



Dear Friends,

God is good at pushing the envelope. Elijah was exhausted and didn't think that he could go on. He lays down, but is awakened and told to eat. He does so, and then lies down again. But he is awakened once more, only to be told to eat again. And then he sets out on a forty-day journey, impelled by God.

Sometimes we just don't think we're going to make it. The journey of our daily life can seem too much for us. We may even feel that God is pushing the envelope with us - testing us to the limits of our endurance.

In the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that he is living bread - different from what we have had before. In our communion with him we find a newfound strength, one that endures to eternal life. We may sometimes feel at the breaking point, but Christ is with us always.

Fr. McNamara

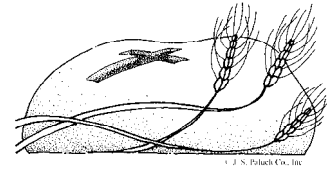


### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

During the summer months, will only be on **August 11th & September 8th** and every **Tuesday** thereafter, in the Chapel, beginning at **7:00 am** and ending with **Benediction** at noon.

### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2009

I am the living bread that  
came down from heaven.  
— *John 6:51*



### USHERS NEEDED

The **5:00 pm** and **8:30 am** masses are looking for Ushers. It is easy to do and a **GREAT** way to meet new people!  
Are you interested?

Please call **Donna Forrester @ 818-712-9922** for more information.

### ALTAR CARE - August 14, 2009

Will & Ann Gartland, Jan Peixoto,  
Fran Van Buskirk, Sue Vigo and  
Jan Wheatman

**Magnificat** will have a Morning of Prayer including Mass in the chapel at **10:00 am** on **Thursday, August 13th**.  
Everyone is welcome.

### MAGNIFACT

#### A Ministry to Catholic Women

Fellowship Meal Saturday,  
**August 22nd 10:00 am,**  
**Odyssey Restaurant**

**15600 Odyssey Dr., Granada Hills**

Dr. Elizabeth Kim recounts her own miraculous healing of a physical deformity and how God is truly the Divine Physician in all our mental, emotional and physical afflictions. He lives!

Mail "Magnificat" check for **\$28** by  
**August 12th**. Afterwards **\$32**.

**6202 Wisteria Dr., Simi Valley, CA 93063.**

Questions? **Teri Thompson 805-527-3745**  
or reserve on-line [www.magnificatsfv.com](http://www.magnificatsfv.com)



## IMPORTANT DATES

- Aug 15/16** Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.
- Sep 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



## Dinner With Friends August 23rd

Join us for the 2nd Dinner With Friends after the 5:30 pm Mass on **Sunday, August 23rd**. Youth Ministry and the St. B's "Cooking club" will be presenting "comfort" food, consisting of Meat Loaf, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, vegetables, salad, beverage and home made chocolate chip cookies for dessert.

This delicious meal will be served starting about **6:45 pm** in the Parish Center. The cost will be **\$5.00** per person. Tickets for the dinner should be purchased **in advance**. Tickets will be sold *after all the Masses on August 17th* or you may purchase tickets from the parish center during normal business hours.

Any questions, please call **Bob Nicholas 818-346-8244**. Hope to see you there!

## Morning Bible Study Group

Please come and join us every **Wednesday morning** after the **8:30 am** mass at the Library and share your love for *the Word!* Coffee will be served.

Please contact **Virginia McCarron** at **818-703-8656** or **vmcc0125@sbcglobal.net**



## FOCUS ON VOLUNTEERS

Looking for ways to support your parish but not quite sure how to do it? Here is an easy and fun way to be a big help to the parish.

We are in need of volunteers who love books, good films and music and can provide support to the Parish library by giving some time. What is involved? Take a one or two hour shift one day a week, or every two weeks or?? Or after one of the Masses on Sunday.

Training is easy and will be provided and you get to become familiar with and enjoy over 5000 books, DVDs and periodicals in a very pleasant and comfortable setting. You set the time and enjoy a great way to help your parish.

If interested please contact  
**Maria at 818 884 2736.**

The Parish Library is open  
**Monday—Friday, 9:00-11:30 am** and most  
**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.**

## HELP WANTED

The RCIA for Children program needs P/T volunteers to assist the present leaders on **Sundays** after the **10:00 Mass (11:00-12:00)** in the Veranda room. There is a rotation schedule so that no one person is needed more often than once every 3-4 weeks.

Meetings will start on **Sunday, Sept 13th**. This program includes children, ages 7-12, who started the initiation process in the Catholic Church late. The class is expected to have 5-6 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 are interested in helping.



**Youth Ministry events**  
are open to  
9-12 graders

**Wednesday, August 12th:** Gospel Night, **7-8:00 pm**, Parish Hall  
*Year One Confirmation Parent Orientations:*  
**Sunday, August 16th**  
**3:30 – 5:00 pm** in the Parish Hall  
**Sunday, September 13th**  
**3:30 – 5:00 pm** in the Parish Hall  
At these orientations we will present the program structure and requirements and distribute registration materials. As our program structure and requirements differ from year to year, it is essential, and required, that a parent or guardian of each potential Confirmation Candidate attends one of these orientations.

