



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

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MASS SCHEDULE:

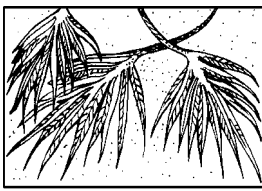
SUNDAY: 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:00am, 12:00nn, 5:30 p.m.
WEEKDAY: Mon thru Fri.: 6:30am & 8:30 a.m. (1st) Fri: 11:30 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00pm.
Confessions: Sat: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m

Dear Friends,

What was I thinking last week? I was trying to help you remember when the Penance Celebration would be and seeing it is tomorrow, March 21, I thought, easy, I will just say—the shortest day of the year! Well, wrong! I am astonished that only one person brought my error to my attention. I draw one of two conclusions. Either no one reads the pastor's message, or everyone believes everything I say! Conscious of my humanity, I pray the former over the latter. One way or the other, tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m. there will be a Penance Celebration in the Church. Bring your friends.

Holy Week is now upon us and you should have received the week's schedule in the mail. There are three main liturgical highlights; 1) Holy Thursday, the Mass of the Lord's Supper with the washing of the feet of twelve volunteers by the pastor to remind us that we are a servant Church, 2) Good Friday at 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. we will have the Passion, veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, 3) Holy Saturday is the longest, perhaps two and a half hours, but the most dramatic and powerful use of our church symbols — the Easter fire and candle, new Easter water, Baptisms (by emersion) of our new converts, Confirmation and our Alleluias as we rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus and the promise and hope it gives us. Wrap up your Lent by attending each day of the Triduum, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

Next week, being Easter Sunday, we tend to see a lot of new people in Church. If God's grace moved them to come, let us be sure to welcome them. Faith communities, like our parish, develop a distinctive character, and it is clearly seen in what we do as against what we say. Let us therefore welcome all our brothers and sisters who wish to join us at our Easter Celebration. A blessed Holy Week to you all. ~ Father McNamara



**Palm Sunday
of the Lord's Passion
March 20, 2005**

**God greatly exalted [Christ]
and bestowed on him
the name which is above
every name.**

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2005

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, March 21

Communal Penance Service

Saturday, March 19 — 3:00 to 4:30 pm.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after Morning Prayers on Thursday, Friday and Saturday

MASSES

Palm Sunday — March 20

Masses—5:00 p.m. (Saturday) 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Solemn Procession and blessing of Palms before all of the Masses

Holy Thursday — March 24th

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by adoration until Midnight

Good Friday — March 25th

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

12:00 p.m. Stations of Cross

1:00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7:30 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday — March 26th

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

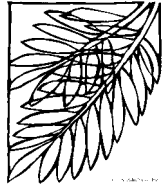
7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass including Rite of Initiation

Easter Sunday — March 27th

Masses—7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 and 5:30 p.m.



One Human Family Caring of Those in Need
**2005 Collection for the Universal Church and
 Catholic Relief Services**
 this weekend, **March 19th & 20th.**



Passion Sunday

Mel Gibson's Passion of the Christ helped us to focus on the suffering Jesus endured to show us the depths of God's love for us. As we continue our journey with **Operation Rice Bowl** this week, we need to **pray** that the Holy Spirit will give us the courage to recognize Christ's Passion in the suffering of the people around the world and even here in the United States who are poor. Our pangs of hunger, brought on by **fasting**, help us identify with those who experience hunger in our cities and countryside, and throughout the world. Our **almsgiving** assists people in need here in the United States as well as in the poorest countries on earth.

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

*Christian Service - Justice & Peace - Death Row
 Sanctity of Life
 Detention - Missionaries of Charity - Respect Life*

IMPORTANT DATES

March 20 **Food Gathering** for the Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.

March 21 **Justice and Peace Committee Meeting** at 7:30 p.m.

March 22 **Respect Life Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Music Room.

Please join the **Justice and Peace Committee** **TOMORROW, Monday, March 21st** as we meet in the chapel to pray the rosary at **7:00 p.m.** Our meeting will follow at **7:30 p.m.** If you cannot make the rosary, please join us at 7:30 in the Veranda Room. **All are invited.**

Join us for the **Respect Life Meeting** on **Tuesday, March 22nd** at **7:00 p.m.** for a special video presentation of **"The Case For Life."** We will also share the latest information of the **Assisted Suicide Bill** being proposed in California. Refreshments will be served.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

A Cry for Help!

In the land where Our Lord Jesus Christ chose to be born, where the ultimate sacrifice was made by His dying on the cross, and where His glorious resurrection took place...**a desperate cry for help can be heard.** For many centuries, the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land and the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem have been charged with the protection of Christians and the care of our holy shrines, including the Tomb of Christ. On Good Friday, a special collection is taken up worldwide for this very important cause. Please be very generous this Good Friday, as the needs are especially great due to the unrest in the land of Our Lord. May the Lady of Palestine bless and embrace you.

"Safeguard the Children Parish Committee"

The archdiocese has mandated that all parishioners who work with children—staff, choir, directors, religion teachers, Scout leaders, and anyone else whose work brings them into contact with children — must attend a **"Safeguard the Children Awareness Session."** The purpose of these sessions is to increase awareness of child abuse. Child safety issues and to facilitate the implementation of preventative measures to protect children in our churches, schools, homes, and communities. Call Eileen at (818)340-1440 for information regarding the dates of upcoming sessions.



