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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

February 5, 2017 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | *5 de febrero de 2017 Quinto 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

■ **WHAT IS THE QUALITY OF
 "SHARING" IN YOUR LIFE?**

Stewardship: being a steward is today's and next weekend's theme. The word describes our fundamental relationship to everything: That we are here for others and for the world. The root English word for a steward is "Guardian of the Hall." We are not owners. **We are the protectors.**

The Stewardship word is a very positive word. **We are protectors. We are promoters** of life, promoters of sharing, promoters of helping. We realize that our life is a gift and that we are grateful for the gift. **Being grateful generates generosity.**

St. Bonaventure has promoted the spirituality of stewardship for the last 20 years. That is why we have many parishioners reaching out in many ways, within and outside of our parish community. We have helped to build a hospital in Africa, a center for street children in India, a grammar school in El Salvador. **Stewardship promotes a vision for life.** The prayers of stewardship create action, put money toward excellent purposes, enrich the lives which give and the lives which receive.

A steward has to have the intention of being a steward. A steward has to have been touched in some personal way by Jesus. A real steward breathes a fresh, spiritual, wholesome air. It is not a matter of "do I have to," but rather, "I really want to." It is more than giving time to serve, talent, know-how to do something for someone and treasure to fund a project.

You can become a steward at any age. We teach our young children to know their own personal gifts and to share them in natural and trusting ways. One can be a "big time" steward and a "small time" steward. God loves "cheerful, joyful givers." The reward is what God gifts back - the prize of a rich personal fullness. **A steward does not need things** and certainly does not clutch them as if they cannot separate themselves from them.

Actually, **the world exists because God is the First Steward.** From out of the life

and love energy that is God, everything and everyone else begins. Life and love shared is Stewardship. Our life and love shared is Stewardship. I encourage you to share your life and your love.

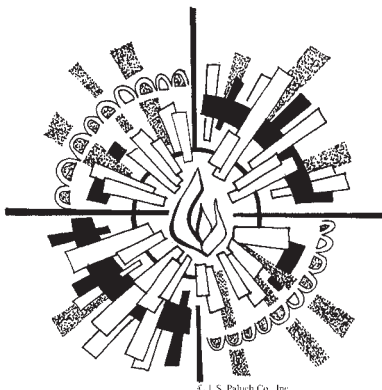
Next week: The Parish Council Speaks

■ **LETTER OF 'THANK YOU' FROM FR.
 ARNOLD ABELARDO**

Greetings of Peace! I want to thank you, the parish and the Fil-AM community for your generosity in sending ₱70,312.50 pesos for the construction of our water project in Saklay Center in San Antonio, Nueva Ecija, Philippines. The project development is still on-going as we put in more pipes and lines that will lead to our vegetable gardens and the facility. The water project is very important for our community, for our organic farming and agricultural development of mothers and youth.

The water project helps us reduce our expenses on water bills. And we are able to make our vegetables more green and healthy because of the water availability. Saklay Center continues to help and assist poor mothers and youth in skills development like candle making, baking, gardening, health teaching and values formation. We value our partnership in empowering communities to be sustainable and independent in their livelihood.

Thank you so much for your help and support. We are grateful and we will always remember your community with gratitude and joy. Please pray for us as we pray for you and your community also. God bless. Salamat Po!



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PARISH LIFE THOUGHTS
 FROM CHRISTA FAIRFIELD

■ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUPER
 BOWL SURF N' TURF EVENT A GREAT
 SUCCESS.**

The Knights of Columbus Super Bowl Surf n' Turf Event was held in the Large Hall on Saturday, January 28 and had 150 attendees. The event included a live auction, many raffle items, and a dessert auction, all to the delight of those in attendance. Feedback from our attendees indicated that they really enjoyed a fun evening and some great food. The evening's donations allow the Knights of Columbus to continue their charitable works throughout the year.

There were many contributors to the evening's success, which included our teens as servers for the evening, volunteer bakers for the dessert auction, the food prep team, donors of live auction and raffle baskets, wine and beverage donors and those that staffed the beverage bar, our auctioneer, table arrangement and ticket sales, the decoration and setup crew and those that performed the clean-up task. Thank you to all of the Knights of Columbus and friends who contributed in so many ways in the planning and implementation of plans for this highly successful evening.

