

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

Parish Staff

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Jan. 6th, 2019 The Epiphany of the Lord



Who knew?

Who knew the Messiah was born as the baby Jesus in Bethlehem in that wintertime?

In this [Gospel Reading](#), a lot of people came to figure it out.

The chief priests and scribes knew where the Messiah would be born because they could interpret the parts in the Old Testament that predicted the Messiah's birth. The magi from the East knew that the Messiah had been born because they could interpret the presence of the star in the sky. When the magi followed the star to Bethlehem to see for themselves, Herod the King ordered them to come back and tell him too.

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For all these people, there was a way to know the birth of the Messiah. The priests could interpret Scripture, and the magi could read the stars. King Herod had the political power to command their knowledge and wisdom for his own purposes.

But what about people who lack the advantages of the priests and magi and who have no power to command others? How are they to know? Does God make provision only for the fortunate?

Consider the shepherds. They lacked the money needed for education, and so they lacked the ability to use Scripture or stars to know the birth of the

Messiah. They had no power to command others to share the fruits of their education with them either.

But it isn't powerlessness or poverty that keeps a person from knowing the birth of the Messiah. In the end, it was not the shepherds but the powerful and wealthy King Herod, with his evil-hearted intentions, who didn't know the baby Jesus was the Messiah. The magi didn't tell him, because God warned them in a dream not to. And so Herod the King didn't know.

In spite of their lack of all worldly advantages, the shepherds in fact outranked the king and all the others. They were by the side of the Messiah first, and they didn't have to figure it out for themselves either.

The shepherds may have been poor and simple, but they were trusting and open-hearted, too. And so they knew Christ Jesus was born in a manger in Bethlehem that cold winter night because they heard the angels sing. -Eleonore Stump

Readings This Sunday

Reading I: Isaiah 60:1-6

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

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Readings For Next Sunday

Reading I: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Reading II: Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

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 **\$18,561** in donations for the Matching Funds which will go towards the **renovation of the church sanctuary**. We appreciate your support.

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.

Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday 05

8:30 am SH First Sat. Mass

4:00 pm SJ Marilyn Murphy †

Sunday 06 The Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 am SJ Jerry Long, Jr.

9:00 am SH Augustin Lago Arroyo †

10:30 am SB Douglas Williams †

*6:00 pm SH Mass for the People (Sp)

Monday 07

12:15 pm SB Porferio Caber †

Tuesday 08

7:30 am SJ Lowell Allen †

11:30 am SJH Ted Sallmen †

Wednesday 09

12:15 pm SB Luisa Silva †

7:00 pm SH(Sp) Ana Maria Sermeno †

Thursday 10

7:30 am SJ Hugo Pompati & Family †

11:30 am SJH Mr. & Mrs. William Torres †

Friday 11

12:15 pm SB James Hary †

Saturday 12

4:00 pm SJ Nancy Elgin †

Sunday 13

7:30 am SJ Nick Pepper & Marge Ford Int.

9:00 am SH Douglas Williams †

10:30 am SB John Jaramillo †

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***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 **\$4,943** and St. Vincent de Paul and Betty Chinn was **\$685**

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, Fred Pepper, and Edgar Dickinson.

Have you considered leaving a legacy to your church or charity? Did you know that less than 50% of Californians have a current will or trust? Consider a legacy in your estate planning.

Prayer Line Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. It is an act of charity to pray for others in need. Call Toni 24/7 at 445-3616.

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

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. For more information www.saintbernards.org. **Save the date!**

You can conveniently donate to the weekly Sunday collection by credit card. It is safe, confidential, and completely under your control. Call Cathy in the Church Office at 442-6466.

Congratulations Crusaders, Family & Friends! We did it!!! Because of your commitment and generosity St. Bernard's Academy is happy to announce that we achieved 101% of the 2018 Library Fundraiser Goal. Your gifts are used to provide vital resources as we strive to make possible the many opportunities for success that St. Bernard's Academy Education makes possible. Thank you.

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