



# St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

Catholic Church and School

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#### PASTORAL TEAM:

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Robert J. McNamara  
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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,

"Ring out the old, ring in the new". Goodbye to 2005 and welcome 2006. As we reflect on 2005, some will say it was a bad year, others will look back and say it was a good year. Happy New Year to you all and may it be a great year for each of you. No doubt, this coming year will bring suffering and hardship to many, but it will be a great year because we will stay close to the Lord. In His presence all things are possible and all is good. Nourish His presence in your life this year. Pray often, enjoy the sacraments, and bask in the incredible love our God has for you. Have a very blessed 2006.

My deepest thanks to all who thought of the priests at Christmas and sent cards, cookies etc. We are very grateful and appreciative. Thank you.

~ Father McNamara



**The Blessed Virgin Mary,  
the Mother of God  
January 1, 2006**

**Mary kept all these things,  
reflecting on them  
in her heart.**

— Luke 2:19

**Adoration**  
**Tuesday, January 3rd**  
 following the **6:30 a.m.** Mass  
 upstairs In the chapel.  
 Benediction will be celebrated at noon.

## The Nativity in Art

Fr. Geoff will show 80 slides of great art masterpieces throughout the world on the Nativity of our Lord.

**Thursday, January 5th**  
 In St. Bernardine's Church  
 at 7:30 p.m.  
 The presentation will last  
 approximately 1 1/2 hours

*Happy New Year!*

**Have you remembered your parish or school  
in your will or trust?**

For further information, please contact the rectory or H. Richard Closson, Director, Trust and Estate Programs at (213)637-7472 or HRClosson@la-archdiocese.org or visit [www.estateplanning.com/trustsacc](http://www.estateplanning.com/trustsacc).  
 Our correct legal title is: "The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, A Corporation Sole, for the benefit of  
 St. Bernardine of Siena Parish, (or school)  
 Woodland Hills, California."

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

**January 1**      **Sandwich Sunday** for the homeless. Please bring bagged meal and bottled water to any of the Masses. Blankets and new socks are always appreciated. Those interested in helping distribute to the homeless men and women on Skid row, we meet in the parish parking lot after the 5:30 Mass. Email [sandwichministry@earthlink.net](mailto:sandwichministry@earthlink.net) with any questions.

**January 14/15**      Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.

**January 16**      **Justice and Peace Committee Meeting** at 7:30 p.m.

**January 17**      Scheduled execution of Clarence Ray Allen by the state of California at 12:01 a.m.

**ALTAR CARE January 6, 2006**  
**Mary Kesterson, Amy Okonski, Tony Palmisano,  
 Jane Twomey, Sheila Stoll.**

Anniversaries are usually a time for celebrating a special time in our lives. Unfortunately, January is the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. Please come and pray with us for all the children lost through abortion. We will meet in St. John Eudes church every Monday night in January. **Rosary and Adoration: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** For more information call Denise Laenack at (818)998-0499.

**Attention All Liturgical Ministers!**  
**Liturgical Formation Day**, sponsored by the Office of Worship, will be held on **Saturday, January 28** from **9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** at St. Raymond's Catholic Church, 12320 Paramount Blvd. in Downey. A registration form can be downloaded from the Office of Worship's website: [www.laliturgy.org](http://www.laliturgy.org) OR pick up a flyer at the parish office. Please plan to bring your lunch; morning hospitality will be provided. For additional information, call (213)637-7586.

“Safeguard the Children Parish Committee”

Just a reminder, the Archdiocese requires ALL teachers, staff, volunteers and ministers who are directly involved in teaching or caring for youth under 18 years of age to attend a “Protecting God’s Children Awareness Session.” The next sessions will be offered on Saturday, January 7th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, January 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the Veranda Room. To attend a session, please call Eileen Fewless at (818)340-1440.

We will have fingerprinting in the Parish Center on Thursday, February 2nd from 12:00 p.m. to 7:20 p.m. To sign-up please call the Pre-school at (818)416-4730.



Happy New “Life!” New Life Resolution Party!

Join St. Bernardine parishioner and Life coach Daniel Holmes for a Free Workshop on Tuesday, January 10th - Make agreements that stick, connect your life purpose and vision, identify your blocks and lose them, make life what you want it to be! Don’t miss this terrific opportunity to make those life changes you keep losing sight of. “The road of someday leads to a town called Nowhere!” Make a commitment to yourself and get to the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. for pre-registration (workshop from 7:00 pm. To 9:00 p.m.—LIMITED SEATING). Call (818) 348-4478 or email MyFamilyCoach@aol.com for information.

