

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
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	Pat Dunlap	346-5460
Marriage Encounter	Ed/Anna Marie Pudwill	348-1632
Mommy & Me	Kari Lovequist	710-1484
Music Ministry	Marilyn Enos	710-9788
Nursery Care Program	Tami Alcocer/8:30 Mass	610-7442
	Carole Williamson/10:00	999-3764
OASIS	Monica Goudis	348-5100
Parent/Teacher Assoc.	June Hunter	713-8120
Pre-School	Charlene Barkes	716-4730
RCIA	Steve & Sharron Ellms	340-2087
Religious Education	Eileen Fewless	340-1440
Retreats (Men's)	Jim Birkhead	348-4616
Safeguard the Children	Ray Barkes	888-0833
Silverado Music Ministry	Jo & Rudy Vlasak	347-7144
School	Peggy Hill	340-2130
Scouting (Boy Scouts)	Gary Bishop	998-7917
(Cub Scouts)	Richard Robinson	703-7572
(Girl Scouts)	Kim Palkovic	992-0737
Social Activities	Janet Barnet	348-6262
	Susan Bougetz-Aulbach	999-3138
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
Youth Ministry	Andrew Gafvert	710-1662



IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 6/7 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.

Dec 20/21 Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry



Thanksgiving Day will be celebrated **Thursday, Nov 27th 10:00 am ONLY**

Traditionally, a table will be set up in the center aisle for our bread and wine to be placed and blessed. Please plan to join us in celebration of our blessings.

ALTAR CARE - November 28, 2008

Marilyn Byloos, Jerry & Theresa Cofsky, Stella Como and Helen Robinson

Schedule of Masses:

Saturday: 8:30 a.m.; 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 a.m.;

12:00 noon & 5:30 p.m.

Weekdays: 6:30 & 8:30 a.m. (Monday –Friday)

First Friday: 6:30 & 8:30 a.m.

(also 11:30 a.m. October - June)

Holy Days: Schedule to be Announced

Confessions:

Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

and anytime by appointment

Website: www.stbernardine.org

Parish Center: 888-8200

School: 340-2130

Religious Education: 340-1440

R.C.I.A./Adult Education: 340-2087

Youth Ministry: 710-1662

Library: 884-2736

Gift Shop: 888-7073

Marriages:

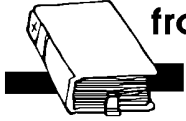
6 months prior notification requested

Baptisms:

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month

Call for an appointment

**A Message
from the
Pastor**



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Dear Friends,

It's like a visit to a doctor – Stewardship Sunday, that is. A doctor touches us with his cold stethoscope, searches our mouths with his dry oversized popsicle stick, pokes and probes us in such a variety of ways that it seems that the object of the physical examination is to find some sensitive area of our body that elicits from us that universal exclamation of pain “ouch!” Funny how doctors then apologize before they do it again!

Maybe I should apologize before I begin! Today I will be speaking at all the Masses about our talents and treasure and how we manage all the gifts God has given us. If I am like a good doctor, my words will search and probe. I will find sensitive areas in my listeners that will let them know that they need to be better stewards. Those with a surplus who are not sharing, should especially feel the pain – “ouch!” Please know I am particularly sensitive to those who are already under financial and time restraints and suffering from the present economic conditions. My words will not be for them. My appeal will be directed to those who have and who can share. And to all who have supported St. Bernardine's in the past and continue to do so, you have my deepest gratitude. I know the Lord will reward you, as only He can.

Thanksgiving is this week and there will be only **one Mass at 10:00 am**. If you are going to be alone on Thanksgiving, I invite you to join me for dinner that day. Phone the office **818-888-8200**, leave your name and number and I will call you with details. It will likely be in the rectory in the afternoon.

~ Fr. McNamara

**Our Lord Jesus Christ the King
November 23, 2008**

“I was hungry
and you gave me food,
I was thirsty
and you gave me drink.”

