



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

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PASTORAL TEAM:

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PASTOR EMERITUS: Rev Msgr Richard H Murray
SUNDAY ASSOCIATE: Rev Fr. Thomas Schrader, O.Carm.
DEACONS: Jerry Cellner, Dale Taufer

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

Notes from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

At a Saturday wedding a couple of weeks ago, the best man gave the altar server ten dollars. I said to him that he will have to tithe now and without missing a beat, he responded that he will put a dollar in the collection tomorrow. My astonishment was doubled because he not only understood the concept of tithing, but his math was perfect. Today, I am speaking at all the Masses and am asking you to tithe. You may not be able to give ten percent now, but I hope this is your eventual goal. What percent can you give? On this our Stewardship Sunday, I am asking you to evaluate your level of giving to your parish. I am asking you to make a pledge for the coming year to the support of our beautiful parish. I totally understand that some may have to decrease their pledge from last year, but for most, I hope you will be able to make an increase and share in the great works done by your donations. To those who have never pledged, I strongly urge you to do so this year. It will change your spiritual life. Whatever you decide, I am most grateful. Thank you.

Thanksgiving is coming soon. If you are going to be alone that day, please have dinner with me. It is such a family day and if you don't have company or family, call my office at (818)888-8200 and let me know you are coming. With traditional Thanksgiving fare, we will eat around five. ~ Father McNamara




Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 13, 2005

Blessed are you who fear the LORD.
 — Psalm 128:1a

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Catholic Campaign for Human Development

In the Los Angeles Archdiocese this year alone, 20 low-income controlled organizations working to end poverty received \$450,000 in funding. Your generosity last year enables these groups to fight slum landlords, advocate for worker's rights, provide affordable housing for low-income families and ensure safer neighborhoods for all. Your donations help them help themselves out of poverty and into hope. Please continue your journey with them and give generously to the collection on **November 20th**.



IMPORTANT DATES

November 19/20	Food Gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves & Fishes Pantry.
November 21	Justice & Peace Committee Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

November Book Discussion on Tuesday, November 15th at 7:30 p.m. in the Veranda Room. We will be discussing **By What Authority?** by Richard Gaillardetz available at the Parish gift shop, **Gifts of the Spirit**.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul BUNDLE SUNDAY, TODAY - November 13th.

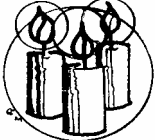
Please bring any useable clothing, shoes, linens, house wares, or anything you can carry which is re-useable, to the truck in the church parking lot between **8:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.**

Come one, come all ...

The parish is cordially invited to attend the monthly **Justice and Peace Meeting on Monday, November 21st at 7:30 pm.** in the Parish Hall. If you are able to join us early, we will pray the rosary at 7:00 in the chapel.

No pressure to sign on the dotted line! Join other young adults exploring the possibility of a call to religious life or priesthood. Confidentiality is respected. Is God calling you to something more? A group of discerning adults will begin meeting in November. For more information, call Fr. Kevin McBrien at St. Jane Francis (818)985-9038, ext. 12.

Our **Crossbearer Ministry** is in need of volunteers to carry the cross at Mass. If you are interested, please call Ana at **884-3981**.



you are children of light

Will you be ready for Advent? The season of anticipation will soon be upon us. Prepare the way of the Lord.

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ALTAR CARE November 11, 2005
Will & Ann Gartland, Sue Vigo, Jan Wheatman, Carmen Rivera.

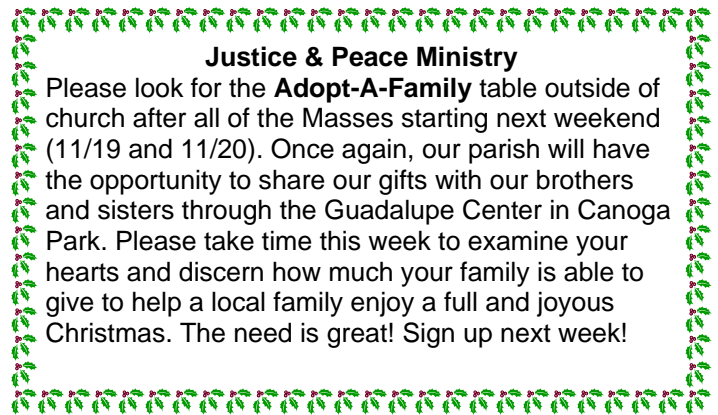
HELP NEEDED:
 We are in need of volunteers to help with altar care on the 4th Friday of every month from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. We are particularly in need of volunteers who are able to vacuum. Please call Lucy Kerecman at **998-6701** if you can help.

Gifts for the Spirit, our parish gift shop, has a beautiful selection of Advent Wreaths and candles, Advent Calendars, as well as a wonderful assortment of religious Christmas cards. Please stop by and browse our lovely array of gift items.

We are located upstairs in the parish Center across from the Hall. The shop is open Sundays from 9:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 12:00.

