



St. BERNARDINE of SIENA

Catholic Church and School

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PASTORAL TEAM:

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Robert J. McNamara
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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,
 In the Church the season of Christmas ends today. We find ourselves back on the banks of the Jordan River where once we heard John the Baptist announce the Messiah's imminent arrival. Today the story comes full circle. A man arrives among the crowd that John the Baptist always drew. He was different from the others who wanted John's baptism. John had no warnings for him, no call to repentance. This man had no need of this baptism by water, yet he told John that God demanded it. So John took Jesus into the river and pushed him under the water. With this final action from the old law the curtain was opened to the new. Here is God's Son. Salvation has come. ~ Fr. McNamara



**The Baptism of the Lord
 January 13, 2008**

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

— Matthew 3:17

**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 past clergy sexual abuse and how the Safeguard the Children Program is designed to prevent such abuse happening again. He will also discuss the archdiocese's finances and how the shortage of priests will affect parishes in the future. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer session. 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.**

Christian Service - Justice & Peace - Death Row
Sanctity of Life
Detention - Missionaries of Charity - Respect Life

IMPORTANT DATES
Jan 19/20 **Food Gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.**

Make This your New Year's Resolution— Get Involved!
 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 Barks at **(818)703-0604.**

SHANTIGARH REQUIEM FOR THE UNBORN
Saturday, January 19 at 6:00 p.m.
Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

Once a year, the Archdiocese gives St. Bernardine's the key to the Cathedral and we are asked to present a liturgy: The **Shantigarh Requiem for the Unborn.** The annual archdiocesan celebration is especially significant to us because the music was written, and the Liturgy developed, by our 5:30 Music ensemble, **Shantigarh.** If you are new to the parish, ask someone about this powerful evening culminating in a ceremony of light which aims to soften the hardest heart in the matter of abortion. We will light 152 candles for the approximately 152 lives which will end in abortion on the very day of the liturgy. Shantigarh will be joined by choirs from Louisville, Chaminade, and Notre Dame High Schools, and Our lady of the Valley parish, to form an ensemble of well over 100 voices in the presentation of this original score. Cardinal Roger Mahony will preside at this special Eucharist celebration.

**COME AS A FAMILY;
 COME AS A PARSIH COMMUNITY;
 ALL ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**

A bus will be available from St. Bernardine's —reservations required; call the Parish Office at 888-8200.

St. Bernardine of Siena Men's Retreat
***February 1-3rd**
 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!)*

ALTAR CARE - January 18, 2007
Michele Croson, Bernice Galbreath,
Helen Robinson, Judy Sabo.

St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah present
"An Interfaith Dialogue Series"

"Catholicism" will be the focus for the first session to be held **tomorrow, Monday, January 14th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Parish Center. The dialog will develop from listening to a story read by Fr. McNamara. Following the small group discussion, Rabbi Jan Offel and Fr. McNamara will be sharing their thoughts about the story. Parishioner, Patrick Nichelson, Professor of Religious Studies at CSUN, will be the facilitator for each evening in the series. Future dates & topics include:

"Judaism" Monday, January 28th at Temple Aliyah
"Taoism" Monday, February 4th at Temple Aliyah.

Come Celebrate World Marriage Day

at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels on **February 3rd**. Couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th (or more) Wedding Anniversaries are invited to the **World Marriage Day Mass** for special recognition and blessing by the Cardinal and the Clergy: **10:00 a.m. Mass**. For more information call or e-mail Deacon Manny Martinez at **(213)680-5203** or **DnMMartinez@olacathedral.org**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Classes will resume on January 15th/16th at 4:00 p.m.

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 **Thursdays, Jan. 17th, and Jan. 24th** in the Parish Hall, and **Thursday, Jan. 31st** in the Church.



Pray For The Sick

In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish: Jim Zielan, son of Christine; Agnes Lippke, mother of Deborah, Al, Vicki & Bonnie; Maura Santos, mother of Les Rangel-Santos; Monica Rangel-Santos, wife of Les; Miguel Deanda; Muriel Lally; Doris Sendeck; Lilia Lucas; ; Monty Naddell; Rabbi Bill Gordon;

Raymond Giella; Chris Ziola; Michael Miller; Regina Uy; Florence Fowler; Thomas Rohrback; Howard Barnes; John Todaro; Jack Webber; Robert Ciancaglini; Tod Brett; Helen Ellescas; Ashley Mazur; Kevin Cordasco.



