



# St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

Catholic Church and School

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#### PASTORAL TEAM:

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Robert J. McNamara  
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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,

It took less than ten minutes. Of the seventy or so present last Monday evening, the Catholics outnumbered the Jews by about five to one. I tried to read it slowly and somewhat dramatically since it was a story about a priest and it had quite a lot of drama to it. The priest in the story had come to a point in life where nothing mattered and his faith was moribund or maybe even dead. Happening upon a car accident and holding a dying boy changed everything for him. After the reading of the story, the eight or nine tables shared with each other on the impact and meaning of the story. It was a moving human story, so both Jew and Catholic easily related to it. Then our moderator, the rabbi and myself shared some thoughts and the evening came to a close.

It was a powerful interfaith evening and I would not be surprised if the memory stays with me forever. It is amazing how reflecting on one man's struggle can help us in our own. I think we all went home better people than when we came. So, I invite you to the next story evening with our Jewish neighbors. It will be a week from tomorrow at the Temple and I have no doubt that the next story will give us another great evening to remember.

~ Fr. McNamara



**Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
January 20, 2008**  
**I will make you a light to the  
nations,  
that my salvation may  
reach to the ends of the earth.**  
*— Isaiah 49:6b*

**BISHOP GERALD WILKERSON SPEAKS ON  
“CURRENT ISSUES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE”**


*The Library Committee presents*  
**Our Regional Bishop Gerald Wilkerson**  
on **Friday, January 25th** at  
**7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall.

Bishop Wilkerson will address the shortage of priests and how it will affect parishes in the future, the archdiocese's finances, and the Safeguard the Children Program. A Question and answer session will follow. Please plan to attend.

**St. Bernardine of Siena School  
OPEN HOUSE**  
**January 27th for 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
*Come for a tour of our school!  
Meet the teachers and students!*  
Applications will be available at that time,  
or online from the parish website:  
**www.stbernardine.org.**  
Applications are now being accepted for  
grades K-7. For additional information call  
the school office at **340-2130.**

**Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

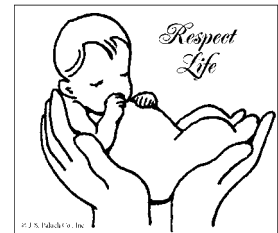
Eucharistic Ministers are needed to assist in this important ministry at Sunday Masses. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please come to our next **Training Session**. This session will take place on **Tuesday, January 29th** at **7:00 p.m.** in the church. If you have any questions, please call Bob Nicholas at (818)**346-8244**.



**IMPORTANT DATES**  
**Jan 19/20** **Food Gathering** for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.  
**Feb. 2/3** **Sandwich Sunday**, bagged meals (sandwich, chips, dessert, fruit), water, socks and blankets will be collected at all the Masses for distribution to those in need in the San Fernando Valley.

**TOGETHER IN MISSION 2008**  
*A Time for Reflection*  
This week, you are asked to read and reflect upon the *Together in Mission* materials that you received today. *Together in Mission* provides substantial financial support to 35 parishes and 48 schools in our Archdiocese. These parishes and schools provide education, ministry and a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. Sometimes it is difficult to envision how your pledge can help so many people. But, it does. To see how, please review the materials and read the statements of those whose parishes and schools receive support. The theme of the campaign is **“See the Bounty of the Lord.”** Psalm 27:13 *Together in Mission* provided an opportunity to show our concern for those served by the parishes and schools that need your financial support. We will conduct our annual *Together in Mission* in-pew pledge process at all Masses next weekend and the following weekend. As always, what you give should be given in gratitude for what God has given to you. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

**ALTAR CARE**  
**January 25, 2007**  
**Marilyn Byloos, Jerry & Theresa Cofsky, Stella Como, Helen Robinson.**



St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah present

**"An Interfaith Dialogue Series"**

"Judaism" will be the topic of discussion on **Monday, January 28th** at Temple Aliyah at **7:30 p.m.** Following the small group discussion, Rabbi Jan Offel and Fr. McNamara will be sharing their thoughts. Parishioner, Patrick Nichelson, Professor of Religious Studies at CSUN, will be the facilitator for each evening in the series  
 "Taoism" will be the topic of discussion on **Monday, February 4th** at Temple Aliyah.

