



From the Pastor

Dear Friends,

Get renewed! You heard Fr. Felix Just S.J. speak at all the Masses today. I hope you were

impressed, as well as being inspired by his faith and his knowledge. If you were not moved today, don't bother coming to his sessions over the next three days. However, if you had a moment today - you know what a "moment" is? You had one if there was a flutter, a second when you felt he could teach you; if there was a moment when you felt a need for spiritual renewal or a deepening/upgrading of your faith - then you must attend his three sessions over the next three days, either at 9:00 am or 7:30 pm. The evening session will be a repeat of the morning - so you could return and hear it again if you loved it! All sessions are 90 minutes. It will be very biblical and very Catholic. I pray these will be days of growth for St. Bernardine's Parish.

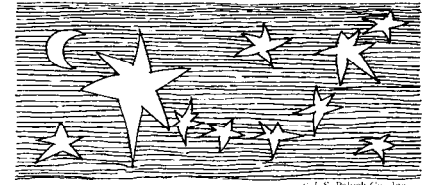
There is always so much happening here in our parish. Today is also the announcement Sunday for the annual Together in Mission appeal. This the diocesan wide collection to keep afloat the approximately 40 or so parishes and schools, who live financially on the edge. In today's economic climate, they need us more than ever. Please make the best pledge you can. Our goal is determined as 10% of last years ordinary income, which is \$122,981.20. During the coming week, think about your level of support and next Sunday you will be asked to make a pledge. I thank you just for thinking about it and I pray you will be in a position to be generous.

~ Fr. McNamara

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 8, 2009**

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars and calls them by name.

— Psalm 147:4



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



**FOCUS ON SUPPORTING
YOUR LIBRARY**

Looking for ways to support your parish library? Here are some ideas:

1. Do you have good quality and good condition religious books or DVDs to share with other parishioners? If so, why not donate them to the library? If we already have copies, we will donate to other libraries or make available through our periodic Book Faire's. We will give you a receipt for tax purposes. (No text books please!)
2. Visit the library website www.stbernardine.org, click on library and take a look at our children and adult "Wish Lists". You select the book. Book plates are available to memorialize your gift for any occasion...
3. If those ideas don't work, we also accept cash donations and we will purchase in your name, children's and adult books and DVD's.

CONTACT MARIA, 818-884-2736, TO MAKE A LIBRARY DONATION.

**REMEMBER...SPIRITUAL RENEWAL
DAYS...FEBRUARY 7-11TH**

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.**



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

Tuesday, Feb 8th: The AfterMass-featuring St. Bernardine Parish Spiritual Renewal Days speaker Rev. Felix Just, **6:30-9 pm**, Parish Hall (Pizza Dinner for \$5 from **6:30-7:30pm**; Fr. Just's presentation to teens from **7:30-9pm**)

Confirmation Preparation Process

Sunday, Feb 8th: Year Two Catechetical Session, **3:15-5:15 pm**, Parish Center

Sunday, Feb 22nd: Year One Catechetical Session, **3:15-5:15 pm**, Parish Center

Parish Center Year One Confirmation Candidates must attend at least one Youth Ministry event per month in addition to their required Catechetical Sessions!



St. Bernardine of Siena Children's Center will begin taking Parishioner applications for the summer and fall 2009 preschool programming

beginning **Thursday, February 19th**, at **9:00 am**. Children need to be 2.9 months in September and potty trained. For more information or a tour of our facility, please call the preschool office **(818) 716-4730**

Annual Interfaith Dialogue

Save the Date - February 19th

St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah will sponsor an evening of Interfaith Dialogue, **Thursday, Feb 19th**, from **7:00 pm to 9:30 pm** at Temple Aliyah. A professor and a student from CSUN who are Muslims will share their reactions to the portrayal of North American Muslims in a television series. Members of the congregations of St. Bernardine and Temple Aliyah will form dialogue groups to share thoughts about episodes. Rabbi Stewart Vogel and Father Robert McNamara will respond to the themes in the series as they relate to Judaism and Catholicism. Please plan to attend.

