

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
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**

Sep 19/20 Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

Gifts for the Spirit

Your Parish gift shop has our own parish musical artists' CD's in store: **Frank Becker** "The Interior Castle of St. Teresa of Avila"; **Marilyn Enos-Joy of the Harvest** "Sign Me Up"; **John Bonaduce-Shantigarh** "Requiem for The Unborn" and "God's Girl" and **Les Rangles Santos Fidelis** "Salve Regina"; traditional church music. Treat yourself to good music you can hear over and over again. Come in and check out our bargain basket and if you have a rosary that needs repair, we will repair them free of charge.

*St. Bernardine's very own gift shop, is located upstairs in the Parish Center across from the Hall. The shop is open **Sundays** from **9:15 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.** and **Monday through Friday** (**check in the office first**) from **9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.***

ALTAR CARE - September 19, 2008

Michele Croson, Norma Crowe, Bernice Galbreath, Helen Robinson and Judy Sabo

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

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,
I must confess it's the Rabbi's fault. He chose the topic and I went along with it. You probably know that once a year, Rabbi Vogel and I exchange pulpits and address serious theological topics.

So, I was at the meeting this year, wondering to myself what topic would be good for both congregations. And I was coming up blank. Then the Rabbi suggest—"how about 'Things I don't like to preach about'." It sounded good to me at the time. However, now I am in a panic! There are reasons why I don't talk about certain things from the pulpit. Why then should I start listing these things and giving explanations—and from the pulpit no less. But I went along with it and now time is running out. All will be revealed this Friday evening at **8:00pm** next door at Temple Aliyah.

Rabbi Vogel has invited all of you to attend—but don't come! You don't want to see your pastor humbled, embarrassed and broken after sharing in front of an audience of Jews and Christians, the things he doesn't like to talk about. So stay home this Friday evening at **8:00 pm**. Get out your osaries and beginning at **8:00**, pray that I will not lose all my dignity!

Now be sure to mark your calendars for **October 19th** at our **Sunday 5:30 pm** Mass, when the Rabbi will have to address the same topic. I wonder what things he avoids in the pulpit.

Father Dan continues to improve from his operation to remove his bladder. As you can see from his message to you, he appreciates all our prayers.

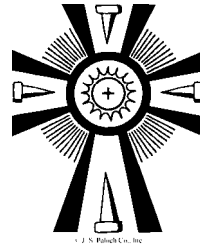
Dear Parishioners:

I would like to give all of you an update on my post surgery condition. I had a successful operation and now am in the process of receiving physical therapy. The surgery was complete in treating my cancer and there seems to be no need for radiation or chemo therapy. I hope that the healing process continues on track so that I can get back to serving you as your parish priest. I would also like to extend my gratitude to all for the cards, letters, emails and other gifts of love and support; they really have helped me on my journey. With these gifts of God's love, I really believe that He will further share his love with me. Thanks again, see you soon. May God bless you.

Father Dan

~ Fr. McNamara

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 14, 2008



Christ Jesus . . . emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
coming in human likeness.

— *Philippians*
2:7



FOCUS ON FICTION

This week we recommend some interesting
fiction books:

Tortilla Curtain
The Peppered Moth
Joshua and the Shepherd
The Magic Lantern

PLUS

Two recommended CD audio books:
Teresa of Avila—Book of My Life
A Father Who Keeps His Promises

Come in and check them out!

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

The **Parish Library** is open **Monday through 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.

Missionary of Charity Brothers

Mother Teresa's Missionary Brothers and Co-Workers are looking for **drivers**. A team from St. Bernardine 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 weekends**. There are so many ways to give of ourselves, perhaps one of these is for you. Please call **Jean Sampson at (818) 888-7073**

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN

Classes for students in the 1st-6th grade, who attend public or private schools, begin on **Sept 23rd & 24th**. We meet on **Tuesday or Wednesday, 4:00-5:30 pm**. We also have a formation class on Wednesday for student from fourth, fifth or sixth grade, who have not received Reconciliation or Eucharist. Registration forms should be turned in **now**. Forms are available in the Parish Center or can be downloaded at www.stbernardine.org. For more information or to volunteer for this ministry, please call **818-340-1440**

MONSIGNOR RICHARD H. MURRAY TO BE HONORED AT ST. JOHN'S SEMINARY

Congratulations to Msgr. Richard Murray, who has been named as one of St. John Seminary's Distinguished Alumni. He will be a guest of honor at the first ever Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner to be held on **Sunday, Sept 21, 2008** at **St. John's Seminary** in Camarillo. Tickets are **\$150.00 per person** and are available for purchase at St. John Seminary's Advancement Office. To purchase tickets or for information about sponsoring a table, please call **Sophia Mallon** at **805-389-2035** or email advancement@stjohnsem.edu

Attention Parents!!! FREE BABYSITTING

is available during the **8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Masses** at St. Bernardine's Pre-School across the street.



