

Bernard's Catholic Parish

January 2, 2022



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www.st-bernards.org

Office Hours

Monday to Friday:

8:30am-9:30am

10:00am-5:00pm

Saturday-Sunday: CLOSED

Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Masses at Church:

Monday - Friday: 8:00am Saturday: 8:00am

Weekend Masses: Saturday at Church

5:00pm English Livestreamed/in person Livestreamed/in person Spanish 7:00pm

Sunday at the Church:

7:00 am English

9:00 am English

English 11:00 am

Sunday at the Holy Family Center:

8:00 am Spanish

11:00 am English

1:30 pm Spanish

English 5:00 pm

Confessions in the Church:

Wednesdays 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Saturdays 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.

Holy Family Center

12100 W. Valpico Road, Tracy, CA 95376



Pastoral Staff

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Deacon (Funerals & Marriages)

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Mary Correia, #102 Maria Esther Ramirez, #163

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Director of Religious Education
Stacy Hughes, #107
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Faith Formation Assistants
Adult Education, #108

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School Secretary
Sue Barnes, #132

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> Larry Bettencourt Special Projects

Welcome to St. Bernard's Parish

Epiphany of the Lord January 2, 2022

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Expressing our love of Jesus Christ through the Eucharist, enlightened by the Holy Spirit, and by living the will of the Father, we gather as one family, rich in culture and tradition, willing to share our gifts with all, and working together as we journey to the kingdom of God.

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

{CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED}

Question:

What happens to a consecrated host if it accidentally falls to the ground?

Answer:

This a very practical question because, as we all know, accidents happen, even during the most careful celebration of the liturgy. The short answer to this question is that nothing happens to the consecrated host. The Real Presence of Jesus remains in the consecrated host or any consecrated wine that might accidentally be spilled.

Another question we might ask is: How should the minsters respond if the Eucharist is dropped or spilled? If this happens, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion should immediately pick up the dropped host and consume it. If it is a case of the Precious Blood being spilled, the minister would use the purificator (and additional purificators if needed) to clean the spill and then the area should be reverently washed as soon as the Mass is over and the water poured into the sacrarium (a special sink that is located in church sacristies for reverently disposing of holy water, the water used to clean sacred vessels, etc.).

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Could you not watch an hour with Me?

"O Jesus! On this day, You have fulfilled all my desires. From now on, near the Eucharist, I shall be able to sacrifice myself in silence, to wait for Heaven in peace. Keeping myself open to the rays of the Divine Host, in this furnace of love, I shall be consumed, and like a seraphim,

Lord, I shall love You."

~St. Pope John Paul II

Join your fellow parishioners for Adoration in the Church Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, from 4pm to 6pm.

Come spend **ONE Hour** with Our Lord!



MASS INTENTIONS



SUNDAY, January 2nd

7:00 a.m. St. Bernard's Memorial Intentions (English-CH) All Parishioners of St. Bernard's,

living & deceased

8:00 a.m. (Spanish-HFC) +Darlin Mendieta

9:00 a.m.

+Ruben, Alicia, & David Barrera

In thanksgiving for prayers answered +Maria Cordeiro +Albert Bogetti (English-CH) +John & Bernice Mancuso

+Manuel & Alice Borges +Consolacion Castillo +Lois Whitlock

11:00 a.m. (English-CH) 11:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

(English-CH)

+Felicissimo Carvalheira +Jessie Lidano +Rodolfo Ordes +Pacita DeVera

(English-HFC) +Anton Van-Dinh Man +Jovina Quinto +Jesus & Valeria Garcia +Ofelia Lopez

(Spanish-HFC) +Jesus Medina +Jaime Hurtado

+Lolita Sucion Geminiano +Doris Case

+John, Maria, & Nivia Dinis

+Dionisia Legaspi +Maria Jose Viveiros

MONDAY, January 3rd

(English-CH)

8:00 a.m. +Souls in Purgatory +Joe F. Silveira +Wyndham Chow +Thrinh Nguyen +Angelo F. Porto +Sonja Pineo Intentions of John Gisla In thanksgiving to St. Lucy

for prayers answered

TUESDAY, January 4th

(English-CH)

