

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 19, 2026



Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off.

When the crop grew and bore fruit,

the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field?

Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."'

He proposed another parable to them. "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'" He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened." All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world. Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house.

His disciples approached him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear." -Matthew 13:24-43

You are invited...

In the parable of the wheat and tares we see the necessity of learning to respond like Christ with compassion and understanding to those with whom we may disagree or are hostile to the teachings of Christ and his holy Church; for we are all growing together and our business is reclamation. Our desire should be to respond in all situations with good judgement and with Christ's love that will lead souls to heaven. With the right preparation we may be a bridge in a difficult trial that may help a lost soul to God. Training may help us to respond with wisdom to words and behaviors in challenging and emergency situations, to protect human life and the dignity of souls. We should have the humility and trust in God to seek out and take advantage of learning opportunities when available. God will then take our small efforts (mustard seeds) and grow them into tremendous trees that provide comfort, shade and shelter to others. Jesus also reminds us: *Whoever has ears ought to hear*, an urgent warning that our time on earth is limited. Therefore, we should make good use of it, to avail ourselves of every opportunity to learn how to protect his precious people and holy church. In line with this the following safety training is being offered:

Conflict Management and De-Escalation

Training A Half-Day Training Opportunity for Parish Members Offered by the Eureka Police Department
Our parish is grateful that the city's police department-

Cont...has offered a half-day training session in conflict management and de-escalation for members of our three churches. This practical session is open to any parishioner who would like to learn how to respond calmly, communicate clearly, and help foster welcoming, peaceful interactions in parish gatherings and day-to-day life.

What the training will cover

- Recognizing tension early and responding before situations escalate.
- Using calm communication, active listening, and respectful body language in parish settings and day-to-day interactions.
- Understanding when to step back and ask for assistance.
- Supporting a peaceful environment during Masses, ministries, meetings, parish events, and life outside church.

Who should attend?

All interested church members are welcome. This training may be especially helpful for ushers, greeters, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, catechists, youth ministry volunteers, event coordinators, ministry leaders, and anyone who wants to serve the parish with confidence and compassion.

Training details:

Date: Wednesday, August 26

Time: 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Location: To be announced

Registration deadline: August 14 (**No Cost**)

Contact: St. Bernard office (707) 442-6466 or Sacred Heart office (707) 443-8429 for registration and/ or more information.

Why participate?

These skills are useful at church, at home, at work, and throughout the community. In everyday life, they can help us stay calmer during disagreements, listen more carefully, reduce misunderstandings, and respond with patience when conversations become stressful. By attending, you can gain practical tools for responding to everyday challenges and help our parish remain a calm, caring, and welcoming place when difficult situations arise.

Please join us. No special background or prior experience is needed—just a willingness to learn practical ways to respond calmly and helpfully.

Readings For This Sunday

Reading 1: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Reading II: Romans 8: 26-27

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

Readings For Next Sunday

Reading 1: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Reading II: Romans 8: 28-30

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Eureka Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday, July 18

3:15 pm Confessions St. Joseph Church
4:00 pm +John DeMartini St. Joseph Church

Sunday, July 19

7:30 am +Fran Hill St. Joseph Church
9:00 am No Intention Sacred Heart Church
10:30am Larry and Shirley Kryla St. Bernard Church
12:15 pm Mass for the People Sacred Heart Church

Monday, July 20

12:15 pm +Pat Folkins St. Bernard Church

Tuesday, July 21

7:30 am Int. Jim Hogue and Family St. Joseph Church

Wednesday, July 22

12:15 pm +Chad Kryla St. Bernard Church
6:00 pm Adoration/ Confession
7:00 pm No Intention (Sp) Sacred Heart Church

Thursday, July 23

7:30 am Hugo Pompati & Family St. Joseph Church
11:30 am No Intention St. Joseph Hospital Chapel

Friday, July 24

12:15 pm Int. Joann Dellabalma St. Bernard Church
1:00-2:00 pm Confessions St. Bernard Church

Saturday, July 25

3:15 pm Confessions St. Joseph Church
4:00 pm Mass for the People St. Joseph Church

Sunday, July 26

7:30 am +Fran Hill St. Joseph Church
9:00 am No Intention Sacred Heart Church
10:30am Roberto & Celestina St. Bernard Church
12:15 pm No Intention Sacred Heart Church