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In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish: Fr. Daniel Fox; Duane Tatro, husband of Francoise; Gail Shaw, mother of Dave; Paula Bremmett, sister of Rita Hessler; Ruby Rodriguez, sister-in-law of Lynn; Shirley Ford; John Bellere; Millie

Jansen; Aurelio Salazar; Joyce Angelini; Danny Zuvic; Christine Reyman-Smith; Josephine Ramsey; Larry Thomas; Melissa Major; Edmond Busta; Walter Herrlinger; Russell Barnes



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Regine Joven, mother of Odile Swift

Mass Intentions For The Week



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September 14 through September 20, 2008

SUNDAY

7:00 am Pro Populo

8:30 am John Reyes Crispo+

10:00 am Deacon Steven and Sharon Ellms

12:00 noon Jim Petrelli+

5:30 pm Arturo Pinon+

MONDAY

6:30 am Lupita Rodriguez+

8:30 am Cipriano Alambra+

TUESDAY

6:30 am Walter Larson+

8:30 am Michael McClean+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Ashley & Barbara Mazur

8:30 am Diane Casey+

THURSDAY

6:30 am Mrs. Pizzarello+

8:30 am Martin Alvin+

FRIDAY

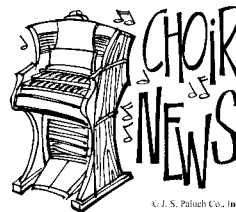
6:30 am Allan Moore+

8:30 am Joanne O'Brien+

SATURDAY

8:30 am Leanora Salvador+

5:00 pm Anna & Paul Kruska+



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CALLING ALL "YOUTHFUL" SINGERS!

If you are a student, grades 2-8 and are interested in singing in our parish youth choir,

Angel's Encore, please join us

for our 1st rehearsal, **Saturday, Sept 20th, 10:30-11:15 am** in the 2nd school building facing the basketball courts. Just bring a binder and your enthusiasm! More information is available in the back of church, the parish center and will be sent home through our school and Religious Ed programs. For more information, contact **Marilyn Enos**, Music Director, at menos@stbernardine.org

Knights of Columbus

Today, after the **8:30 and 10:00 am Masses**, the Knights of Columbus will be accepting applications for those wishing to join. Please visit their table at the main entrance of church and join us for coffee and donuts, provided by the Knights of Columbus.

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry events are open to 9-12 graders

- **Tuesday, Sept 16th:** What Would Joan Do (featuring episodes of the TV show Joan of Arcadia and discussion) from 7-9:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- **Wednesday, Sept 17th:** Gospel Night (bringing the Gospel for the coming Sunday to life through discussion, reflection, prayer, and other activities)
- **Friday, Sept 19th:** Temple Aliyah and St. Bernardine Parish Youth Interfaith Evening, 7:45-10:45pm at Temple Aliyah

Confirmation Registration Process

To register youth for the Confirmation Preparation Process, parents of new first year candidates and returning second year candidates must attend a program orientation. Youth must be in high school in the fall to begin the two-year preparation process.

Year One Confirmation Parent Orientations:

Tonight, Sep 14: 7:30-9:00 pm

Year Two Confirmation Parent Orientations:

Today, Sep 14: 3:30-5:00 pm

All in the Parish Hall

Temple Aliyah and St. Bernardine Parish Youth Interfaith Evening

When Fr. McNamara speaks at Temple Aliyah's Shabbat evening services on **Friday, Sept. 19th**, St. Bernardine Parish youth are highly encouraged to attend. We will meet at the Temple Aliyah parking lot at **7:45 pm**, gather with the youth of Temple Aliyah before the services, attend Shabbat services together, and then spend some more time together afterwards.

Our interfaith Evening will conclude at 10:45 pm. Attending Shabat services requires more formal dress than what many Catholics wear to Mass. Guys are expected to wear slacks or Dockers style pants, a dress shirt, and nice shoes. Ladies are expected to wear slacks or a nice skirt with a blouse or a classy dress and nice shoes. Please contact St. Bernardine Youth

Ministry for more information

Celebrating Young Adults in Ministry

"Celebrating Young Adults in Ministry" is an event that recognizes the contributions that young adults make to the life of our local faith communities. This year our parish has chosen to honor Kristine Mirate, Mary Wilson, Alicia Laski and Kaylee Firestone. The "Celebrating Young Adults in Ministry" Recognition Mass is scheduled for Saturday, Sept 27th, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles.

The celebration begins promptly at 7:30 pm and Cardinal Roger Mahony will be the principal celebrant.

All are welcome to attend.

"Women On A Journey"

"Women On A Journey" is the women's support group at St. Bernardine. We are a support group for all women of all ages. We tell our stories with a shared trust and pray together, deepening our spirituality to gain strength for the journey ahead. We support and encourage one another as we face life's struggles-struggles that often overtake us without our permission. We try to understand what lies within our struggles and beyond them as we reflect on our roles and mission in today's Church. If you are interested in joining with us and sharing the best of who we are with one another, please call **Jean Sampson** at the Parish Office, **818-888-7073**

TROLL Players are presenting two shows in September at Our Lady of Lourdes Northridge.

