



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

Catholic Church and School

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PASTORAL TEAM:

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Robert J. McNamara
ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Daniel A. Fox
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



Dear Friends,
 WARNING - WARNING -
 WARNING. Next Sunday could be dangerous for you. It's that once a year opportunity that I take to talk about stewardship. I will be referring to your Time, your Talent, and your Treasure and challenging you to share all three with the world in a generous, no string attached, gift. If I am successful, then you will have assessed your giving to your Church and decided to increase your offering. You will have to choose—deal or no deal! If you decide it will indeed be too dangerous for you to come to Mass here next weekend, and if you decide to go to another parish instead, let me forewarn you. The pastor there may be talking about Stewardship too and he may be far more boring! So take a chance, be strong, you can resist my persuasive powers! ~ Father McNamara



**First Sunday of Advent
 November 27, 2005**

**Be watchful! Be alert!
 You do not know when the time
 will come.**

— Mark 13:33

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to join the Eucharistic Ministry. If you wish to become part of this important ministry at Sunday Mass, please come to our **Training Meeting on Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 p.m.** in the church or call Bob Nicholas at **346-8244**.

Annual Memorial Mass

Our Annual Memorial Mass will be **Friday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m.** We will have a candle ceremony remembering those who died during the last year between November 1, 2005 and October 31, 2006, and whose funeral services were at St. Bernardine's.

Many parishioners have had a death in the family during the same time period, but the funeral services were not at St. Bernardine's. You, too, are invited to come with your family and participate in the candle ceremony. If you will be attending the November 17th Memorial Mass and would like to participate in the candle ceremony, please call the Parish Center no later than November 15th. Give you name, address, phone number name of your family member who died, and date of death. All are invited. Please come and support those who have had a death during this last year.

We Remember Those Who Died

A table has been set up for the month of November for pictures of loved ones who died during this last year. Please bring your loved one's picture (be sure to put your name and phone number on the back).

Christian Service - Justice & Peace - Death Row
IMPORTANT DATES
Sanctity of Life
Protection of Homeless or Skid Row
Missionaries of Charity

November 4/5 Sandwich Sunday for the homeless. Those interested in helping to distribute sandwiches to the Homeless or Skid Row will meet in the parish parking lot after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.

November 18 & Food Gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.

November 18 Justice and Peace Committee Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Gifts for the Spirit

Advent, a beautiful season of anticipation of the coming of the Lord, begins December 3rd. Your parish gift shop, **Gifts for the Spirit**, has a beautiful selection of Advent wreaths & candles and Christmas cards available. You will also find wonderful Nativity sets, ornaments and gifts for your Christmas celebration. And, plan to join us on **Sunday, November 19th** for our **Open House** where we will have on display our fantastic array of items to help you this blessed, joyous, giving of the love in our hearts, Christmas season.

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.

Vote YES on Proposition 85

Promote the **Parents' Right to Know and Child Protection** ballot initiative which will require a doctor to notify at least one parent 48 hours before performing an abortion on their minor daughter.

Check it Out! ... In Your Parish Library!!

Have you ever wondered what the "unforgivable sin" is? Is it really "unforgivable?" Check out the answer to this and other questions about faith in a recent issue of The Catholic Answer. Copies are available in the Parish Library after Mass Sunday Morning.

ALTAR CARE November 10, 2006:

Will & Ann Gartland, Sue Vigo, Jan Wheatman, Carmen Rivera, Jan Pexioto, Fran Van Buskirk.

Get a Better Understanding of Pope Benedict

Explore Pope Benedict's *Deus Caritas Est* through the insightful and dynamic commentary of Rev. John P. Brennan, SMA, professor of systematic theology at St. John's Seminary. His series, **Thursdays, November 9 & 16 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center, promises to shed light on the evolution of Benedict from academic to pastor through an exploration of this remarkably readable and uplifting letter celebrating authentic human love and challenging us to live the Gospel. Fr. Jack is a member of the Society of African Missionaries. His latest book, **Christ the One Sent** was published by Liturgical Press in 1997. Copies of the encyclical as well as commentary articles will be available outside of church after all of the Masses this weekend, **November 4th & 5th**, or you may print them out from the Vatican website:
www.vatican.va

VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED
Volunteers are needed to support your parish library. Can you spare one Sunday a month? If you are interested in this very rewarding opportunity, please contact Maria Giammatteo at 884-2736

St. Bernardine's and Temple Aliyah join together for
A Celebration of Thanksgiving to God
for
Our Personal Blessings
Our Communal gifts
The World in Which We Live

On **Tuesday, November 21st at 7:30 p.m.** at Temple Aliyah. Presiders: Fr. McNamara and Rabbit Stewart Vogel; Music by Shantigarh, directed by John Bonaduce and the Temple Aliyah Choirs, directed by Hazzan Mike Stein. Your non-perishable food donation will benefit the SOVA Food Pantry, a non-sectarian program of Jewish Family Service of LA

The Magnificat Intercessory Prayer Group will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 9th in the Veranda Room.



