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## **Mass Schedule at St. Bernard**

Sundays: 10:30 am

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

Holy Days Vigil: 5:30 pm

Confessions: Wednesdays 1:00 pm-

& by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wed. 1-2 pm

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



## **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.

# Oct. 14th, 2018 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## For the Love of God!...

The Gospel presents a very interesting story, and has rich spiritual advice for us. To put it simply, God is worth more than anything else in our lives.

Let us start with the story, which you will have read, the one about the rich young man. Whoever this man was, he had “many possessions,” as the Gospel tells us. He seems to have been of good heart, possessing humility and a positive opinion about Jesus. Without warning he runs up, literally runs, to Jesus, kneels down before him and asks the question, “Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

Since Jesus always looks for faith in a person, this young man’s beginning faith must have impressed him. But Jesus utters a seemingly incongruous reply. “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.”

How in the world does this answer fit the question? Of course, one interpretation would be that it does not, that it is an editor’s mistake.

But I want to suggest a much simpler explanation. Jesus, seeing the seeds of faith in this man, was trying to grow that faith. The logic of Jesus’ response would be: (1) Only God is (fully) good. (2) You have called me good. (3) Maybe you are sensing the Godliness in me.

We are not told of a response from the man, but the story shows Jesus taking him through the essentials. Look, he says, you know about the commandments, and he names six of them. He expects that the man will say yes, at which point he can lead him further in the love of God.

The man says much more. “Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth.” A wonderful answer. Jesus’ heart was warmed, which we know because of the rare next line of the Gospel:

“Jesus, looking at him, loved him.”

Keep in mind that Mark’s is the most terse of the four Gospels. This sentence is therefore startling, like sun on a rainy day. Jesus is not just announcing truths to someone or other, he is carefully building faith in someone he loves: faith in God and faith in him.

So he tells the rich young man, fondly, what the next step is. He says, You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor

and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.

Disappointingly, this maneuver does not work. “At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.”

Like you and me, the man was not ready to go all the way.

Jesus must have been sad too. He says, “How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” He then explains to the astonished disciples what he meant. Simply put, possessions can control your life. They can become your life and your identity. They stunt your journey to the highest value there is in life, God.

What does this Gospel say to you and me? Jesus looks at us and loves us. Can we gradually let go of those things that thwart our response of love?

Or must we go away sad? -John Foley, SJ

## Readings This Sunday

Reading I: Wisdom 7:7-11

Reading II: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

## Readings For Next Sunday

Reading I: Isaiah 53:10-11

Reading II: Hebrews 4:14-16

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

## Holy Mass Schedule

### Saturday, Oct. 13

4:00 pm +Mary Hoffman St. Joseph

### Sunday, Oct. 14

7:30 am +Anita Pera St. Joseph

9:00 am +Douglas Williams Sacred Heart

10:30 am Mass for the People St. Bernard

12:15 pm (Sp) +Russell Gene Barrett, M.D.

Sacred Heart

4:30 pm +Joan Bronder & +Scott Reynolds

Sacred Heart

### Monday, Oct. 15

12:15 pm +Joe, Rosemary, Billy Simera St. Bernard

### Tuesday, Oct. 16

7:30 am +Helen Gierak Scuri St. Joseph

11:30 am +Jim Bugbee St. J Hospital

### Wednesday, Oct. 17

12:15 pm +Linda Silva St. Bernard

7:00 pm (Sp) No Intention Sacred Heart

### Thursday, Oct. 18

7:30 am +Nacho Martinez. St. Joseph

11:30 am No Intention St. J Hospital

### Friday, Oct. 19

12:15 pm +Lazio’s Employ & Families St. Bernard

### Saturday, Oct. 20

4:00 pm +Charles & Angelina Del Grande

St. Joseph

### Sunday, Oct. 21

7:30 am	Mass for the People	St. Joseph
9:00 am	+Douglas Williams	Sacred Heart
10:30 am	+Malachi Ennis	St. Bernard
12:15 pm	(Sp) +Maximo Espitia Gutierrez	Sacred Heart
4:30 pm	No Intention	Sacred Heart

**Finance / Stewardship Collection:** The plate last weekend was **\$4,314**. This weekend the Second Collection is for Building & Maintenance.