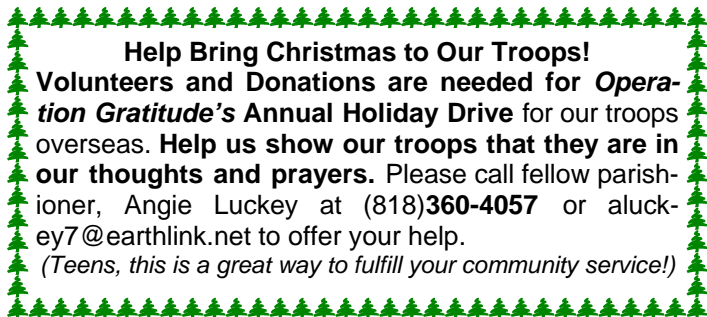


For over twenty years, the Sagebrush Cantina and the Rotary Club have hosted an **Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon for Valley Seniors**. St. Bernardine is participating by donating 100 pumpkin pies. If you would like to share your special pie with the seniors, please sign up on the poster outside of Church this weekend, **November 12/13th**. You will receive a reminder call before Thanksgiving and instructions on where to drop off your pie the day before Thanksgiving at the Sagebrush Cantina. Thank you!



Justice & Peace Ministry

Please look for the **Adopt-A-Family** table outside of church after all of the Masses starting next weekend (11/19 and 11/20). Once again, our parish will have the opportunity to share our gifts with our brothers and sisters through the Guadalupe Center in Canoga Park. Please take time this week to examine your hearts and discern how much your family is able to give to help a local family enjoy a full and joyous Christmas. The need is great! Sign up next week!

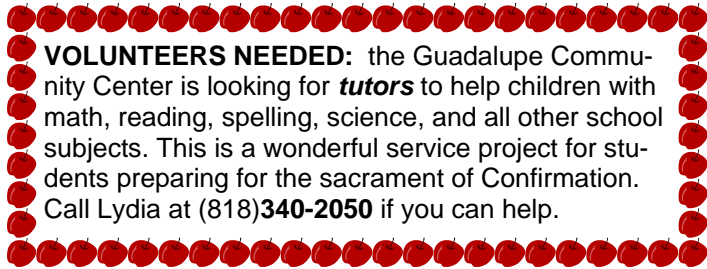


Help Bring Christmas to Our Troops!

Volunteers and Donations are needed for Operation Gratitude's Annual Holiday Drive for our troops overseas. **Help us show our troops that they are in our thoughts and prayers.** Please call fellow parishioner, Angie Luckey at (818)360-4057 or aluckey7@earthlink.net to offer your help. *(Teens, this is a great way to fulfill your community service!)*

FOOD DRIVERS NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to transport the **Food Drive** donations to the Guadalupe Community Center in Canoga Park on the third weekend every month. The food is taken to the center after the 12:00 Mass. Sunday evening Mass donations are taken over on Monday morning. If you would like to become a regular *volunteer, please call John Reeve at (818)883-7413.

**A truck, a van or SUV is desirable for the noon delivery. Sunday night donations usually fit into a car.*



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: the Guadalupe Community Center is looking for **tutors** to help children with math, reading, spelling, science, and all other school subjects. This is a wonderful service project for students preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. Call Lydia at (818)340-2050 if you can help.

Attention all Young Adults, single and married, between the ages of 18-39. Planning for the **2006 Theology on Tap Sessions** has begun. Anyone interested in joining the San Fernando Valley Team in the decision making for topics and speakers, and helping to plan the sessions, please call Denise at (818)421-2644.



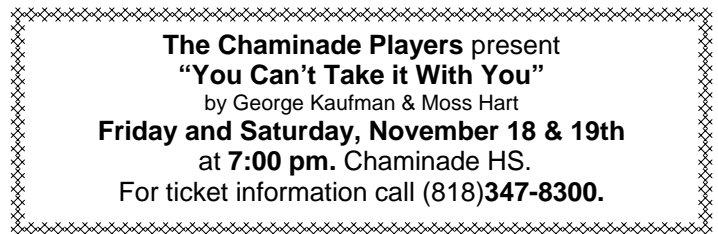
In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Diane Casey, daughter of Jane & William Twomey; Bob Van Buskirk, husband of Frances; Ama Pablos; Dennis Hoehn; Wayne Smith; Shirin; Rosalind Messick; Elaine Pittman; June Quinby; Helen Ellescas; Eileen Wicks; Michele Pepin; Frank Anzalone; Julianna Morin; Janny Vogel Zang; David Espinozsa; Marvin Asbury; Mary Biondo; Rose Marie Imber; Gabino Cruz; Tati Cardero; Dorothy Dhesse.

PRIME TIMERS:

Our next **General Meeting** will be **Sunday, November 20th at 2:00 p.m.** We will have **Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner**. Please bring an entrée, side dish or dessert. Salad and refreshments will be provided.