We are in need of new volunteers for our **Cross Bearing** liturgical ministry. If you are able to help, please call Dave Goracke at **347-0192**.

BUNDLE SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND
Reminder! Bundle Sunday at St. Bernardine's is next week, **Sunday, November 12th**. The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here from **8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Bring useable clothing, shoes, appliances, household items, linen, books, jewelry, etc. For large items, including furniture and large appliances, please phone **(323)224-6280** for a special pickup at your home. **Remember, your contributions help the needy and they are tax deductible.**

~ Missionary of Charity Brothers ~
Mother Teresa's Missionary Brothers and Co-Workers are looking for drivers and cooks, A team from St. Bernardine's travel downtown every Saturday morning to bring hot lunch to the brothers and those in their care. You would be assigned to a team and be called only once every six weekends. There are so many ways to give of ourselves, perhaps one of these is for you. Please call Jean Sampson at **(818)888-7073**.

The results of St. Bernardine's Blood Drive on October 27th: We collected 84 units!!!! Many thanks to all who came in. Mark your calendars, our next Blood Drive is March 11th, 2007.

Pray For The Sick
In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Ross Van Ness; Marissa Pfaff, daughter of Marty & Maureen; Sandy Geraghty, mother of Beverly Marsh; Mary Reardon, mother of Catherine Kim; Christian & Ryder Watanabe; Charlie Sosa; Nolbetta Baker; Jessica Diek; Sister Josephine Rosenkranz, OSF; Scott Swanson; Dolores Zukowski; Matt Kaszynski; Mary Jane Hansford; Marie Aboularage; Jan Renner; Dorothy Leaper; Ashley Mazur; Art Ramos; Ella Millington; Terry Asbury; Gabino Cruz; Ama Pablos.

Mitzvah Day – TODAY, November 5th
St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah join forces once again to co-sponsor community service projects:

- Sandwiches for the Homeless
- Breed Street Shyl Clean-up - Help cleanup and beautify one of the oldest synagogues on the west coast.
- Car Wash - Let the youth of St. Bernardine's and Temple Aliyah make your car shine: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the victims of Darfur. **Call temple Aliyah at (818)346-3545 to volunteer.**

Pray For The Sick
Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Baby Sydney Segal, daughter of Kim & Corby; David Stegh.

Holy Image, Hallowed Ground: Icons from Sinai
November 14th through March 4th
Getty Center: Museum, exhibitions Pavilion
The Holy Monastery of Saint Catherine at Mount Sinai, Egypt, is the oldest continuously operating Christian monastery in existence today. Its church and fortified walls were commissioned by Emperor Justinian in the 6th century. This exhibition features a selection of artistic treasures from Saint Catherine's, including precious objects used in celebration of the liturgy.

ST. BERNARDINE'S PARISH LEADERS

Parish Council	Cathy Borowski	348-5650
Altar Care	Lucy Kerecman	998-6701
Altar Servers	Maria Giammatteo	888-8200
Baptism Classes	Deacon Jerry Cellner	888-8200
Bible Study (Thurs Grp)	Shirley Grochalski	347-6228
Comprehensive Youth Ministry (CYM)	Andrew Gafvert	710-1662
Cross Bearers	Dave Goracke	347-0192
Detention Ministry	Rudy Vlasak	347-7144
Environment	Maria Giammatteo	888-8200
Eucharistic Ministers (To Sick/Homebound)	Deacon Dale Taufer	888-8200
Festival Chairpersons	Cheryl Moore	314-6161
Finance Committee	Priscilla Brehm	340-9017
Gift Shop	Jean Sampson	888-7073
Justice & Peace Ministry	Teri Nogues	716-7773
	Kathy Cromar	883-4238
Lectors	Jack Maranto	877-6310
Library	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
Magnificat	Jo Vlasak	347-7144
Marriage Encounter	Ed/Anna Marie Pudwill	348-1632
Music Ministry	Marilyn Enos	710-9788
Nursery Care Program	Tami Alcocer/8:30 Mass	882-4070
	Carole Williamson/10:00	999-3764
Parent/Teacher Assoc.	June Hunter	713-8120
Parish School	Theresa Valenzuela	340-2130
Pre-School	Charlene Barkes	716-4730
RCIA	Steve Ellms	340-2087
Reach Out	Shirley Grochalski	347-6228
Religious Education	Eileen Fewless	340-1440
Respect Life	Tracie Shepard	340-7043
Retreats (Men's)	Jim Birkhead	348-4616
Silverado Music Ministry	Jo & Rudy Vlasak	347-7144
Scouting (Boy Scouts)	Gary Bishop	998-7917
(Cub Scouts)	Richard Robinson	703-7572
(Girl Scouts)	Kim Palkovic	992-0737
Social Activities	Cathy Borowski	348-5650
	Maria Cassar	999-1063
Sunday Pre-School	Wendy Sciuto	592-0049
Ushers	Don Leehey	884-4608
	Donna Forrester	712-9922
Welcoming Committee	Darma Trafecanty	884-1686
Women on the Journey	Jean Sampson	346-8116