We look forward to seeing you at our St. Patrick's Dinner on Saturday, March 11, 2017!

—Bill O'Connell, Grand Knight and
 Gary Halick, Deputy Grand Knight

■ **ANNUAL REPORT FROM OUR ST
 BONAVENTURE SVDP CONFERENCE**

The St Bonaventure Conference of St Vincent de Paul (SVdP) is privileged to be supported by such a generous parish as ours. Ours is a rewarding ministry, and we Vincentians are repeatedly witness to the face of Christ in those we serve. Fr Mangini was recently briefed in detail on the scope of our work last year, and here are some highlights of that report:

- Conducted 269 family visits, helping a total of 780 individuals.

- Distributed \$22,833 in financial aid including rent, utilities, transportation, and food.
- Distributed an additional \$22,919 of in-kind goods and services, mostly our Friday Foods program, but also clothing, furniture, auto repair, and moving of household goods.
- Managed to present two families with donated used cars in excellent condition.

Perhaps our most important contribution to the families we serve, however, is our face-to-face compassion and caring. We go to where they are and engage them in relationship. We wish not to merely give out monies and things, but also to include them in community. We are there to help with budgeting, job search and interview skills, and obtaining social services. We don't wish to create dependency on us, but rather encourage reliance on themselves.

All that said, we must still request your continued financial support. Affordable housing is scarce, costs of goods continue to rise, and jobs are still difficult to find. We (again) thank you in advance.

■ PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

Good news — the second and final proof of our 2016 Parish Directory is back in the hands of Lifetouch. Lifetouch will do their magic and produce our beautiful hardback directory. Their turnaround time is 30 business days, so the estimated shipping time will be the first part of March. With that date in mind, our plan is to have the distribution after all Masses the weekend of March 18/19 and 25/26. The directories will also be available in the church office during regular hours. For those parishioners who are interested in purchasing a directory, a limited number of directories will be available and the cost will be \$10.00.

Thanks to all of you who were able to partake in the 2016 Parish Directory; the committee hopes you will be pleased with this edition. Special thanks go out to the committee and all the angels who helped with the hosting at the portrait sessions — we couldn't have done it without you.

■ FAMILY TO FAMILY UPDATE: SPOTLIGHT ON ZAINAB AHMADI



Zainab Ahmadi, Najib's wife and mother of their three children, is the heart of the Ahmadi home. She is a beautiful young woman who loves her husband and children dearly and has a positive outlook on life. She works hard at being a good wife and mother and wants to be "a good person to everyone and to the nation." After being in the US for only eight months, Zainab states that it is "a good country, beautiful people, peaceful and secure." She loves that she can stay home alone or go out in the community and not be afraid. The only thing that Zainab really misses about Afghanistan is her family, especially her mother and father.

Zainab loves to learn and is currently studying English, which she finds challenging. When young son Bilal starts kindergarten in August, Zainab plans on attending daily ESL (English as a Second Language) classes. Eventually she would like to study other subjects and learn to drive.

One of Zainab's favorite hobbies is cooking, and she is an excellent cook. She dreams of one day opening an Afghani restaurant. Her favorite recipe is "Qabuli Palaw" — Afghanistan's national dish. It is made with rice, carrots, raisins, pistachios and lamb — the recipe can be found on the internet. Other hobbies include shopping and watching beauty tips on YouTube!

When asked if she would like to say anything to the St. Bonaventure Catholic Community, Zainab stated that thanks are not enough for the gifts and help she and her family have received. She believes

that they are "blessed to have family and community. We are so grateful and I keep it in my special memories." If you would like to learn more about how to help the Ahmadi family, please contact Jenelle Abrams at Jenelle.abrams@yahoo.com or contact the parish office.