Please Pray For: Jim Hogue and Family, Wilma D'Sa and Family, Kimberly Ennis, Terri, Marian Griffin, Johnny, Lucy Sokolow, Janina Dzieciol, Kathi Branum, Orion, Sidney Gabby, Zenssi, Olivia, Hunter, & C., John Johnston, Barbara Hill, Chet Williams, Maria Mendes Da Costa, Martin Fosnaugh, Sylvia Clark, Catie Biesecker, Stacy Cudney, Josephine Silva, Jo Ann Dellabalma, Ann Marie DeSimone, Bill King, Martin & Claudia Vess, Chris Miller, Mary Alpers, Nancy Allen, David Russell, Sonny, Garrett Anderson, Dottie Barrett, Harvey & Mary Anne Bennett, Mildred Perrone, Massimo Matteoli, Gary Cormier, and Obdulia Walter

Please Pray For Our Beloved Departed:

Derick Wyatt, Fran Hill, Dennis and Gina Costa, Joe Hohmen, Sandra Cofer, Lena Petty, Fred Emerson, John Gierak, Gloria Allen, Rebecca Bertain, Roseann Cooney, Lorraine Holland, Sandra Lingle, Sarah Mixon, Suanna Rowell, Erling Dellabalma, Paul Windham, Rosealee Schuler, Nick Giannini, Juvenal (John) Regalo, Evo Fannuchi, Dianne Luzzi, Rose Ann Hurst, Tom Long, Joe Thompson, Colleen Cruz, Rodrigo Reyna Sanchez, -Cont... Mary Antonelli, Mary Ellen Hadley, Sara & Carmen Scrivner, Camille Regli, and Delores McBroome

St. Bernard's Phone Prayer Line

For those who are interested in joining the prayer chain or anyone with a prayer request, please call Alan / Illeen at (707) 442-6844. *"Prayer is an act of love; words are not needed. Even if sickness distracts our thoughts, all that is needed is the will to love~ St. Teresa of Avila"*

FINANCE

Regular = Two totals next week

2nd Collection this weekend = Building and Maintenance
AMA 2026 Goal=\$34,900 Pledges=\$22,474 **Rec'd=\$19,554**

St. Bernard Rosary Totals You may place your rosary counts in the collection baskets. **Report: 13,104!**

Rosaries prayed last week = 78 Cumulative= 13,104

St. Bernard / Oceanview Cemetery Plots Available

Thanks to generous donations to St. Bernard Church we have cemetery plots, valued at \$10,545, available at St. Bernard / Oceanview Cemeteries. There is Crypt #1 for 2 people at Sunset. Please consider this purchase which will benefit the church. We will consider best offer. If interested please call the St. Bernard Office at 707-442-6466

Sacred Heart Church Festival - Sunday, August 9!

When: Sunday, August 9, 2025 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

What: Join us for tacos, chicharrónes, tamales, Mexican style corn, mole, menudo, shaved ice, desserts, and lots of games! If you have any questions, you may contact the office. Mon-Wed 9:00 am- 4:00 pm at (707) 443-8429 Thank you for supporting this good cause. *Tamales may be pre-ordered with Salvador Tejada (707) 407-7356 La docena cuesta solo \$30. Gracias por apoyar esta buena causa. See you there!*

Registration for Religious Education Classes -

for St. Joseph, St. Bernard and Sacred Heart will begin on July 12, 2026; registration closes on August 23, 2026. Children in the 7th grade (13 years old) can register for the first year of religious instruction for Confirmation. Children in 1st grade (7 years old) can register for the first year of religious instruction for first communion. You can come to the Sacred Heart parish office on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Registration donations help us with the cost of textbooks, classroom materials, and facilities usage. (No child will be turned away because of financial need. Base family registration donation (\$60/one child; \$90/two children; \$110/three or more children). Please complete the registration form per child and bring the completed form(s), together with the baptismal certificate or birth certificate if not baptized.

La inscripción para las clases de educación religiosa para San José,

San Bernardo y el Sagrado

Corazón comenzará el 12 de julio de 2026. Las inscripciones se cierran el 23 de agosto 2026. Los niños de 7 grado (13 años) pueden registrarse para el primer año de instrucción religiosa para la Confirmación. Los niños de 1er grado (7 años) pueden inscribirse al primer año de instrucción religiosa para La primera comunión. Puede venir a la oficina parroquial del Sagrado Corazón los martes y jueves de 6:00 p.m. a 8:00 p.m. Las donaciones de inscripción nos ayudan para el costo de los libros, los materiales del aula y el uso de las instalaciones. (Ningún niño será rechazado por necesidad financiera). Donación base de registro familiar (\$60/un niño; \$90/dos niños; \$110/tres o más niños). Por favor complete el formulario de registro por niño y traiga el formulario completo, junto con el certificado de bautismo o certificado de nacimiento si no está bautizado.

