

SAINT BONAVENTURE CHURCH

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 4, 2020

As Christian stewards, our mission is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people through word, sacrament, service and community life.

Live the Gospel of *Life*

"to imitate
Christ and
follow in his
footsteps"

The Gospel of Life



RESPECT LIFE

Pastor's Corner



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today is Respect Life Sunday. The Lord has given us the gift of life and we are called to cherish this gift by how we care for ourselves and those around us, especially the most vulnerable. In the First Reading today (Isaiah 5:1-7) on this 27th Sunday in Ordinary

Time, the Prophet Isaiah tells us of the choicest vines planted in the Lord's vineyard. We are his precious vines and God is the owner of the vineyard. Isaiah says that when the owner looked for the yield of choice grapes, the vines only produced wild grapes. Instead of the people producing good fruit, they only yielded wild grapes. In other words, they turned against God and sinned.

In today's Gospel Reading (Matthew 21:33-43), Jesus told the parable of the tenants of the vineyard who refused to give the owner the produce of the vineyard. In the end they even killed the owner's son, which refers to the people crucifying Jesus the Son of God. At the end of the parable Jesus said: "Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit" (Matthew 21:43). Hopefully this gets our attention. The Lord wants us to produce good fruit. Again and again Jesus calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to God. We are faithful to God when we love him with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength. We are faithful to God when we love our neighbor.

Respect Life Sunday reminds us that all human life is a gift from God and we are called to care for all human beings. We are called to care for them from birth to natural death. I would like to share with you the "Respect Life Reflection" which comes from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops:

Live the Gospel of *Life* Respect Life Reflection

Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world (*Evangelium vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of every human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstance.

Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, created to share in the very life of God himself. The human person is a "manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory" (EV 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another.

The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40).

Jesus calls each of us to "care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible" (EV 87). The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a *single and indivisible* Gospel" (EV 2, emphasis added).

In his encyclical on the Gospel of life, Pope St. John Paul II recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. He places particular emphasis, however, on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the "least of these" in our world's estimation. Practices such as abortion and assisted suicide tragically reject the truth that human life is always to be cherished and defended with loving concern.

As the Church celebrates the 25th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's prophetic encyclical, let us reflect on how we personally live out the Gospel: *Do I talk about and act towards others as I would talk about and treat Jesus himself? Do I inform myself of the Church's teachings and engage in the civic arena as first a follower of Christ? Do I support and advocate for laws and policies that protect and defend human life? Do I help pregnant and parenting mothers in need? Am I ready to support a loved one nearing death?*

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to truly and courageously live his Gospel of life.

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This year, the Church celebrates the 25th anniversary of the papal encyclical *Evangelium Vitae* (*The Gospel of Life*). This prophetic document was written by Pope Saint John Paul II to reaffirm the value and inviolability of every human life and to appeal to all people to respect, protect, love, and serve every human life. Let us pray fervently for an end to abortion, assisted suicide, racism, executions, and every other form of disrespect for human life.

WALK for *Life*

Saturday, October 17
9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Please come "Walk for Joy" to support Horizon Pregnancy Clinic, which provides critical support to pregnant women, enabling them to choose life and give birth to healthy babies. Located at Springdale and Bolsa, Horizon is a non-profit organization that provides free and confidential pregnancy services including ultrasounds, alternatives to abortion, parenting classes, and other important referrals, all in a safe, loving environment. Thanks to our support, over 150 Moms have chosen LIFE for their babies through Horizon so far this year!



The **Walk for *Life*** involves public witness to the sanctity of life and donations to support the clinic as it offers life-affirming services free of charge. We hope to see you and your family on October 17! Bring masks and meet at Horizon Pregnancy Clinic, 15061 Springdale Street, Suite 109, Huntington Beach. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., or register online at www.supportthpc.org, or call 714-897-7500. Donation of \$20 includes a free t-shirt and entry fee. This event is scheduled to be live and will occur either live or virtually. Thanks for your support!

40 DAYS for *Life*: September 23–November 1

Through prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigils outside of abortion facilities we bring the Light of Christ to those in crisis, praying for ALL of God's Precious Little Ones. Here's how to take part:

- **Pray at a Vigil Location:** Planned Parenthood, 1520 Nutmeg Pl Suite 101, Costa Mesa (*Outside, lots of parking, room for social distance*)
 - **Vigil hours:** 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily September 23–November 1
 - **Sign up:** One-time or weekly one-hour slots 40daysforlife.com/costamesa
- For info on 40 Days for Life visit 40daysforlife.com.



