

The Catholic Parish of St. Bernard

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February 23, 2020

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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wed. 3:30 -8:30 pm

Mass Schedule at St. Bernard Church

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 pm

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February 23rd, 2020 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father.”

-Matthew 5:38-48

Little Johnny quarreled with his younger brother Jimmy. At bedtime their mother told Johnny that he needed to forgive his brother before he went to sleep. Johnny had no intention of doing so. “No” he said with a firm voice. Mother tried to persuade Johnny, she said “What if your brother Jimmy should die tonight; how would you feel the rest of your life?” Little Johnny gave in and said: “All right, I forgive him, but if he is alive in the morning I’ll get even with him!” Jesus is giving us a challenging teaching about forgiveness and compassion in today’s Gospel and thus asks us to be perfect, just as our heavenly Father is perfect.

We are indeed called to imitate God. We quite often read car bumper stickers that state “God is love.” Absolutely God is love and He offers unconditional love to everyone: “For He maketh His sun to rise on the evil and on the good and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.” Jesus challenges us when He says that we should *love even our enemies*. Such love is possible only when we are infused with the theological virtue of charity that enables us to see everyone (even those who wrong us) as a divine image and a temple of the Holy Spirit.

When wronged, let not anger and a desire for vengeance take us over, rather clemency and meekness. Thomas Aquinas associates this with the virtue of temperance, which deals with the governance of our excessive desires. Clemency moderates “exterior punishment,” that is, the desire to take vengeance with excessive harm. Meekness diminishes the interior passion of excessive anger, thereby providing an interior peace.

This week we are going to enter into the Lenten Season and it is very appropriate to lift up in prayer those who have wronged us. -Fr. Bernard

2020 LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR THE DIOCESE OF SANTA ROSA

The current discipline is as follows:

- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence, that is, limited to a single, full meal and abstinence from meat.
- The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
- The law of fasting permits only one full meal a day, but it does allow the taking of some food in the

morning and a second light meal at noon or in the evening, as you prefer. Persons who have completed their eighteenth year to the beginning of their sixtieth year are obligated to fast.

- The law of abstinence from meat applies to all persons who have completed their fourteenth year of age. However, it is highly recommended that children from ages seven to fourteen years also follow the law of abstinence.
- All Catholics are encouraged to receive Holy Eucharist frequently during Lent and to receive the Sacrament of Penance so that all may be prepared to celebrate the paschal mystery. Those who have received their first Holy Communion are to receive Holy Communion during the Easter Season.
- The determination of these days of obligatory penance, as listed above, should not be understood as limiting the occasions for Christian penance. This penance is to help us see and shorten the distance between our present lives and the life God wants for each of us. “Penance should not be only internal and individual but external and social.” (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy #110)
- Marriages may be celebrated with Mass and the nuptial blessing should always be given. It is however, contrary to the spirit of penance during Lent to plan an elaborate wedding with lavish decorations.

Readings This Sunday

Reading I: Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Gospel: Matthew 5: 38-48

Readings For Next Sunday

Reading I: Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7

Reading II: Romans 5: 12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

Finance / Stewardship Collection: The plate last weekend was **\$2,152** and Parish Religious Education was **\$783**. **There will be a collection taken up on Ash Wednesday Feb. 26th.**

Scripture Study; In memory of Fr. Eric Freed;

Scripture lectures on *The Messianic Prophecies* will be presented on Sundays March 8th, 15th and 29th in the Pinochi Room at St. Bernard Church. Lectures are from 11:45 to 1:15. Study Guide and coffee is provided. Detail flyers will be available at St. Bernard, St. Joseph and Sacred Heart churches.

Eureka Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday 22

4:00 pm SJ Mary Gierek Hoffman †

Sunday 23

7:30 am SJ Mass for the People

9:00 am SH Rich Kissling †

10:30 am SB Jim & Martina Traylor †

12:15 pm SH No Intention. (Sp)

4:30 pm SH No Intention

Monday 24

12:15 pm SB Hugo Pompati & Family †

Tuesday 25

7:30 am SJ Marie Ridge †

11:30 am SJH No Intention

Wednesday 26 Ash Wednesday

7:30 am SJ No Intention

12:15 pm SB Gertrude Moseley

5:30 pm SH No Intention

7:00 pm SH Maria Rocas Int. (Sp)

Thursdays 27

7:30 am SJ No Intention

11:30 am SJH No Intention

Friday 28

12:15 pm SB Richard Kerr Int.

Saturday 29

4:00 pm SJ No Intention

Sunday 01

7:30 am SJ No Intention

9:00 am SH Mass for the People

10:30 am SB Thanksgiving

12:15 pm SH No Intention. (Sp)

4:30 pm SH No Intention

Please pray for : Harold Giacomini, Chet Branum, Florence Hogarty, Tommy McCollister, Mary Grinsell, Fran Hill, Isela Adams, Lindy Timmerman, Mary James, Dave Silverbrand, John Bertain, Denise Sledge, James Iron Shell, James Lemon, Wm. Hahn Family, Rose Ann Hurst, Armado De Los Santos, Judy Mill, Julia Walters, Connie Mather, Steve Mill, Ryan Pepper, Fred Pepper, Paul Shabata & Family.

Annual Ministry Appeal 2020:

This weekend, Feb. 22/23 we will have in pew solicitation of the Annual Ministry Appeal 2020. Fr. Bernard and Fr Rowell will talk about the Appeal at both parishes.

Wednesday - February 26 is ASH

WEDNESDAY

The Parishioners of Christ the King McKinleyville

invite you to attend the first English Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by our newest priest, Fr. John Plass. This will take place Monday March 9th at 9:00am. Immediately following the Mass, we will host a champagne reception for Fr. John in the Social Hall. Please come and celebrate with us!

40 Days For Life Starts Feb 26th -Come

Volunteer You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion Feb.26th-April 5! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days For Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers! With God's help, here are the proven results in 25 coordinated campaigns: 16,742 babies saved from abortion, 196 abortion workers converted, and 104 abortion centers closed. Here's how to take part in 40 Days For Life in our community:

Vigil location is at the Corner of Walford Ave. & Wilson St. near Planned Parenthood. **Vigil hours** are 7am to 7pm daily. **Local contact** is Stephenie Goodwin at 707-498-7758 or 40daysforlife.eureka@gmail.com. To learn more please visit: 40daysforlife.com/Humboldt

This Sunday Annual Ministry Appeal 2020 - One Family In Mission - February 23rd

There will be an in-pew collection for Annual Ministry Appeal this Sunday, February 23rd. The AMA provides valuable funding for key Diocesan ministry offices as they work to support our parishes and schools. In some cases these ministries provide direct ministry that no one parish could accomplish alone(i.e. Restorative Justice and Tribunal) Some other ministries funded in part by AMA are: Campus Newman Centers, Child and Youth Protection, Clergy Formation, Communication, Catholic Schools, Diaconate and Diaconate Formation, Ecumenical and interreligious Affairs, Hispanic Ministry, Marian Sisters of Santa Rosa, Marriage and Family, Native American Ministry, Religious Education, Respect life, Seminarians, Vocations and Youth Camps.

St Bernard Pancake Breakfast

Prepared by the Knights of Columbus will be held March 1st in St Bernard Parish Hall. We will be serving from 8:00 am to Noon. We will have all your favorites: pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, sausage, bacon, apple sauce, OJ, tea, and coffee. All for \$8.00 adults; \$4.00 children.



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