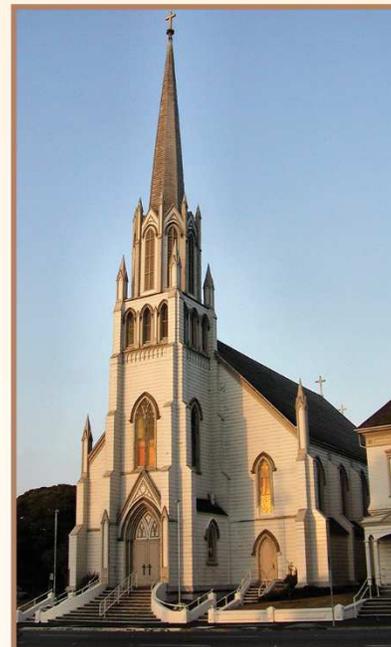
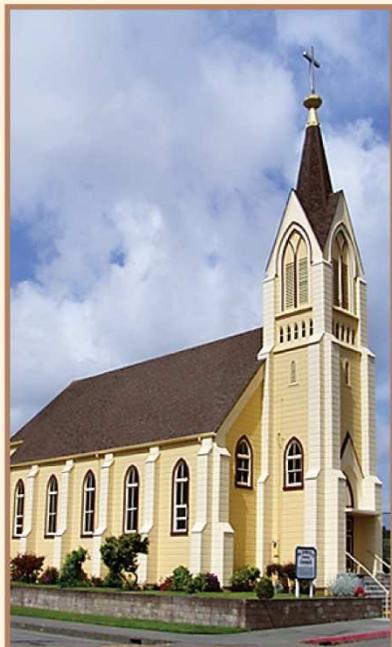


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March 7, 2021

Third Sunday in Lent

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

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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March 7th, 2021 – 3rd Sunday of Lent



He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His

disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me.* - John 2: 13-25

The Instruction Manual

In the First Reading, God gives Moses and the Israelites the ten commandments. These are God's basic instruction manual for life. In Christ's Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5-7), that basic instruction manual is supplied with more details. The ten commandments forbid murder. The Sermon on the Mount commands you actually to love your enemy, turn the other cheek to him, and so on.

The rules of God's instruction manual for us are helpful; but, as we all have learned, it is hard to know in what circumstances they apply. Suppose you take the commandment about turning the other cheek to apply to someone who is beating his wife. If you apply it to mean that you should not try to stop him, you will simply be cooperating with his evil.

The trick is to see that the commandment about turning the other cheek has to be applied in the context of the broader rule: love your enemy. If you enable your enemy to become more evil, how have you loved him?

Elsewhere in the Gospel (John 2:15), Christ uses a whip to chase the moneychangers out of the Temple. In doing this he helps us understand how to apply the rules. In cases where turning the other cheek would make your enemy worse instead of better, loving your enemy requires helping him to stop his evil in some other way. And that is why the same Christ who gave the Sermon on the Mount drives out the moneychangers. If he had turned the other cheek to them, he would have been an enabler of their evil. Instead, it is good for them, as well as for others, that they stop the evil they were doing. And so, Christ uses force to get them to stop.

Here is the thing to notice, then. God's instruction manual for life is not limited just to the sets of rules in the ten commandments and the Sermon on the Mount. There is a medieval saying: every act of Christ is a teaching for us (*Omnis Christi actio nostra est instructio*).* Christ's life and actions, as they are set out in the Gospels, are our best help for seeing how to live our lives well. Our best instruction manual is Christ himself. --Eleonore Stump

Readings This Sunday

Reading I: Exodus 20:1-17

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Gospel: John 2:13-25

Readings For Next Sunday

Reading I: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Reading II: Ephesians 2:4-10

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Finance / Stewardship Collection: The plate last weekend was **\$1,533**.

RCIA

On February 28 our catechumen Olivia Kernen participated virtually in the Rite of Election. Even in these difficult and unconventional times, we are still blessed by people wanting to join our faith and excited by what we often take for granted. Olivia (with people from other parishes) was delighted with the experience of being able to hear the Bishop's encouraging words! She was welcomed and prayed over, assured that the Church is supporting her as she continues her journey toward the Easter sacraments. Let's keep her in our prayers, along with our candidate for Confirmation

Wendy Starr.



40 Days For Life Feb. 17- March

28 You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization of prayer, fasting,

peaceful vigil and community outreach. The Vigil location is on the corner of Walford Ave, and Wilson St. near Planned Parenthood in Eureka. Vigil hours are 7am-7pm Daily. Local contact is Stephanie 707-7758 or 40DaysForLife.Humboldt@gmail.com Please visit: 40daysforlife.com/Humboldt to sign up for peaceful vigil 1 hour time periods or to learn more. Thank you for standing for God's great gift of life!

