



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,

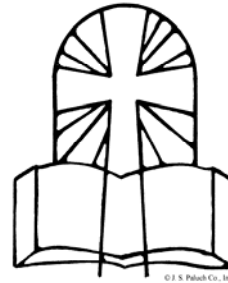
Last weekend we witnessed the amazing transformation of our parking lot into a carnival of rides and thrills, food and prizes. Today it's just a parking lot again but full of happy memories. Our festival chairperson, Cheryl Moore and her team did an incredible job. They and countless volunteers put in untold hours and made this years festival not only an astonishing financial success but also successful in building our community spirit. Many worked the whole three days and let us not forget the hours of preparation. It is too early for a final figure, it takes weeks for all the bills to come in, but we are expecting the best year ever. May God bless all you workers and patrons for your magnanimous support. The winner of the \$10,000.00 grand prize was Graciela Alvarez of West Hills, one of our pre school parents. Congratulations Graciela.
~ Fr. McNamara

Mitzvah Day 2007

Join our neighbors at Temple Aliyah for Mitzvah Day on **Sunday, November 4th**, a day of reaching our and making the world a better place. Several activities are planned:

- **Heal the Bay** from **2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** (Zuma Beach)
 - Making Sandwiches for the homeless and hungry with the Boys at the Pacific Boys Lodge from **3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**
 - Training to help local children improve their reading skills with KOREH- LA from **1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.** at Temple Aliyah
 - CPR Training at Temple Aliyah (space limited) from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. a Temple Aliyah.
- Choose a activity and RSVP to Jeff Bernhardt at Temple Aliyah at (818)346-3545 ext. 109.

Youth Activity: Join Youth Minister Andrew Galvert and the teens at Temple Aliyah to wash cars. Proceeds benefit Darfur refugees.



**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 21, 2007**

**I lift up my eyes toward the mountains;
whence shall help come to me?
My help is from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

— Psalm 121:1-2

Respect Life

October is Respect Life Month. The U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops asks us to reflect especially on the words of Pope John Paul II, "To be Catholic is to be PRO-LIFE." Father Richard Benson expresses this in these words: "The Church has been pro-life from the first moment of her existence in teaching and in practice. A brief look at the Church's sacraments sees the clarity of the their message of Life: Baptism brings one from the death of sin to the life of sanctifying grace; Penance offers the opportunity to reclaim the life of grace lost by sinful choices; Eucharist is the food of Life; Confirmation is the gift of a deepened life in the Sprit; Marriage is the sanctification of sexual union, making it a life-giving commitment; and Anointing of the Sick provides a path from sickness and death to healing and life, whether earthly or heavenly.

"We are asked this time,

"How do I live and help spread the Gospel of Life?"

~ Respect Life Committee



IMPORTANT DATES

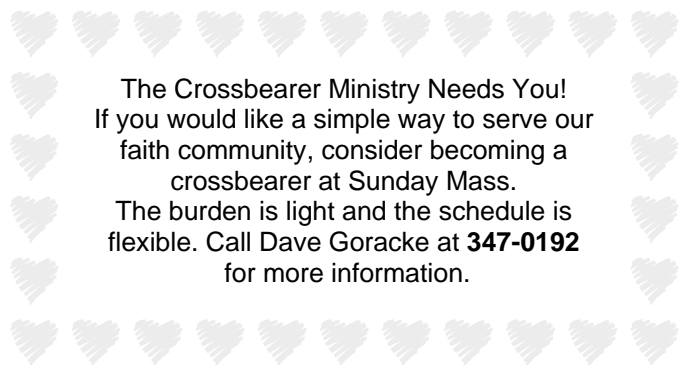
- October 20/21** Food Gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves & Fishes Pantry.
- Nov. 3/4** Sandwich Sunday, Bagged meals (sandwich, chips, dessert, fruit) water, socks and blankets will be collected at all masses for distribution to those in need in the San Fernando Valley



The Blood Drive is taking place TODAY, Sunday, October 21st from 8:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Walk-ins Welcome!

The **Parish Library** is open **Monday through Friday** from **9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** and after the 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon Masses every **Sunday**.

ALTAR CARE - October 26, 2007
Jerry & Theresa Cofsky, Helen Robinson,
Marilyn Byloos, Stella Como.



The Crossbearer Ministry Needs You!
If you would like a simple way to serve our faith community, consider becoming a crossbearer at Sunday Mass.
The burden is light and the schedule is flexible. Call Dave Goracke at **347-0192** for more information.