8:00 a.m. +Lucita De La Cruz +Pat Ontai

+Edward Avila +Souls in Purgatory +Marsha Sciortino +Joe Pacheco

+Virginia Bodnar +Gabriel M. Aguirre

+Anthony Van-Dinh Man Intentions of James Case

WEDNESDAY, January 5th

(Spanish-CH)

8:00 a.m. +Leoncio & Jorge Rubio

+Virginia B. & Jacinto Silva

+Souls in Purgatory +Carina Javier

+Javier Alvarez +Lorenza Lopez

+Alexis Solorio Rodriguez

Intentions of the Rubio-Contreras Family

THURSDAY, January 6th

(English-CH)

8:00 a.m. +Arlene M. Neves +Edilberto Soliven, Sr.

+Manuel, Isabel, & Joe Ferreira

+Jose, Helena, & Daniela Simas

+Victoria & Rosa Hernandez

+Serafin & Maria C. Terra Family

+Francisco Alvarez +Manuel Dias

FRIDAY, January 7th

8:00 a.m. (English-CH)

+Mateus Labandeira +Alice P. Dinis

+Antoinette & Russell Reece

+Maria Strmiska +Rocha Family +Espiritu, Josefa, & Aleth Priela

Intentions of Manuel Rodriguez

Intentions of Veronica & Jesse Cardoza

SATURDAY, January 8th

8:00 a.m.

+Mary C. & Manuel A. Brazil (English-CH) +Maria J. & Joe R. Silva Intentions of Joshua Ng

5:00 p.m. (English-CH) 7:00 p.m.

Intentions of Joseph Ng +Nadia K. Serrano +Matilde Ochoa

(Spanish-CH)

Intentions of Jonathan Trinidad

Second Offering

Next weekend, our second offering is for our Building & Maintenance Fund. It is important that we continue to invest in the maintenance and repairs of our existing facilities to help better



serve the current needs of our parish community. Please prayerfully consider a donation to this most worthy cause.



CONFESSIONS

in the CHURCH (163 W. Eaton Avenue)



Wednesdays: 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Saturdays:** 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Altar Candle Memorial

The Altar Candle Memorials for the week of January 2nd are:

In loving memory of Mary & Manuel A. Brazil, requested by John & Carol Silva.

In loving memory of Cesario Santa Maria, requested by the Santa Maria Family.



Sunday, January 2, 2022

Mass Schedule - Page 3 Mass Intentions 11:00 a.m. English RCIA-LH, SH, LHMR

Monday, January 3, 2022

4:00 p.m. Adoration-CH

6:30 p.m. English Baptism Prep.-CH 6:30 p.m. Grupo de Oracion-LH 6:30 p.m. Legion of Mary-LHMR 7:00 p.m. Ultreya de Cursillos-SH

7:00 p.m. 2nd yr. Eng. Confirmation Parent Mtg.-HFC

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

3:30 p.m. CYO Practice-LH 4:00 p.m. Adoration-CH

7:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Mtg.-LHMR

7:00 p.m. 2nd yr. Sp. Confirmation Parent Mtg.-HFC

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

9:00 a.m. Sp. Bible Study-MC 1 & 2

3:30 p.m. CYO Practice-LH 4:00 p.m. Confessions-CH

7:00 p.m. Sp. Bible Study-MC 1 & 2

7:00 p.m. 2nd yr. Eng. Communion Parent Mtg.-HFC

7:30 p.m. Warriors for Christ-LHMR

Thursday, January 6, 2022

9:00 a.m. Cleaning for Jesus-CH 3:30 p.m. CYO Practice-LH

4:00 p.m. Adoration-CH

4:00 p.m. FF RESPECT-LHMR

6:00 p.m. YMI Mtg.-SH

7:00 p.m. 2nd yr. Sp. Communion Parent Mtg.-HFC

Friday, January 7, 2022

3:30 p.m. CYO Practice-LH 4:00 p.m. Adoration-CH

Saturday, January 8, 2022

6:30 a.m. Confessions-CH 7:00 a.m. Cursillo Sabatina-SH 8:00 a.m. CYO Games-LH 6:30 p.m. Spanish RCIA-MC 2





RELIGIOUS ART 2022 CALENDARS

The Religious Art 2022 Catholic Family Appointment Calen-

dars are available at the Parish Office. One per family please.