■ FAITH DIRECT: PARISH EGIVING



The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collection donations of your choosing. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: CA725

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

LITURGY & MUSIC

■ MORNING OF ENRICHMENT

Saturday, February 11; 8:30am – 12:00pm
at St. Ignatius of Antioch

Join St. Bonaventure, St. Ignatius of Antioch, and St. Anne parishes for a morning of prayer, growth, and fellowship. The morning will consist of Welcome and Hospitality, Morning Prayer, Breakout sessions with a focus on the New Rite of Matrimony and the New Guidelines for Cremation, and a Closing Ritual. The breakout sessions will be facilitated by Anthony Arteaga, Director of Liturgy & Music here at St. Bonaventure and Fr. Robert Rien, Pastor of St. Ignatius of Antioch and Licensed Funeral Director. St. Ignatius of Antioch is located at 3351 Contra Loma Blvd, Antioch. All are welcome!

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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend of January 28 & 29 Collection
 Goal: \$25,440
 Actual: \$21,306
 Deficit: (4,134)

2nd Collection

St. Vincent de Paul: \$4,049.50
 Food for Family: 822 (1/24 & 29)
*EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)
 included in above figures*

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■ COMMUNAL CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Saturday, February 18 at 2:00pm

Suffering and illness affect us in body, mind, and spirit. If one member suffers in the Body of Christ, which is the Church, all the members suffer with that member. In times of frailty, sickness, treatment, or surgeries, the parish family assures the infirmed of our care and support through prayer, personal visits, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. This will not be a Mass. The celebration will consist of a Liturgy of the Word followed by the anointing. All requiring this Sacrament of healing are invited to join us.

■ 5PM SATURDAY CHOIR LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS

The role of the choir is to assist the assembly in worship by leading them in singing during the Mass.

The 5pm Saturday Choir is open to anyone who wants to join, and rehearses on Monday evenings at 7pm in the Music Room.

If you wish to become a member of the choir, feel free to come along to the rehearsal, speak to the director, Paul McWilliams, after 5pm Saturday Mass, check in with any choir member, and/or contact Anthony at aarteaga@stbonaventure.net and your information will be forwarded to Paul.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON: GN 1:1-19; PS 104:1-2A, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35C; MK 6:53-56
 TUE: GN 1:20 -- 2:4A; PS 8:4-9; MK 7:1-13
 WED: GN 2:4B-9, 15-17; PS 104:1-2A, 27-28, 29BC-30; MK 7:14-23
 THU: GN 2:18-25; PS 128:1-5; MK 7:24-30
 FRI: GN 3:1-8; PS 32:1-2, 5-7; MK 7:31-37
 SAT: GN 3:9-24; PS 90:2-6, 12-13; MK 8:1-10
 SUN: SIR 15:15-20; PS 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 COR 2:6-10; MT 5:17-37 [20-22A, 27-28, 33-34A, 37]

LIFE AND JUSTICE MINISTRY

■ MONUMENT CRISIS CENTER NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Our Senior Moments coordinator is short on bingo prizes for this bi-monthly event. In particular, we are requesting small-medium liquid laundry detergent, fabric softener sheets, dish detergent, packages of sponges (two-sided with scrubber side), and toilet paper. We always need toiletries for our families and homeless clients. New only, please! If you can contribute any of these things, please bring them to the office. Eileen will be collecting items and will bring them to the Center after February 20. Our last drive was very successful. I brought a car-load of bingo prizes to the center in early December.

FAITH FORMATION FOR ADULTS

■ I WAS A STRANGER AND YOU DID NOT WELCOME ME

by Fr. James Martin, SJ

President Trump has announced that he will order the construction of a Mexican border wall, the first in a series of actions to crack down on immigrants, which will include slashing the number of refugees who can resettle in the United States, and blocking Syrians and others from what are called “terror-prone nations” from entering, at least temporarily.

These measures, which mean the rejection of the stranger, the rejection of the person in need, the rejection of those who suffer, are manifestly unchristian and utterly contrary to the Gospel. Indeed, last year, Pope Francis said, “A person who thinks only about building walls, wherever they may be, and not building bridges, is not Christian. This is not the Gospel.”

But maybe you don’t want to listen to Pope Francis. Maybe you think that he was being too political. Or maybe you think Pope Francis is too progressive for you.

Maybe you think that you have a right to refuse a person in need. And that you have the right to protect yourself. Well, we do have the right of self-protection. But refusing the one in need because you want to protect yourself, especially when the other is in desperate need and obvious danger, is not what Christianity is about. It's about the opposite. It's about helping the stranger, even if it carries some risk. That's the Parable of the Good Samaritan in a nutshell.

