



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




Notes from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

Twice in the last two weeks I put the wrong date in the pastor's message, I thought the bulletin editor had messed up, but in checking my copy I had to eat crow—mea culpa. Today a humbler me thinks I finally have it right. This is the weekend that I will do my annual Stewardship appeal at all of the Masses wherein I will ask each of you to evaluate your level of giving to our beautiful parish. Your generosity has enabled extraordinary things to happen in the last year, especially since we have become a "Tithing Parish." Last year we gave away 10% of our income in "out reach" helping build a better world. I will be talking about that today too. Please pray about the support you will pledge for the coming year. We are so blessed and we need to share our blessings. Whatever you decide, I thank you in advance.

In spirit of Thanksgiving, Rabbi Vogel and the community from Temple Alijah will again come to St. Bernardine's, this time for a joint Catholic/Jewish Thanksgiving Service. Join us this coming Tuesday before Thanksgiving, November 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in our Church. Remembering the recent fires, we will be honoring firefighters and thanking God for their work in keeping us safe.

On Thanksgiving Day, we will have our usual 10:00 a.m. Mass. The third grade students from our school will take an active part in the Mass. So bring the whole family. A table will be available for the blessing of the bread and wine you will be using at your Thanksgiving dinner. If an earlier Mass would suit you better, Our Lady of the Valley on Topanga, just south of Sherman Way, will be having Mass at 8:00 a.m. And please, don't be alone on that day. Join me for dinner, but let me know you are coming. Call the office at (818)888-8200 and leave your name and number. We will eat at around 5:00. Happy Thanksgiving to you all.
~ Father McNamara



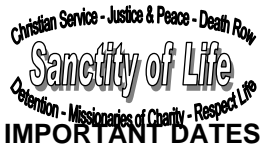
**Our Lord
Jesus Christ the King
November 20, 2005**

**I was hungry and
you gave me food,
I was thirsty and
you gave me drink.**
— Matthew 25:35

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Today is the **Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. Across the country, millions of Catholics are taking Jesus' concern for the poor to heart by supporting the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). In its 35th year as a program of the Catholic Church, CCHD is our nation's largest private funder of self-help, low-income controlled projects directed at changing conditions that cause poverty. Your gifts foster self-sufficiency and help build community.

Please give generously to CCHD.


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.
December 3/4	Sandwich Sunday for the homeless. Those interested in helping distribute sandwiches to the homeless on Skid Row will meet in the parish parking lot after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.
December 6	Sanctity of Life Committee Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
December 13	Scheduled execution of Stanley "Tookie" Williams by the state of California at 12:01 a.m.


Happy Thanksgiving

ALTAR CARE November 25, 2005
**Bob & Fran Van Buskirk, Theresa & Jerry Cofsky,
 Lil Grandinetti.**

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.

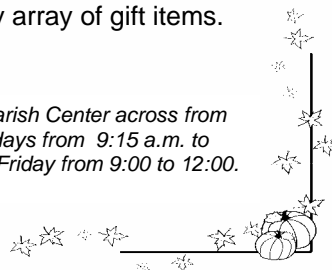


Give Thanks

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

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.



**24th Annual Holiday Caroling Festivities
Sunday, December 4th**

Singers and musicians of all talent levels and ages are invited to participate in this community service project. The Holiday Caroling is designed to both bring joy to the elderly while enhancing the holiday spirit and appreciation of life, health and family of the participants. Santa Claus will be joining us — music books and refreshments will be provided at all three performances:

4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. West Hills Health and Rehabilitation Center (Main Lobby), 7940 Topanga Canyon Blvd., C.P.

5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. Topanga Park Retirement Center, 7945 Topanga Canyon Blvd., C.P.

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Wilshire Retirement Center, 6833 Fallbrook Ave., C.P.

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Post Caroling Wrap Party at Home Town Buffet, 6705 Fallbrook, C.P.

For further information call Vincent Leinen at (818)342-9336 or e-mail BD754@LAFN.org or ReachForTheStars.com/caroling/.

Come one, come all ... The parish is cordially invited to attend the monthly **Justice and Peace Meeting, TOMORROW, 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.

This weekend is our **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** for Guadalupe Center in Canoga Park. All non-perishable food items are welcome.