— *Matthew 25:35*



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every **Tuesday** in the Chapel,
beginning at **7:00 am** and ending with
Benediction at noon.



FOCUS ON THOMAS MERTON

Merton was a Trappist Monk who died in 1968 and was one of the most read spiritual writers of the 20th century. The Library has over 20 of his books. Here is a partial listing:

The Seven Storey Mountain
Thoughts in Solitude
Waters of Siloe
No Man is an Island
Seeds of Contemplation
Love and Living
Life and Holiness
Disputed Questions
Ascent to Truth

COME IN AND CHECK THEM OUT

Library volunteer **still needed** to cover the **Sunday - 5:30 pm** Mass—one to two weekends a month.
Contact **Maria—818-884-2736**

The **Parish Library** is open **Monday—Friday, 9:00-11:30 am** and on **Sundays, after the 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon Masses**, as well as **5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

There is NO Religious Education class on November 25th or 26th. Enjoy your Thanksgiving Holiday. Classes resume on **December 2nd and 3rd, 4:00-5:00 pm.**



THANKSGIVING

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**A Parish Conversation
Three Thursdays in Advent
December 4, 11, 18
St. Bernardine Parish Center 7:30 P.M.**

**“WHAT AM I DOING
WHEN I SAY
THE CREED?”
“DOES SOMETHING HAPPEN?”**

Stop by the library after mass to check out the companion book for the series **I Believe in God** by **Thomas Rausch, S.J.**

In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish:



Josephine Ramsey, mother of Sandy;
Valeria Szabo; Linda Chan;
Aurelio Salazar; Sarah Rolston;
Dorothy Dhesse; Carol Zamora;
Elda Tamez; Elli Boord;

Joyce Angelini; Lucy McClean; Donna Bigi

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:



Felicie Wimsatt, mother of
Marianne Luskin

Mass Intentions For The Week 

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November 16 through November 22, 2008

SUNDAY

7:00 am Pro Populo
8:30 am Jeffrey Forrester
10:00 am Sabina Greco+
12:00 noon Eladia Perez+
5:30 pm Chuck Smith+

MONDAY

6:30 am Special Intention
8:30 am Lorraine Anderson+

TUESDAY

6:30 am Patrick Timmons
8:30 am Rita Allene Goehner+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Mary Dyer+
8:30 am Betty Ostrowski+

THURSDAY

10:00 THANKSGIVING Mass

FRIDAY

6:30 am Matt Gastaldo+
8:30 am Glen R. Galbraith+

SATURDAY

8:30 am Mary Anne Bear+
5:00 pm Nap & Eliodora Marcale+

On Saturday and Sunday, December 13th & 14th, Concern America returns with an array of meaningful international handcrafts, just in time for the holidays or any other special event you may celebrate.

These nature-inspired, beautifully crafted textiles, ceramics and wood products, which honor indigenous traditions, were chosen to be reminders; that when a Concern America product is purchased we are providing a source of income to villagers in impoverished communities; promoting human scale endeavors; eco friendly work patterns and fair working conditions.

Concern America is an international development and refugee aid organization based in Santa Ana **(714) 953-8575**. You may view of selection of their crafts on their web site:

www.concernamerica.org

**GIFTS FOR THE SPIRIT
Open House
FREE Coffee & Donuts -
While You Shop!**

TODAY, Sunday November 23rd is our **Open House**. Join us in the Parish Hall and see our beautiful display of Advent and Christmas items. Come browse amongst our selection of Advent wreaths, candles, Christmas cards, Nativity sets, ornaments and gifts for your Christmas celebration

ANGEL'S WAY

Angels Way Maternity Home will present a Christmas Gift Boutique next Sunday, after the morning Masses. Beautiful, unique handmade items for gift-giving or for yourself will be available for sale. Your participation supports the maternity home and its programs for the moms and babies. Please look for us in front of the church after Mass next Sunday morning.

