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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. 21st, 2018 29th 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: Isaiah 53:10-11

Reading II: Hebrews 4:14-16

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

## Readings For Next Sunday

Reading I: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Reading II: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

## Holy Mass Schedule

### 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

### Monday, Oct. 22

12:15 pm Dec. Mem. of ICF

St. Bernard

### Tuesday, Oct. 23

7:30 am +Hugo Pompati Family

St. Joseph

11:30 am +Jim Bugbee

St. J Hospital

### Wednesday, Oct. 24

12:15 pm Int. Lisa Gibbons

St. Bernard

7:00 pm (Sp) No Intention

Sacred Heart

### Thursday, Oct. 25

7:30 am +Arcelia Martinez.

St. Joseph

11:30 am No Intention

St. J Hospital

### Friday, Oct. 26

12:15 pm Int. Chad Kryla

St. Bernard

### Saturday, Oct. 27

4:00 pm +Charles & Angelina Del Grande

St. Joseph

### Sunday, Oct. 28

7:30 am	Mass for the People	St. Joseph
9:00 am	+Douglas Williams	Sacred Heart
10:30 am	+Naricso Leija	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 **\$2,623** and Building & Maintenance was **\$1,580**. Next weekend the Second Collection is for World Mission Sunday.

**Please pray for:** 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.

### Children's Faith Formation News:

We have such a wonderful group of children this year, with many making their sacraments as well as others continuing on with learning more about our Catholic faith. Thank you to all the parents who registered their children in our program! As a **reminder** to everyone, our registration time has closed and we will not be signing up any more children until next year. Classes have been ongoing for over a month now and with over 60 children in K-6 and around 40 teens in our Confirmation, God has blessed us immensely.

I do want to inform all of you that for now I am taking a leave of absence and while I am gone, Kim Farrell will be stepping in to cover Faith Formation for me. Any questions or concerns that you may have should be directed to Kim, Fr. Bernard or Deacon Dance through the Parish Office as they are all involved with this program. Thank you all for your support and prayers for our kids and Catechists in our Faith Formation program and our parish! May Jesus' peace be with you. Prayerfully and with much affection, Melanie Broswick

### 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).

**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.

### 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.

### Matching Funds

An anonymous benefactor from our parish has graciously offered to match dollar-for-dollar up to a total of a \$30,000 donation. We have now raised **\$18,041** in donations for the Matching Funds which will go towards the **renovation of the church sanctuary**. We appreciate your support.

### Sunday, Oct. 28 5 pm – 7 pm

Chicken & Polenta Feed-All you can eat St. Bernard's High School 222 Dollison St Eureka - Tickets \$15 Adults \$7 Children Contact Bonnie 444-3377 or Betty 444-6396

**SCONE SALE and COFFEE SOCIAL:** Freshly baked scones will be sold after all Masses next weekend, October 27-28, and there will be a coffee social after the 10:30 St. Bernard Mass on Sunday. All proceeds will go to the parish. This fundraiser is provided by one of our newest Catholics giving back and saying thanks. Lets support the enthusiasm!

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