PENNIES FROM HEAVEN

In conjunction with the Diocese of Orange Respect Life Month in October, Bishop Kevin Vann has designated Sunday, October 4 as our Diocese's 26th Annual Pennies from Heaven Campaign. Since 1994, the Diocese of Orange has been collecting funds to support local Respect Life shelters, clinics, and centers that give immediate and long-term care to Orange County women and families in crisis. "Special Collection" white envelopes will be available in the acrylic bulletin holders on the church plaza. Your donation will be collected at the same time as your regular parish donation envelope. Make checks payable to Saint Bonaventure Church with "Pennies from Heaven" in the notation.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS Sunday, October 4

Let us come together in thanksgiving to God, who is wonderful in all his creation, and for the special gift of our pets that bring us the comfort of companionship. Meet at 3:00 p.m. in Mary's Courtyard of the school.



FAITH FORMATION

We outgrow many things; faith doesn't have to be one of them.

Registration for Year 2020-21 Now CLOSED

We are looking forward to a great year with our students and volunteers. If you have missed us this year, remember to look for next year's registration beginning in June 2021.

L.I.F.T. Jr. High Ministry

We are still accepting registration for our Junior High Faith Formation Classes and Junior High L.I.F.T. Program. L.I.F.T., *Living In Faith Together*, is open to all 7th and 8th graders of the parish! It includes six Tuesday nights where students will learn about their faith by being led by a team of high school aged leaders. To register, please come by the Faith Formation Office.



*First Holy Communion
August 15, 2020*

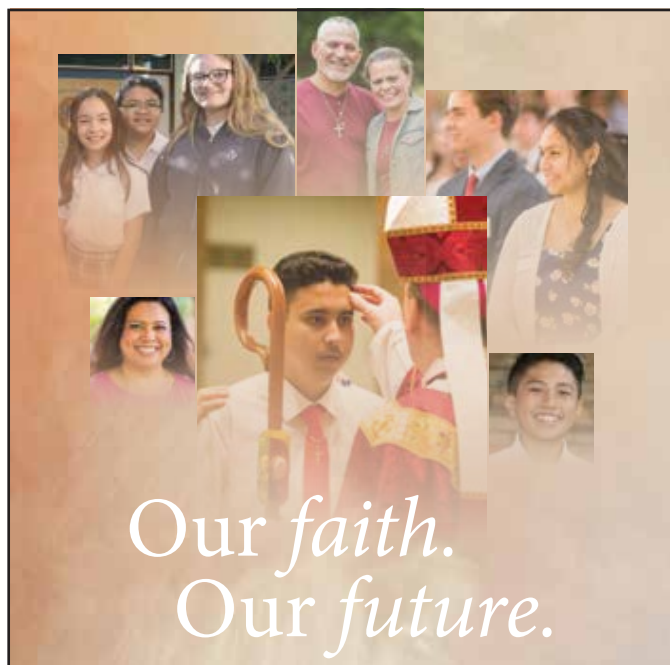
VIETNAMESE FAITH FORMATION

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION

for School Year 2020-2021

Saturday, October 10

Registration for 1st-8th grades will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. outside the Faith Formation office. Classes will begin October 17 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. After class the children will be brought to the church plaza for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Parents are invited to join their children for Mass on the plaza. In the upcoming school year, all classes will be held in the parish hall. To register online visit stbonaventure.org. Questions? Call 714-846-1187 ext 834 or email VietRelEd@stbonaventure.org.



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Our future.*

Good News! Our PSA pledges, as a parish community, now exceed our "fair share" goal by about 2% (we just made it!). Therefore, any additional pledges will be rebated to our parish. Thanks to the families and individuals who have pledged and made payments thus far. For everyone else, please consider pledging if you are able to do so. Additional pledges will help with our parish financial needs.



**MONTHLY
ADORATION
RESUMES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar on the church plaza starting after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, and continuing until the 7:30 p.m. Spanish Mass. Chairs will be provided and all are welcome to come spend some quiet time with Jesus. Please use one of the handy spray bottles to spray the chair you used before you leave. Please call Deacon Joe at 714-842-9707 if you have any questions or concerns.

ANNIVERSARY BLESSING**October 3-4**

This weekend we will have a special blessing at all Sunday Masses for those celebrating a wedding anniversary in the month of October. We want to celebrate your witness of love and fidelity that images for us the love and fidelity of Christ and the Church.

**REGISTER TO VOTE**

Remember to register to vote for the November 3rd election! Registration or re-registration is necessary



- if you just turned 18 years old OR
- if you have changed your last name OR
- if you have moved since the last election OR
- if your signature has changed over the years.

