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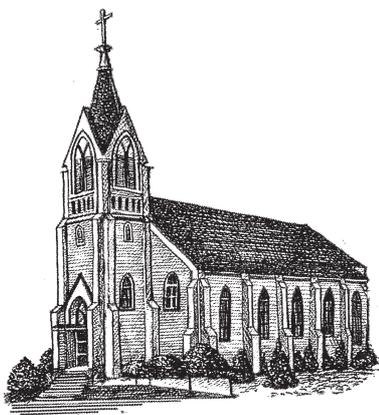
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Mass Schedule at St. Bernard

Sundays: 10:30 am

Weekdays: 12:15 pm. Mon, Wed, Fri

Holy Days: Vigil 7:00 pm, 12:15 pm

Confessions: Wednesdays 1:00 pm-

& by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wed. 1-9pm

St. Joseph Mission Church Mass Schedule

(Located on the corner of C & Henderson St.)

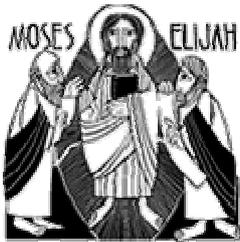
Saturdays: 4:00 pm. (vigil), Sundays: 7:30 am.

Weekdays: Tuesdays & Thursdays 7:30 am.

Holy Days: 7:30 am

Confessions: Saturdays 3:15-3:45 pm & by appt.

2nd Sunday of Lent – March 12th, 2017



Brilliant Suffering Last week we saw Jesus being tempted like the rest of us humans. But this week we see him transformed into dazzling white light! Not so human. What is going on? Imagine yourself sad and discouraged, wishing God

would help you. You want your faith back, which used to be strong. But now you do not find it. You go along in your normal patterns. Now, suppose that all at once you find yourself moved and attracted to God in a way you cannot doubt, a way that is beyond you but also within you. After the experience, you cannot really doubt that the occurrence is from God, even though you do not really understand it. This would be an important moment, wouldn't it—a transformation (though brief) of your experience of God, a reshaping of it.

Suffering, death and resurrection at the heart of love! In such a prayer, unusual as it is, God gives us a brief vision of how reality is at its core, impossible to describe here. So apply such an experience to the scene of Jesus' Transfiguration in today's Gospel. The apostles suddenly behold Jesus with his divinity shining forth. It shows through their blinders (and frightens them). Their experience of Jesus is transfigured. For a moment they see Jesus in the complete union with God that he is.

Daily onlookers saw only the human, but in this passage, Jesus is showing the apostles his whole self, divinity in its complete presence within its humanity. Why such a sudden revelation to them? Possibly this scene is just one stage of the instruction he had been giving to the apostles throughout the whole Gospel. Just before our passage he had finally taught them what a real Messiah is. He said that the "Son of the living God" (or in other words, the Messiah) "must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised." A shocking revelation for the apostles, and for us too. Suffering, death and resurrection at the heart of love!

I suppose the Transfiguration was the way for Jesus to reassure them and us that such awful sounding things actually fulfill his divinity. They are God's love shining forth.. - John Foley, SJ

Question: The three apostles went up the mountain to see the glory of Jesus. Where do we go to see the glory of Jesus in our lives?

Finance / Stewardship Collection: \$4,023 Ash Wednesday/Altar Fund: \$519 This week our 2 nd collection will be for Building Maintenance. Next week will be for Catholic Relief Services and Campaign for Human Development.
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Readings Today

Reading I: Genesis 12:1-4A
Reading II: 2 Timothy 1:8B-10
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Readings Next Sunday

Reading I: Exodus 17:3-7
Reading II: Roman 5:1-2, 5-8
Gospel: John 4:5-42

Mass and Intention Schedule with Celebrant

St Joseph

Sat. Mar 11 4 pm. – FE/DT- For the People
Sun. Mar 12 7:30 am. – FT/DD – For the People
Tue. Mar 14 7:30 am. –FT- +Eugene & Bridget O'Sullivan

Thu. Mar 16 7:30 am. – FT - +Maria Bosnar

Sat. Mar 18 4 pm. – FT/DD- +Mary Hoffman

Sun. Mar 19 7:30 am. – FE - For the People

Saint Bernard

Sun. Mar 12 10:30 am – FT/DD --Msgr. John Farrell

Mon. Mar 13 12:15 pm. – FT +Jose & Maria Gomez

Wed. Mar 15 12:15 pm – FT +Wayne Reed

Fri. Mar 17 12:15 pm. – FT- Int. Shar Evans

Sun. Mar 19 10:30 am. –FT Int. Ryan Pepper

St Joseph Hospital

Tue. Mar 14 11:30 am. – FT - +Maria Bosnar

Thu. Mar 16 11:30 am. – FE Int. Richard Kerr

FT=Fr Tom, FE=Fr Eddie, DD=Deacon Dance, DT=Deacon Tony, DF=Deacon Frank, DJ= Deacon Jesus

To request a Mass intention please call the office

Please Pray for: Mailde Vega, Benita Roman, Debbie McCollister, Mervyn Dody, Bill Bergesen, Jenie Wood, Lilia Hornilla, Steve Mill, Patricia Tritten, Sondra Lindstrom, Ryan Pepper, Edgar Dickinson

Events for the Week

3/13 Mon. 6:15 pm. English Religious Education SH

3/15 Wed. 7pm. Confirmation – SB Hall

3/16 Thu. 1pm. Bible Study- SH Rectory

7pm. RCIA -SH Rectory

7pm. Fourth Degree K of C

7pm. Youth Group - SB Hall

3/17 Fri. 6pm. Lenten Soup Meal – SB

7pm. English Stations of the Cross- SB

7pm. Spanish Via de Crucis-SH

3/18 Sat. 9am. First Confessions (English) SH

Children's Faith Formation News: Reminder: This

Monday Mar. 13th, there is a 1st Reconciliation Meeting at 6:30pm in Sacred Heart Church. This will just be a brief discussion, and will coincide with the children's class time.

