



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

Catholic Church and School

24410 Calvert Street, Woodland Hills, California 91367 (818) 888-8200



PASTORAL TEAM:

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Robert J. McNamara
ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Albert H. Avenido
PASTOR EMERITUS: Rev Msgr Richard H Murray
SUNDAY ASSOCIATE: Rev Fr. Eugene Foley, O.Carm.
DEACONS: Jerry Cellner, Dan McHugh, 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

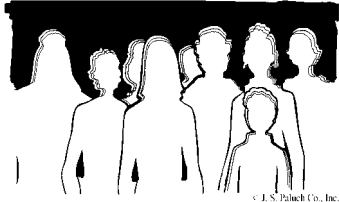
Dear Friends,

A big welcome back to Eileen Bonaduce this weekend as she returns for a second year to speak to us. Her topic is the struggling parishes and schools of our diocese. This is of course, "Together in Mission" - a pledge collection. The name captures its identity. Every parish is assessed according to its income to help poorer brothers and sisters in our own archdiocese. This year our goal is \$121,895.70. As you have so often in the past, I pray you will give again. Your pledge can be made over five months. Being the personal secretary of the Cardinal, Eileen is in a unique position to know of the forty or so parishes and schools that really need our help.

I particularly invite anyone who has not previously pledged to prayerfully consider it. Every penny of your dollar goes into a struggling parish or school and it is most appreciated. Do not hesitate because you feel you cannot pledge a lot. We cannot all donate equally. But we can all sacrifice equally. Give what you can. God has given a lot us and we need to be a sharing people.

My gratitude to all of you, but especially to you consistently generous parishioners who always come through so we can make our goal. May God generously bless you.

Wednesday and Thursday this week are special on our Liturgical calendar. Wednesday is the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple and the day we bless the candles we will use during the coming year. This will be done at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Thursday is the feast of St. Blaise when we traditionally bless throats. This will take place at the end of the 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Masses. ~ Father McNamara



**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 30, 2005**

Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord.

— 1 Corinthians 1:31

MEND (*Meet Each Need With Dignity*) Invites you to enjoy a night out and help the needy of the valley.

Plan to attend **"Its Not Going My Way,"** a hilarious comedy produced by the same company who staged "Late Night Catechism." The play will take place in the Parish Hall on **Saturday, February 26th.** A social hour and silent auction will precede the play at **6:30 p.m.** Call **Jan Mayers** for reserved seating- tickets are **\$40. Tickets will also be on sale outside of church on Saturday and Sunday February 12th and 13th.**

"We have come to do him homage"

These words, spoken by the Magi are echoed in the hearts of all who make a visit to the blessed Sacrament. On **Tuesday, February 1, Eucharistic Adoration** will be held in the Eucharistic Chapel upstairs following the **6:30 a.m.** Mass and ending at 12:00 noon.

APPLICATION SUNDAY

If you are interested in enrolling your child in St. Bernardine of Siena School for the fall 2005, the office will be open **Sunday, February 6th** from **10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.** You may stop by to pick up an application and receive information about the school. Applications will be available throughout the month of February at the school office. The deadline for applications is **Friday, February 22nd.**

ADMISSIONS AND NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

St. Bernardine of Siena admits students of any race, color, or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or ethnic origin. Priority is given to registered parish families in good standing who desire a Catholic Education for their children. There may be certain circumstances relating to special physical or learning needs where St. Bernardine of Siena School cannot provide an adequate educational program for a student, therefore, admission or re-registration may be denied after consultation with the parent.

ACCREDITATION

St. Bernardine of Siena School is authorized as a Catholic Elementary School by the Los Angeles Archdiocese and is under the direction and guidelines of the Department of Catholic Schools. Our school is fully accepted by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and by the Western Catholic Educational Association.

SEX DISCRIMINATION POLICY

St. Bernardine of Siena School does not discriminate against any applicant or employee because of sex and does not discriminate against any applicant or pupil because of sex in its admission, educational programs, or activities.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb. 5/6** **Sandwich Sunday** for the homeless. Those interested in helping Fr. Albert distribute the sandwiches on Skid Row will meet in the parish parking lot after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.
- Feb. 8** **Sanctity of Life Committee Meeting** at 7:30 p.m.
- Feb 12/13** **Justice and Peace Awareness Weekend**

ALTAR CARE – February 4, 2005
Mary Kesterson, Amy Okonski, Tony Palmisano, Jane Twomey, Sheila Stoll.



**FIRST FRIDAY SENIOR CITIZENS
MASS & LUNCHEON**

On the first Fridays of each month, October through June, we offer a special Mass for our senior citizens at **11:30 a.m.** in the Parish Hall. Mass is immediately followed by a delicious luncheon, occasionally with entertainment. All seniors are encouraged to attend, especially those who are normally homebound. Transportation is available to those who need it. Call Carole for ride information at **999-3764**.

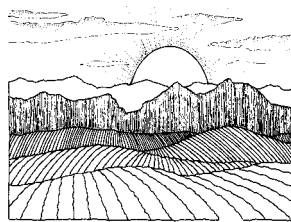
Our next Senior Citizen Mass and Luncheon will be this Friday, February 4th.

Prime Timers:

Our next **Meeting** is **Sunday, February 20th** at **2:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. Bring in your badge to update your membership (**\$3**). We are planning a trip to **Harrah's Ricon** for **Tuesday, February 15th**. The price is **\$15**. We will depart from St. B.'s at **8:00 a.m.** (be here at **7:30 a.m.**), and return at **5:00 p.m.** For **reservations** call Don and Angela Adams at **347-6709**. (Remember to bring a valid picture ID.)