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Mariaelena Zuluaga;

Carmen Goodrum, grandmother of Christina Rodriguez;

Geraldine Ahern, sister of Deacon Dan McHugh;

Kathleen Suppan, wife of Larry;

Rosalie Caballero, mother of Roxann Dawson, grandmother of Emma & Mia;

Barbara Melencon, mother of Thomas and Michael James; Terence M. Calilap.

A NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION FOR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS OVER 50

Please join us for a luncheon to celebrate the new year with new and old friends on **Sunday, January 20th** at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Your payment of **\$12** per person will include entree, salad, dessert, drinks, etc.

For reservations, please call Estelle Bender at **347-9141**. The cut-off for reservations and pre-payment is January 15th.

ST. BERNARDINE ANNUAL FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE!
Saturday, January 26th, 2008

Tickets are being sold after the Masses this weekend 1/12 & 1/13 and next weekend, 1/19 & 1/20.

Follow the Yellow Brick Road to music, dancing, photos and fun! The event will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Tickets are **\$35** for each Father/daughter and **\$7** for each additional daughter. This event sells out quickly, so please get your tickers early.

Youth Ministry events are open to 9-12 graders



- Tonight, January 13: Parent-teen Night (6:30-9:00, Hall) with Potluck dinner (**Teens are not to attend without a parent**)
- Wednesday, January 16: Girls-Only Youth Night (7-8:30, Hall)
- Wednesday, January 23: Youth Night (7-8:30, Hall)

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.

"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!

 * (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 Siena Parish, 18115 *
 * Sherman Way, Reseda. The day will begin at 9:00 *
 * a.m. and will include Rev. George Reynolds speak- *
 * ing on **"Journey from Jehovah Witness to Catho-** *
 * **lic 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.

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.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Louisville High School Entrance Exam January 26th from 9:00 - 12:30 p.m.. For info www.louisvillehs.org.

Crespi Carmelite High School Entrance Exam: Saturday January 26th and February 2nd from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Financial Aid available. For more info call 818 **345-1672**.

Aleman High School Entrance Exam: Saturday, January 26 or February 9th. For info call (818)**837-5222** or e-mail admissions@alelmany.org.

Notre Dame High School: Entrance Exam January 26th. Financial Aid available. For more info call **(818)933-3600**.



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 13 through January 19, 2008

SUNDAY
 7:00 a.m. Pro Papulo
 8:30 a.m. Kathleen Miller+
 10:00 a.m. Kelli McCoy+
 12:00 noon Esther Flores+
 5:30 p.m. E.J. Miller

MONDAY
 6:30 a.m. Fernando Hernandez+
 8:30 a.m. David Wise

TUESDAY
 6:30 a.m. Kathy Suppan+
 8:30 a.m. John McIlroy+

WEDNESDAY
 6:30 a.m. a.m. Donald Shellenberger+
 8:30 a.m. Judi Sanford+

THURSDAY
 6:30 a.m. Fran Van Leeywen
 8:30 a.m. Marc Yobs & Karen Osterholt+

FRIDAY
 6:30 a.m. Jessica Puth
 8:30 a.m. Frank Enos+

SATURDAY
 8:30 a.m. Theresa Turcotte
 5:00 p.m. Kathy Suppan+

Mission Renewal Center
 At Old Mission Santa Barbara
 Presents
"Have I Told You Lately That I Love You!"
 Married Couples Retreat
January 25th-27th

This retreat will be facilitated by Richard McManus, OFM and Dan & Linda Mellon, who have presented Married Couples Retreats many times together. Registration begins at 3:00 pm. on Friday. The retreat begins with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and ends with lunch on Sunday. The cost is **\$300** per couple for information or a registration form please e-mail retreats@sboldmission.org
 (A \$100 non-refundable deposit is required to reserve your place on the retreat.)

COMING EVENTS

January

- 19 **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in honor of the Holy Infant Jesus of The Santo Nino** at the Historic Faith Center SS. Peter and Paul Church at 515 West Opp St., Wilmington at 10:00 a.m. with celebrant Bishop Joseph Sartoris. Complimentary lunch will be offered after the Mass and procession. For inquires, call **(310)834-5215** ext 23 r e-mail sppc@sbcglobal.net.
- 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.