical at that time proved helpful. I have ministered for 45+ years. Again I find the need to reduce my weekly commitment in the parish. I will remain at St. Bonaventure during this time. I will preside at two daily Masses and a weekend Mass, attend staff meetings and liturgy planning meetings, accept some counseling appointments and visits to the sick when possible. I will also work with a therapist to make greater sense of my personal health. The only thing I ask is

*Thoughts from Fr. Richard continued on page 3* ►



This graph illustrates our regular Sunday giving for the first six months of the year (except Easter). Though on-line giving is received on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, the monthly total is distributed evenly over each week of the month. The plotted line represents each Sunday total. The straight line indicates our weekly goal, our baseline.

The first observation is that giving fluctuates weekly. The reasons vary. Some parishioners give monthly on the first Sundays and a number of our parishioners travel. There is also speculation that second collections impact Sunday giving.

The second observation is that giving is declining. We can see that the low points from April through June are dropping each month.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter financial displays a surplus (income over expenses). The income over budget is primarily attributable to a single ten-thousand-dollar gift on the first Sunday of January, and an increase in baptisms in the first two quarters of the year.

Expenses in the first six-months have been realized below budget. Those expenses are expected to be realized in the second half of the year.

**RECOMMITMENT**

At the beginning of the year, our Finance Council explained how inflation in the Bay Area has increased our costs for the same level of ministry by over 10% over the last four years. Our level of contributions has not kept pace. We asked all parishioners to increase their contributions by 10%.

The response to this request was positive, and we did see an increase in giving, evident in the points on the Sunday Giving graphs being over budget. However, over the course of the year, we are seeing a decline in giving.

**We are asking for a recommitment to the financial sustainability of our parish with a 10% increase, if you haven't yet made that commitment.**

**On-line giving** is a great way to help the parish reduce the fluctuations in giving. It's easy to sign-up and make changes in the future. Go to our parish web site [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net) where you will find the tab "Giving/Outreach." Use the Code CA725.

**RETIRING THE DEBT**

We have made the last payment towards our Ministry Center building loan.

Sacrifices by many were required to bring to reality our dreams of: building a place for our children to learn about Jesus, providing adults a place to deepen their faith together, and giving families a location to come together in fellowship. Many families pledged more than once; some continued their donations beyond their commitments for years. Thank you to everyone who made the buildings real. They are full nearly every night of the week and Sundays, with hundreds of children and teens who come for faith formation, and adults coming together for ministry and faith formation.

Thanks to those sacrifices and leadership of many over the years, our parish is debt free. **We will celebrate this occasion at the liturgies on the weekend of August 27 and 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**FIRST SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION**

We will continue our first Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> collections. There are many deferred maintenance issues that need attention. Your continued donations will be distributed to such projects and work. Your generosity will help us catch up with the care of our facilities.

**2016 2nd QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

Revenue	6 Month Actual	6 Month Budget	Diff.	Total Budget
Weekend Donations	645,240	636,051	9,189	1,272,100
Easter & Christmas Donations	61,192	60,000	1,192	130,000
Children's Faith Formation <i>(includes Bible Camp)</i>	30,646	34,000	-3,354	57,850
Teen Formation Ministry <i>(includes Bible Camp)</i>	26,949	24,000	2,949	53,800
Weddings and Baptisms	62,609	47,000	15,609	91,000
Facilities Maintenance	14,252	12,500	1,752	25,000
Social Outreach	16,185	18,000	-1,815	36,000
Gifts for Other Parish Ministries	3,304	8,249	-4,945	41,800
Defined gifts Inc. Campaign Interest & Catholic Voice	16,455	13,000	3,455	28,000
Interest Income	1,389	875	514	1,750
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>878,221</b>	<b>853,675</b>	<b>24,546</b>	<b>1,737,300</b>
OPERATING EXPENSE				
Administration	201,295	210,090	8,795	409,093
Interest: Ministry Center Construction Loan	4,236	3,464	-772	6,927
Property Maintenance	121,414	131,168	9,754	274,586
Property Insurance & Taxes	47,370	48,822	1,452	52,795
Priests & Rectory Living	76,206	79,301	3,095	155,601
Liturgy & Music	69,400	73,709	4,309	147,417
Children's Faith Formation <i>(includes Bible Camp)</i>	73,154	74,305	1,151	165,609
Teen Faith Formation <i>(includes Bible Camp)</i>	66,584	70,865	4,281	127,229
Adult Faith Formation	28,717	28,866	149	57,731
Hispanic Ministry	47,879	47,732	-147	95,463
Other Ministries	-1,853	-917	936	2,773
Weddings & Baptisms	6,082	7,067	985	14,134
Social Outreach	16,135	19,250	3,115	38,500
Diocesan Assessments	89,604	89,604	0	179,207
<b>TOTAL OP. EXPENSES</b>	<b>846,223</b>	<b>883,326</b>	<b>37,103</b>	<b>1,727,065</b>
<b>Revenue Over/Under Total Expense</b>	<b>31,998</b>	<b>-29,651</b>	<b>61,649</b>	<b>10,235</b>