Thank you St. Bernardine's Three hundred forty-one families (1,434 individuals) experienced a better Christmas because of the Adopt-A-Family Program. We thank the parishioners of St. Bernardine Parish for your generosity in donating \$17,555. Without you, this could not have happened. In addition, five hundred children's faces lit up when they received a brand new toy from Santa Claus at our annual children's party on December 19th. Please know that you are a very important part of our ministry to the community of the West Valley. May God bless you for your kindness to us at Christmas time and throughout the year.

**Blessed
are the
peacemakers**



The Safeguard the Children Committee is holding "Protecting God's Children Awareness Sessions." The archdiocese now mandates this training for any adult who is working with minors as a part of their parish mission. Sessions are scheduled for **Monday, February 7th (7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)**, and **Monday, February 24th (7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)**. These sessions are open to anyone who would like to attend. Additional sessions will be announced in the Parish Bulletin. Please call Eileen Fewless at **(818)340-1440**.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Help Needed: No Experience Necessary ~just a love of children: Would you be willing to share your faith with a group of first grade children on Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.? We are in need of teacher's aide. Please call Eileen at **340-1440**.

World Marriage Day 2005

Couples celebrating their silver (25) or golden (50) or more, wedding anniversary are invited to join us for the special **Silver & Golden Anniversary Mass** on **Sunday, February 27th at 3:30 p.m.** at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Angles. The registration fee is **\$35** per couple. For more information and early registration, please call Annette at the Office of Family Life at **(213)637-7228**.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE SERIES:

Even though we're still celebrating the post-Christmas season, Lent is early this year! We might think about doing something this year instead of giving up something! Why not attend some or all of the sessions in our series "**Exploring Scripture: Torah to Trinity**" with Doug Glassman, OFM on Thursdays, during Lent beginning **February 10th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center. Whether you are a "scripture scholar" or, like some of us, quite dependent on those thumb tabs to find the right book in the bible, you will enjoy Fr. Doug's lively and thought provoking take on various parts of our most sacred library, the bible.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—St. Bernardine's Nursery Care Program needs volunteers on Sunday during the **10:00 a.m.** Mass. Just three times over a six month period. Please call if you are able help with babysitting: Carole at **999-3764**.



Pray For The Sick

In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Jeannie Ruiz; mother of Christopher Ruiz and Matthew & Ana Porcellino; Frank Smedley; Giovanni Beltran, nephew of Sylvia Antoun; Don Vetter; Diane McElliott; Wayne Smith; Max Moffat; Rose Marie Imber; Sharon Clark; Herb Wiedoeft; ; Susan Phillips; James Zukowski; Carmela Kemp; Margaret Delatorre; Judy Sanford; Rick Driscoll; Tati Cardero; Laurie Pearson; Deborah Puleo; Tom Holwager; Judy Sanford; Terry Asbury; Joe Restivo.



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Kevin Gerrity, son of Bob & Claire Gerrity; Chris Gruber, son-in-law of Evelyn Boyd.

Training and Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on **Saturday, February 5** from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** (in the ballroom at the Center at Cathedral Plaza) at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels with presenter Rev. Msgr. Kevin Kostelnik. The fee is \$25 per person at the door, parking is \$5 (carpooling is recommended). Make checks payable to the Office of Worship and mail the registration form and check to: Office for Worship, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, 3424 Wilshire Blvd., LA. 90010. For more information, call **213-637-7262**.

PLEASE DONATE YOUR OLD CELL PHONES FOR A SAFER COMMUNITY! A receptacle is located inside the front doors of the church. PLEASE help by donating your old phone(s) now! For information, visit www.securethecall-ca.org.

Mass Intentions



January 30 through February 5, 2005

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo

8:30 a.m. Jeff Forrester+

10:00 Bernadine Glass+

12:00 Jeff Forrester+

5:30 Anna White

MONDAY

6:30 a.m. Thomas O'Keefe+

8:30 a.m. Jim Palkovic+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Bernadine Glass+

8:30 a.m. Tony Viso+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving+

8:30 a.m. Mary Jane Welling+

THURSDAY

6:30 a.m. Lema Ferral+

8:30 a.m. Jim Nicolais+

FRIDAY

6:30 a.m. Richard Frances Michalski

8:30 a.m. Mary Jane Welling+

Saturday

8:30 a.m. St. Rita McCormack

5:00 p.m. Dorothy Klimmek

The Annual Religious Education Congress - February 17th-20th: "Awake to Grace." For more information, or to register, call 213-637-7246, or register online at www.RECongress.org.

OLD VIDEOS NEEDED!: After my daughter's 3 day stay in the pediatric ward of a local hospital, we found a need for all of those old videos. There will be box at the entrance of the church this weekend , January 30th and next weekend, February 6th. Please bring your old videos and deposit them in the box. They will be distributed at our local hospitals. Thank you and God bless you. If you need your videos to be picked-up, call Suzanne Tondreau at 818-591-2340.

AROUND THE VALLEY

February

- 5 LOUISVILLE High School Entrance Exams from 9:00 to 12:30 p.m. All students interested in applying for the fall of 2005 must take the entrance exam. An application for admission and application fee should be on file with the school no later than January 28th. Students should arrive no later than 8:45 a.m. to check in. The school is located at 22300 Mulholland Drive in Woodland Hills.
5 CRESPI CARMELITE High School Entrance Exams will be given at 8:00 a.m. For an application or information please call Judy Rodriguez in the Admissions Office at (818)345-1672, ext. 535.
5 Bishop Alemany High School Entrance exam for all incoming 9th and 10th grade students will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 12:00 non. Applications should be submitted by February 3rd. For additional information call 818-363-3925, ext. 151.