But if you still don't want to listen to Pope Francis, then listen to Pope John Paul II, St. John Paul II, who wrote dozens of times about refugees and migrants. "Seek to help our brother and sister refugees in every possible way by providing a welcome... Show them an open mind and a warm heart," he said. And as if predicting our current situation, he said, "It is necessary to guard against the rise of new forms of racism or xenophobic behavior, which attempt to make these brothers and sisters of ours scapegoats for what may be difficult local situations."

For this is an issue of life or death. Migrants flee from profound poverty, which causes suffering and can lead to death. Refugees flee from persecution, terror and war, out of fear for their lives. This is, then, one of the church's life issues, so dear to St. John Paul II.

But maybe you don't want to listen to St. John Paul. Maybe you're not Catholic. Then listen to the voice of God in the Book of Exodus, speaking to the people of Israel: "You shall not oppress the resident alien [i.e. the refugee] for you were aliens yourselves once, in the land of Egypt." Every American heart should be stirred by that. Other than the Native Americans, all of us are descendants of immigrants. We were aliens ourselves once.

But maybe you don't want to listen to the Old Testament. Then, in the end, listen to Jesus. In the Gospel of Matthew, he provides a litmus test for entrance into heaven. At the Last Judgment, he will say to people, "I was a stranger and you did not welcome me." And people will say, "When were you a stranger and we did not take care of you?" And he will say,

"Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me."

Jesus himself is speaking to you from the Gospels. It is Christ whom we turn away when we build walls. It is Christ whom we reject when we slash quotas for refugees. It is Christ whom we are killing, by letting them die in poverty and war rather than opening our doors.

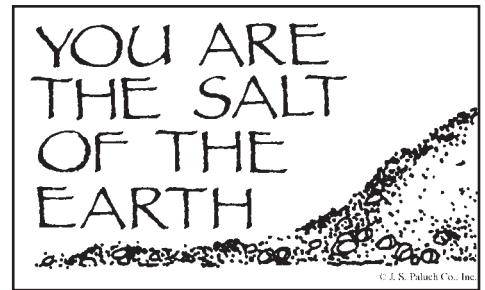
"Today," St. John Paul II said, "the illegal migrant comes before us like that 'stranger' in whom Jesus asks to be recognized. To welcome him and to show him solidarity is a duty of hospitality and fidelity to Christian identity itself."

So, reject these measures and welcome Christ. Call your local legislators and tell them to care for Christ. Write to the White House and ask them to protect Christ. Show up at town hall meetings and advocate for Christ. And pray for our brothers and sisters who are refugees and migrants.

Because if you do not, and you reject Christ, then it is their prayers that you will need.

■ **2017 MEN'S RETREAT**
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER:
A Retreat with the Psalms

Registration is now open for the 2016 St. Bonaventure Men's Retreat, which will be March 3-5 at San Damiano Retreat Center in Danville. Our retreat master will be Fr. John Endres of the Jesuit School of Theology, who will focus on the psalms as resources for individual and communal prayer. For more information, call Peter Nixon (☎ 925-381-7853) or Matt Remington (☎ 925-672-4006). Registration forms are available online at www.stbonaventure.net (Parish Ministries – Men's Spiritual Network).



■ **PARENT ENRICHMENT**

Turn off your I-Pads, your I-Phones, and your I-Tunes and come experience a new way to look at your marriage through I-Marriage. In our monthly meetings, we will learn how Andy Stanley's three key teachings help you enrich your marriage and examine the "I's" of marriage: "Keeping My 'I' On You," "Putting Your 'I' Out," and "It Takes Three." We will meet, **Tuesday, February 14**, Classroom A2, 6:00-7:30pm. Free childcare is available in A4. If you have questions, please contact Eileen @☎ 925-672-5800 or elimberg@stbonaventure.net

■ **ADULT CONFIRMATION**

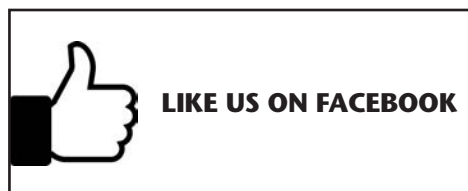
The parish celebration of Confirmation will be on May 13 with William Cardinal Levada. Parish preparation for those adults/young adults interested will begin **Monday, February 27**, from 7:00-8:30pm. Each candidate must:

- be over 18 years of age
- no longer be in high school
- be a baptized Catholic
- have received First Communion and
- attend Mass on a regular basis.