ADOPT A FAMILY 2008

This Christmas, St. Bernadine Church will once more participate in the Catholic Charities Guadalupe Community Center "Adopt A Family" program. Over the past 20 years, St. Bernadine parishioners have shared the joy of Christmas with less fortunate families in our community. Justice and Peace Committee volunteers will be available after all masses the weekends of **November 23rd and 30th** to accept your donations. Scrip will be purchased through St. Bernadine School for distribution to eligible families during November and December. The need is greater than ever this year. If you still have a job, please consider donating.

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Thank You Lord

The Peace and Justice Committee will again have sign-up sheets outside church, after Masses on the weekend of **Nov. 23rd**, for **pumpkin pies to feed the elderly** at the Sagebrush

Cantina on Thanksgiving sponsored by the Calabasas Rotary.

We need 100 pies and they are to be dropped off at the **Sagebrush Cantina after 5:00 pm the Wednesday, before Thanksgiving.**

Any questions, please call **Michael Miller at 818-702-0148**

**Old Mission Santa Barbara
Renewal Center**

Upcoming "RETREATS"

Dec 3rd - Day of Reflection "Coming Home to Light and Peace" 9:30 am-2:00 pm. \$20 donation includes lunch.

Dec 12-14 - Prepare for the holyday season with a **Silent Advent Retreat.**

Dec 31st, 2008-Jan 2, 2009 - Celebrate New Year with a non-alcoholic, reflective, fun retreat. \$100 commuter, \$150 shared room or \$180 private room.

NOTE—mention this bulletin notice and register for either retreat by **December 2nd** to receive a **\$10 discount.**

For information or to register: call the MRC Office **805-682-4713 ext 133** or on-line registration at **www.santabarbaramission**

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



Hear Ye!
Hear Ye!

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Chaminade College Preparatory High School

is having its annual **OPEN HOUSE** today
Sunday, **November 23rd** from **1:00 pm to 3:00
pm**. Families are invited to tour the
campus, meet the faculty and students, and
experience all that Chaminade has to offer.

No reservation is necessary. For more
information please call the Admissions office at
(818) 347-8300 ext. 355 or visit Chaminade on
the web at **www.chaminade.org**.

Louisville High School Open House

Sunday, **Dec. 7th, 11:00 am Registration,
11:30 am Presentation.**

Girls currently in the 6th, 7th and 8th
grades and their families are cordially
invited to attend. Please call Louisville at
818-346-8812.

Applications for scholarships are
available online www.louisvillehs.org and
are **due** by Monday, **Dec 12th**.

Applications for Admissions should be
turned in prior to entrance test, which is
Saturday, **Jan 31st, 2009**

St. John Eludes Church ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE

When: **Sunday, November 23rd**

Where: St. John Eludes Catholic Church
9901 Mason Ave., Chatsworth, CA

Time: **8:00 am-3:00 pm**

For additional information:

Carrie Forest at 818-882-9323

Medical Volunteers Needed to Spread Hope MEND

MEND (Meet Each Need with Dignity), the largest
non-profit poverty agency in the San Fernando
Valley, invites physicians, nurses, pharmacists and
other health professionals to volunteer at our
medical clinic serving low income and underserved
families in our community. Just a few hours of your
time per month will help touch and transform the
lives of those in need. MEND relies on the
generosity and compassion of more than 2,100
volunteers to provide emergency food, clothing,
medical and dental care, and other services to almost
45,000 impoverished individuals per month.

Please help us show hope is on the way.

Contact **Lupe Acosta**,
Volunteer Services Director, **818-896-0246**



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Dance for Catholic Singles

Join the Los Angeles Catholic Alumni Club for their
Day After Thanksgiving Dance on **Friday, Nov 28th**,
at **8:00 pm** at the

Airtel Plaza Hotel, 7277 Valjean Ave., Van Nuys,.

Dressy Attire. Tickets at the door **\$20**. All ages
welcome—most are 30-55. Please call **818-759-1545**
for more information and free event calendar.

www.LACatholicSingles.org