your prayers for better days ahead. God will be my healer. As you know, I love this community and appreciate the cards, emails and words of encouragement. Thank you!

**LGBT LISTENING SESSION**

Are you a member of the LGBT community, a family member or a friend who is interested in starting a new ministry in the parish? Are you interested in Small Faith Groups? Please join us on Monday, August 29 @7:00pm in Classroom A3. We want to hear how St. Bonaventure can better minister to you. For more information, please contact Eileen at [elimberg@stbonaventure.net](mailto:elimberg@stbonaventure.net).

PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS  
FROM CHRISTA FAIRFIELD

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT RENEWAL**

As of July 1 2016, St. Bonaventure has begun our renewal year for Safe Environment Training. All ministries and their volunteers must be SE trained under our new VIRTUS Program by September 30. Volunteers can register on line at [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net) and instructions can be downloaded in pdf form. Follow the link to Virtus on that page.

We have scheduled several onsite training sessions, in English and Spanish...see the dates below. In order to attend any of these sessions, you must preregister on the VIRTUS website above. If you have any questions, please contact Marion or Eileen at the Church Office, ☎ 925-672-5800.

Safe Environment Training Sessions:

**ENGLISH**

Tuesday, Aug. 23 – 1:00pm, Classroom B1  
 Wednesday, Sept. 7 – 7:00pm, Church

**SPANISH**

Monday, Aug. 22 – 7:00pm, Classroom B1  
 Monday, Sept. 12 – 7:00pm, Classroom B1  
 Thursday, Sept. 29 – 7:00pm, Classroom B1

**WHAT IS "EGIVING"?**

"eGiving" or "Electronic Giving" is a convenient and secure way to donate to St. Bonaventure through your credit card or checking account. Our Faith Direct system electronically transfers your funds directly to St. Bonaventure, in much the same way as you might pay your mortgage, cable bill or other expenses on-line. For more information, call Marion at 672-5800. Sign Up Today!

[www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net). Go to "Giving/Outreach" tab. Use Code CA 725



**Parish Operating Cash Balance ..... \$302,427**

**Parish Reserve (Savings)..... \$175,000**

**Parish "Campaign Share" (Savings)..... \$27,689**

\*Designated for Hall  
HVAC/Air & Windows

**Diocesan Ministry Center Loan ..... \$44,076**

\*Paid in full in August

## LITURGY &amp; MUSIC

■ **JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY –  
 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary  
 Time**



This *Jubilee Year of Mercy* and Pope Francis' ministry have renewed our understanding that the Church's heart is open wide to all, and the heart of the gospel

is God's mercy. Flooded with God's mercy, our hearts should overflow as channels bringing to wounded and weary hearts Jesus' healing mercy. For Jesus warns, our own salvation is not guaranteed by the Liturgy of the Word ("you taught in our streets") nor by the Eucharist ("we ate and drank in your company") (Luke 13:26). People far from that banquet, "from the east and the west and from the north and the south . . . will recline at table in the kingdom of God" (13:29). Rather, showing mercy is key to obtaining mercy ourselves (Matthew 5:7). So we should never dare ask what "someone" asked Jesus, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" (Luke 13:23). The crucial question is "Will I be saved?" And Jesus' answer is another question: "Have you shown mercy to everyone, freely, gladly, no limits, no conditions, no exceptions?"