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown", Fri, Sept 19th at **7:30pm**, Sun, Sept 21st at **1:30 pm** and Saturday, Sept 27th at **7:30pm**; and **"Snoopy"**, Sat., Sept 20th and, Fri, Sept 26th, **7:30pm** and Sun., Sept 28th at **1:30pm**. Tickets are \$10.

Call **Karen Pasano** at **818-709-8090**

How Much Do You Know About China's Catholic Church?

We are so lucky to have Fr. Joseph Zhang, who is the PhD candidate of Bible at the Catholic University of America to guide us on "An Introduction and Reflection on the Catholic Church in China Today". This will take place on **Tues., 9/16/08, 7:00pm inside St. Bernardine of Siena Church**. If you have any questions, please contact

Chang-huey Wu at **818-222-1630** or **changhueywu@gmail.com**.

ARE YOU GIVING YOUR TIME, TALENT & TREASURES

The Pregnancy Counseling Center in Mission Hills is in need of a volunteer bookkeeper who knows QuickBooks for non-profits. Flexible schedule 4 hours a week. Come join us and experience how you can make a difference in the life of a woman facing crisis pregnancies. The rewards you reap will be "out of this world". For more info, please contact **Nancy Corbett 818-895-2500** or **pccofsv@earthlink.net**



Crisis Pregnancy Hotline

(800)973-7334

Abortion Recovery Help

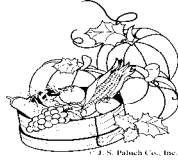
(877)467-3463 &

www.rachelsvineyard.org

Holy Family Adoption Services

(805)374-2785

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!



The 12th Annual Fall Festival is right around the corner and Silent Auction committee is currently putting together exciting packages for the **Oct 10-12th event**. However, we need your help! We are especially looking for items such as trips, time-shares, or weekend stays at hotels, condos, cabins, etc. Rounds of golf, sports and entertainment memorabilia items, spa passes and tickets to sporting events, concerts, theme parks or shows are also very popular; as are dinner certificates and passes for family outings.

If you own your own business or know someone who does, any donations of gift certificates, goods or services would be greatly appreciated. And remember, all gifts are tax deductible! Also needed are empty baskets—all sizes and shapes are appreciated! Please look in your closets and garage and see what you may have!

Finally, if you are interested in getting involved in this fun committee, please volunteer! To make a donation or for more information, please contact:

Sophia Crescenzi at **818-917-6788** or
Craig and Caroline Jacks at **818-702-0116**.

You can also drop any items off at the Parish Center (please include a note with your name and address).

Thank you in advance for your help!

St. John Eudes Church invites you and your family for a night of food, magic and FUN!!! Spellman Spectacular Magic Show-Magic Under the Stars (Las Vegas style) on **Saturday, Sept 20th, 6:00-9:00pm**. Tickets \$12 before Sept 14th (\$15 day of even) Questions call Francine at **818-701-4077**

HELP WANTED

The RCIA for Children program needs part-time volunteers to assist the present leaders on **Sundays after the 10:00 am Mass (11:00-12:00 noon)** in the Veranda room. There is a rotation schedule so that no one person is needed more often than once every three weeks. This program includes children 7-12 years old, who started the initiation process into the Catholic church late. The class usually has about 10 children. At least one parent for each child is required to attend and participate in the classes. Please call the RCIA office at **818-340-2087**, if you're interested in helping.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

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 servicing Our Lord 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.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Back to School

Now that the kids are back in school, how about a refresher course for mom & dad? Marriage Encounter is an enriching and revitalizing experience to help make good marriages even better. We still have a few rooms available for the Oct 3-5 weekend. For more information, call Joe & Karen Greulich, **661-286-9950** or Russ & Jeanine Walker **805-648-4244**, email info@wwme-la-north.org or visit our website www.wwme-la-north.org

Old Mission Santa Barbara

Renewal Center

Reserve These Dates

“Days of Recollection”, a partial /mini-retreat, **Oct 1st**

“Have I Told You Lately That I Love You?” a married couples retreat, **Sept 19-21**.

“Women’s Spirituality: Healing Ourselves & Our World” women’s retreat, **Oct 10-12th**

“Pouring Light” a retreat for poetry lovers, **Oct 17-19th**

Register online at

www.santabarbaramission.org or email retreats@sboldmission.org call the MRC Office **805-682-4713, ext 133**.

OASIS

Would you like to help seniors and their caregivers in your own parish of St. Bernardine and make a difference?

- Become an **OASIS** (Older Adult Services and Intervention System) Volunteer!
- **OASIS** is a **Catholic Charities Program** operating through the Guadalupe Community Center in Canoga Park.
- We help seniors/caregivers by providing **free** 2-4 hours per week a variety of services: home visits, shopping escorts, transportation to MD or Dental appts, minor home repairs and light yard work

The next **OASIS** New Volunteer Training for St. Bernardine will be held on **Sat, Oct 4th** and **Oct 11th, 8:45am-1:00pm**. **Please join us and make a difference?** Contact **Adele** or **Sunny** at our **OASIS Volunteer Program 818-340-5100** to make a reservation and for more information