If you are interested, please contact Eileen ☎ (925)672-5800 x2217 or elimberg@stbonaventure.net. Registration requested by February 15.

■ **CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER**

Christmas time is the time to celebrate the beautiful gift of God becoming man. Jesus was a great healer and teacher who taught us to pray. He suggests we go to our quiet space to pray. Spend some quiet time with God. Join us on Tuesdays, 4:05-4:30pm in the Chapel.



PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

■ ADULT ACTIVITIES

■ HOSPITALITY WEEKEND

Today is Hospitality Weekend: **February 4 & 5.**

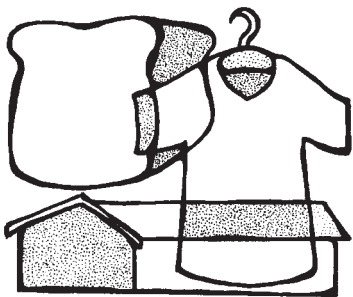
Thank you to the parishioners and volunteers who have donated to this fine ministry.

After the 5pm Saturday Mass, we 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!

■ SENIOR LUNCHEON

Thursday, February 9 at 11:30 AM in the Large Hall, \$13 per person.

Come share your love in the spirit of Valentine's Day. We will enjoy a romantic sirloin tri-tip steak dinner with au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables and a green salad. As always, drinks and dessert are included. Please make reservations by Monday, February 6 by calling George or Mary Jane Brown at 363-4708 or by registering after Mass on February 4 or 5. Adults of all ages are welcome!



**HUNGRY
HOMELESS
NAKED**
 ...DO NOT TURN
 YOUR BACK
 ON YOUR OWN

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■ BOY SCOUT TROOP 444 ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Sunday, February 19, 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

■ ST. MARY'S SENIOR DINNER IN OAKLAND

Please help us provide cakes, coffee and bingo prizes for the low-income seniors we serve at St. Mary's Center in Oakland. (Bingo prize suggestions: socks, soap, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste/toothbrush, nail polish)

The next dinner is scheduled for Sunday, **February 19.** Cakes, cans of coffee and bingo prizes can be left in the Small Hall on the ledge near Frank's corner office. Please bring items before the 11:00 Mass on that Sunday. Cash donations for St. Mary's can be left in the church office. **All items need to be marked "St. Mary's-Oakland".**

Thank you for your generosity. It is much appreciated! Co-chairs: Carol & Jim Riley ☎ 672-4383 & Carol & Pete Chrobak ☎ 672-7158.

■ 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.

■ PREGNANT? NEED HELP?

☎ 1-800-910-0191, The Gabriel Project

OUTSIDE PARISH

■ CARONDELET'S ANNUAL MOTHER-DAUGHTER RETREAT: **Sunday, Feb. 26 from 9:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

This is a special time for mothers and daughters to explore, affirm and celebrate their unique bond in a renewing, relaxing and spiritually enriching atmosphere. The event includes the retreat, coffee/juice service, brunch and Mass.

The retreat is open to all mothers, grandmothers, aunts, alumnae and their daughters who are currently in 9th grade or above. To register visit: www.carondelets.org

■ SAVE THE DATE: **WORLD DAY OF THE SICK MASS Saturday, February 11, 11:00 am; The Cathedral of Christ the Light, 2121 Harrison St., Oakland Oakdiocese.org/WDS**



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Bishop Barber invites all who are sick or ill, as well as family members, caregivers and healthcare providers, to observe this day with him and with many priests, religious and laity from throughout the diocese. Please join us on February 11 in this special opportunity to pray for healing and hope in this fragile population. This day will include Mass, Anointing of the Sick, blessing of caregivers and healthcare providers, distribution of holy water from Lourdes, and a reception after Mass. For more information, visit oakdiocese.org/WDS.

