

**ST. BERNARDINE'S PARISH LEADERS**

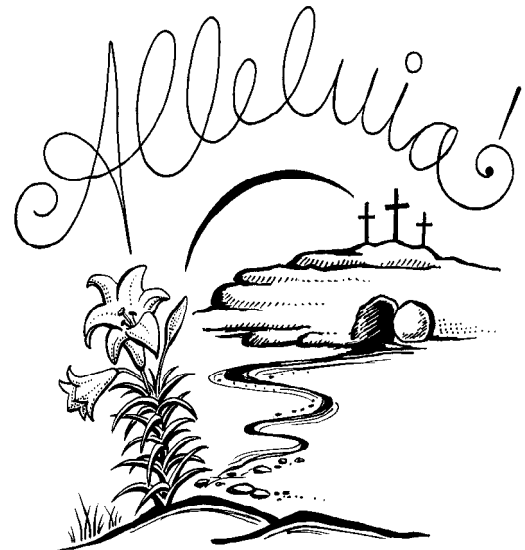
Parish Council	Cathy Borowski	348-5650
Altar Care	Lucy Kerecman	998-6701
Altar Servers	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
Baptism Classes	Deacon Jerry Cellner	888-8200
Bible Study (Thurs Grp)	Shirley Grochalski	347-6228
Cross Bearers	Dave Goracke	347-0192
Detention Ministry	Rudy Vlasak	347-7144
Environment	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
Eucharistic Ministers (To Sick/Homebound)	Robert Nicholas	346-8244
Festival Chairpersons	Deacon Dale Taufer	888-8200
Finance Committee	Cheryl Moore	314-6161
Funeral Buffet	Kristin Pudwill	712-9991
Gift Shop	Shirley Grochalski	347-6228
Justice & Peace Ministry	Jean Sampson	888-7073
Lectors	Michael Miller	340-4193
Library	Jack Maranto	887-6310
Magnificat	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
Marriage Encounter	Jo Vlasak	347-7144
Music Ministry	Ed/Anna Marie Pudwill	348-1632
Nursery Care Program	Marilyn Enos	710-9788
	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 Barkes	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 Barkes	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	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**

**April 5/6**

**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.



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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., 12:00 noon and  
 5:30 Masses every **Sunday**.

*Schedule of Masses:*

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

*Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 a.m.;  
 12:00 & 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.  
 & anytime by appointment*

*Website: [www.stbernardine.org](http://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*

Dear Friends,

Whether you come to Church rarely, erratically or regularly – you are most welcome today. I love Easter because many of our college students are home, because parishioners bring their non catholic spouses to Mass today, because it does not have the commercialism of Christmas but mostly because this day is what Christianity is all about.

This is the day the Lord has made. This is the day all other Sundays recall. This is the day that sums up our faith. This is the day the Lord rose triumphant from his grave. He wasn't pretending to be dead; he died. He wasn't performing a spectacular trick; he rose from his grave, alive. How can we grasp the magnitude of this miracle?

It is even more amazing that we are actually called to take part in this miracle. We, too, are called to rise to new life. The catechumens among us were buried with Christ in the waters of baptism last night at the Easter Vigil. They have risen to new life as Christians, have received the Holy Spirit and have eaten Christ's body and blood for the first time. The rest of us have once again died to sin and risen to a new beginning as disciples of the Lord. This is a new day. Let us be glad and rejoice in it. May each one of you be transformed today, given hope and have the most blessed Easter ever. ~ Fr. McNamara



**Easter Sunday  
March 23, 2008**

**When Christ  
your life appears,  
then you too will appear  
with him in glory.**

— Colossians 3:4

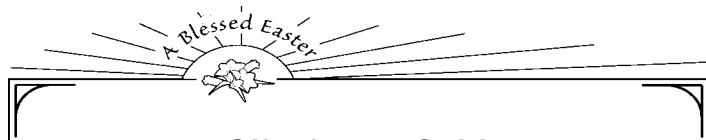
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**SAVE THE DATE for The Anniversary of  
Monsignor Richard Murray's  
65th Ordination celebration!  
Sunday, April 27th**

There will be a Mass celebrated at 12:00 followed by a reception in the Parish Hall with light refreshments.