Eureka Holy Mass Intentions

Saturday 06

8:30 Am SH First Saturday Devotion
SH Mike & Chris Scanland †
SH Terry & Louise Scanland Int.
SH Annie Scanland & Family Int.
3:15 pm St Jo Confessions
4:00 pm St Jo Marivic Aguiler Int.

Sunday 07

7:30 am St Jo Mass for the People
9:00 am SH Richard Kerr †
10:30 am SB Catalina Parbas †
12:15 pm SH Francisco Vega † (Sp)

Monday 08

12:15 pm SB Norma Jean Clark Int.

Tuesday 09

7:30 am St Jo No Intention

Wednesday 10

12:15 pm SB Linda T. Leskovar †
6:00 pm SH Adoration & Confession
7:00 pm SH Adelina Yema Nawaz Int.

Thursday 11

7:30 pm St Jo No Intention
5:30 pm SB Adoration & Confessions

Friday 12 Stations of the Cross

12:15 pm SB Bettye Stone †
1:00 pm SB Stations of the Cross
5:30 pm SH Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm SH Station of the Cross (Sp)

Saturday 13

3:15 pm St Jo Confessions
4:00 pm St Jo Msgr. John Farrell †

Sunday 14

7:30 am St Jo Mass for the People
9:00 am SH Frank & Ruth Kutil †
10:30 am SB Craig Perrone †
12:15 pm SH John Benz † (Sp)

Please pray for : Dan McCaskill, Elizabeth

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Moralez, Marilyn Ziblich, Monika Rose
Cleenewerck, Chad Kryla, Basil & Santos Mainus,
Harold Giacomini, Chet Branum, Florence, Lindy
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Silverbrand, John Bertain, Denise Sledge, Wm.
Hahn Family, Rose Ann Hurst, Armado De Los
Santos, Judy Mill, Julia Walters, Connie Mather,
Steve Mill, Fred Pepper & Family, Erin Ford, Paul
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St. John of God Pray For Us!-Feast Mon. March 8

St John of God was impulsive in his desire to respond immediately to the call of the Holy Spirit. At eight years he ran away from home joining a visiting priest whose homily had inspired him. They begged their way from village to village and John became ill, but was healed by a family who took him in. Later, running away from a marriage being forced on him to a person he regarded

as a sister in this household, John joined the Spanish army in the war with the French. After being thrown from his horse he reviewed his gambling, pillaging and drinking soldier's life and vowed to make a change. His friends respected the profound holy changes in John until he tried to get them to give up their pleasures. To get rid of him they tricked him into deserting his post by sending him on a fake rescue mission. He was saved at the last minute from hanging and was beaten, stripped and thrown out of the army. Later he went off to protect Christendom from Moslem invaders and when the war was over tried to find his real parents. To his grief they had died in his absence. He became a shepherd and decided at 38, after contemplation, that he should go to Africa to ransom Christian captives. While waiting to board the ship to Africa he befriended a noble family sent into exile and nursed them when they later became ill, working a grueling job building fortifications in Africa to earn money to care for them. The workers were inhumanely treated and often beaten and mistreated by people who called themselves Catholic. This shook John's faith, but a priest advised him not to blame the Church for their actions and to leave for Spain. He left once he was certain that his newly adopted family had been pardoned. In Spain he unloaded cargo from ships by day and by night engaged in spiritual reading and visited churches. A vision guided him to Granada where he became a bookseller. After hearing a sermon by St. John of Avila he was so overcome by the thought of his sins that he threw away secular books, and gave away all his belongings, money and religious books. Clothes torn and weeping he was the target of insults, jokes and even stones and mud from the townspeople and their children. Friends then took him to the Royal Hospital where he was interned with the lunatics and endured the standard treatment of the time of being tied down and whipped. After 40 days John of Avila advised him that he had done enough penance and had him transferred to a better part of the hospital. While there he volunteered to care for his fellow patients and upon leaving started his own hospital on the streets of Granada to care for the poor, begging for materials, food and supplies and selling wood. He first rented a house and then later moved his hospital to an old Carmelite monastery and started a homeless shelter in the monastery hall. Immediately critics tried to close him down saying he was pampering troublemakers. His answer to this criticism always was that he knew of only one bad character in the hospital and that was himself. One day when the Royal Hospital was on fire John found a crowd of people standing around watching the hospital and its patients go up in flames. John ran into the building carried or led patients out and threw precious sheets, blankets and mattresses out of the windows. Falling through the burning roof, while cutting the burning part of the building away, he was found later walking miraculously out of the smoke. Later in life, when ill, John tried to save a boy from flood waters and died of pneumonia on his fifty-fifth birthday- March 8. John is patron saint of booksellers, printers, heart patients, hospitals, nurses, the sick, and firefighters and is considered the founder of the Brothers Hospitallers.

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