**Religious Education Registration for All**

Religious Education registration forms for elementary age children in first through sixth grade who attend public or private schools have been mailed to all registered parishioners. Please complete and **return by August 21st**, so that we can begin to prepare for classes and teachers.

If you pre-registered in the spring, there is no need to complete the form. Classes are on **Tuesday and Wednesdays** from **4-5:30 pm** beginning **September 22nd and 23rd**. Come to class on the day you have chosen, we do not call to confirm classes.

If you did not receive a registration form, they are available in the parish office; can be downloaded from [www.stbernardine.org](http://www.stbernardine.org) and mailed .

Religious Education office number is **818-340-1440**



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

Fr. Daniel Fox; Joyce Angelini;  
Francoise & Duane Tatro;  
Tony Johnson; Helen Ellescas  
Christine Stuart; Eric Hansen;

Don Kaszynski; Laurie Pearson

**Please pray for the happy repose of the souls:**

John Pasos, father of Deacon Jesse;  
Gloria Cortez, aunt of Eloisa Pasos;  
Lisa Rogers



**Mass Intentions For The Week**



**August 9 through August 15, 2009**  
**SUNDAY**

**7:00 am** Pro Populo  
**8:30 am** John Reyes Crispo+  
**10:00 am** Rose Villaraza  
**12:00 noon** Fe Dolor Serrano+  
**5:30 pm** Francis Gatto+

**MONDAY**

**6:30 am** Joseph Norton, Sr.+  
**8:30 am** Mildred Jansen+

**TUESDAY**

**6:30 am** Joan Heller  
**8:30 am** Mildred Jansen+

**WEDNESDAY**

**6:30 am** David Kullberg  
**8:30 am** Patricia Costigan+

**THURSDAY**

**6:30 am** Joan Heller  
**8:30 am** Madelaine Nowatzki+

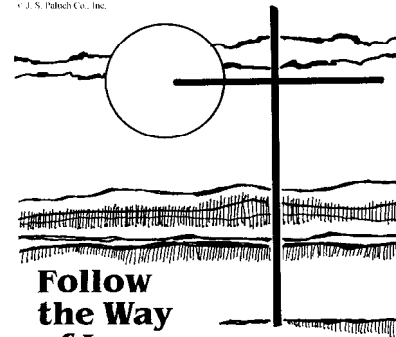
**FRIDAY**

**6:30 am** David Kullberg  
**8:30 am** Carol Conner

**SATURDAY**

**8:30 am** Robert Brogan+  
**5:00 pm** Tony Famini+

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**Follow the Way of Love**

**MOTHER TERESA'S MISSIONARY BROTHERS OF CHARITY and CO-WORKERS FROM**

**ST. BERNARDINE** are seeking your help. This ministry needs **COOKS** and **DRIVERS**. You would be called upon (to either cook or drive downtown) once every six weeks on Saturday mornings. If you feel the call to help, please contact **Jean Sampson** at **818-888-7073**.

## 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	Michelle Sjolander	999-6169
	Todd Borowski	348-5650
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	MichelleReams/8:30 Mass	207-5441
	Carole Williamson/10:00	999-3764
OASIS	Monica Goudis	<b>340-5100</b>
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)	Tony Cassar	999-1063
(Girl Scouts)	Kim Palkovic	992-0737
Senior Luncheon	Karen Brown	591-1520
Social Activities	Janet Barnett	348-6262
	Susan Bougetz-Aulbach	999-3138
Ushers	Donna Forrester	712-9922
Welcoming Committee	Darma Trafecanty	515-2039
Women on the Journey	Jean Sampson	346-8116
Youth Ministry	Andrew Gafvert	710-1662

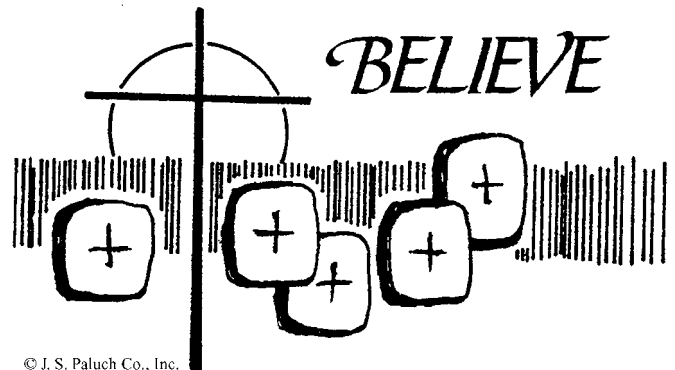
**RENEW Theology on Tap 2009**WHERE: **Soup's Sports Grill****21028 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills**Fellowship: **7:00 pm**Sessions begin: **7:30 pm****August 9th—Jennifer Shaw -****"Catholic Bioethics: Stem Cells and Beyond"**Questions? Call **866-304-0341** or email **tot@sfmya.org**. For other info, go to**www.sfmya.org/tot****ATTENTION**