We are also collecting memories and photos of Msgr. Murray's long career. Forms and a drop off box Are now available a the back of the Church for your special stories and pictures.



**Gifts for the Spirit**

We have beautiful Easter gifts and RCIA greeting cards and gifts.

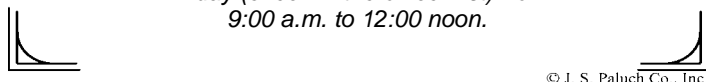
Come see what's in store for you!

The children of St. Bernardine's soon will be making their First Communion.

Your parish gift shop, has a lovely selection of rosaries, metals, prayer books, crucifixes, picture frames, and albums to commemorate the children's friendship with Jesus.

Please come in and browse our wonderful array of special 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 (check in the office first) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.*



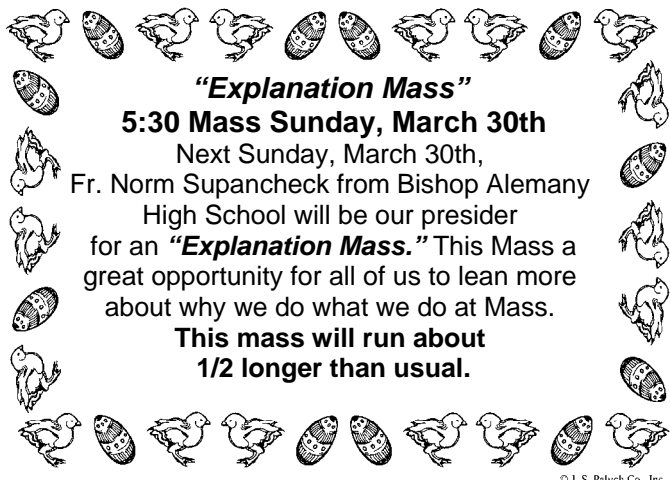
**The 8th Annual Monsignor Murray  
Golf Tournament  
Monday, May 5th  
Calabasas Country Club**

Join us for fun a the beautiful Calabasas Coutry Club while supporting our school. Come out and golf with Monsignor Murray and Father McNamara! The day will include great golfing,. food & drinks, contests, auctions, raffles & more. Entry & sponsorship forms are now available in the Parish & School offices or from our website [www.stbernardine.org](http://www.stbernardine.org). The entry deadline is April 18th.

For questions, please contact



**ALTAR CARE - Marilyn Byloos,  
Jerry & Theresa Cofsky; Stella Como,  
Helen Robinson.**



**"Explanation Mass"**

**5:30 Mass Sunday, March 30th**

Next Sunday, March 30th,  
Fr. Norm Supancheck from Bishop Alemany  
High School will be our presider  
for an **"Explanation Mass."** This Mass a  
great opportunity for all of us to learn more  
about why we do what we do at Mass.

**This mass will run about  
1/2 longer than usual.**

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Youth Ministry events are open to 9-12 graders 

- Wednesday, March 26: Guys Only Youth Night from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall
- Sunday, March 30: Discipleship Night from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. (30 minute later start than usual just this time) in the Parish Hall (pizza, salad, and drink for dinner for \$5)

Did you know that St. Bernardine's has a **Mommy & Me Playgroup?**

In addition to being an easy way to meet to meet other moms, our playgroup is a wonderful way for infants and toddlers to meet other children their ages, learn to play together, and make friends. Contact Kari Lovequist for details **(818)710-1484** or e-mail [lovequist@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lovequist@sbcglobal.net). **We hope to meet you and your children soon!**



**Pray For The Sick**

**In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish:** Ermina Chavez; Robert Williams, husband of Barbara; Josephine Ramsey, mother of Sandy; Candy Scarlett; Mary Juarez; Lucita Marcelo; Tracie Francisco; Rosalou Lamson; Cathy Zack; Nicholas Dobrinich; Jim Paone; Evelyn Boyd; Fr. Jim Whelan; Plo

Gantenbein; Bridger Leith; Kevin Cordasco; Rabbi Bill Gordon; Doris Sendeki; Trish Milewski; Kinzie Orsatti; Bob & Betty Fox; Cindy Matney; Bill Greig, Sr.; Anita Sollazo; Regina Jouen; James Marshall; Bob Price; Magdolina Szabo; Toni Cotter; Dorothy Tooley.



**Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Stanley Rearick, father of Anne Deddens.**

**Mass Intentions**



March 23 through March 29, 2008

**SUNDAY**

- 7:00 a.m. Pro Populo
- 8:30 a.m. John Reyes Crispo+
- 10:00 a.m. Kathy Suppan+
- 12:00 noon Fern Burns+
- 5:30 p.m. Tati Cardero+

**MONDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Barbara Melancon+
- 8:30 a.m. Bena Bojsza

**TUESDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Attracta Timmins
- 8:30 a.m. Kathy Suppan+

**WEDNESDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. a.m. George Gale, Sr.+
- 8:30 a.m. Gus Doto+

**THURSDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Paul Lydick
- 8:30 a.m. Eric Reiner & Tim Guillory+

**FRIDAY**

- 6:30 a.m. Petrona Salomon+
- 8:30 a.m. Rosalie Caballero+

**SATURDAY**

- 8:30 a.m. George Gale, Sr.+
- 5:00 p.m. John Paul Cassidenti+



**~ Missionary of Charity Brothers ~**

Mother Teresa's Missionary Brothers and Co-Workers are looking for drivers and cooks. A team from St. Bernardine's travels downtown every Saturday morning to bring hot lunch to the brothers and those in their care. As a volunteer, you would be assigned to a team and be called **only once every six weeks**. A beautiful way to do small things with love for others.

If you are moved to join this ministry, please call Jean Sampson at **(818)888-7073**.

**OASIS Wants to Help Our Seniors!**

Are you, or do you know, a parishioner 65 years of age or older who would like to meet a friendly volunteer from the parish to assist with one or more of the following services?

\* **Companionship**

\* **Regular Telephone Contact**

\* **Running Errands**      \* **Assistance with Shopping**

\* **Home Maintenance Referrals and Assistance**

Please call Adele or Sunny at **(818)340-5100** or **(818)340-2050** for information on

OASIS Older Adult Services & Intervention System.

~ *Spring Tea* ~

Saint John Eudes' Women's Ministry is hosting their **Annual Spring Tea**. Please join us on **Saturday, April 26th** at **9:00 a.m.** in Grill Hall. This year's special guest speaker will be popular Christian recording artist, speaker and author, Renee Bondi. Her uplifting music and inspiring speech, *Peace in the Fast Lane*, will surely grasp your soul. Tickets are **\$20** per person. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for table viewing. Please call Carlu at (818)998-5498 for additional information.

**Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

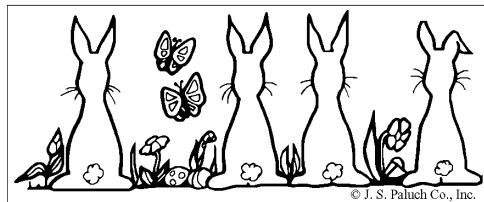
*"I was sick and you visited me." Matthew 25:26*

Are you a Eucharistic Minister or do you want to become one? Northridge Hospital Medical Center is in great need of volunteers to bring Holy Communion to the patients who are sick and unable to attend Mass. If you are not a Eucharistic Minister, but would be interested in serving Our Lord in this way, we are able to train you. Please contact Chaplain Dona Mihalsky at (818)885-8500 ext. 4591 to find out more about this deeply meaningful and richly rewarding ministry.