World Day of the Sick, initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II and held annually worldwide near the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ.

■ **CELEBRATE LIFE AND LOVE:**

Valentine's Dinner & Movie at San Damiano

Sunday, February 12, 5:00PM; 710 Highland Drive, Danville ; \$50 per person; Movie: *French Kiss*

■ **CELEBRATE 15 YEARS OF THE "VILLAGE MOVEMENT"**

Clayton Valley Village, Inc. invites you to learn more about the nationwide "Village Movement" and the 15th anniversary of the first village, Beacon Hill Village, in Boston.

Date: Monday, February 13

Time: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Location: Hoyer Hall in the Clayton Library

Program:

1:00 pm Check-In

1:30 pm Overview of Clayton Valley Village and membership information

2:00 pm Live webinar presentation by Village to Village Network including keynote speaker Atul Gawande, author of the best-selling book "Being Mortal and What Matters in the End."

3:00 pm Reception; informal Q&A

Clayton Valley Village offers seniors the opportunity to stay in their own homes for as long as possible by offering a network of services to support them. For more info, please contact Sue Manning (925) 672-2727.

■ **JOIN US FOR PASTA DINNER NIGHTS**

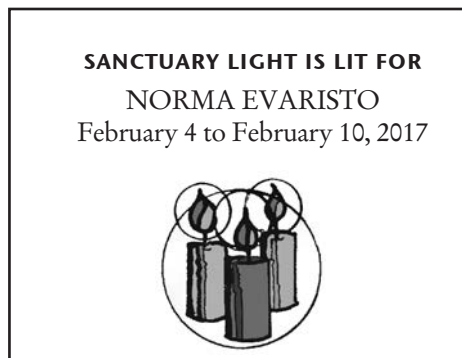
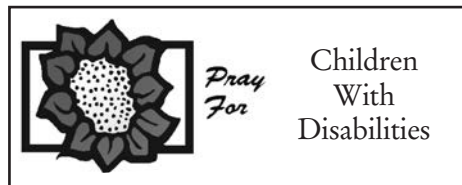
When: February 19, March 19, May 21, August 20, October 15, November 19, and December 17; 4:30pm – 6:30pm; San Damiano Retreat, 710 Highland Dr. Danville; \$15 (Adults); \$10(Children 12 & under)

Menu: Spaghetti (with meat and vegetarian sauces), salad, garlic and French Bread, dessert and beverage

Purchase tickets: sandamiano.org (925) 837-9141

■ **RETROUVILLE**

Marriage Help – Retrouville has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on February 24, 25, & 26, 2017, call (510) 276-4118, email Oakland@RetroCA.com or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com



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.

Mass Intentions For The Week 
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- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4**
- 5:00 Mona Lacey
Marcelino Domingo
Catherine Ball
Ed Hackemeier
- SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5**
- 7:30 Bud Brinkerhoff
Father David Lawrence
Rodger Olivares
Rino Galli
- 9:00 Raymond & Margaret Mangini
Norma Evaristo
Nick & Olga Castelan
Jeff Wursewer
- 11:00 Fely Crusit
Mary Lou Francis
Clarita Kahulugan
Norma Evaristo & Family
- 5:00 St. Bonaventure Community
- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6**
- 6:30 Communion Service
- 9:00 Jeanann Davis
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7**
- 6:30 Jeanann Davis
- 9:00 Bud Brinkerhoff
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8**
- 6:30 Communion Service
- 9:00 Communion Service
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9**
- 6:30 World Peace
- 9:00 All priests and seminarians
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10**
- 6:30 Communion Service
- 9:00 Manuel Franco
Catherine Caponio
Norma Evaristo & Family
- SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**
- 5:00 Jim Garry
Frank Billeci
Marcelino Domingo
Jan Smith

■ ¿CUAL ES LA CALIDAD DE "COMPARTIR" EN TU VIDA?

Compartir, ser un discípulo es el tema de hoy y del próximo fin de semana. La palabra describe nuestra relación fundamental con todo: estamos aquí para otros y para el mundo. **No somos dueños. Somos los protectores.**

La palabra discípulo es una palabra muy positiva. **Somos protectores. Somos promotores de vida, promotores de compartir, promotores de ayudar.** Nos damos cuenta que nuestra vida es un regalo y que estamos agradecidos por este don. Ser agradecido genera una generosidad.