Magnificat will hold a Morning of Prayer at **10:00 am** on **Thursday, Feb 12th**, in the Chapel. Fr. Bob Garon, Spiritual Advisor to Magnificat will celebrate Mass, followed by a short meeting and refreshments in the Veranda Room. Anyone is welcome

MAGNIFICAT-A Ministry to Catholic Women Prayer Brunch, Saturday, February 21st

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Odyssey Restaurant

15600 Odyssey Dr., Granada Hills

Speaker: Heather King

Mail "Magnificat" check \$26 to 1500 W. Victory Blvd., Apt. D, Burbank, CA 91506.

Reservation deadline **Feb. 9th**, call **Angela Lopez 818-352-5563** or **www.magnificatsfv.com**

Come Explore the Sunday Readings with Youth Ministry

Does your mind wander during the Gospel or the Homily at Sunday Mass? If you spend some time reading and reflecting on the Gospel and the other readings, before you go to Mass each week, you are far less likely to tune out during the Liturgy of the Word. Come explore the Sunday Gospel each week, become a volunteer for Youth ministry's Gospel Nights, **Wednesdays from 7-8:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. Contact **Andrew Gafvert** at **818-710-1662** for more information

Safeguard the Children

A Virtus, "Safeguard the Children" session will be offered on **February 18th** at **7:00 pm**. The archdiocese requires that all volunteers who have contact with children must attend this training session to increase the awareness of child abuse and to implement child safety measures. Please contact **Eileen (340-1440)** to register.

ALTAR CARE - February 13, 2009

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



IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 14/15 - Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry

The Annual Religious Education Congress

held in Anaheim, CA, is ready to enrich and revitalize us once more. This year there will be more than 280 workshops available to choose from, covering a vast range of topics and interests from spirituality and personal development to biblical studies, theology and catechesis. This year the Congress is scheduled for **February 26 (Youth Day)** through **March 1, 2009** and focuses on the theme *Love Unfolding...Igniting our Yes!* Over the weekend participants will enjoy morning praise, workshops, evening liturgies and a variety of prayer experiences with internationally renowned leaders in the areas of liturgical music and worship. Concerts at noon-time and evening offer additional opportunities for praise and worship-delightful experiences which engage and renew participants!

Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! For more info or to register, stop by our parish Religious Ed Office for a guidebook OR call the R.E. Congress info line **213-637-7348** OR visit www.RECongress.org

What are YOU Doing for Christ's Sake?

Have you considered serving in Eucharistic Ministry? Eucharistic Ministers are needed to assist in this important ministry at Sunday Masses. If you are interested in joining in this ministry, please come to our next training session. This session will take place on Thursday, **February 12th**, at **7:00 pm** in the church. If you have any questions, please call **Bob Nicholas** at **818-346-8244**

Mass Intentions For The Week



February 8 through February 14, 2009

SUNDAY

7:00 am Pro Populo
8:30 am Porter Family
10:00 am Irene Beaton+
12:00 noon Glenn Potts Sr.+
5:30 pm Gloria Mosca+

MONDAY

6:30 am Frances Svoboda+
8:30 am Regina Castillo+

TUESDAY

6:30 am Jerry Sullivan+
8:30 am Gloria Mosca+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Paul Hsu
8:30 am Gloria Mosca+

THURSDAY

6:30 am Natividad Fontanilla+
8:30 am Gloria Mosca+

FRIDAY

6:30 am Monica Chan Kit+
8:30 am Gloria Mosca+

SATURDAY

8:30 am Frank Salazar
5:00 pm Gloria Mosca+



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

Art Esterbrook; Edmund Lanski, brother-in-law of Vera Wetvel; Donald James; Paul Hsu; Amelia Hunt; Robert Affronti; Nolan & Ella Watson; Minnie Barkley; Maddy Marazita; Patrick Bennett; Dick Karlinger; Michele Chowdrey; Josephine Ramsey; Rita Pound; Marcella Johnson; Anthony Trafecanty; Ruth Chambers; Steve Gutierrez; Lucy McClean;



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls:

Cathy Zack sister of Kitty Lucero;
Joseph Henry Capozzoli;
Tracy Carpenter, aunt of Aidan Reddington,
sister of Annette

