



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

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MASS SCHEDULE:

SUNDAY: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00nn, 5:30 p.m.
WEEKDAY: Mon thru Fri.: 6:30am & 8:30 a.m. (1st) Fri: 11:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm.
Confessions: Sat: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m

A Message



**from the
Pastor**

Dear Fellow Parishioners,
Happy Mother's Day to all. Today we remember our Moms, living or dead. The young among us can do special things for Mom today. For us

older ones whose Mom's have gone before us to the Lord, we have our memories, We recall special moments, formative moments, when a mother's love fashioned us into the people we are today. Moms have such a powerful influence on how we see ourselves, how we relate to others; they even influence the dreams we have for ourselves. Mom's are preachers too. Their sermons, often repeated over and over, are the sermons we remember. They are imprinted so deeply on our minds that we deliver those same sermons to our kids! May God bless all of you Moms of St. Bernardine's today - and not to forget you grandmothers, Godmothers, step-mothers foster mothers, room mothers - all you beautiful ladies with your unique motherly ways who bring your love and caring into our world.
~ Fr. McNamara



**Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 9, 2004**

**Behold, God's dwelling is
with the human race.**

— Revelation 21:3

**Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests
Special Collection**

Next weekend you will be offered the opportunity to give to the Retirement Fund for the Archdiocesan Priests. Please pray for the continued success of this annual request to support our priests in their retirement years. Not only is your generosity requested and appreciated but also, an anonymous donor will match the first 500,000 given. Please give consideration to what contribution you can make to this special collection next weekend

Father McNamara's Book Group

Join us **Thursday, May 13th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center for discussion of **Radical Compassion** by Gary Smith, S.J. Come and share your response to Father Gary's first hand account of encounters with the poor and disadvantaged during his 10 years of ministry in Portland. Copies of the book are available at the gift shop, upstairs in the parish center, or at Barnes & Noble in Calabasas.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Month of May** The co-workers of the Missionary Brothers of Charity are collecting new and used rosaries. The rosaries can be brought to the Parish Center or the Parish Gift Shop.
- May 15/16** **Food Gathering** for the Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.
- May 17** **Justice & Peace Committee Meeting at 7:30 p.m.**
- May 18** **Respect Life Meeting on "Stem Cell and Bioethics" at 7:00 p.m.**
- May 25** **Christian Service Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

Come, Holy Spirit!

As our candidates prepare for the Sacrament of confirmation, let us lift our hearts to God in prayer. Stop by and see their photos and read about them at the display outside the church. Become a prayer partner to a candidate by carrying a key chain bearing their name. The Rite of Confirmation will take place on **May 23rd** at the **5:30 p.m.** Liturgy. May Confirmation renew the spirit of our entire community this year!

Please pray for our teen candidates and the CYM Team who will be attending a retreat next weekend at the San Marcos Baptist Camp.



Co-workers of the **Missionary Brothers of Charity**, established by Mother Theresa, will be **collecting new and used rosaries** during the month of May. They will be distributed to the poor and homeless downtown. You may bring them to the parish office or the gift store. Thank you for this prayerful act of serving the poorest of the poor.



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ALTAR CARE – May 14, 2004

**Wil & Ann Gartland, Sue Vigo, Jan Wheatman,
Jennifer Mangum, Jan Pexioto.**

~ Bits 'N Pieces ~

An article in the National Geographic several years ago provides an intriguing picture of mother's wings.

After a forest fire in Yellowstone National Park, forest rangers began their trek up a mountain to assess the inferno's damage. One ranger found a bird literally petrified in ashes, perched statuesquely on the ground at the base of a tree. Somewhat sickened by the eerie sight, he turned over the bird with a stick. When he gently struck it, three tiny chicks scurried from under their dead mother's wings. The loving mother, keenly aware of impending disaster, had carried her offspring to the base of the tree and had gathered them under her wings, instinctively knowing that the toxic smoke would rise. She could have flown to safety, but had refused to abandon her babies. When the blaze had arrived and the heat had scorched her small body, the mother had remained steadfast. Because she has been willing to die, those under the cover of her wings would live.

Remember your mother. Perhaps not challenged to the death, but a mother willingly gives of herself for her children.

Happy Mother's Day, loving mothers. You elevate our minds to God with your everyday love for God's children.

Need Service Hours? CYM will hold a **Bake Sale** at St. Bernardine on the weekend of **May 15th & 16th**. The proceeds will benefit **Heifer International**, an organization that helps impoverished families world-wide feed themselves, earn income and care for their environment. The more help we have on this very worthwhile project, the more money we will raise. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact Kristina Aquirre at **(818)704-9071**. We need assistance with baked goods prior to the sale, as well volunteers to work the Bake Sale, before and after Masses that weekend.