SCHOOL NEWS

Crespi Carmelite HS OPEN HOUSE on **Sunday**, November 12th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Chaminade Middle School OPEN HOUSE on **Sunday, November 19th** from **11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** For info call (818)363-6907.
Notre Dame HS OPEN HOUSE on **Sunday November 19th** from **11:00 to 2:00 p.m.** For info call (818)933-3600.
Bishop Alemany HS OPEN HOUSE is **Sunday, November 19th** from **12:00 to 4:00 p.m.** For info call (818)365-3925.

Crespi Carmelite HS Mothers' Christmas Luncheon and Fashion Show Boutique is **Saturday, December 3rd, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at the **Warner Center Marriot**. For more information call **Pam Trovatten** at (818)654-1303.

Mass Intentions

November 5 through November 11, 2006

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo

8:30 a.m. John Reyes Crispo+

10:00 a.m. All Souls

12:00 noon Francisco Yap+

5:30 p.m. Joseph Overlock+

MONDAY

6:30 a.m. All Souls

8:30 a.m. Karolina Riginl+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Julia Quigley+

8:30 a.m. All Souls

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. All Souls

8:30 a.m. Jack Hasset+

THURSDAY

6:30 a.m. Earl Dersom+

8:30 a.m. All Souls

FRIDAY

6:30 a.m. All Souls

8:30 a.m. Edward & Phyllis Palkovic

SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. Helen Zack+

5:00 p.m. Thomas Lynch Family+

COMING EVENTS

November

- 5 **THEOLOGY ON TAP II** for all young adults, single and married, at **7:00 p.m.** at Margarita's Grill, 23320 Valencia Blvd., Valencia. Fr. Jack Stoeger, Director of the Cardinal Manning House of Prayer for Priests, will speak on **"Relationships: Unlocking the Secrets to a Full and Holy Life."** Admission is **FREE**, dinner served, donations welcome. For more information call (818)361-6009.
- 5 **Catholic in Media Associates 14th Annual Mass and Awards Luncheon** at **10:00** at the Beverly Hilton Hotel International Ballroom. Bishop Wilkerson celebrating Mass. **\$100** per person - call (818)907-2734 or www.catholicsinmedia.org.
- 10 **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 Elise Kaplan, MFT, who will discuss **"Surviving the Holidays on Your Own Again."** For info call Mary at (818)831-7606.
- 11 **Young Adult Diners' Club** will meet at Wood Ranch Barbeque in Moorpark at **7:00 p.m.** For information and/or reservations call Deanna at (805)529-8644.
- 13 30th Annual Catholic-Jewish Women's Conference: **"Working for Social Justice: The Catholic and Jewish Response"** from **8:30 to 3:30 p.m.** at Leo Baeck Temple, 1300 N. Sepulveda Blvd. LA. Speakers: Dr. Marie Egan, IHM and Rabbi Janet Offel. Small group dialogues in the afternoon. **\$20** per person, students free. Brown bag lunch. Call Helen with questions at (818)883-4966.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>1 Religious Education 4:00pm R.C.I.A. 7:30pm Vigil Mass 7:30pm</p>	<p>2 Masses at 6:30am and 8:30am Baptism Class 7:30pm</p>	<p>3 Senior Citizen Mass/Luncheon 11:30am</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>5 Nursery Care and Preschool 8:30 and 10:00am RCIC</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel 7:00am - 12:00pm Religious Education 4:00pm</p>	<p>8 Religious Education 4:00pm R.C.I.A. 7:30pm</p>	<p>9 Book Club 7:30pm "God's Love"</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Sunday Nursery/Preschool 8:30 and 10:00am RCIC</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 Religious Education 4:00pm Parish Council Meeting 7:00pm</p>	<p>15 Religious Education 4:00pm R.C.I.A. 7:30pm Cub Pack Meeting 7:30pm</p>	<p>16 Book Club 7:30pm "God's Love"</p>	<p>17 Annual Bereavement Memorial Mass 7:30pm</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19 Nursery Care and Preschool 8:30 and 10:00am RCIC</p>	<p>20 Justice & Peace Meeting 7:30pm</p>	<p>21 NO Religious Education 7:30pm Fr. McNamara at Temple Aliyah</p>	<p>22 NO Religious Education NO R.C.I.A.</p>	<p>23 Mass 10:00am</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 NO Nursery Care and Preschool NO RCIC</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 Religious Education 4:00pm</p>	<p>29 Virtus Training 9:00am Religious Education 4:00pm R.C.I.A. 7:30pm</p>	<p>30 Scripture Study of Psalms 7:30pm</p>	<p>NO SCHOOL</p>	