

# The Catholic Parish of St. Bernard

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*Happy New Year!*

## 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.

## Mass Schedule at St. Bernard

Sundays: 10:30 am

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

Holy Days Vigil: 12:15 pm, 5:30 pm

Confessions: Wednesdays 1:00 pm & by appointment

First Friday Devotion 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wed. 1-2

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# Dec. 30th, 2018 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



## **And There He Sat**

At the time of Sunday's [Gospel](#), Jesus is twelve years old.

His family had gone up to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, which, with the constituent celebrations, lasted eight days.

There was a great procession to Jerusalem, with many villages represented. They all watched out for each other's children.

Joseph, Mary, and Jesus, traveling along with the others, surely must have enjoyed the big holy days—the reading of the Haggadah, and especially the Seder and its special foods, songs, and customs. These were the focal point of the Passover celebration. As expected, Jesus, obedient, stayed with his parents. Savory sights and pungent odors were natural to them, even mixed with human and animal fragrances. And with the dust of Jerusalem, which was ancient even then.

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Finally it was concluded, and those who had arrived now must depart. Imagine reassembling the convoy and putting everything in order. But it was like a huge family, so you knew your child would be with friends or relatives when he was not by your side.

Road dust, camel sniffables, etc., now dominated. But it was a happy time. Friends retold the stories, remembering the earliest acts of God on behalf of his people.

The sun began to sink and discrete families came together for sleep. Mary surely said, "Joseph, I think we should look for Jesus. He is probably talking with his friends as usual."

Little did she know.

But no relative or friend had seen him anywhere. He was last sighted the day before.

In Jerusalem. Mary's heart must have broken in two. What mother on earth cannot imagine it? Missing child. My child. Gone.

Mary and Joseph left the caravan, went back, and scoured the cramped city. Day One, looking - everywhere, no sign of him. They sleep an hour or so. **Day Two**, searching every place, asking everyone, following every trail. He was simply not there. Images of accidents, kidnapping, slavery, and so many more hovered just beneath their consciousness.

**Day Three.** They returned to the temple, this time finally daring in their panic to enter directly into the utterly private rooms where teachers and Rabbis debated major and minor points of scripture. No regular people were allowed there, especially poor travelers.

But there he sat. Perfectly at home for these three eternal days, the twelve year old, questioning teachers and answering them.

"Son, how could you? *How could you?*"

His answer was odd and we are told that Mary pondered it in her heart for years to come.

Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?

Obviously he needed a good spanking if he supposed that desertion of his parents was perfectly fine. Yet think about it. He did not come to earth in order to be Mary and Joseph's child. Just the opposite. Mary and Joseph came into earthly existence to prepare this boy for his role as the son of the Father of all things. And of course, every family's duty is to send their children out from home when they have become adults.

A learning experience for this family, painful, good, and pointing toward the future Easter, when loss would turn out to be the ultimate gain .-John Foley, SJ

## **Readings This Sunday**

Reading I: 1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28

Reading II: 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

## **Readings For Next Sunday**

Reading I: Isaiah 60:1-6

Reading II: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

## EUREKA NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE:

### Monday, December 31 New Year's Eve

5:30 pm Vigil Solemnity of Mary St. Bernard  
Fr. Eric Freed †

### Tuesday, January 01 New Year's Day

7:30 am Solemnity of Mary St. Joseph  
9:00 am Solemnity of Mary Sacred Heart  
10:30 am Solemnity of Mary St. Bernard  
7:00 pm (Sp) Solemnity of Mary Sacred Heart

### Holy Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 29

4:00 pm SJ Mary Hoffman †

#### Sunday 30

7:30 am SJ Mass for the People  
9:00 am SH Eleanor Davies †  
10:30 am SB Ernie & Lisa Domingo †  
\*6:00 pm SH Duke Krum Int. (Sp)

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5:30 pm SB Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary  
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#### Tuesday 01 New Year's

7:30 am SJ Solemnity of Mary  
9:00 am SH Solemnity of Mary  
10:30 am SB Solemnity of Mary  
7:00 pm SH Solemnity of Mary (Sp)

#### Wednesday 02

12:15 pm SB Janina Dzieciol Int.  
1:00 pm SB Adoration  
1:15pm SB Confessions

#### Thursday 03

7:30 am SJ Dan & Margo Lewis Int.  
11:30 am SJH Sayuri Riecke Int.

#### Friday 04

12:15 pm SB Clarence Enos †  
5:30 pm SB 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. Reparations

#### Saturday 05

8:30 am SH Our Lady of Fatima  
9:00 am SH Adoration/Confession  
3:15 pm SJ Confession  
4:00 pm SJ Marilyn Murphy †

#### Sunday 06

7:30 am SJ Jerry Long, Jr.  
9:00 am SH Augustin Lago Arroyo †  
10:30 am SB Douglas Williams †  
\*6:00 pm SH Duke Krum Int. (Sp)

**\*NO 4:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart on Sundays**  
**Spanish Sunday Mass has been moved to 6:00 pm.**

**Finance / Stewardship Collection:** The plate last weekend was **\$2,931** and Christmas was **\$5,640**. This weekend the Second Collection is for St. Vincent de Paul or Betty Chinn.

**Please pray for:** Bill Scott, Gerry M., Danny, Cheyanne, Kay B, Margaret Murdock, Bettye DeHennis, Kaci Taylor, Kristin, Filipina Aguilar Family, Cecilia Simi, Phil Buihner, Tommy Smith, Judy Mill, Julia Walters, Susan B., Connie Mather, Joe Saragosa, Tom Halliday, Martina Traylor, Yvette Logan, Yara Hailey, Chet Williams, Gary Cormier, Mervyn Dody, Bill Bergesen, Steve Mill, Ryan Pepper, and Edgar Dickinson.

### Adoration!

At your request, we have decided to extend our Advent adoration indefinitely on Wednesdays from 3:30-8:30pm. Please stop by St. Joseph's Church and spend a few minutes or even an hour with the Lord. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Deacon Dance at 442-2233.

### Looking for a ministry to participate in with minimal time commitment?

Children's Faith Formation could use your help! We meet Thursdays at Pacific View Charter School 6:15-7:30 pm! Contact Kim Farrell at 442-6466 Ext 1103 or email [sacredsaintccd@gmail.com](mailto:sacredsaintccd@gmail.com)

### **PATRICK MADRID IS COMING TO EUREKA**

Mark your calendars! St. Bernard Parish will be hosting Patrick Madrid, a popular Catholic radio and EWTN apologist. **Friday, March 15th, 7PM.** **The topic: "The Case for Christ."** "This will be a free event; however, space may be limited, so please register to reserve your seat. Call 707-442-6466 or email [office@saintbernards.org](mailto:office@saintbernards.org). For more information [www.saintbernards.org](http://www.saintbernards.org). **Save the date!**

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**A BIG Thank You** to all the ladies who helped with the Christmas mailing: Evelyn Waters, Maria Enos, Shirley Kryla, Lynn Yost, Mary James, RoseAnn Hurst and Virginia Casanova. Thanks so much for all your help. We really appreciate you.

### **Adult Faith Workshop**


You are welcome to attend our adult classes on Thursdays from 6:15-7:30pm at Pacific View Charter School on Henderson. We cover a wide variety of topics, so feel free to bring your questions! We will have no meeting on Dec 27th or Jan 3rd.

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