**St. Bernardine Class of 1979** is fast approaching and the response has been overwhelming. Due to the large response, the reunion **location as been changed** from



the Sage Brush Cantina to the **St. Bernardine Parish Hall** the reunion will still commence at **6:00 pm** on **Saturday, August 15th.**

**Kathy Burd** at **mhi9485@aol.com** OR  
**Rick Miller** at **rtm911@roadrunner.com** OR  
Call **Tricia Milewski** at **818-917-5368**



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**ATTENTION****FELLOW-PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS OF ST. BERNARDINE!**

Would you like to have a **Brick Paver** to honor a special family occasion, event or to remember and honor a loved family member or friend?

For \$100 per brick, you can have a brick installed in our beautiful courtyard with up to three (3) lines, each line is no more than eighteen (18) spaces (includes letters/punctuation/blank spaces). There is *no limit* to the number of bricks you can order.

If you are interested, please fill out the blank order form available in the back of the church or the Parish Center or you can download one from our website. Just log onto **www.stbernardine.org** and click on **Parish Forms**. Print and complete the order form and return it to the Parish Center with your payment.

The first phase of bricks will be installed as soon as we have a minimum of 35 orders; so get your order forms in as soon as you can!

Any questions, contact

**Helen Worthen** at **hewnena@aol.com** or  
**(818) 883-4966**.

# Midsummer events

**St. John Eundes Separated, Divorced and Widowed Catholic Support Group** will meet on **Friday, August 28th, 8:00 pm** in Room C of Grill Hall, 9901 Mason Ave., Chatsworth. Topic will be "Coping with Stress-Unwind the Spring". For more information, please call **Dale** at **818-831-7606**.



## A Ministry for Married Couples

Looking for a way to share the many blessings of married life? Catholic Engaged Encounter needs couples to help minister to engaged couples. **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY** and free training is provided!

For more information, call

**Tom & Diane Krause** at **310-316-4857** or visit our website at **www.CEEofLA.ORG**



Spirituality Center presents

## Discernment Part 1, The Elements of Choosing Life, Donohue Conference Center

Doheny Campus, MSMC,

10 Chester Place, Los Angeles 90007

**Saturday, October 17th, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Fee is \$40.00 pre-registered, \$45.00 at door

Make check payable to: Spirituality Center

## SENIORS NEEDED!

Are you a senior parishioner who needs one of the following OASIS Services?

- A Friendly Visitor
- A Shopping Escort
- Transportation to Medical Appointments
- Minor Home Repairs
- Light housekeeping

OASIS Volunteers from your parish can help you.

For information, please call **Adele** or **Sunny** at **818-340-5100**

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY GUADALUPE CENTER

Do you want to donate your time to a program that has been serving the disadvantaged of the San Fernando Valley for 58 years? Join us! The Guadalupe Community Center is looking for volunteers to work in its food pantry and thrift store. The Center is open Monday through Friday. For additional information, call **Margaret Pontius**, center Director at **(818) 340-2050**

## SAVE AN AT-RISK STUDENT!

555 Students in the San Fernando region are at risk of not attending Catholic school this fall. You can help! Please donate now at **www.cefdn.org** and choose the San Fernando Student Appeal

*CEF provides tuition awards to financially deserving students attending parish and archdiocesan schools in Los Angeles. For the 2009-2010 school year, CEF has committed to fund 719 SF students at a cost of \$781,700.*

*But that does not cover all the children who need assistance. The San Fernando Student Appeal will raise funds to provide tuition awards to the 555 students who are on the CEF wait list.*

## "The Priest: A Man for All Seasons"

Fr. Brian Mullady, OP, theologian and popular teacher on EWTN, will discuss what it means to be a priest in today's world of the New Evangelization. Do not miss out on this excellent evening with Fr. Mullady, OP as we begin our Tuesday Night Spirituality Series in this year of the Priest. **Tuesday, August 11th, at 7:30 pm** at St. Joseph Campus, 507 N. Granada Ave., Alhambra, Free-will offering accepted.

For question, call **626-289-0223**

The Carmelite Sisters will be having an Open House with a complimentary gourmet lunch every third Sunday of the month. There will be delicious cuisine and entertainment provided by a very talented young singer. This month we are featuring the country of Austria!

**Around the World with Avila Gardens Presents:**

*Austria*

**Sunday August 16th**

**11:30 am - 3:00 pm**

**1171 Encanto Parkway, Duarte, CA 91010**

To make a Reservation **626-599-2214**



**Crisis Pregnancy Hotline**

(800)973-7334

**Abortion Recovery Help**

(877)467-3463 &

www.rachelsvineyard.org

**Holy Family Adoption Services**

(805)374-2785