“Catholics in Public Life: Prophetic and Public”

presented by Kristen Heyer will take place this **Thursday, October 25th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center. Dr. Heyer is an assistant professor of Christian Ethics at Loyola Marymount and author of Prophetic and Public: The Social Witness of U.S. Catholicism. Come for a thought-provoking evening relevant to each of us as voters in the upcoming elections.

CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP

Are you going through, or planning to make a transition in your life? Perhaps you are unhappy in your work, or your children have recently left home. Perhaps you want to return to work after an absence, or you are considering a call to the priesthood or religious life. Knowing what gifts God has given you to offer other people can help you discern His will for your life — and provide you with direction when you make choices. On the evening of **Friday, November 9th** and **Saturday, November 10th**, our parish is sponsoring a teaching team from Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado Springs to offer a program called the **Called and Gifted Workshop**. The workshop is about discerning our gifts for the sake of discovering God’s will for our lives. Everyone is invited to participate. Please contact Cathy Borowski at **(818)425-4670** with questions or to register.



Christmas has arrived at MEND! **MEND** invites people age 16 and older to home visit our Christmas applicant on Saturday October 27th and or Friday, November 3rd from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. go in pairs to visit and assess needy families for our Christmas Baskets. Training and continental breakfast is provided. To sign up, or for more volunteer opportunities, call MEND at **(818)896-0246**.



In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish: Beverly Bennett; Betty Ostrowski, mother of Tracy Otake; Cindy Matney; Bob Fox, father of Christy Call; Richard Ames, husband of Judith; Jonathan Parsons; Bob Renner; Howard Barnes; Theresa Cassidenti; Virginia Gardiner, mother of Karen Keefe; Toni Cotter; Mary Ellen Szabo; Mark Kaszynski; Alex Naddour; Linda Chan; Russ Logan; Michel Miller; Lorraine Vlaovich; Bill Manning; Robert Niermeyer; Wallace Buckley; Michael Miller; Maria Zaluaga; Nancyjo Bush; Kevin Cordasco; Dan Clarton; Kelly Clarton; Rabbi Bill Gordon; Betty Birkhead; Michael Belliotti; James White, Scott Truxal; Dan Loffa; Pat Walker.

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.

Youth Ministry events are for 9-12 graders



- Wednesday, October 24: Guys-Only Youth Night (7-8:30, Hall)
- Sunday, October 28: Discipleship Night (6:30-9, Hall) \$5 for pizza, salad, and drink

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The **St. Vincent De Paul** truck will be here at St. Bernardine’s on **Sunday, November 11th**. Please begin saving your useable household and useable clothing items. They are also in desperate need of furniture and large appliances (Call 800-97HELP1 for a special pickup).



Canasta Anyone? Would you like to join us for a relaxed, fun day? The Canasta group meets every **Monday** at St. Bernardine Parish Hall from **11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** Coffee and tea are provided, bring your lunch & soft drink.

Everyone is welcome — beginners, former players, all ages. If interested call Charlotte Fuchs at 884-3935 or Estelle Bender at **347-9141**.

Magnificat, A Ministry to Catholic Women, Prayer Brunch will be held on **Thursday, November 1** from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Porter Valley Country Club with guest speaker John Bonaduce as he recounts his personal encounter with Gods’ forgiveness, a must–hear from a man’s perspective, expressed through his music. Reservations must be postmarked by October 22. Mail your **\$17** check to Teri Thompson, 6202 Wisteria Dr., Simi Valley, CA 93063, or call (805)527-3745, or register online at www.magnificatsfv.com

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

- ♦ **Louisville HS 8th Grade Visit Day Friday, November 2nd** at **7:45 a.m.** until **12:30 p.m.** For details visit www.louisville.org.
- ♦ **Chaminade HS Step-Up Day (“CLUB NADE”) Friday November 2nd** from **1:00 pm. to 4:00 p.m.** For more information visit www.chaminade.org. **OPEN HOUSE Sunday, November 4th**

Crisis Pregnancy Hotline
(800)973-7334

Abortion Recovery Help
(877)467-3463 &

www.rachelsvineyard.org
Holy Family Adoption Services



Mass Intentions



October 21 through October 27, 2007

SUNDAY

- 7:00 a.m. Pro Populo
- 8:30 a.m. Linda Epperson+
- 10:00 a.m. Barbara Mazur
- 12:00 noon Larry McClean+
- 5:30 p.m. Kim Sauber+