**The Forever Grateful Charismatic Community of St. John Eudes** continues it's **Empowerment Seminar** after the Lenten Season with a series of talks. Beginning Wednesday, March 26th, Fr. Bill Delaney will talk about the *"Baptism of the Holy Spirit,"* Additional topics will include: *"Transformation in Christ;" "Pentecost, Rebuilding the Church Today;" "Growing in Jesus;"* and *"Equipping the Saints;"* with a culmination of a **Healing Mass** on **Wednesday, April 9th** by Fr. Joshua Lee. All are welcome. For particulars, please call Imelda at (818)882-8962, or visit the website at [forevergrateful.bravehost.com](http://forevergrateful.bravehost.com).

*"The Interior Castle of Saint Teresa of Avila"* will be the topic of Dr. James Finley's conference presentation on **Saturday, March 29th** in the Donahue Center at the Doheny Campus of Mount St. Mary's College from **9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** The fee is **\$40** prepaid; \$45 at the door. For further information, call **(213)747-6508**. All are welcome.



A course on: **Women in the Old Testament** is being sponsored by Our Lady of Grace. All men and women are enthusiastically invited to attend this enriching exploration of life, culture, customs and faith though many centuries of our Old Testament heritage. Classes will begin on **Tuesday, April 1**. For your convenience one class will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., and one from 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. The classes will meet in Room A. The cost is **\$20**, including a study-set and learning materials. Registration is required, please call **(818)342-4505**. (The deadline for registration is Monday, March 31st).

**COMING EVENTS**

**March**

- 28 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, call Mary at (818)831-7606.
- 30 Divine Mercy Sunday: Mass, Chaplet, Veneration of 1st Class relic of St. Faustina** with Fr. Michael Sears at **1:00 p.m.** at St. Mel's Church. For additional information call Claudia at (818)342-6626.
- 30 Feast of Divine Mercy Devotion** from **2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Fr. Austin Doran, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction at Our Lady of Grace a the corner of White Oak and Ventura Blvd. in Encino. For more information, call Helen Schneider at (818)342-8515.

**April**

- 6 "Nurture a Thriving Marriage:"** Join Dr. John Yzaguirre and Clair Frazier-Yzaguirre, MT.M. Div. at St. John Eudes from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Grill Hall as they help us create rituals of emotional & spiritual intimacy & overcome our most common marital crises. (9901 Mason Ave, Chatsworth). For additional information, call **(818)882-9323**.

**I AM RISEN**

*I am risen, and I am always with you, alleluia; you have placed your hand upon me, alleluia; you wisdom has been shown to be most wonderful, alleluia, alleluia.*

—Opening Antiphon, Easter Sunday, *Roman Missal*



**Alleluia!**  
**Christ**  
**is**  
**risen!**

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### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Easter is a full two weeks earlier this year than last. Why does the date wobble around the calendar so? The way of calculating the date was set by the Emperor Constantine in 325. The decision ended a very bitter controversy in the church. Some people wanted to synchronize the Pasch with Passover on the fourteenth day of the Jewish month Nissan, and their opponents wanted it after the Passover was complete, on the Sunday after the first full moon of springtime. The ecclesiastical rules do not exactly connect with the astronomical rules. The emperor squashed the hopes of the quartodecimans, as the fans of 14 Nissan were called, and chose Sunday. The traditional rule is that Easter is the first Sunday after the first ecclesiastical full moon that occurs on or after the vernal equinox, the fourteenth day of the new moon, and later than March 21. Thus, Easter wobbles between March 22 and April 25.

The actual tables and methods for computing the date are extraordinarily detailed, with subtle variations and mind-bending exceptions and charts with “golden numbers,” “dominical letters,” and “epacts” measuring leap years. In 1954 and 1962 the ecclesiastical calculations actually overrode the astronomical new moons and bumped Easter back a month! Today, there is a movement in the World Council of Churches (Protestants and Orthodox) for all Christians to combine their celebrations, based on the star charts for the Jerusalem skies. The last time all Christians celebrated together was at the dawn of the millennium in 2001. In principle, the Catholic Church is open to an ecumenical agreement on a fixed date for Easter, but we desire a unanimous decision from the World Council.

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