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
	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	Michelle Reams/8:30 Mass	207-5441
	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
Senior Luncheon	Karen Brown	591-1520
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



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WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
CIRCLE Meeting is on **Friday, 2/20/09** at
7:30 pm in Veranda room. All encountered couples welcome. Please bring your dialog book.
 Any questions call
Joe & Karen Greulich at 661-286-9950

Women's Retreat

Our 2nd Annual Women's Retreat at Sacred Heart House in Alhambra, **March 6th-8th**.
 Private \$215; Semi private \$194; and double \$142.
 Two nights and 5 meals are included. Carpools available. For more info and reservations, call
Diane McNall 818-709-5560.
!!!DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 12TH!!!

Upcoming RETROUVAILLE Weekend
You Can Help Your Marriage - Do you feel alone?
 Are you frustrated or angry with other? Do you argue..or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information about or to register for the February program, beginning with a weekend on **February 20-22nd** call **661-257-7980** or email **retrouvaille4life@hotmail.com** or visit the web site at **www.HelpOurMarriage.com**

Old Mission Santa Barbara Renewal Center:
 Celebrate St. Valentine's Day with a special retreat for married couples-"Imagine That...",
February 13-15th. \$320 couple/\$220 commuter couple. For information or to register call the MRC Office **805-682-4713 ext 133** or on-line registration at **www.santabarbaramission**

St. John Eudes Separated, Divorced and Widowed Catholic Support Group will meet on Friday, February 13th, 8:00 pm, in Room C of Grill Hall, 9901 Mason Ave., Chatsworth. For more info, please call **Dale at 818-831-7606**

Join the **L.A. Catholic Alumni Club Singles** for their Valentine Dance on **Friday, Feb. 13th** from **8:00 pm to midnight** at the Burbank Holiday Inn, 150 E. Angeleno Ave., Dressy attire. Tickets \$20 at the door. All ages welcome. Please call **818-759-1545** for more info and free event calendar **www.LACatholicSingles.org**

Young Adult Diners' Club
Saturday, February 14th, 7:00 pm
 Brent's Delicatessen & Restaurant
 2799 Townsgate Road, Westlake Village

February 2009

St. Bernardine of Siena

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Nursery Care and Preschool 8:30am and 10:00am RCIC RCIA	2 Talk on Gaza by Rabbi Vogel 7:30pm at Church	3 Religious Education 4:00pm	4 Religious Education 4:00pm RCIA 7:30pm	5 Baptism Class 7:30pm	6 Senior Citizen Mass/Luncheon 11:30am	7 Parish Mission presentation at Mass
8 Parish Mission presentation at Masses Nursery and Presch. 8:30am and 10:00am	9 Parish Mission 9:30am and 7:30pm	10 Parish Mission 9:30am and 7:30pm Religious Education 4:00pm	11 Parish Mission 9:30am and 7:30pm Religious Education 4:00pm RCIA 7:30pm	12 Eucharistic Minister Training 7:30pm at Church	13 Jr. High Dance 7:00 pm Hall	14 ST. VALENTINE'S DAY
15 Nursery Care and Preschool 8:30am and 10:00am RCIC RCIA	16 NO SCHOOL Justice & Peace Meeting 7:30pm PRESIDENTS' DAY	17 Religious Education 4:00pm Catholic/Jewish Women 9:30 am CYM 7:00 pm	18 Religious Education 4:00pm CYM 7:00 pm RCIA 7:30pm	19 Dialogue of Islam, a talk by Fr. McNamara and Rabbi Vogel 7:30pm at Temple	20 Marriage Encounter 7:30 pm	21
22 Nursery Care and Preschool 8:30am and 10:00am RCIC RCIA	23 Bereavement Class 7:00 pm	24 Religious Education 4:00pm	25 Ash Wednesday Mass 7:30pm Religious Ed. 4:00pm RCIA 7:30pm	26 Raising Children of Faith, a talk by Fr. McNamara and Rabbi Vogel 7:00pm at Hall	27 Lenten Meal 6:00pm—7:15pm Stations of the Cross	28 Parish Bunco Night