**St. Bernardine of Siena Men's Retreat**  
**February 1-3** at the **Serra Retreat Center** in Malibu  
 All men are invited to attend. This retreat is a special opportunity to deepen your understanding of your spiritual journey as you spend time with God in a weekend of prayer, reflection, and appreciating the beauty of God's creation.  
 Call the Serra Retreat Center at **(310)456-6631** for reservations, or Jim Birkhead at **(818)348-4616** for additional information.  
*\*Super Bowl kick-offs is not until 4:18 p.m. We unusually leave the retreat after noon lunch (plenty of time to settle at home before the game!)*

**St. Bernardine's School Needs YOUR Support!**  
 Please support St. Bernardine's School upcoming spring fundraiser, **Arriba**, which will be held on **March 15th**. We are requesting donations of gift certificates, event tickets, merchandise, etc. for our Silent Auction.  
 Donations can be turned into the school office.  
 Questions? Call Maria Cassar at **(818)999-1063**.

**Father Doug Glassman**

presents a 3-part series

**"The Speeches of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew: The Unresolved Tension Between Tradition and Newness"**

At **7:30 p.m.** on **Thursday, Jan. 24th** in the Parish Hall, and **Thursday, Jan. 31st** in the Church.

**My Partner, My Love - Couples Night**  
**Thursday, February 28th**  
 in the parish Hall from **7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.**  
 Join fellow parishioners for an evening dedicated to you and your spouse. "Couples Night" will be a night of discussion; talking, laughing and learning about the roles we play and the partnership that makes our families work. Give your spouse a Valentine gift of time together and sign up today. Sign-up sheets are at the office or you can call Daniel at **(818)674-1229**.



Youth Ministry events are open to 9-12 graders 


- Wednesday, January 23: Youth Night (7-8:30, Hall)
- Sunday, January 27: Discipleship Night (6:30-9:00, Hall) with pizza, salad, and drink for \$5.
- Wednesday, January 30: Guys Only Night (7-8:30, Hall)

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**30 Hour Famine Hunger Fundraiser and Poverty Awareness Retreat, February 23-24**


We will be participating in World Vision's 30 Hour Famine again this year. Participants commit to go without food for 30 hours (drinking all the water, juice, and sports drinks they like) and attend a retreat in the parish hall. Participants find sponsors and receive an hour of service credit for every \$10 they fundraise, up to \$240. We have special arrangements to accommodate the participation of those who cannot go without food for 30 hours for medical reasons. Adult chaperone/participants are also needed. Please contact the youth ministry office for fundraising and registration materials.

  
**Are You Interested in a Health Discussion Group?**  
 If you would be interested in participating in a sharing group discussing health issues with an emphasis on prevention (men and women invited), please call Jo Vlasak at **(818)347-7144**, or Maria Giammatteo at **(818)884-2736** (9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.). We would meet in the library once or twice a month during the day.  





**Pray For The Sick**  
**In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish:** Christopher David Anderson; Gil Barreto; Marie Giardino; Patti & Ken Smith; Juanita & Ed Fraker; Bernice Galbreath, sister of Helen Fitzpatrick; Virginia Rafelson; Jim Zielan; Agnes Lippke; Maura Santos; Monica Rangel-Santos; Miguel Deanda; Muriel Lally; Doris Sendeki; Lilia Lucas; ; Monty Naddell; Rabbi Bill Gordon; Raymond Giella; Chris Ziola; Michael Miller; Regina Uy; Florence Fowler; Thomas Rohrbach; Howard Barnes; John Todaro; Jack Webber; Robert Ciancaglini; Tod Brett; Helen Ellescas; Ashley Mazur; Kevin Cordasco.

**Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Terence Michael Calilap.**



**"Warm Your Heart"**  
**Coat and Blanket Drive**  
 Please bring new and gently used coats and blankets to benefit our homeless and needy during this cold winter season. Bring your donations to **Gates Kingsley Gates Praiswater Mortuary**, 6909 Canoga Ave, CP. Items will be received from **January 7-28th** between **8:00 a.m.** and **5:00 p.m.** Thank You!



**Martin Luther King, Jr.**  
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**Happy New Year from the St. Bernardine's Justice and Peace Ministry!**

We would like to invite all parishioners and guests, with a special invitation to new parishioners, to our January meeting. This month's meeting will be on the fourth **Monday, January 28th at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center. We will be looking for input on what goals and projects should be undertaken by the committee and the parish, all ideas will be, discussed, entertained, considered and welcomed. Please join us in planning a master calendar of events which you think are important.

Save the date: **Sunday, January 27th** for **St. Bernardine's 2008 Ministry Fair.** Representatives from our various ministries will be on hand in the Parish Hall following the Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon Masses, to give parishioners & visitors information on their ministries and to sign up new volunteers. This is a wonderful opportunity to "get involved" in the church. For more information, please contact Cathy Bakes at **(818)**

**(ACCW) District Meeting**

The West San Fernando Valley District of the Los Angeles Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women will have its District Meeting on **Monday, January 28th** at St. Catherine of Sienna Parish, 18115 Sherman Way, Reseda. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will include Rev. George Reynolds speaking on **"Journey from Jehovah Witness to Catholic Priest,"** Mass, catered luncheon and will end at 1:00 pm. Prepaid **\$10** before **January 24th** deadline. For information, call Helen Fitzpatrick at **346-2837**

**The Annual Religious Education Congress**  
Anaheim, Ca

**"Lift Your Gaze ... See Anew"**

**February 28th (Youth Day) - March 2nd**

Don't miss out! Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! For more information or to register online visit [www.RECongress.org](http://www.RECongress.org).

**February OASIS Training**

The elderly in our parish need you! Please consider becoming an OASIS volunteer. OASIS volunteers visit the elderly and assist with transportation, shopping escort, regular telephone contact, and/or friendly visits, etc. Training is required and will be offered on **Saturday mornings—February 2nd and 9th.**

Please contact Sunny or Adele at (818)340-5100 for information and/or to sign up.

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.**

**Mass Intentions**



January 20 through January 26, 2008

**SUNDAY**

- 7:00 a.m. Pro Papulo
- 8:30 a.m. Terry Asbury+
- 10:00 a.m. Orlando Zibecchi+
- 12:00 noon Kelli McCoy+
- 5:30 p.m. Sheri Fiore+

**MONDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Theresa Cassidenti+
- 8:30 a.m. John Reyes Crispo+

**TUESDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Paul Bailey+
- 8:30 a.m. John McIlroy+

**WEDNESDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. a.m. Bob Mack+
- 8:30 a.m. Joyce Amstutz+

**THURSDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Mark Gregory Clianta+
- 8:30 a.m. Robert Svolos+

**FRIDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Frances Smith+
- 8:30 a.m. Georgia Bartolo+

**SATURDAY**

- 8:30 a.m. Frances Smith
- 5:00 p.m. Tony Famini+

**"Growing in the Likeness of Jesus"**

Every **Wednesday, January 30th** through **April 16th**, St. John Eudes will sponsor an 8 Week Seminar.

Topics will include:

- "Amazing Love," "Christ the Redeemer,"**
- "New Life in the Spirit," "Receiving God's Gift,"**
- "Baptism of the Holy Spirit," "Maturing in God's Gift,"**
- & "Transformation in Christ."**

Please plan to join us. For additional information, call Estrel at (818)882-7408 or Nestor at (818)343-8128.



**COMING EVENTS**

January

- 23 **Pro-Life Mass**, candlelight procession, and rosary at **6:30 p.m.** at St. Mel's. For additional information call Claudia at (818)342-6626.
- 25 **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.**
- 26 **Annual 9-Hour Novena in Honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague** at St. Joseph the Worker from **7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** followed by the celebration of the Eucharist.