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

MON: 2 THES 1:1-5, 11-12; PS 96:1-5; MT 23:13-22  
 TUE: 2 THES 2:1-3A, 14-17; PS 96:10-13; MT 23:23-26  
 WED: RV 21:9B-14; PS 145:10-13, 17-18; JN 1:45-51  
 THU: 1 COR 1:1-9; PS 145:2-7; MT 24:42-51  
 FRI: 1 COR 1:17-25; PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; MT 25:1-13  
 SAT: 1 COR 1:26-31; PS 33:12-13, 18-21; MT 25:14-30  
 SUN: SIR 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; PS 68:4-7, 10-11; HEB 12:18-19, 22-24A; LK 14:1, 7-14

## FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

■ **REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS  
 EDUCATION CLASSES**

St. Bonaventure's religious education classes will begin the first week of October. Our Faith Formation programs begin with children as young as age 4 and kindergarten and continue through high school. We offer a Sunday morning program for preschool age 4 and kindergarten-age children that meets during the 9am Mass. This program is designed to share stories from the Bible and to engage the youngest of our community to grow in their faith with interactive activities.

We also offer classes after school during the week for students who are in the 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Each grade builds on the child's faith journey with Jesus. This includes preparation for the Sacraments of our faith. We will share the weekly Gospel with students to increase their awareness of Jesus' life and teachings. We will talk about the foundations of our Catholic faith, how we live it and how we build that faith to become who Jesus wants us to be.

We will meet your child wherever they are in their faith journey with class offerings for Baptism, First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation. We also have Sacramental Preparation classes that are taught in Spanish.

Registration for Faith Formation Classes will be held on Saturday, August 27, Sunday, August 28 and Sunday, September 18, from 9AM to 6PM in Classroom A-1. We will be available to answer any questions you have and assist you with registering your child for the appropriate class. You will also be able to register in the church office after August 28. If your child has been in our Faith Formation program last year, you will receive a packet of materials in the mail in mid-August. There will also be registration forms in the church foyer, in the church office and on our website at [www.stbonaventure.net](http://www.stbonaventure.net). Just click on the link for Faith Formation Registration.

We look forward to having your child in our Faith Formation Programs!

## FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

■ **PARISH-WIDE BOOK STUDY**

Join us on a new endeavor: a parish-wide book study. Individuals and small faith groups are invited to read *One Ordinary Sunday: A Meditation on the Mystery of the Mass* by Paula Huston. Ms. Huston gives us a moment-by-moment record of her experience at Mass on the 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time. She shares personal and spiritual reflections on what happened at the Mass that weekend, and invites our reflections. Discussion questions will be on the parish website and posted on Facebook. If you are interested in sharing with a group at church, join us on Thursday mornings at 10:00am in Classroom A1, August 18–September 8. Discussion will be led by Anthony Arteaga and Eileen Limberg. Please sign-up to attend the parish small group. Books are available for sale in the parish office for \$15.00.

■ **SCRIPTURE CLASSES SIGN-UP IN  
 OFFICE**

*Doors of Mercy: Exploring God's Covenant with You* is an 8-week scriptural journey through salvation history, from God's merciful promises to Adam, Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David, to the prophets' call to renewal, to the fulfillment of God's promises in Christ.

*Luke: The Gospel of Mercy* is an 18-week study of the third Gospel, which is both a beautiful portrait of Our Lord Jesus Christ and a summons to draw closer to him. St Luke returns again and again to the theme of Divine Mercy – God's offer of forgiveness, reconciliation and transformation.

Together these two studies, along with additional short presentations, movies and class retreats, will give you a better understanding of the Mercy in the Bible, the Gospel of Luke and Salvation History. Classes begin September 15, 2016 and will continue until the end of May 2017. There are two sessions each Thursday: the morning group meets at 10:00AM and the evening group meets at 7:00PM. Each session is approximately 1 ½ hours long and

**WE NEED YOU  
 TO MAKE OUR 2017 PHOTO  
 DIRECTORY COMPLETE.  
 PHOTOGRAPHY SESSIONS NOW UNDERWAY**

PORTRAIT DATES	APPOINTMENT TIMES
August 25/26 (Th – F) August 27 (Sat)	1:00pm – 8:30pm 10:00am – 5:30pm
August 31 (W) Sept. 1/ 2 (Th – F) Sept. 3 (Sat)	1:00 pm – 8:30 pm 10:00 am – 5:30 pm
Sept. 7/8/9 (W – F) Sept. 10 (Sat)	1:00 pm – 8:30 pm 10:00 am – 5:30 pm

**Sign – Ups**

Available online. Just go to our St. Bonaventure website, <http://www.stbonaventure.net/lifetouch>, click on the Lifetouch link or call Anne Sparks at 925-676-5146.