Pray For The Sick

In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Varma; Kevin Webber, father of John, James & Anna; Louise Garifo; Brian Delos Trinos; Robert Renfro; Lucille Taggart; Walter Herrlinger; Kevin Marsh; Lily Vitobello; Terry Asbury; Felice Danis; Lisa Hough; Lucille Taggart; Antonia Ward; Carole

Gensert; Gabino Cruz; Patrick Hurdle; Alberta Schlaechter; Vincent Ursini, Jr.; Sally Stuart; Gail Davis; Jesus Abarcar; Tati Cardero.



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Joe Belliotti, father of Kevin & Linda, grandfather of Nick, Mike & Alex.

Beatrice Manzo, mother of Charles; Richard Hargraves, husband of Rose; Dennis Leaper, son of John & Dorothy; Brian J. McDermott, father of Deidre McDermott; Patrick Fjelstad, son of Marjorie

PRIME TIMERS:

We are planning a **Leonis Adobe Trip** for **Thursday, May 13th**. We will lunch at the Sagebrush Cantina. The package is **\$11**. (lunch and a tour, limited menu). Lunch will be at 12:00 with the tour following. Please plan to self park at the Leonis Adobe lot. For reservations, make checks out to Prime Timers and send to: Don and Angela Adams, 7143 Salisbury Road, West Hills, 91307. **(818) 347-6709**. The deadline for reservation is May 10th.

Our next meeting will be an **Ice Cream Social** on **Sunday May 16th**. Admission will be **\$2** (to cover ingredients) and we will have an entertainer for a sing-a-long. Please plan to join us.

Sandwich Sunday Update

It was a lovely, balmy twilight evening downtown. We were able to distribute nearly 350 bagged meals, many cases of bottled water, several blankets, and numerous tee shirts, caps and new socks to the homeless, men and women living on the streets. The Girl Scouts donated several cases of cookies - these were received with great joy! Several people asked for our prayers while expressing their gratitude. The next Sandwich Sunday will be **June 6th**. Your continued generosity is much appreciated.

Behold, I make all things new.



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Angels Way Maternity 20th Anniversary

Angels Way Maternity in Canoga Park celebrates 20 years of providing shelter and support to adult single pregnant women - who have chosen to give the precious gift of life to their babies.

Over the years, more than 170 women and their babies have been given love and guidance at Angels Way. Our program helps residents gain skills and confidence to lead self-sufficient lives. We provide counseling and education in parenting, adoption and self-discipline. Angels Way is a private, non-profit operation solely supported by donations from faithful and generous benefactors to whom we are deeply grateful. May God Bless all of our residents and their children, past and present, and a big thank you to all of our benefactors and volunteers.

For information call (818)346-2229.

Mass Intentions



May 9 through May 15, 2004
SUNDAY

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo
8:30 a.m. Rita Alexy+
10:00 Frances Erlinger+
12:00 Gloria Panzero+
5:30 Maria Carla Pangilinan+

MONDAY

6:30 a.m. Rita Alexy+
8:30 a.m. Sr. Cecilia Louise, CSJ+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Werner Herrman+
8:30 a.m. Veronica Bauer+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. Patrick Lynch+
8:30 a.m. Frances Erlinger+

THURSDAY

6:30 a.m. Maribell Kirkham
8:30 a.m. Rita Blazi+

FRIDAY

6:30 a.m. Frank Lynch+
8:30 a.m. Michael Feffer+

SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. John Onestinghel+
5:00 p.m. Nubia Hoyos+

Notre Dame High School Summer Sports Camp for 6 to 12 year olds, and Advanced Camps for 5th through 9th grades will begin **June 21st through July 23rd**. Please call Paula at **(818)993-3661** for more information.

Summer School for Alemany High School

Registration for Bishop Alemany High School's Summer School Program is now taking place. Summer schools begins June 21st through July 28th. Cost for all courses is **\$180**. For more information, or to obtain materials by mail, call the summer school office at **(818)365-3925** ext. 553.

AROUND THE VALLEY

May

- 14 **St. John Eudes Separated, Divorced and Widowed Catholic Support Group** will meet at **8:00 p.m.** in Room C of Grill Hall. The guest speaker will be Dr. Barbara Rosenbaum, LMFT who will discuss **"How to Stop Procrastinating."** For more information call Mary at **(818)831-7606**.
- 20 **The Guadalupe Center's Fifth Annual Mary Logan Orcutt Fund Raising Dinner** at the Calabasas Inn. Proceeds from the dinner will be used to defray the costs of the many programs the Guadalupe Center offers to the underprivileged of the West Valley. Tickets are **\$150**. Silent and live auction donations and sponsorships are welcome. Call Margaret Pontius for additional information weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at **(818)340-2050**.