San Buenaventura ha promovido la espiritualidad y el compartir durante los últimos 20 años. Es por eso que tenemos muchos feligreses que vienen a nosotros por muchas razones de dentro y fuera de nuestra comunidad parroquial. Hemos ayudado a construir un hospital en África, un centro para niños de la calle en la India, una escuela de gramática en El Salvador. **Ser discípulo promueve una visión de la vida.** Las oraciones de los discípulos crean acción, donan dinero a fines excelentes, enriquecen la vida de quien da y la vida de quien recibe.

Un discípulo debe tener la intención de ser un discípulo. Un discípulo tiene que haber sido tocado de alguna manera personal por Jesús. Un discípulo real respira un aire fresco y saludablemente espiritual. No es una cuestión de "tengo que", sino más bien, "quiero." Es más que dar tiempo, talento, saber cómo hacer algo por alguien y poder financiar un proyecto.

Uno puede convertirse en un discípulo a cualquier edad. Enseñamos a nuestros hijos jóvenes para que conozcan sus propios dones personales y a compartirlos en una forma natural y confiada. Uno puede ser un "gran" discípulo y un discípulo "pequeño". Dios ama "dadores alegres y contentos." La recompensa es que Dios nos da--el Premio de una enriquecida plenitud personal. Un discípulo no necesita cosas y ciertamente no los sujeta como si no pudieran separarse de ellos.

En realidad, el mundo existe porque Dios es el primer discípulo. De la energía de vida y amor que es Dios, todos y todo comienza. Compartir la vida y el amor es ser discípulo. Compartir nuestra vida y nuestro amor es el discipulado. Los invito a compartir su vida y su amor.

Próxima semana: Habla el Consejo Parroquial



■ INSTITUTO HISPANO

El Instituto Hispano fue fundado para responder a la formación teológica y pastoral de agentes evangelizadores comprometidos en la Misión de la Iglesia. Por ello la Universidad de Santa Clara a través de la Escuela Jesuita de Teología en Berkeley, California, ofrece un programa de certificación en **Teología Hispano Latina y Estudios Pastorales.**

El programa consiste en la participación durante tres años, de dos semanas intensas de estudios, normalmente durante la segunda y tercera semana de Julio. Nuestro programa cuenta con una facultad acreditada con un doctorado académico y reconocida experiencia en su materia. Por más de 25 años, nuestras clases se realizaron en la Escuela de Teología en Berkeley. Con el deseo de continuar brindando la calidad académica y favorecer la experiencia comunitaria e intelectual del programa, ahora lo tenemos en el campus de la Universidad de Santa Clara.

El Instituto se basa en una pedagogía que toma en serio el llamado bautismal, para responder a las necesidades de la Iglesia. Proporciona la formación de líderes que son dirigentes competentes, conscientes y compasivos.

Aquí tienen la oportunidad de dar un paso más para encontrar lo que como agentes de pastoral andan buscando. Que la luz que viene de lo alto ilumine nuestra búsqueda y sacie nuestro saber.