(This free workshop is a community service sponsored by Coaching Excellence in association with St. Bernardine Parish, St. Mel Parish and the PTSA’s of El Camino HS and Hale JHS.) ADULTS ONLY PLEASE.

We wish you a Happy New Year! The Santa Barbara Culinary Institute/Oxnard Heritage Square Trip has been RE-SCHEDULED for Tuesday, February 7th. If you are unable to make the trip or want to be put on the waiting list, Call Angela Adams at 347-6709. The bus will depart from St. B.’s at 10:00 a.m. Elections for the Prime Timers Board will be held in January. We need volunteers and/or nominations from our membership to fill some positions. Nominations will be taken at the January General Meeting.

Grief Support Group

The death of a loved one can be a very difficult experience. A support group with others who have also had deaths can be helpful in the grief journey. An adult, faith-based Grief Support Group will be held at St. Bernardine’s on nine Monday evenings, beginning January 16th and ending on March 20th (skipping February 20th, President’s Day). Pre-registration is required. Attendance at all nine meetings is highly recommended for your benefit. To register, please call The Parish Center at 888-8200, Monday through Friday (9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES RESUME Religious Education Classes for grades one through six will resume on Tuesday, January 10th and Wednesday, January 11th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.



YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

Junior High: The next Junior High Youth Night will be on Tuesday, January 17th.

Confirmation: The next Confirmation sessions are next Sunday, January 8th. The deadline to turn in Year One retreat forms is next Monday, January 9th at 7:00 PM.

Youth whose forms are not turned in by then will not be allowed to attend the retreat next month, no exceptions! The forms were mailed out last month. If you need copies, please contact the youth ministry office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We need adult chaperones and small group leaders for our Year One Confirmation retreat February 10th-12th (we leave here on Friday at 6:00 PM). Please contact the youth ministry office at (818) 710-1662 or email agafvert@stbernardine.org as soon as possible if you can be available to help out. Thanks!

Happy New Year!



Pray For The Sick

In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish, Janet Parker; Stephen Shaffer, husband of Bina; Terry Asbury, wife of Jim; Myra Masenter, daughter of Sari Hall; Rose Marie Imber; Stuart Deats, husband of Diane; Mildred Jansen; Richard Camarillo; Don Kaszynski; Paul Garibaldi; Betty Albrigo; Charles Barkley; Dorothy Dhesse.

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 Mary Biondo and Thomas Cleary, husband of Diane.

**Mass Intentions**



**January 1 through January 7, 2006**

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

**8:30 a.m.** Jeff Forrester+

**10:00 a.m.** Judy Chiang Family

**12:00 noon** James K. McIlvaine+

**5:30 p.m.** Mairi & Hugo

**MONDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Carol Faul+

**8:30 a.m.** Jeff Forrester+

**TUESDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Ruth Craig+

**8:30 a.m.** Paul West

**WEDNESDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** John Falotico+

**8:30 a.m.** Charles Barkley

**THURSDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Francis Falotica

**8:30 a.m.** Esther Layfield+

**FRIDAY**

**6:30 a.m.** Lucy Tualla+

**8:30 a.m.** Ryan Holke

**SATURDAY**

**8:30 p.m.** Mass of Thanksgiving

**5:00 p.m.** Kevin Webber+

The West San Fernando Valley District of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women

**(ACCW) District Meeting** will be on **Monday, January 16th** at St. Mel's Parish, 20870 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will include speaker Sr. Claire Graham, S.S.S., Mass, luncheon, and will end at 1:30 p.m. The charge for the day is \$10 (pre-paid). Please make checks payable to, and mail to, Betty Klein, 168 Conifer Circle, Oak Park, Ca 91377 or Marge Austin, 22130 Independencia, Northridge, CA 91324; before the January 12th deadline. For information, call Betty at (818) **707-9606** or Marge at (818)**347-1003**.

**High School Entrance Exam Workshop**

Bishop Alemany High School will be giving an Entrance Exam Workshop for incoming 9th and 10th graders on **Saturday, January 7th**. There is a application fee of **\$25**. This workshop is preparation for the entrance exam that will be given on Saturday, January 28th. Registration information for the workshop and **exam can be obtained by calling the Admissions Office at (818)365-3925**.

**EVENTS for SINGLE CATHOLICS**

The non-profit **Catholic Alumni Club Singles** invite you to join them for the Rose Parade on January 2nd; the Getty Museum on January 7th; bowling on January 13th; a free "Job Search Technique Presentation" on January 22nd; the Reagan Library & dinner at the Elephant Bar on January 28th; and our Valentine's Dance on February 10th. All ages are welcome. To RSVP or for a free sample event calendar, please call Liane at (818)708-6951.