Readings Week

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/

Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/

Jn 3:22-30

Pianist/Organist Needed

St. Bernard's is in need of volunteers to share their musical talents (cantors, piano players, other instruments) with for weekend Masses, Funerals, Weddings, & special celebrations.



If you have this God-given talent and are willing to share it, *please contact our Music Director*, *Jim Gwerder at 209-835-4560*, ext. 138.

Breaking Break Books

The Annual Breaking Bread missal is available for purchase at the Parish office or on-line at <u>OCP.ORG</u> or You can find a direct internet link on our website and/or bulle-



https://www.ocp.org/en-us/missals/BB/breaking-bread



Ministry of Caring



Lifting up to God for healing... those lately in hospital... Al Faria, Carmen Helmes, Carol Argulo, Christina M. Macalino, Dely Maganiz, Gabriel Gonzalez, Kathy Vierra Borges, Keith Robertson, Leonard Rego, Lindsay Roe, Luis A. Correia, Ronald Simmons, Salvatore Barbalinardo, Tony Valderama,

and at home/convalescent... Albert "Bob" Nunez, Aldrene Duvaul, Alys Zaslove, Amanda Williams, Amelia Licas, Ammon-Palmon Family, Angel, Gabriela, & Aurelio Piorato, Anna Navarro, Annette Torres, Anthony F. & Gloria Souza, Antonio Cisneroz, Athena Lysak, Aurora Patiño, Avery Horzeworski, Beth Valderama, Bob Magnan, Brenda, Brenda Krause, Brian & Maria Kost, Camerina y Cirilo Duran, Candida & Jose Sarmento, Carmelo y Maria Ortiz, Carol Jaques, Carol L. Silva, Catherine & Elizabeth Corsaro, Cedric Trujillo, Connie Aragon, Beto Gonzalez, Chris Kingston, Christabel Patrick, Darlene Enos, Debbie White, Deeds Aggie, Diana Russell, Dolores Garcia, Dolores & Robert Mariano, Dorothy Gonsalves, Dustin Boswell, Emilio Chairez, Eric Rossiter, Eulalia Rico, Fernando Zepeda, Florentina G. Navarro, Francisco Guerrero, Franco Maramonte, Frank & Tim Limon, Frank & Arlene DiMenco, Gabriel Faria, Gary Abate, Gaylene Serpa, Jesus y Maria Alvarez, Jesus y Maria Rubio, Jim Schopf, +Gavin Palmon, Gladys Mateo, Glorianne Piatek, Glynbruce J. Barreda, Guadalupe Montaño, Guadalupe Ramirez, Gussie Owen, Kay, James Russell, Jimmy & Donna, Jason "Jay" Sleeper, Javier Moreno, Jean Grady, Jeannie Hermerding, Jennie M. Ryan, Jennifer Overby, Jeremy Mendez, Joe Munoz, Joe Pacheco, Joe Ruse Sr., Joe Simas, Joey Pacheco, John & Leonore Durante, Jose Carasquillo, Jose Rico, Jose Mandujano, Jose Alberto "Beto" Jimenez, Jose S. Ramirez, Josefina Sanchez, Joseph Furtado, Josephine Costa, Josephine Serrato, Josephine Silva, Juanita Caspillo, Katy Chavez, Kim Abell Kirkpatrick, Kristen Correia, Letty Fornasero, Limon Family, Linda Rivas, Linda Vyas, Lisa Ramirez, Lolita Sundipa, Lorraine Arnaudo, Lorraine White, Louis & Miriam Avilla, Luciano Terra, Lucila Padilla, Luckshy Indran, Luis A. Ramirez, Luis M. Correia, Lupe Longoria, Luz Carasquillo, Lynda Rossiter, Maganiz Family, Margaret James, Maria Delgado, Maria & Jose Guerrero, Maria L. Silva, Maria Rico, Mark Cottrell, Marlene Reeves, Maria Rego, Mary H. Bacchetti, Mary Coleman, Mary Martinez, Mary Ann Pasaoa, Mary Serrato, Maxie Millingar, Michaeline Koepke, Mitchell Reeves, Micky Denny, Miguel Ojeda, Nick Eddy, Patricia Adams, Pedro Madruga, Rachel & Neil MacDonald, Rafael Barreras, Raul Delgado, Rogelio y Carmen Oseguera, Rosa Maria Guzman, Rose Figueiredo, Seida & Jaime Guerrero, Sheila Levesque, Shane and Belinda Conner & Baby Conner, Shannon Steele, Soledad Ochoa, Steven Ornellas, Sue Ohlendorf, Sylvia Lopez, Teresa Lima, Tina Darretta, Tom & Eleanor Joynt, Tony Currado, Tony Gonzalez Sr., Valerie Reppetto, Vidalina Cano, Virginia Gomez, our armed forces, medical