MONDAY

- 6:30 a.m. Linda Epperson+
- 8:30 a.m. Grace Bellone+

TUESDAY

- 6:30 a.m. Linda Epperson+
- 8:30 a.m. Teofilo & Lenore Mendoza+

WEDNESDAY

- 6:30 a.m. a.m. Kim Sauber+
- 8:30 a.m. Linda Epperson+

THURSDAY

- 6:30 a.m. Joe Sampson+
- 8:30 a.m. Anthony Harris+

FRIDAY

- 6:30 a.m. Ramon Vargas+
- 8:30 a.m. Linda Epperson+

SATURDAY

- 8:30 a.m. Andy Flaherty+
- 5:00 p.m. Margaret Sibbitt

ST. BERNARDINE'S PARISH LEADERS

Parish Council	Cathy Borowski	348-5650
Altar Care	Lucy Kerecman	998-6701
Altar Servers	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
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	884-2736
Eucharistic Ministers	Robert Nicholas	346-8244
(To Sick/Homebound)	Deacon Dale Taufer	888-8200
Festival Chairpersons	Cheryl Moore	314-6161
Finance Committee	Kristin Pudwill	712-9991
Funeral Buffet	Shirley Grochalski	347-6228
Gift Shop	Jean Sampson	888-7073
Justice & Peace Ministry	Michael Miller	340-4193
Lectors	Jack Maranto	887-6310
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 Barks	716-4730
RCIA	Steve & Sharon Ellms	340-2087
Religious Education	Eileen Fewless	340-1440
Retreats (Men's)	Jim Birkhead	348-4616
Safeguard the Children	Ray Barks	888--0833
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	Donna Forrester	712-9922
Welcoming Committee	Darma Trafecanty	884-1686
Women on the Journey	Jean Sampson	346-8116

Invitation: 26th Annual LA Holiday Caroling Festivities - Sunday, December 2nd

Singers and musicians of all talent levels and ages are invited to participate in a fun and rewarding community service activity. It is a very fulfilling opportunity to give and receive joy, happiness and holiday spirit to and from the elderly residents, care-takers and participants while enhancing one's own perspective or appreciation of life, health and family. Bottom line: Everyone greatly benefits from this heart-warming event. All effort given to participate, support and promote this activity is greatly appreciated! Together we have the power to make a difference and the world a better place! Santa Claus will be joining us and music books and refreshments will be provided at all 3 Canoga Park performances:

- 4:00-5:15 p.m. - West Hills Health & Rehabilitation Center — Main Lobby, 7940 Topanga Canyon Blvd.
- 5:30-6:15 p.m. - Oakdale Heights senior Living—7945 Topanga Canyon Blvd.
- 6:30-7:15 p.m. - Hallmark West Hills Assisted Living—6833 Fallbrook Ave.
- 7:30-9:30 p.m. - Post Caroling Wrap Party - Home Town Buffet, 6705 Fallbrook Ave.

For information contact Vincent at 342-9336, BD754@LAFN.org or www.ReachForTheStars.com/carling/

You CAN Save Your Marriage!

If your marriage has become troubles and stressed, unloving, or cold and distant, if your are separated or divorced, but want to try again, then the **Retrouvaille Program** can help you. For info and a confidential brochure, call **1-800-470-2230** or www.HelpOurMarriage.com. The next program in our

COMING EVENTS

October

- 21 St. John Eudes Young Adult Ministry's presentation on **"Sharing the Call of Jesus in an Era of Emerging Leadership Models"** presented by Fr. Lawrence Estrada at **6:30 p.m.** For more info: www.sfmya.org.
- 26 **St. Cyprian's Catholic Singles Halloween Dance** from **8:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.** at **Los Amigos Country Club, 7295 Quill Drive, Downey.** For more info call **(562)867-4264.**
- 26 **St. John Eudes Separated, Divorced and Widowed Catholic Support Group** will meet at **8:00 p.m.** in Room C of Grill Hall. For more information about the speaker meeting, please call Mary at **818-831-7606.**
- 27 Knights of Columbus Council 3601 **Halloween Dinner & Dance at 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.** Dancing, ; Door prizes, best Costume prizes & 50/50 Raffle. Couples **\$35**; Singles **\$20**. For more information, call Walt at (818)**489-1419** or Jim (818)**312-6438**