Do this early so your mail-in ballot is mailed to you in time. *Voting is a civic duty and a privilege.* —Stewardship Committee

FAMILIES OF NAZARETH**Prideful Self-Assurance****Limits Our Gratitude**

When we delude ourselves by thinking that we are better than we really are, we do not notice divine gifts and we do not thank God for them. —S.C. Biela, *The Two Pillars*, p. 95

**THE SAINTS**

When some lives, including those of the unborn, are subjected to the personal choices of others, no other value or right will be long guaranteed. —Saint John Paul II

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Tommy Aguirre, Barbara Alberts, Doug Ambrose, Deacon Jim Andersen, Maria Arellano, Cyndie Ayala, Maria Ayala-Galardo, Jeanne Becker, Tami Belies, Cindy Blindt, Catherine Body, Bishop Tod Brown, Daniel Boucher, Deacon Matt & Patti Calabrese, Orlando Carrera, Louis Castillo, Dior Chiechi, Mike Coponiti, James Crowley, Karen De Muro, Freddie Diartt, Scott Diciuccio, Ray Dinnen, Jane Ermer, Linda Ermer, Tina Escobar, Roz Esh, Albert Esmailzadeh, Jane Farrales, Paul & Elene Fontes, David Franco, Maria Guadalupe Gil, Bill Gordon, Laura Gonzalez, Victor Gonzalez, Anna Gould, Chinh Ha, Nina Hartley, Jovencito Hernandez, Paul Hoffmann, Eileen Hovelsen, Tracy Ishimo, Ray Jazo, Joan, Noah Jones, Scott Jones, Carol Kato, Leander Kelter, Rosemary Kern, Denise Kobish, Pedro Lara, Jack Linehan, Sr. Carmel Lynch, Bill Magu, Joseph Mastropaolo, Brooklyn Meredith, Martha Morett, Marie Nichols, Luanne Nieman, Tim Noel, Carolyn Oliver, Janet Olson, Ernie Ojeda, Natalia Palma, Christina Pedrosa, Caroline Provenzano, Carmen Rangel, Donna Ryan, Daniel Shuntz, Kim Holyfield Smith, John Sojka, Sr., Josephine Spatola, Elaine Sumner, Bob Trout, Hector Vega, Pilar Vega, Jimmy Vigie, Liam Walsh, Tom Welch, Samantha Williams, Beverly Wright, Gerardo Yanez, Mary Ann Zellmer, Kelly Zoem

If you or your loved one would like to be on this list, or if it's time for the name(s) to be removed, please let us know. Call the parish center at 846-3359x0.

†MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, October 5**

6:30 Rudy Reyes, RIP

8:30 Christine Baca, RIP

Tuesday, October 6

6:30 George Modino, INT

8:30 Sr. Shiela Donegan
PBVM, RIP**Wednesday, October 7**

6:30 Pat Wastal, RIP

8:30 Candee O'Brien, RIP

Thursday, October 8

6:30 Phyllis Arguello, INT

8:30 Fr. Philip Fitzgerald, RIP

Friday, October 9

6:30 Diana Gregson, RIP

8:30 Gene Body, RIP

Saturday, October 10

8:00 Tom Crowley, RIP

Sunday, October 11

7:30 Clarinda Roxas, RIP

9:00 Lucie Valdez, RIP

10:30 Duane Davis, RIP

12:00 Kenneth Butterfield, RIP

5:00 Paul Qaquandah, RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Laverne Coponiti, James Rodney, William Wilson, Sr., Don Kobish

PRESIDER'S SCHEDULE**Saturday, October 10**

5:00 p.m. Fr. Joe Knerr

6:30 p.m. Fr. Quan Tran (Viet)

Sunday, October 11

7:30 a.m. Fr. Joe Knerr

9:00 a.m. Fr. Quan Tran

10:30 a.m. Fr. Quan Tran

12:00 p.m. Fr. Ruben Ruiz

1:30 p.m. Fr. Joe Knerr (Sp)

5:00 p.m. Fr. Ruben Ruiz

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Erik Steven Anderson &
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October 10, 2020

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Closed until further notice

Although our parish office is closed, our church staff is working from home. Please continue to call or email our staff members for any needs you may have. Phone numbers and email addresses are on our parish website and on this bulletin page.

PUBLIC OUTDOOR MASSES

Until further notice, all Masses will be held outside.

Sunday Vigil

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. *English*

Saturday, 6:30 p.m. *Vietnamese*

Sunday

7:30 a.m. *English*

9:00 a.m. *English*

10:30 a.m. *English*

12:00 p.m. *English*

1:30 p.m. *Spanish*

5:00 p.m. *English*

Weekdays

Monday-Friday, 6:30 & 8:30 a.m. *English*

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. *Spanish*

Friday, 7:15 p.m. *Vietnamese*

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. *English*

LIVESTREAM MASSES

Days and times of livestream Masses are subject to change.

Sunday Vigil

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. *English*

Saturday, 6:30 p.m. *Vietnamese*

Sunday

9:00 a.m. *English*

1:30 p.m. *Spanish*

Weekdays

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. *English*

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PRAYER AND DEVOTION

Adoration of the Eucharist

Weekdays 7:00-8:15 a.m.

Church Plaza

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Thursdays before First Fridays 9:15 a.m.

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Prospective Families

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