You will receive your portrait in full color in 8" x 10" format plus a directory, free, just for participating! Please know that there is absolutely no obligation to purchase additional portraits.

both sessions follow the same program. Participants may attend either session. The cost of the program for the year is \$65.00, which covers all the course material for the year. Participants can register at the church office. Questions can be directed to Greg Gamache at [BonaventureBible@astound.net](mailto:BonaventureBible@astound.net)

**■ MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. Let Jesus be the Lord and Savior of your life and marriage. Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Nov. 18-20. 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.oaklandwwme.org](http://www.oaklandwwme.org). Weekend presentations are in the Pleasanton/Dublin area.



**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK**

**■ 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 ☎ 925 565-4636 with questions.

**PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS**

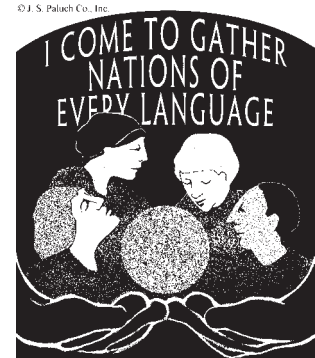
**■ ADULT ACTIVITIES**

**SENIOR LUNCHEON:** The next Senior Luncheon, hosted by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on **Thursday, September 8** at 11:30 AM in the Large Hall, \$13 per person. We'll be celebrating Mexican Independence Day with a make-your-own taco bar. Please make reservations by **Monday September 5** by calling George Brown at 363-4708 or by registering after Mass on September 3 and 4. Adults of all ages are welcome!

**■ FAITH AND FAMILY DAY AT THE A'S, VS. SEATTLE MARINERS: Saturday, September 10, game time 1:05pm**

I have 25 tickets on hand for purchase. Tickets are in Section 225, (all in the shade), \$23. This event has always been fun. Stay after the game for performances by Donnie Moore and the Radical Reality Team; as well as faith testimonials from A's players and coaches. Please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested. Call Gerry ☎ 709-5404. Cash or checks made payable to Gerry Ferri.

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*In the Fall this Year!*

**St Joseph's Dinner**  
**Saturday, Sept. 24th**

*Adults \$10*  
*Children (2 to 12) \$5*  
*Under 2 are Free*

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

**Great Food, Music, Raffles & Silent Auction Items**

*Tickets on Sale Sept 10-11 and Sep 17-18*

### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend of August 13 & 14 Collection

Goal: \$25,440  
 Actual: \$25,004  
 Deficit: (\$436)

2nd Collection  
 Mission Coop: \$7,657.79

Parish Loan Debt: PAID IN FULL!  
 Food for Family: 209

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

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### ■ JOIN ST. BONAVENTURE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM TODAY

Children in grades 2 through 8 are invited to join the St. Bonaventure Cross Country team. Practice has begun, but we continue to welcome new athletes. The season continues until the last meet on October 21. There are five meets which feature races about one mile in length and traversing dirt trails in various parks in the East Bay. Practices are held M-W-F in Newhall Park. For more information, call Joe Sullivan at 925-969-0207 or John Mercurio at 925-876-0327. We always need additional parent coaches/administrators, so here is a chance to participate along with your child!

### ■ HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE, SILENT AUCTION AND WINE PULL (NOVEMBER 2016)

Our group is actively seeking donations such as event tickets, gift baskets, and gift certificates for our annual Silent Auction and Raffle, and we are asking for your help. Perhaps you have a vacation home to offer for a week, want to make up a special gift basket, have event (sporting, theatre, symphony, etc.) tickets, or something unique you want to donate. Or maybe a wine donation for the wine pull, ranging in value from \$50 to \$150 per bottle. Contact me and let's talk about it. If you have special relations with businesses who would be willing to donate to this wonderful fundraiser benefiting our Food Pantry, please contact them and ask for a donation. Any questions or suggestions, contact Jenny Meeker at jennykay12@aol.com, or phone ☎ 925-693-0457. All proceeds from these events benefit the St. Bonaventure Food Pantry.