**Please pray for:** Kaci Taylor, Kristin, Mike Adams, 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.

### Children's Faith Formation News:

While your children are attending their **Thursday class 6:15-7:30pm, Parent Classes** in both English and Spanish are also in session and at least one of the parents/guardians must attend. **Classes in English are in Room #6, Classes in Spanish are in Room #4. Mass Attendance Booklets** have been sent home with your children for them to bring to Mass each weekend. Please help remind your child to bring it with them to church and provide a pen/pencil to hand to the priest/deacon or teacher to sign after Mass has ended. As in our Policy/Guideline packet, they need to be attending weekend Mass 80% of the school year. Thank you for your support.

### 7th-12th Grade Teen News:

**Confirmation classes** are underway on **Tuesday evenings, 6:00-7:30pm**, upstairs in the RCIA/Youth Room at St. Bernard Church Hall. Parents of children wanting the Sacrament of Confirmation must provide a copy of their Baptismal & 1st Communion certificates if they received their Sacraments outside of Eureka, CA. No Parent classes will be held on Tuesday evenings.

### Extraordinary Ministers:

We will be meeting to go over our procedures for service at Mass. If you do not attend one of these trainings, we will presume that you are unable to serve as a minister, though we will hate to see you go.

October 21st - St. Bernard's, after 10:30 am Mass

October 28th - Sacred Heart, after 4:30 pm Mass

**PATRICK MADRID**, previously scheduled to speak at St. Bernard, has been postponed. Patrick very apologetically informed us that a conflict in his schedule will not allow him to be in Eureka on December 7. Rest assured, he is still engaged to visit, and we are working out a date for February or March. Stay tuned! In the interim, please check out Patrick's program on Relevant Radio,

1400 AM, (<https://relevantradio.com>) or visit his web site at [patrickmadrid.com](http://patrickmadrid.com).

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Parents of children in our Faith Formation K-6, our **PARENT CLASSES in English** will begin on **Thursday, October 18th from 6:15-7:30pm**. Deacon Dance will be teaching the classes this year and **one or both parents** of children in our Faith Formation classes must attend each week in **classroom #6**. For the **Spanish speaking parents** of children in the Faith Formation program, one or both of the parents must also attend the parent class given by the Missionary Sisters also during the year and attend in **classroom #4, 6:15-7:30pm**. All parent classes will be taught during the time your children are in their classrooms on Thursdays. For any questions or concerns, please call Melanie Broswick #442-6466 ext.1103 or email: [childrensministry@saintbernards.org](mailto:childrensministry@saintbernards.org).

**Winter is approaching** and we are collecting blankets, preferably wool but all will be welcome, for the homeless. We have placed collection barrels in St. Bernard's and St. Joseph's Churches for the season. Please clean out your linen closets of those long unused blankets and put them to good use.



### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meets every **Thursday** in the SB Parish Hall, 7-8:30.

*Who can participate?* Unbaptized adults seeking baptism in the Catholic Church. Those baptized in another Christian denomination wanting to learn about Catholicism. Catholic adults who haven't received Confirmation or Eucharist. Baptized Catholics not raised in the faith, desiring to become practicing Catholics. Catholics who have been away from the faith and wish to return. Interested persons are invited to speak with Fr. Bernard or call Dianne at 442-8812.

### The Knights of Columbus

will hold its annual Octoberfest on Saturday evening, Oct 20 in St. Bernard's Church Hall starting at 5:00 pm. We will be featuring all the traditional favorites: Wiener Schnitzel Cutlets, Wurst Sausage, Potato Salad, Red Cabbage, and Apple Strudel. Of course there will be plenty of beer, wine, a full bar and great music. Adults \$15, Children under 12, \$10.

### Free Money!!!

*Okay, so there is no free money*, but better than that, a free, ongoing workshop by Deacon Dance! You know you wish you knew more about the faith, come **learn something new**, get your **questions answered**, and become a local **Catholic genius!** An added bonus: Learn the **fastest** and **easiest** ways to get to heaven! At Pacific View Charter School, (The old St. Bernard's elementary on Henderson, held Thursday nights from 6:15-7:30.



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