First Reconciliation is on March 18th @9:00am - Sacred Heart. Please call me with any questions and I will be happy to help! Peace in Christ, Melanie Broswick # (707) 442-6466 ext. 1104

Youth Ministry News: Confirmation Parents: If you are interested in helping house our 12 NET Ministry team members, please come Wednesday, March 15th at 8:15pm. I will be ending class a few minutes early that evening so when you come to pick up your child please come to the youth room. I need to get a count of who can house our team as well as handout paperwork I will need for you to fill out. **I will also be sending home some important information with your students at our next class.** Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you & God bless - Analisa Alegria, Youth Minister

RCIA On March 4th, St. Bernard, along with other parishes from the northern part of the diocese, gathered at St. Mary's to celebrate the Rite of Election with Bishop Vasa presiding. Catechumens (awaiting baptism) are **Frances Dody, Bryon Pitlock, Sarah Tapia** and her son **Matthew Justice**. Candidate for full reception into the Church is **Carol Hurley** and for Confirmation, **Paul Emler**. Please encourage and support them with your prayers during Lent. We join with them in looking forward to Easter and reception of the sacraments.

Pastor's Corner: A Lenten Calendar of all Catholic events in Eureka and Lenten reading materials are available on the exit tables in the Churches.

For Lenten giving we will have two containers out for the masses in the sanctuary as we did last year. One container is for helping needy parishioners in our parishes and the other is for the Betty Chinn Foundation.

I encourage people to frequent Holy Communion during the weekday masses in Eureka and the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the scheduled times

Weekday masses:

Mon., Wed., & Fri. at 12:15 pm. at St. Bernard
Tue. & Thu. at 7:30 am. at St Joseph
Tue. & Thu. at 11:30 am. at the hospital chapel
Wed 7 pm. in Spanish at Sacred Heart

Reconciliation:

Sat. from 3:15-3:45 pm. at St. Joseph
Wed. from 1-2 pm. at St. Bernard
Wed. from 6-6:45 pm. at Sacred Heart
Friday's Soup Supper is minestrone

HELP WANTED 1 hour – 8:30am-9:30am on Fridays, dusting St. Bernard Church. Please contact office if you are interested. It should be an honor to keep our church building clean. A good Lenten work!

Pro-life news: Please Join '40 Days For Life' Please join us in peaceful prayer for an end to abortion through April 9 7am-7pm on the corner of Walford Ave and Wilson St in Eureka. You can sign up for 1 hour shifts at: 40daysforlife.com/Eureka. If you have questions please call Stephanie Goodwin @ 498-7758. **The National '40 Days For Life' bus will be coming to Eureka March 10th at 7pm ! ...Come show your support by peaceful prayer in front of Planned Parenthood with your pro-life sisters and brothers from across the country (7pm).**



St. Patrick's Day Dinner Invitation:

The Knights of Columbus invites you to a St. Patrick's Day celebration on Saturday, March 18th at 6 pm. at St. Bernard Parish. This evening of fun, great food and drinks includes live entertainment, raffles, silent auctions, prizes and the 'Pot O Green Grand Drawing.' Ticket prices are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children (12 and under) and are available after Masses or the Parish offices. Menu will include: corned beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, salad, Irish soda bread, coffee, punch and dessert. Beer and wine will be available for purchase.

Days of Lenten Recollection/Retreat in area

1. St. Mary's Arcata Lenten Parish Retreat, March 10-15th. See the bulletin board.
2. Assumption Parish, Ferndale. Sat., March 18th
3. Our Eureka Day of Lenten Reflection, Saturday, April 1 at St. Bernard's

St. Bernard's High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame Dinner

Honoring Alumni: Suanna Bonhote Rowell - 1966, Ken Kline - 1962, Friends of St. Bernard's: Frieda Jager in memoriam. SBHS Auditorium, Saturday, April 8, 2017. Cocktails 6:00, Tri-tip Dinner 6:45. Adults \$35 w reservation/\$40 at the door, Children under 17, \$20. RSVP to Julie Green-Winburn 707-725-3254. Mail checks to SB Alumni, PO Box 8181, Eureka, CA 95502. All proceeds fund scholarships to students attending St. Bernard's High School.

St. Bernard's needs to sell our 30x96 wooden folding tables.

We have 25 available for purchase, and they each will cost \$25. Great to store in your garage for those times when you need a large table. Please call the office for more information.

Humor: A small-town prosecuting attorney called his first witness, grandmotherly, elderly woman to the stand. He approached her and asked, 'Mrs. Jones, do you know me?'

She responded, 'Why, yes, I do know you, Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a boy, and frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat, and you manipulate people The lawyer was stunned.

He then pointed across the room and asked, 'Mrs. Jones, do you know the defense attorney?'

She again replied, 'Why yes, I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. He's lazy, bigoted, he cheats his clients and he has a drinking problem. He can't build a normal relationship with anyone, and his law practice is one of the worst in the entire state.

The defense attorney nearly died.

The judge asked both counselors to approach the bench and, in a very quiet voice, said, 'If either of you idiots asks her if she knows me, I'll send you both to the electric chair.'

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