Our **Christmas Luncheon** will be held at the Calabasas Inn on **Tuesday, December 6th at 11:30 a.m.** The cost for members is **\$15** (non-members \$25). Call Terry Piscitello at **340-4100** for reservations **by Dec. 1st**.

Elections for the Prime Timers Board will be held in January. We need volunteers and/or nominations from our membership. Nominations will be taken at the November 20th General Meeting.



The Chaminade Players present "You Can't Take it With You"

by George Kaufman & Moss Hart

Friday and Saturday, November 18 & 19th at 7:00 pm. Chaminade HS.

For ticket information call (818)347-8300.

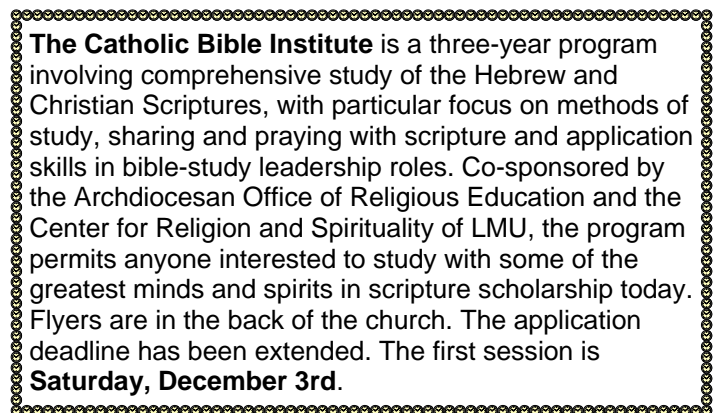
Evening with Alemany Advent Series

Give your family an opportunity to get into the spirit of Advent by attending a series of Advent presentations at Alemany HS on the following **Mondays: November 28th, December 5th, December 12th.** Each presentation will take place from **7:00 pm. to 8:30 p.m.**

Monday, November 28th - An evening of prayer and presentation of "How to Make Advent a Special Time of Family Preparation for Christmas" presented by Fr.

Norm Supancheck and Mrs. Liz Hise.

Call (818)365-3952, ext. 190 for more information.



The Catholic Bible Institute is a three-year program involving comprehensive study of the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures, with particular focus on methods of study, sharing and praying with scripture and application skills in bible-study leadership roles. Co-sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office of Religious Education and the Center for Religion and Spirituality of LMU, the program permits anyone interested to study with some of the greatest minds and spirits in scripture scholarship today. Flyers are in the back of the church. The application deadline has been extended. The first session is **Saturday, December 3rd.**

Mass Intentions



November 13 through November 19, 2005

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo
8:30 a.m. Stephen Tom+
10:00 a.m. Mike Parsons+
12:00 noon Fred Carrillo+
5:30 p.m. Evangelina Ribas+

MONDAY

6:30 a.m. Jane Malone O'Neill+
8:30 a.m. Clinton Pavelka+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. La Verne O'Halloran+
8:30 a.m. Matthew Pavelka+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. Patricia Sostak+
8:30 a.m. Doug Reed+

THURSDAY

6:30 a.m. Doug Reed+
8:30 a.m. Shannon Galindo

FRIDAY

6:30 a.m. Stephen Tom+
8:30 a.m. Anna Anderson+

SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. John J. Reeve, Jr.+
5:00 p.m. Vincent Dasaro+

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Crespi Open House: Sunday, November 13th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. For information call (818)345-1672.

Notre Dame OPEN HOUSE: Sunday, November 20th from 11:00 to 2:00 p.m. For information call (818)933-3600.

Louisville OPEN HOUSE: Sunday, December 4th. Reservations are requested for either the 9:00 a.m. seating or the 1:00 p.m. seating. Please call (818)346-8812.

AROUND THE VALLEY

November

- 15 **"A Catholic Perspective on End of Life Issues"** with Rev. Richard Benson, C.M. professor at St. John's Seminary, at St. John Baptist De La Salle, Granada Hills. For information call Deacon Sam Fraiss at (213)637-7807.
- 18 1st Annual **Making Gold out of Stones Benefit** for the Sisters of Notre Dame at the Sherwood Country Club at **6:00 p.m.** Silent & live auctions. Sister Mary Anita Hornack, SND, former principal of St. Bernardine's, will receive the Aloysia President's Award. Seating is limited, please call Sr. Francis Marie at (805)917-3714.
- 19 **Women's Day of Recollection** hosted by St. Francis de Sales in Sherman Oaks from **9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Guest speaker will be Fr. Ken Deasy. Please contact LouAnn Reising at (818)763-2116 or lainla3@aol.com.

Valley Events for Single Catholics: The non-profit **LA Catholic Alumni Club Singles** invites all single Catholics to join them at their many fun local events.

(All ages - most are 30's-50's).

For a free event calendar, call Liane at (818)708-6951.