staff, first responders, their families, those we hold dear in our hearts, and souls in Purgatory.

Our beloved now living with Christ in a new way...
Vitalina M. Vargas, Theodore Zumel, Salvador Reyes
Velasco, Barbara Jean Rebeiro, Romulo Esteres, Jeffery

Wedding Anniversaries need to be called in 3 weeks in advance. Names cannot be automatically put into this column without your authorization. Please call Martha Segura for information or names to be added to this column: (209) 835-4560, Ext. 155 or (209) 482-7495.

Prayer Blanket Ministry

A Prayer Blanket is used to bring relief to the suffering and peace to the fearful. As one uses the blanket, may they know they are not alone; there are those who care about them and are praying for their healing. This beautiful act of sacrifice before

Gomes, & Elizabeth Vazquez.



the Lord truly transforms these blankets into prayer blankets whose very threads become interwoven with pleas for healing on behalf of the recipient.

At this time, we are in need of prayer blankets for men (hand crocheted or knit) in the following colors or combinations of them: blues, creams, browns, tans, rusts, greys, & black.

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 209-835-4560.

Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts

On behalf of Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts and the Catholic families in the area of Bethlehem, who operate the Olive Wood workshops, we express our deepest gratitude for the warm welcome and great assistance that your parish staff offered us during our visit to your parish.

We send our deepest gratitude to all parishioners at your parish for their generosity and support. This giving support will I positively impact our people in the Holy Land and will help them remain strong in the land of Christ.

By visiting your Parish, we were able to spread our message to the parish community about the plight of the Christian community in the Holy Land. Moreover, we are also able to bring attention to the hardships that our people are now enduring in the land of our Savior.

> Sincerely yours in Christ, John Qumesiyeh Shepherds Field Olive Wood Handcrafts

Parishioner Data Update



We need your Help!

Does our Parish database have YOUR family membership record correct? Please update YOUR records (if you haven't already done

so). We are continually updating our database with changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Some of the key items to update are:

- **Phone Number:** Have you changed your phone number?
- Address: Have you moved?

 Are you preparing to move soon?
- Family Members: Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Are there new family members in your household?
- **Email Addresses:** Has your email address changed/ Do we even have your email address?

If you have not already informed the Parish Office about changes to your record, please let us know so that the information in our Database is correct. Please call the Parish Office at 209-835-4560 or go to our website: www.st-bernards.org/moc and make the corrections yourself. Thank you for your help!

How can I continue with my parish support?

Contribute Online

We still need your help at this time, & there are lots of ways to give, even without a weekly collection basket:

- 1. **Online**-Click the button (www.st-bernards.org/contribute) to contribute one time or to set up recurring Giving Online.
- 2. **Mail**-Our Parish Office is open & we are allowing people into the Office. Please mail your envelopes to the Parish Office at 163 W. Eaton Avenue, Tracy, CA. 95376.
- 3. **Drop off at Parish Office**We have an envelope drop off slot to the right of the front door.
- 4. **Bring donation to Mass**—to be deposited into the collection baskets during the Offertory.



We Appreciate You!

Thank you! Thank you to our St. Bernard's Parish Family for your CONTINUED SUPPORT to our Par-



ish. Your love, care, and financial support for our Church community has been the driving force that keeps us moving forward during this continuous time of trial.