### ■ 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.

### OUTSIDE PARISH

### ■ THE BIG LA BOCCE 2016

Join us for the Annual Charity Fund Raiser, "The Big La Bocce" hosted by St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County and Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa at the Martinez Bocce Courts. In addition to lively games of bocce, participants will enjoy a dinner catered by the *New Mecca Café Mexican Restaurant*, and a chance to participate in our Silent Auction and \$500 Cash Prize Raffle!

Saturday, September 10; 2:00 – 7:00 pm  
 Martinez Bocce Courts - Joe DiMaggio Way, Martinez; \$59.00 per player includes dinner, drinks and play! Register online at: [www.svdp-cc.org](http://www.svdp-cc.org) or [www.loavesfishescc.org](http://www.loavesfishescc.org). Play and support two great organizations! Questions: Barb Hunt, ☎ 925-330-6732 or Joleen Lafayette ☎ 925-293-4792.

### ■ RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT IN MENLO PARK: Friday – Sunday, September 9 – 11

Gloria Maldonado 510-384-6875  
[gloriamaldonado375@sbcglobal.net](mailto:gloriamaldonado375@sbcglobal.net)  
*AfterTheChoice.org*

The Diocese of Oakland will host a Rachel's Vineyard weekend healing retreat in Menlo Park the weekend of September 9 – 11.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats and Post-Abortion Healing groups offer hope, help, and healing for the soul in a loving, supportive environment, and result in life-changing transformations. Confidential sign-ups for women, men, and couples are happening now. Don't delay your healing and renewal in Christ any longer! To register or find out more, contact Gloria Maldonado, see above, or visit *AfterTheChoice.org*.

**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 ☎ 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.

**Pray For**

ALL STUDENTS GOING  
BACK TO SCHOOL

GINA MARIE BALBUENA

**SANCTUARY LIGHT IS LIT FOR**  
**CHRIS BARRERE**  
August 20 - August 26, 2016




**MINISTRY FAIRE**  
**Sept. 10-11,**  
**after each Mass**

Please participate  
and help us  
celebrate the Gift  
of Ministry!

For information or  
to get involved:  
Contact Mike 925-  
676-7110

**Mass Intentions**  
**For The Week**



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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20**

5:00 Don Davis  
Emidio Busuttill  
Pat O'Brien  
Dave Weyer

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21**

7:30 Patricia Phillips  
Emidio Busuttill  
Christian Barrere  
Joseph Purcell

9:00 St. Bonaventure Community

11:00 Galvin de Guzman  
Robert Arena  
Manuelito Cabral  
Kaye Curry

5:00 For World Peace

**MONDAY, AUGUST 22**

6:30 Communion Service

9:00 David Picallo  
Tayvion Dean

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 23**

6:30 Fr. David Lawrence

9:00 Fr. Richard Mangini  
Newly ordained priests

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24**

6:30 Patients in the Nursing Home

9:00 Communion Service

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 25**

6:30 People who lost a loved one

9:00 Dimitris Argyriou  
Mathew Merrigan  
David Picallo  
Emidio Busuttill

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 26**

6:30 Communion Service

9:00 Emidio Busuttill

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27**

5:00 St. Bonaventure Community



People will come from the east  
and the west and from the north and the south

*and will recline at table  
in the kingdom of God.*

~ Luke 13:29



### ■ LUCAS 13: 22-30

*En aquel tiempo, Jesús iba enseñando por ciudades y pueblos, mientras se encaminaba a Jerusalén. Alguien le preguntó: “Señor es verdad que son pocos los que se salvan?”. Jesús le respondió: “Esfuércense por entrar por la puerta que es angosta, pues yo les aseguro que muchos tratarán de entrar y no podrán. Cuando el dueño de la casa se levante de la mesa y cierre la puerta, ustedes se quedarán afuera y se pondrán a tocar la puerta diciendo: ‘¡Señor, ábrenos!’ Pero él les responderá: ‘No sé quiénes son ustedes’.*

Entonces le dirán con insistencia: ‘Hemos comido y bebido contigo y tú has enseñado en nuestras plazas’. Pero él replicará: ‘Yo les aseguro que no sé quiénes son ustedes. Apártense de mí, todos ustedes los que hacen el mal’. Entonces llorarán ustedes y se desesperarán, cuando vean a Abraham, a Isaac, a Jacob y a todos los profetas en el Reino de Dios, y ustedes se vean echados fuera.

