



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

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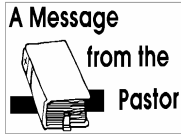


PASTORAL TEAM:

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,

If you had figured out that this coming Thursday is forty days since Easter and the traditional day to celebrate the Ascension, you are of course correct. And if you lived in the ecclesiastical Provinces of Boston, Hartford, New York, Newark, Philadelphia, and the state of Nebraska, it would indeed be a holy day of obligation and you would celebrate the feast of the Ascension. However, in our diocese and the rest of the country, the celebration of the feast has been transferred to next Sunday, May 28th. So next Sunday, we will celebrate the fact that after the resurrection, Our Lord Jesus, ascended to heaven and returned to the Father - leading the way for all of us.

Yesterday, May 20th, was the feast of St. Bernardine of Siena, the patron Saint of our Church. Six years ago, you may remember when Msgr. Dotson was here, Cardinal Mahony dedicated the new Church and Altar. At that time, a relic of St. Bernardine was embedded in our altar. Bernardine died in 1444. He was a famous reformer and eloquent preacher who traveled throughout Italy and was known for his use of the Latin monogram IHS meaning Jesus the Savior of Mankind (Iesus Hominum Salvator). He is the patron saint of advertisers. Is that why so many of you are great advertisers of our wonderful parish?

~ Father McNamara

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 21, 2006



It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit.
— John 15:16

~ **Special Collection** ~
Retirement fund for Archdiocesan Priests

TODAY, May 21st, all parishioners are asked 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.

Please make your generous contribution a reflection of your true gratitude for the dedication and service of our Archdiocesan priests.

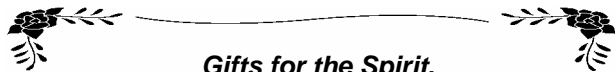
Christian Service - Justice & Peace - Death Row
IMPORTANT DATES
Sanctity of Life
Prayer - Missionaries of Charity - Respect

May 21
June 3/4

Food Gathering for Guadalupe Center and Missionaries of Charity Pantry.
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 on Sunday.

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

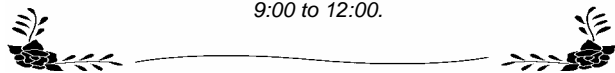
Sunday, June 4th is **Bundle Sunday** for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul. The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here from **8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** to receive your donations. Bring useable clothing, shoes, appliances, household items, linens, books, jewelry, etc. They are in desperate need of all furniture and large appliances. For large items, including furniture and large appliances, please phone, **(323)224-6280** or (800)97-HELP-1 for a pick-up at your home. **Your contributions are of great help to the needy.**



Gifts for the Spirit,

your parish gift shop, has a beautiful selection of gifts and cards for all of your special occasions Please stop by and browse through our lovely array of 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.



ALTAR CARE May 26, 2006 -
Theresa & Jerry Cofsky, Lil Grandinetti,
Bernice Galbreath, Helen Robinson,
Marilyn Byloos, Stella Como.

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




**Scripture Series: The Gospel of Mark
With Fr. Doug Glassman, OFM**


Join us this **Thursday, May 25th at 7:30 p.m.** for the final presentation in this series. Using the book Fully Human, Fully Divine, by Michael Casey as a framework, Fr. Doug shares his and Casey's insights on this earliest Gospel celebrating Jesus' humanity. We will meet in the Parish Center.

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


St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah are collecting letters and items for our military personnel **this weekend 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 stationary; 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**. *If you are planning to help pack items:* 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. TODAY, Sunday, May 21st** at the Armory, 17330 Victory Blvd., Van Nuys. Carpooling is available if needed.

Donate your car, truck, motor home or boat and help St. Bernardine's Church or School! Tax deductions available! Call Jerome Ruzicka at (818)259-1964 or e-mail carsfor-sale@real409.com

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 Uoso; 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.

 **Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of** George Eskander, father of Tracy Wheeler, grandfather of Carly; Pat Ludovico, brother of Maria Giammatteo.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Attention Parents of teens and pre-teens:
 Our Parenteen program, "Bringing parents and teens closer to Christ and one another." which began last fall has been very successful since its inception with many parent only and parent and teen events. Parenteen continues . . .

On Wednesday, June 7, I am pleased to announce that St. Bernardine Parishioner and Life Coach Daniel Holmes will be a guest speaker for a special *Parents on Purpose* evening. This evening is for Parents Only. The last few weeks of school and the beginning of summer can be a very stressful time for you as parents. Come retreat with us for an evening and take a look at where things are heading, where you want them to go, and how to get there with clear expectations, boundaries, and guidelines for your teens and/or pre-teens this summer. The evening is \$25 per parent or \$35 per couple and will run from 6 – 9 p.m. in the parish hall on Wednesday, June 7. Dinner will be included, but you must register for the event by Sunday, June 4. Contact St. Bernardine Youth Ministry at (818) 710-1662 today for more information.

Tonight, Sunday, May 21, we have another awareness night for Parents Only. All parents of teens and pre-teens are encouraged to join us in the parish hall from 6:45-8:15 p.m. for an evening of exploration on the subject of technology and teens, including internet safety.

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.

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 21 through May 27, 2006

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo

8:30 a.m. Ashley Mazur

10:00 a.m. Jackie Majewski+

12:00 noon Mother's Day Novena

5:30 p.m. Chuck Alpert+

MONDAY

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

8:30 a.m. Tati Cardero+

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Eunice Nichols+

8:30 a.m. Tony Catania+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 a.m. Ashley Mazur

8:30 a.m. John Bathan+

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

6:30 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. Mass

FRIDAY

6:30 a.m. Helen & Albert Olsberg+

8:30 a.m. John Reyes Crispo+

SATURDAY

8:30 a.m. Tamar Johorian

5:00 p.m. Tony Amato+



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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!**

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Do you ever wonder what the gifts of the Spirit are supposed to mean in your life? Do you ever wonder if you have any of what they are? We've all got them but we don't always use them or even know what they are! If you'd like to learn more about God's gifts in your life and His call and purpose, register for the upcoming **"Called and Gifted Workshop"** coming to St. John Eudes parish **June 2-3**. The "Called and Gifted Workshop" has been given to 10,000 parishes nationally and is a work of the Western Dominican Province. Call St. John Eudes Religious Education Office at (818)**882-9323** for more information.

St. John Eudes Separated, Divorced and Widowed Catholic Support Group will meet on **Friday, May 26th** at **8:00 p.m.** in Room C of Grill Hall. For more information about the speaker meeting, please call Mary at (881)**831-7606**.