If *Online Giving or Text to Give* is not for you, you may still mail or drop off your Offertory Envelopes to our Mass collection basket, the Parish Office, or the Rectory. Both drop box locations are to the right of the front doors respectively.

Our Volunteers Are Valuable

We have always known that the many parishioners who volunteer to serve in our various parish organizations and ministries are truly valuable. Now we have confirmation. Based on the average hourly wage, experts currently estimate that one hour of volunteer time is worth \$17.55. However, to us your volunteer time is **invaluable.** Through the gifts of time and talent that our parishioners so generously share we are able to truly be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ here at St. Bernard's. Many thanks to all those faithful and generous stewards who volunteer in our parish! Your time is worth everything to us and remember, your pay is out of this world.....!

A Thought from St. Teresa of Avila

"Christ has no body now on earth, but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which

He is to go about doing good;

yours are the hands with which He is

to bless people now."

Teach children how to give out of love rather than guilt.

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

(2 Corinthians 9:7)

God desires children to give from the heart. If they learn that giving is deeply associated with guilt now, they will be less likely to give later. But if kids can learn to love their neighbors by giving financially to God, they will learn to *love* giving as a means of receiving and extending blessing to others.

The Parish Office has children's Sunday Offering envelopes. For more information or to get a set for your child, call us or stop by and see us.

Junior Legion of Mary (Zoom Meetings)

Come and join as we bring Mother Mary to you and she brings you to Jesus. Take this opportunity to be closer to her for she truly loves us as her children. The meetings will be Fridays at 4:15pm. All children ages 6 to 17 years old are welcome. Spend an hour with our Blessed Mother; let us all together draw close to her and be blessed.



Contact person for Zoom ID and Password: Laila Bimemiller: 925-413-9292, or email: lala16ph@yahoo.com

The Legion of Mary

Legion on Mary is the largest apostolic organization of lay people in the Catholic Church with over 5 million active members and 20 million praying (auxiliary) members. The legionaries do 2 hours of definite work each week under the guidance of a Spiritual Director.



We welcome all of you!

For more information, please contact: Melissa @ 209-839-6726 or Cynthia @ 209-740-5873

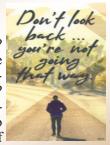
Charismatic Prayer Group

The St. Bernard's CHARISMATIC **PRAYER** GROUP invites everyone to come together and experience the JOY of Praising and Worshiping God through Prayers and Songs.

For more information, please contact: Linda Camins (209) 261-2465 or Ethel Balaaldia (510) 589-5999.

Re-Membering

Has God been tugging at your heart? Are you interested in coming home to the Catholic Church? Do you have any questions? Do you want to talk to someone? We are offering an opportunity for interested persons who have been away to learn more about the Church and decide if



it is time to come. If this is you, or you have a friend or relative who needs this invitation, contact:

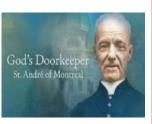
> Deacon Ray Whitlock at (209) 836-3194 or email: rlwhitlock@comcast.net.

PICK OF THE WEEK

January 2, 2022

GOD'S DOORKEEPER: St. André of Montreal

This week, we celebrate the memorial of a humble doorkeeper, St. André of Montreal. Learn how this man became a great saint through his small acts of love!



FORMED NOW!: **How to Pray**



Whether you are a veteran in the spiritual life or are just beginning, start this year off right by recommitting yourself to prayer! Join Drs. Tim Gray and Elizabeth

Klein as they discuss ways to kick-start your prayer life this year!

PREPARE THE WAY OF THE KING: Dr. Scott Hanh

As we celebrate the Epipha- WAY OF THE KING ny, Dr. Scott Hahn explains how we should understand the three Magi and their gifts to the Lord!



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Support Our Students Whenever You Shop!

There's an easy way to support St. Bernard's School! You can donate to St. Bernard's School without taking time out of your day, or going out of your way! We've teamed up with Benefit, a mobile app that allows you to instantly purchase digital gift cards to use online or instore, at retailers including Walmart, Target, The Home Depot and Amazon. When you buy using the app, retailers contribute up to 20% of your transaction back to our school — so you don't have to spend an extra cent!

