



# 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,

To all the Moms of our parish, including grandmothers, stepmothers, foster mothers and godmothers, we wish you a most blessed Mother's Day. I pray you are able to count your children among your greatest blessings. We celebrate mothers today because they are the unforgettable gift we have all received. Many of us will miss our Moms today and will be praying for them because they have gone to the Lord. May they rest in peace. Also, today I am mindful of the many women I know who, for a host of reasons, did not become "Moms." I thank God for them too, because they have made the world a better place with their motherly caring and nurturing. Happy Mother's Day to all.

Last year, Fr. Olan Rynn from the diocese of Galway, Ireland and chaplain in a Galway Hospital, spent his vacation here during the month of June. He has chosen to do the same this year helping us out in our parish and making it easier for us priests to attend our annual convocation. If you can't recall his face perhaps you can remember his energy, his youth and his love of the priesthood. Along with you, I am delighted to welcome him back today.

In a recent survey of the Los Angeles diocesan priests, the average age was sixty one. I am exactly average! Our priests are aging and soon there will be a desperate shortage. This is a fact because numbers in the seminary are way down so it is easy to predict a growing shortage. Pray for vocations. Encourage young men you know to consider being priests. When your sons and daughters talk of priesthood or religious life, encourage them to pray about it and assure them God may be calling them. The encouragement of family members makes all the difference.  
~ Father McNamara

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 14, 2006**

**Let us love not in word  
or speech  
but in deed and truth.**

— 1 John 3:18

~ **Special Collection** ~

**Retirement fund for Archdiocesan Priests**

Next weekend, **May 20-21**, all parishioners will be asked to give generously to support the Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests. Currently the fund provides for 161 priests who are retired. Over the next ten years, the number of priests who will reach retirement will number 379. All of these individuals have committed their lives to serve the spiritual needs of our parish communities. We, in turn, owe it to them to assure that they do not have to worry about their retirement years.

In today's bulletin, the 4-page tabloid insert describes this need further and offers several ways that you can provide significant financial support. Please review the insert and reflect upon how the priests in your life have guided you, called forth your gifts and provided spiritual guidance in your life. Then, prayerfully determine the amount that you will give next week in support of them, not out of a sense of obligation, but one of true gratitude for their dedication and service.

Christian Service - Justice & Peace - Death Row

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Sanctity of Life**

May 20/21

Good Gathering for Guadalupe Center and Missionaries of Charity - Respite Pantry.



**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to join the Eucharistic Ministry. If you wish to become a part of this important ministry at Sunday Mass, please come to our **Training Meeting on Wednesday, May 17th at 7:00 p.m.** in the church or call Bob Nicholas at **346-8244**.

**ALTAR CARE May 19, 2006 -**  
**Lelah McLaughlin, Judy Sabo, Michele Croson,**  
**Bernice Galbreath, Helen Robinson.**

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**  
~ **BUNDLE SUNDAY** ~

On **Sunday, June 4th** our parish is having a Bundle Sunday for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul. Please bring your clean useable clothing and usable household items to their truck in the parking lot. Help them in their endless efforts to assist the needy, They are in desperate need of furniture and large appliances. Call them for a pick up of heavy items at **(323)224-6280** or **(800)97-**

Check your redesigned website:

**STBERNARDINE.ORG**

The dates you want to  
add to your calendar...

A wealth of information concerning the life of your parish.

Don't miss the upcoming events of your church





**Mother/Son Dinner & Magic Show**  
 on **Saturday, May 20th**  
 in the Parish Hall from  
**5:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
 Cost: **\$30** for each mother/son  
 (\$5 each additional son).  
 Dinner, dessert & magic show by Howard Jay  
 along with a few surprises. Tickets are still  
 available, call the parish office for information.  
*Hosted by the St. Bernardine Social Committee*



Fellow parishioners ~ **The Justice & Peace Monthly Meeting** will be held **TOMORROW, Monday, May 15th.** Those that are able to, please meet in the chapel at **7:00 p.m.** for the rosary. The meeting will follow at **7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center.  
**All are welcome and encouraged to come.**

**SCRIPTURE SERIES: "The Gospel of Mark"**  
 with Fr. Doug Glassman, OFM  
 Join us, **Thursday, May 11th** at **7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center for the fourth in this series. Using the book, Fully Human, Fully Divine by Michael Casey, as a framework for reflection and application, Fr. Doug shares his and Casey's insights celebrating Jesus' humanity.

**DO YOU HAVE EMPTY SHOE BOXES???**  
 We need adult-sized cardboard **SHOE BOXES** (with lids) for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.** They can be dropped off to Eileen's office at the parish center.  
 Thank you.



**Pray For The Sick**  
 In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Gerry Shields; Gabino Cruz; Ama Pablos; Russell Saucier; Cecelia Cammarano; Kathy Suppan; Theresa Turcotte; Grace Gonzales; Terry Asbury; Judi Sanford; Anna Uso; Karin Gall; Joseph Finn; Nancy Mikan; Norma Bosco; Marjorie Kwan; Helen Ellescas; Claudette Quiros; Mary Auer; Edward Reed; Regine Jouen; Rose Marie Imber; Tina Smith.