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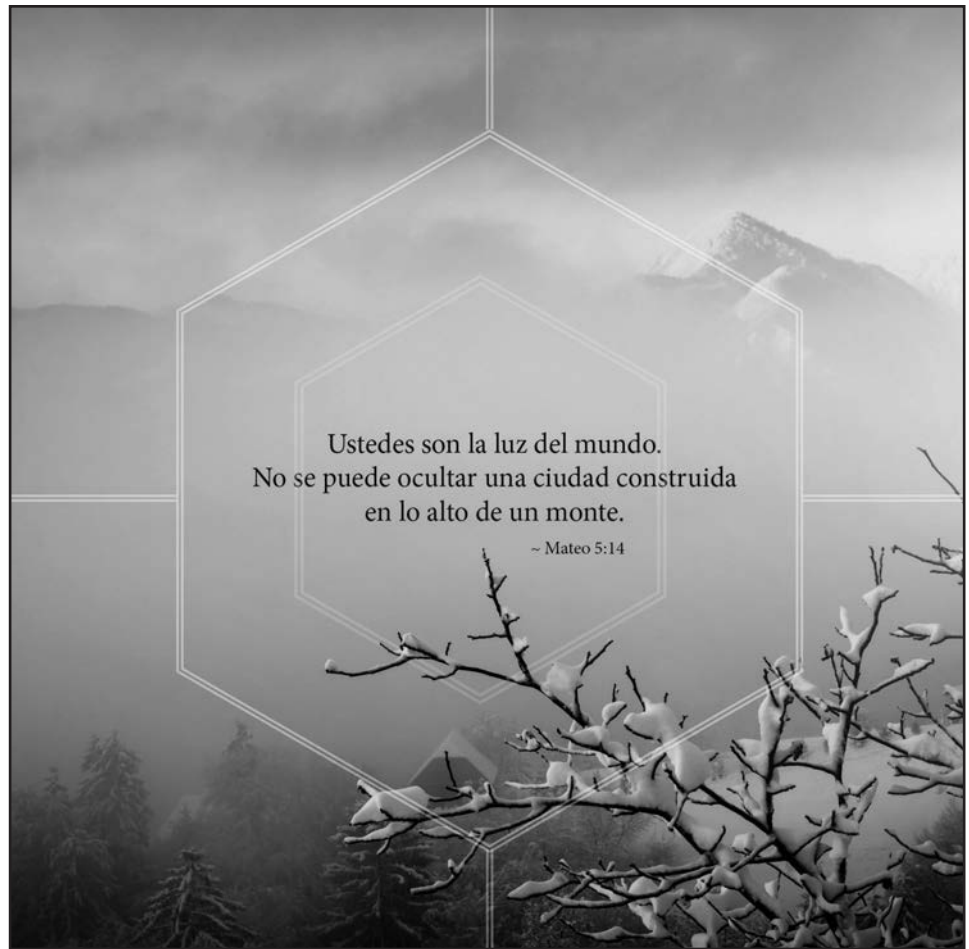
Por favor, para cualquier preguntan, llamar a **Maria Teresa Montes-Lara al número 510- 549-5020.**



■ INFORMACION DEL DIRECTORIO PARROQUIAL

Buenas noticias - la segunda y última prueba de nuestro directorio de la parroquia del 2016 está en manos de Lifetouch. Lifetouch hará su magia y producirá nuestro hermoso directorio con tapa dura. Les tomara 30 días para prepararlo, o sea que el tiempo estimado de envío será a principios de marzo. Con esa fecha en mente, nuestro plan es que la distribución será después de las Misas del fin de semana del 18/19 de marzo y 25/26 para las personas que se tomaron fotografías. Los directorios también estarán disponibles en la oficina de la iglesia durante las horas regulares. Para los feligreses que están interesados en la compra de un directorio, una cantidad limitada de directorios está disponible y el costo será de \$10.00.

Muchas gracias a todos los que participaron en el Directorio Parroquial del 2016; el comité espera que este usted complacido con la edición. Especial gracias a nuestro comité y todos los ángeles que ayudaron ordenando las sesiones para tomas las fotografías—no lo podríamos haber hecho sin ellos.



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Sat 03/11	12:00 p.m.	Fri 03/03	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 03/25	10:00 a.m.	Fri 03/17	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 04/08	12:00 p.m.	Fri 03/24	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/20	12:00 p.m.	Fri.05/12	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 05/27	12:00 p.m.	Fri 05/19	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/10	12:00 p.m.	Fri 06/02	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/17	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/09	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 06/24	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/16	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/08	10:00 a.m.	Fri 06/30	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/22	10:00 a.m.	Fri 07/07	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 07/29	10:00 a.m.	Fri 07/14	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/12	10:00 a.m.	Fri 07/28	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/19	12:00 p.m.	Fri 08/11	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 08/26	10:00 a.m.	Fri 08/18	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/09	10:00 a.m.	Fri 09/08	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 09/23	10:00 a.m.	Fri 09/15	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/14	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/06	7-9:30 p.m.
Sat 10/28	10:00 a.m.	Fri 10/20	7-9:30 p.m.