Vendrán muchos del oriente y del poniente, del norte y del sur, y participarán en el banquete del Reino de Dios. Pues los que ahora son los últimos, serán los primeros; y los que ahora son los primeros, serán los últimos”.

“Vayan por todo el mundo y prediquen el Evangelio.” La Iglesia debe de ser misionera y peregrina dice el Evangelio de este día. Hay que engarzar como perlas del Reino de Dios a todos los pueblos y comunidades del mundo, así como cuando Jesús caminó rumbo a Jerusalén recorriendo aldeas y ciudades llevándoles el Reino de Dios, esta es la Iglesia peregrina que nos anuncia hoy el Evangelio.

Nosotros como Iglesia somos el mismo Cristo que sigue caminando hacia Jerusalén recorriendo ciudades y aldeas, es bello pensar que nosotros anunciamos lo mismo de Cristo y que somos su cuerpo misionero y peregrino. Nadie debe detenerse o acomodarse, todos tenemos que ir con el bastón peregrino. La humanidad es una continua peregrinación, todos vamos de paso y todos moriremos y es importante hacer conciencia de esto **“Estamos de Paso”**.

Es grande y hermoso ser misionero, saber de la conquista de almas que ahora no conocen a Cristo y lo van a conocer por la predicación del Evangelio. Este es nuestro trabajo y lo que hace que sea un sacrificio misionero que se puede ofrecer con amor al Padre por los enfermos, por los que no son cristianos y por todos los misioneros.

El que se despreocupa de este sentido misionero no puede ser verdadero cristiano. Fíjense en el Evangelio de hoy “Os quedaréis fuera. Llamaréis a la puerta diciendo: Señor, ábrenos. Y Él os replicará: no sé quiénes sois. Entonces comenzarán a decir: Hemos comido y bebido contigo, y tú has enseñado en nuestras plazas. Pero Él os replicará: “No sé quiénes sois. Alejaos de mí malvados.”

No basta llevar el nombre de cristianos o decir que somos católicos y vivir una vida como paganos para presentarse al cielo y decir: “Jesús me conoce.” Aquí Jesús dice que desconoce a todo aquel que no haya querido hacer su título de cristiano y hacer su misión que es nuestra profesión de vida.

Esto es un llamamiento cristiano a vivir esta escatología, esta esperanza, este cielo. Todo cristiano que descuida sus deberes con el prójimo, tampoco ama a Dios y pone en peligro su propia salvación. A Jesús le preguntaron: “¿Señor serán pocos los que se salvan?” que no nos importe el número si van a ser pocos o muchos, lo que nos debe de importar es si cumplimos bien nuestro deber en esta tierra, que estemos tratando de entrar por la puerta estrecha y no caminamos por la vía ancha del vicio, del egoísmo, de las injusticias. Caminemos en conversión. Dios les ayude. Diácono Mariano Preza.

### ■ AÑO JUBILAR DE LA MISERICORDIA Vigésimo Primer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario



Este Año Jubilar de la Misericordia y el Ministerio del Papa Francisco han renovado nuestro entendimiento de que el corazón de la iglesia está abierto a todos, y el corazón del Evangelio es la misericordia de Dios. Inundados con la misericordia de Dios, nuestros corazones heridos y

cansados deben desbordar como canales la misericordia sanadora de Jesús. Pero Jesús advierte, nuestra salvación no está garantizada por la liturgia de la Palabra (“usted ha enseñado en nuestras plazas”) ni por la Eucaristía (“hemos comido y bebido en tu compañía”) (Lucas 13:26).