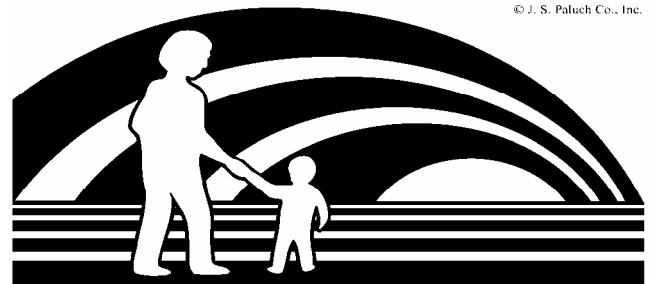
*Names remain for a period of one month and can be re-added each month as needed. Please notify the office to add or delete names.*

**Pray for the happy repose of the souls of** Mary Harjehausen, sister of Gerry Shields; Rosita Gomez, mother of Julius Gomez

**Justice and Peace Ministry**  
**"Letters for Our Soldiers"**

St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah invite you to partake in **"Operation Gratitude"** by collecting letters for the soldiers and volunteering at the Armory in Van Nuys to help package. We will be collecting the letters and items on **Saturday & Sunday May 20 & 21 ONLY** after the **5:00 p.m., 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 Sunday Masses**. Please leave them in the corral at the front corner of the church. **Items needed are:** powdered hot and cold drinks; ready-to-eat tuna or chicken salad packs; breath mints; gum; individually packaged snacks; trail mix; jerky; dried fruit; cookies; nuts and seeds; energy, power or granola bars; cheese or peanut butter crackers; computer flash drives; DVDs; CDs; phone cards; disposable cameras; screen printed t-shirts; socks; handheld games, battery-operated mini-fans; bandana cool-ties with cooling crystals; packs of stationery; pens; used cell phones; individually wrapped towelettes; tissues; lip balm and other personal toiletries.  
 Letters from both children and adults should be generically addressed (Dear Soldier), non-political and encouraging and **left unsealed**. Volunteers, **aged 12 and over Only** (children accompanied by a parent), should wear comfortable close-toed shoes and will work from **2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 21st** at the Armory, 17330 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys. Carpooling will be available if needed. We hope you will join us!

**Magnificat Ministry to Catholic Women**  
*A private non-profit Catholic International Association authorized by the Archdiocese.*  
 The West San Fernando Valley Chapter will meet on **Thursday, June 1st** from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Porter Valley Country Club. **ALL** women are invited to attend **MAGNIFICAT** Brunch gatherings. Reservation \$15—Call Teri at **(805)527-3745**. Music, praise, and worship are celebrated in an atmosphere of God's presence and love, guest speakers give personal testimony of God's action in their life and personal prayer teams and spiritual advisors share with us.



**Crisis Pregnancy Hotline (800)973-7334**  
**Abortion Recovery Help (877)467-3463 &**  
**www.rachelsvineyard.org**  
**Holy Family Adoption Services (805)374-2785**

**Mass Intentions**



**May 7 through May 13, 2006**

**7:00 a.m.** Pro Populo

**8:30 a.m.** Betty Stellon

**10:00 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**12:00 noon** Delores Zembo+

**5:30 p.m.** Michael McElroy+

**MONDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Jerry Bernardi+

**8:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**TUESDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**8:30 a.m.** Stephen Guarneri+

**WEDNESDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Arcadia Reyes Balingit+

**8:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**THURSDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**8:30 a.m.** Gloria Leone+

**FRIDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Olegario Cantos+

**8:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**SATURDAY**

**8:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Novena

**5:00 p.m.** Lewis Del Plato+

**STAND UP FOR LIFE!**

Come to our **Prayerful Gathering Against Abortion on Thursday, May 25th from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** Our gathering will take place at

Family Planning Associates (across the street from our Pregnancy Counseling Center) at 10200 Sepulveda Blvd., Mission Hills.

**Please come and bring your friends!**

**NOTRE DAME High School's**

**20th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament**

Get your foursome together and join us at Robinson Ranch in Santa Clarita for our **20th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Monday, May 22nd, \$250** per player includes range balls, lunch & refreshments on the course, dinner, tee prizes, awards, green fees & cart, hole-in-one or two shootout, hole-in-one car & longest drive contests. To make reservations with your credit card, please call or e-mail Katie Feeney in the Alumni Office at (818)933-3606 or feeney@ndhs.org **no later than Thursday, May 18th.**

Camp Mariastella is a residential camp for girls located in lovely Wrightwood in the San Gabriel Mountains. We are currently accepting application for campers: girls 7-15 who would love to have a really great week at Summer Camp.

We are also recruiting young women who are at least 17 to work as summer camp counselors for the summer.

Please call our camp office for more information at (818)

**285-1555** or e-mail us at

[campmariastella@aol.com](mailto:campmariastella@aol.com).