The Christian Service Committee will collect donations after all the masses, including the Sunday Night Youth Mass. Food may be dropped off anytime Saturday or Sunday. If you have forgotten to bring your gift with you, you still have time to come back. Your generosity is appreciated.

FOOD DRIVERS NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to transport donations to the Guadalupe Community 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.



Pray For The Sick

In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Keith Farr, husband of Beverly; Corinne Ramirez; Fr. Liam McCarron, cousin of Tom McCarron; Charles Barkley, husband of Minnie; Diane Casey; Bob Van Buskirk ;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 Espinoza; Marvin Asbury; Mary Biondo; Rose Marie Imber; Gabino Cruz; Tati Cardero; Dorothy Dhesse.



Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Ernie Brown.

Thanksgiving Pies for Seniors

For over twenty years, the Rotary Club and the Sagebrush Cantina in Calabasas have held a **Thanksgiving Luncheon for Valley Seniors**. This year, St. Bernardine's was asked to help by providing pumpkin pies for the anticipated 700 seniors! Last weekend, volunteers signed-up to bring 33 pies so far. Won't you please help us in collecting the other 67 pies we need? They can be homemade or store bought. Please plan to drop off your pie(s) at the Sagebrush Cantina on Wednesday afternoon (11/23). There is a sign-up poster outside of all of the Masses this weekend [or call Teri Noguez at (818)716-7773]. Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: There will be no Religious Education Classes on Tuesday, November 22nd or Wednesday, November 23rd. Classes will resume on Tuesday, November 29th & Wednesday, November 30th.

Justice & Peace Ministry - ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Aurelia (35) and Rafael (43) have 6 children: Ophelia (19), Marco (15), Salvador (11), Jose (9), Maria (4), and baby Antonia (1). Rafael's full time salary is only \$1,237.52 a month. The family's rent is \$850/month. They have been clients at the Guadalupe Center for over 10 years.

Did you know that 48% of the clients at the Guadalupe Center are children under the age of 17, 4% are between the ages 60-74, and 2% are between 75 and 100 years old!!! People of all ages are registered for assistance at the Guadalupe Center in Canoga Park. By donating to the **Adopt-A-Family Program, YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE this Christmas** in each one of their lives. Please stop by the Justice of the Peace table outside of the Masses this weekend [or call Teri Niogues at (818)716-7773 or John Reeves at (818)883-7413], to see how you can help.

PRIME TIMERS: General Meeting TODAY, Sunday, November 20th at 2:00 p.m. We are having a **Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner**. Please bring an entrée, side dish or dessert. Salad/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.

Our **Crossbearer Ministry** is in need of volunteers to carry the cross at Mass. Call Ana at **884-3981.**

Mass Intentions



November 20 through November 26, 2005

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo
8:30 a.m. Stephen Tom+
10:00 a.m. J.J. Reeve+
12:00 noon Paul Bulman
5:30 p.m. Elizabeth Castaneda+

MONDAY

6:30 a.m. In Memoriam
8:30 a.m. Paul Brown+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Christita S. Antonio+
8:30 a.m. G.A. Tom Thompson+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. Sabina Greco+
8:30 a.m. Joanne Sharp+

THANKSGIVING

10:00 MASS

FRIDAY

6:30 a.m. Francis Falotico+
8:30 a.m. Louis Sorgi+

SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. Walt Lord+
5:00 p.m. John Paul Cassidenti+

Louisville High School 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.

Evening with Alemany Advent Series

A series of Advent presentations at Alemany HS will be held on the following **Mondays: Nov. 28th, Dec. 5th, Dec. 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.

Please join us as we Take a Stand for life! A Prayerful Gathering Against Abortion on **Saturday, December 3rd** from **9:00 a.m. to 12:00** at Family Planning Associates, 10200 Sepulveda Blvd, Mission Hills.

Across the street from this abortion facility is our Pregnancy Counseling Center. Come in and visit the center and see our new pro-life billboard above the center

AROUND THE VALLEY

November

26 Thanksgiving Dance for Single Catholics. Social hour and dance lessons from 8:00 pm to 9:00, dancing from 9:00 to 12:30 a.m. Tickets at the door **\$16.** Glendale Elks Lodge, 120 E. Colorado Street, Glendale. Sponsored by the LA Catholic Alumni Club. For info call (818)708-6951.

1 Christmas Boutique at St. Mel's from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.