Vendrán muchos, “del este y el oeste y del norte y el sur... y participaran en el banquete del Reino de Dios” (13:29). Ser misericordiosos es la clave para nosotros obtener misericordia (Mateo 5:7). Quizás nosotros no nos atreveríamos a hacer la pregunta que “alguien” le hizo a Jesús, ¿“Señor, sólo unos pocos se salvarán?” (Lucas 13:23). La pregunta crucial es ¿“Nos salvaremos?” Y la respuesta de Jesús es otra pregunta: ¿“Han sido misericordiosos con todos? ¿ Han mostrado misericordia libre, alegre, sin límites, sin condiciones, sin excepciones?”

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### ■ FRASES DEL PAPA FRANCISCO

“Un cristiano que escoge ser misericordioso experimenta la verdadera vida y tiene ‘ojos para ver, oídos para escuchar y manos para consolar.’ Lo que hace que la misericordia sea viva es su constante dinamismo para salir a buscar a los necesitados y las necesidades de aquellos que están en sufrimiento espiritual o material.”

### ■ REGISTRACION PARA CLASES DE EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

La catequesis es un programa de dos años y está diseñada para que en el segundo año los niños/jóvenes reciban los sacramentos.

Las clases de Educación en la Fe para niños y jóvenes comenzarán la semana del 2 de octubre.

Ofrecemos clases en español en preparación para la Primera Comunión los domingos de 11:00 AM-12:30 PM. También tenemos clases en inglés los lunes y martes de 4:00-5:00 PM y el miércoles de 2:00-3:00 PM y de 6:30 a 7:30 PM.

Las clases de preparación para la confirmación son en inglés y las sesiones son los domingos por la tarde/noche.



Ubicaremos a su hijo dondequiera que se encuentre en el camino de la fe.

#### Registramos:

**Sábado 27 y domingo 28 de agosto;**  
**Domingo 18 de septiembre. 9:00 AM a 4:00 PM, Salón A-1.**

Estaremos disponibles para contestar cualquier pregunta que tenga y ayudarle a inscribir a los niños en la clase apropiada. Si su niño estuvo en nuestro programa de formación en la fe el año pasado, recibirá un paquete de materiales por correo a mediados de agosto. También habrá formularios de inscripción en la entrada de Iglesia, en la oficina Parroquial y en nuestra página web.

¡Esperamos tener a su hijo en nuestros programas de formación en la fe!

#### ■ RENOVACION - AMBIENTE SEGURO PARA NIÑOS

Desde el 1ro de Julio 2016, San Buenaventura comenzó la renovación anual del entrenamiento "Ambiente Seguro para Niños." Todos los miembros de ministerios, devociones, catequistas, voluntarios tienen que tomar el entrenamiento proveído por el programa VIRTUS antes del 30 de septiembre. **Para poder hacerlo primero tienen que registrarse en virtusonline.org.**

Nuestra Parroquia ofrece entrenamiento tanto en inglés como en español. **Recuerde que para poder atender uno de nuestros entrenamientos, primero tiene que registrarse en el website de VIRTUS.** Si le es más conveniente se puede tomar el entrenamiento en línea.

Sesiones de entrenamiento Ambiente Seguro para Niños:

#### INGLES

Martes, 23 de agosto – 1:00pm, salón B1  
Miércoles, 7 de sept. – 7:00pm, Iglesia

#### ESPAÑOL

Lunes, 22 de agosto – 7:00pm, salón B1  
Lunes, 12 de sept. – 7:00pm, salón B1  
Jueves, 29 de sept. – 7:00pm, salón B1

Si tiene preguntas favor llamar a Mercy o a Virginia al (925) 672-5800

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 09/17	12:00 p.m.	Fri 09/09	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.

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Sept. 7 – Sept. 9 (Miér – Vier)	1:00 pm – 8:30 pm
Septiembre 10 (Sábado)	10:00 am – 5:30 pm

**Registramos**  
Disponible en línea. Tiene que ir al sitio web de San Buenaventura, <http://www.stbonaventure.net/lifetouch>, y hacer click en Lifetouch, o llame a Emily Molina al 925-963-3483

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**Horario de Oficina:**  
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Teléfono ☎ (925) 844-9015  
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Lunes a Jueves: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Viernes: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.



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