Pray For The Sick In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish,

Laurie Pearson, daughter of Lori Reed; Alicia Calvo, sister of Anna Parezo; Rose Marie Imber; Peter Culhane; Sharon Clark; Tom Vorgitch; Tati Cardero; Victoria Ibarra; Gabino Cruz; Debbie Straw; Hana Hrabec-Snyder; Jack Maranto; Joyce Angelini; Sr. Molua Conheady, SSL; Charles Weber; Mary Alice Head; Larry Levine.



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls

of Antonio Salvador; Rosemary Sorrentino, aunt of Donna Watson; Jack McKeever, father of Mary Hellerstein; Anthony Romano, uncle of Patrick Collins; Dr. Jack F. Ellis, father of John Ellis; Maxine Brehm, grandmother of Travis and Roberta Brehm; Louise Krause, grandmother of Jim Johnston.

Following is a proposed change in the **St. Bernardine Parish Council Constitution.** Parish members are invited to attend the Council meeting **Tuesday, April 12th** at **7:00 pm.** in the Parish Center Staff Conference Room to vote on the change.

"The terms of office for parish council members shall be increased to three years for adult members and to two years for youth members. The council shall consist of 8 adult members and two youth members. Terms of office of existing members shall be extended accordingly."

Our Lenten Journey Continues

The students of St. Bernardine School invite you to join them for a presentation of

The Way of The Cross

Holy Thursday, March 24th

11:00 a.m. in the church

Scripture, Reflection, Movement, and Song

Prime Timers: TODAY, Sunday, March 20th at **2:00 p.m.** is our **St. Patrick's Day Celebration.**

Remember to wear GREEN!

Reservations/pre-payment were required for this event.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION EASTER BREAK

There will be no Religious Education classes **March 22nd through March 30th** for children who meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Classes will resume Tuesday, April 5th and Wednesday April 6th.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE: After the **5:30 Mass tonight, 3/20,** both year one and year two candidates will meet for Confirmation Sessions.

The Year Two Confirmation Retreat Team will meet tomorrow, Monday, March 21st from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Office Conference Room. (The retreat is less than a month away, April 15th-17th, and we still need adult chaperones and small group leaders. Call as soon as possible if you're willing to help (710-1662).

The Jr. High Youth Ministry will meet on Tuesday, March 22nd from 6:30 pm. to 8:00 p.m. The Youth Core Ministry Team continues to meet every Wednesday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Don't miss our first monthly Jr. High Youth Ministry Family Game Night on Saturday, April 2nd from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the Veranda Room. All 7th and 8th graders and their families are invited to turn off the TV, grab their favorite board game and join us for an evening of fun!

We are looking for catechists for next year's Confirmation Program; if you are an adult, a confirmed and practicing Catholic, and you think you have the heart to help our teens' faith grow, you are strongly encouraged to contact the Youth Ministry Office (710-1662).

Save the Date

5th Annual Msgr. Murray Golf Tournament

Monday, May 16th

Calabasas Country Club

\$150 per player

Watch the bulletin for additional information.

Mass Intentions



March 20 through March 26, 2005

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo

8:30 a.m. Tony Ettaro+

10:00 Alexander P. Ross+

12:00 Angela Abbene+

5:30 Anthony Giella+

MONDAY

6:30 a.m. Francis Falotico+

8:30 a.m. Aida Videna+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Sean Lynagh+

8:30 a.m. Vincenza Martinez+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. Angela Abbene+

8:30 a.m. Eric Reiner+

HOLY THURSDAY

9:00 a.m. *Morning Prayer*

7:30 p.m. Benia Bojsza+

GOOD FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. *Morning Prayer*

HOLY SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. *Morning Prayer*

7:30 p.m. **Easter Vigil** Jack Roeder+

Etch your child's picture in stone to commemorate their First Communion or another special event. These beautiful stones include the date of the celebration, along with a scripture etching (or other words of your choice).

Samples are available in our gift shop, **Gifts for the Spirit**. Please stop by and browse our lovely selection of R.C.I.A., Easter and Confirmation cards and gifts.

We are located upstairs in the Parish Center across from the Hall. We're open Sundays from 9:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and Mon-Fri (check in the office first) from 9:00 to 12:00.

Los Angeles ACCW (Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women) invites **ALL WOMEN** of the archdiocese to the **ACCW Second Annual Mass** at the *Cathedral of Our Lady of The Angels* on **Tuesday, April 5th** at **10:00 a.m.** Parking is **\$5**. Please carpool (or take the bus/metro; the redline Civic Center station is 1/2 blk. from the Cathedral).

SAVE THE DATE

St. Bernardine of Siena Dads will be hosting a

TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT

Saturday, April 9th in the Parish Hall at **7:00 p.m.**

The cost is **\$100** which includes instruction (if necessary), light refreshments, beverages and awards. All proceeds will benefit the new St. Bernardine of Siena School Kindergarten Playground. Tickets will be available after all of the Masses the weekend of **April 2 & 3rd**. Contact Todd Borowski at (818) **348-5650** with any questions.

Everyone over the age of 21 is welcome to participate!