Simply download the app and use it for your everyday purchases.

Profit timeline for 2021-2022: April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022. If you have any questions, contact Sue Barnes at sbarnes@st-berngradschool.org or 209-835-8018 to learn more.









A Prayer For School

O Lord God, School is not always easy, and some days, it is very difficult, and I struggle to relax and be at peace. Yet I know that You will give me patience, wisdom, and courage to be excellent in every way, and You will help me love others, as You love me. Amen.

David Bennett

What is Scrip?

Scrip is a fundraising program that benefits our school. It is in the form of gift cards.

How does Scrip work? Instead of going to the grocery stores, gas stations, & restaurants, come to our School to buy gift cards. A percentage of your purchase goes to our School to help keep tuition affordable. Thank you for supporting our Scrip program and the fundraising activities of our school.



FOLLOW US ON TWITTER:

@sbssaints and see all the wonderful things that are happening at our Catholic school.

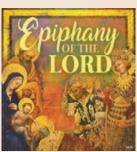
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Gospel Meditation The Epiphany of the Lord

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate

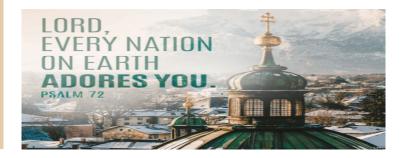


an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

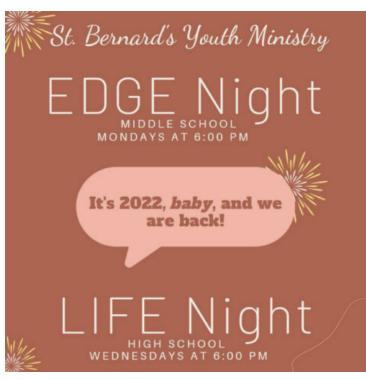
Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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Saint of the Week

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton January 4th

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.



After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

Pancake Breakfast



January 9, 2022: 8am-11am

Join the Knights of Columbus for Breakfast. with inside seating and YLI Bake Sale! ToGo plates: Pick-Up inside Fr. Fleming Hall

Menu: pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, and hash browns.

Cost: Adults: \$10 and Children \$6 (cash, checks, & credit cards accepted)

For inquiries, contact:

Martin Spilmon, Chairman (209) 627-9981

For Credit card preorders, please call: David Finnen (209) 833-3737

Saint Vincent de Paul Society



Serving St. Bernard's Parish
Help Us Help Others
If you are in need of assistance, we can help.
Call: 209-835-4560 (*Strictly Confidential*)



January Diaper Dash

"Please join our St. Bernard's Parish Community this January in collecting diapers to donate to

the Pregnancy Resource Center of Tracy. The Center provides over 34,000 diapers annually to those families in need as part of its Ministry.



Please drop off your diaper donations to the Parish Office during the month of January. You can also support the Center financially online by going to *donate.tracyprc.org*.

"Thank you for your generosity!"



You're Pregnant!

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PRC can provides free pregnancy tests, information on pregnancy, teen childbirth classes, teen parenting classes, maternity & infant clothing, post-abortion recovery & support for those struggling with a past abortion, and various medical clinic services. PRC also offers information and referrals.

You don't have to face life's questions alone. Explore your options.....PRC offers hope, help and healing. All services are free and confidential.



Walk for Life West Coast 2022



Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 18th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 22nd, 2022. There will be Mass at 9:30 am celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30 pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30 pm.

For more information about the Walk, visit: www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.



A weekend of support for anyone whose life has been impacted by pregnancy loss, abortion, and miscarriage.

Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Bilingual Spanish/English Retreat-January 21-23, 2022

Women, men, and couples - anyone affected by pregnancy loss - are encouraged to attend the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. This international ministry is a confidential, safe place to share your story and discover God's heart of compassion and mercy.

For more information and to register: https://www.realoptions.net/after-abortion-support/



Sweeter even than to have had the joy of children of my own has it been for me to help bring about a better state of things for mothers generally, so that their unborn little ones could not be willed away from them.

~Susan B. Anthony



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Parish Life Administrator

St. Bernard's Parish: The Parish Life Administrator is responsible for managing the business affairs of the church in a smooth and efficient manner so as to help enable the church to achieve its core purpose of "Leading people to an encounter with Christ that lasts forever". The primary functions of the position include: office operations, facilities, liaison to diocese, communications, fiscal oversight, records management, vendor management, human resources, administrative support and as a member of the Parish Leadership Team (PLT), will help guide the spiritual life of the parish and move the Parish to be a mission-oriented parish following the principles of Amazing Par-This is a full-time position with a compensation package including benefits. For full job description, visit: https://st-bernards.org/employment-opportunities

Please submit cover letter and resume to Marie White, Office Manager: mwhite@st-bernards.org



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Those interested should send their resume and include a cover letter summarizing why you are interested in the position to:

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JOB OPPORTUNITY

Administrative Assistant – Diocese of Stockton

The Office of Evangelization & Faith Formation is seeking a self-motivated, task oriented full-time (35 hours/week), Administrative Assistant. Responsibilities include planning and organizing major diocesan events, working with Office 365, Flocknote, Google, Zoom and Facebook, and typical administrative duties. Good communication and Spanish translation skills are important as this position works with leaders, ministers of the Church and diocesan community members. Interested applicants please submit resume to jobs@stocktondiocese.o...

For a complete job description, please go to: https://stocktondiocese.org/effevents.



Teacher's Assistant

St. Luke Catholic Preschool, located in Stockton, is seeking a qualified, teacher's assistant to work part-time five days per week. Position is available immediately. Under the supervision of the lead teacher and Site Supervisor, the teacher's aide is responsible for supporting the teaching staff to implement all components of equality in the preschool program and must provide students a safe and enriching environment to play, learn and grow. We are looking for an energetic, self-motivated, and committed staff member to join our team. This position is required to work effectively with parents, maintain positive staff relations and support the teachers to develop age-appropriate programs for 3–4-year-old children. Minimum Requirements: 12 units in Early Childhood Education and knowledge of Title 22.

To apply, please email a resume to: <u>preschool@stlukestockton.com</u> or call (209) 465-5368.

NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL



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~San Juan Pablo II

Venga y acompañe a otros miembros de nuestra parroquia para Adoración al Santísimo en la Iglesia el lunes, martes, jueves y viernes de 4-6pm. Por favor recuerde que debemos usar mascaras (tapabocas) y mantener distancia social.

Confesiones

en La Iglesia (163 W. Eaton Ave., Tracy, CA 95376)

> Miércoles 4:00pm - 5:00pm Sábados 6:30am - 7:30am



Segunda Ofrenda

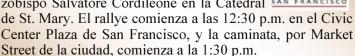
La próxima semana, nuestra segunda ofrenda será para nuestro Fondo de Construc-

ción y Mantenimiento. Es importante que continuemos invirtiendo en el mantenimiento y reparaciones de nuestras instalaciones existentes para ayudar y atender mejor las necesidades actuales de nuestra comunidad parroquial. Por favor, considere en oración una donación a esta causa.

Muchas Gracias por su generosidad.

Caminata por la Vida de la Costa Oeste 2022

La Caminata por la Vida de la Costa Oeste es el Sábado, 22 de enero 2022. Habrá una misa a las 9:30 am celebrada por el Arzobispo Salvatore Cordileone en la Catedral SAN FRANCISCO



Visite: http://stocktondiocese.org/walk-for-life para obtener una lista de las parroquias participantes o para obtener información sobre los oradores, las horas y el póngase transporte público, en contacto www.Walkforlifecs.com



Lecturas de la Semana

Domingo: Is 60, 1-6/Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 10-11. 12-13

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1 Jn 3, 22—4, 6/Sal 2, 7-8. 10-12/Mt 4, Lunes:

12-17. 23-25

1 Jn 4, 7-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 3-4. 7-8/Mc 6, Martes:

34-44

Miércoles: 1 Jn 4, 11-18/Sal 71, 1-2. 10. 12-13/

Mc 6, 45-52

Jueves: 1 Jn 4, 19—5, 4/Sal 71, 1-2. 14 y 15. 17/

Lc 4, 14-22

Viernes: 1 Jn 5, 5-13/Sal 147, 12-13. 14-15. 19-20/

Lc 5, 12-16

Sábado: 1 Jn 5, 14-21/Sal 149, 1-2. 3-4. 5 y 6 y 9/

Jn 3, 22-30

Ministerio de Cobijas de Oración

Una cobija de oración es para traer alivio a los que sufren y paz a los afligidos. Al usar la cobija, sabrán que no están solos; hay quienes se preocupan por ellos y oran por su



sanación. Este lindo acto de sacrificio ante el Señor realmente transforma estas cobijas, en cobijas de oración cuyos hilos se entrelazan con súplicas de sanidad en nombre del destinatario.

Actualmente tenemos bastante hilo que ha sido donado para aquellos que están dispuestos a hacer estas preciosas cobijas. Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a la Oficina Parroquial al 835-4560.

En este momento, necesitamos cobijas de oración, para hombres y mujeres.

regnancy Resource Center

Donación de Pañales

La comunidad de San Bernardo los invita a reunirse para donar pañales al Centro de recursos de embarazos de Tracy (Pregnancy Resource Center) este mes. Cada año, el Centro provee mas de 34,000 pañales como parte de su ministerio. Por favor deje sus donación de pañales en la Oficina Parroquial en este mes de

enero. También puede apoyar financieramente al Centro en línea visitando donate.tracyprc.org.

Gracias por su generosidad.

NOTICIAS EN ESPAÑOL

Estudio Bíblico

La Iglesia de San Bernardo los invita a la Formación Bíblica, para conocer verdaderamente a Dios a través de su Palabra.



Las clases empiezan el 5 de enero, en el Salón de Ministerios, todos los *Miércoles de 9:00 - 11:00 am*7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Salón 1: "Los Profetas del Antiguo Testamento"

Salón 2: ¿Que es la Biblia?

Para mas información, comuníquese con:

Edgar Franco al (209) 471-1386 Gabriel Meza al (209) 329-5381



MINISTERIO DE ORACION POR LAS VOCACIONES

Invita a todas las familias y personas de buen corazón a llevar la Cruz de Cristo a sus casas por una semana y orar por las vocaciones entre nuestra comunidad para el servicio a la Iglesia, como Sacerdotes, Monjas y Laicos comprometidos.

Por favor de registrarse al final de cada misa dominical. Dios les Bendiga.

Para mas información, comuníquese con:

Edgar Franco al (209) 471-1386 Gabriel Meza al (209) 329-5381

Libros "Misal del Día"

El misal anual "Misal del Día" está disponible para su compra en la oficina parroquial o en línea en OCP.ORG o puede encontrar un enlace directo a Internet en nuestro sitio web y / o boletín

https://www.ocp.org/en-us/missals/MD/misal-del-dia



Belleza en el Perdón La humanidad nunca es tan hermosa como cuando reza por el perdón, o perdona a otro —Jean P. F. Richter

CALENDARIOS DEL 2022

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¿Como puedo continuar contribuyendo a mi parroquia?

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- 1.**En línea**: haga clic en el botón (www.st-bernards.org/contribute) para contribuir una vez o para configurar donaciones periódicas en línea.
- 2.**Correo**-Nuestra oficina parroquial está abierta y permitimos un número limitado de personas en la oficina. Envíe sus sobres por correo a la oficina parroquial en 163 W. Eaton Avenue, Tracy, CA. 95376.
- 3. **Dejar en la oficina parroquial:** tenemos una ranura para dejar los sobres a la derecha de la puerta principal.
- 4. **Traiga su donación a la Misa-** Tenemos canastas en la entrada para que pueda dejar sus sobres.

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San Bernardo necesita voluntarios para compartir sus talentos musicales tocando el piano u órgano para las misas de fin de semana, funerales, bodas y celebraciones especiales. Si tiene este talento dado por Dios y está dispuesto a compartir, comuníquese con nuestro director musical, Jim Gwerder al 209-835-4560, ext. 138.

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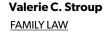


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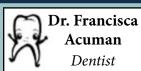
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