

Dear Friends,

It is the feast of the Ascension today, transferred from the traditional 40th day after Easter which was last Thursday. Today we remember that Jesus bodily returned to the Father. His work was finished but now it is our job. Next Sunday will be the Feast of Pentecost and we are reminded that the Spirit is with us so we can build the Kingdom of God. St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582) wrote the following to capture our vocation as disciples of Jesus. *"Christ Has No Body" Christ has no body but yours; No hands, no feet on earth but yours; Yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.*

Next Sunday at the **5:30 pm** Mass, Bishop Sartoris will be here to confirm over 40 of our young people. For two years they have participated in our Confirmation program and I commend them for their commitment, their stamina and their faith. All are invited to attend the Confirmation Mass and

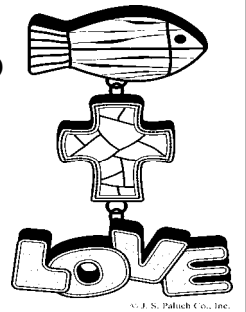
Congratulation to our Confirmandi - may the Lord bless you always.

Fr. McNamara

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 24, 2009

If God so loved us, we also must love one another.

— 1 John 4:11



Reminder - To All Potential Altar Servers

The **2 mandatory** follow-up Altar Server trainings sessions are **corrected** to read as follows:

May 31st, 1:15 - 3:15 pm in the Church

June 14th, 1:15 - 3:15 pm in the Church

Please contact **Maria Giammatteo** in the Library at **818-8842-2736** for more information.

Back by Popular Demand— What You Don't Know Can Hurt You

Your 2009 Estate Planning Seminar will be **Tuesday, June 16th, at 7:30 pm** in the Parish hall. If ever you wanted to get control of your financial life, this is a good place to start. The seminar will cover wills, trusts, probate, gifts, issues affecting families with children, issues for families with elderly members, who you need on your financial team and a wide variety of other estate planning issues. Professionals from your own parish will conduct the seminar.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

ALTAR CARE - May 29, 2009

Letizea Amato, Anna Marie Pudwill,
Judy Sabo, Fran Van Buskirk and
Helen Worthen



IMPORTANT DATES

June 6/7 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.

June 20/21 Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry



FOCUS ON DONATIONS

Here is a **WIN WIN** situation. Do you have some good quality, good condition (maybe a little dusty?) religious books taking up space? Why not consider donating them to the Parish Library? We get the books and you get a receipt for your tax donation plus the knowledge that others will benefit from your gift. Also, if you want to give a book to the Library in honor or in memory of someone, we will provide a bookplate to commemorate the occasion.

We need volunteers to staff the Library for an hour or so after Sunday Masses. Training is provided. **This is a great way to spend a little time in your library. Contact Maria, 818 884 2736 for times and hours available.**



Youth Ministry events are open to 9-12 graders

Wednesday, May 27th: Gospel Night 7-8:30 pm, Parish Hall



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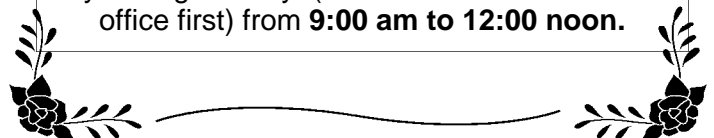
The Parish Library is open Monday—Friday, 9:00-11:30 am and most Sundays, after the 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 noon Masses, as well as 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm.



Gifts for the Spirit

Confirmation and Graduation cards and gifts are available at your Parish gift shop. "Chicken Soup for the Soul" and "Living Catholic Faith" books still available. Great gift idea for R.C.I.A., Confirmation, Graduation or just to give a friend. Come and see. We also repair broken rosaries **"free of charge"**

Gifts For the Spirit is located upstairs in the Parish across from the Hall. The shop is open Sundays from **9:15 am until 1:30 pm** and Monday through Friday (check in the Parish Center office first) from **9:00 am to 12:00 noon.**



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Confirmation Liturgy Sunday, May 31st, 5:30 pm

On Sunday, May 31, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at the 5:30 Mass. We are pleased to welcome Bishop Joseph Sartoris as our principal celebrant. We welcome you to join us at this special liturgy, but please know that the church will be quite crowded with parents, sponsors and candidates attending this Mass.

Attention Seniors

Come to our Luau at the Senior Citizens Luncheon following the

June 5th Senior Mass—11:30 am.

Free Lunch and listen to Hawaiian music. This will be our last Senior Luncheon until October. See you there!

Become an OASIS Volunteer!

- **OASIS** is a **Catholic Charities Program** operating through the Guadalupe Community Center in Canoga Park. We offer services to seniors in parishes in the seniors in parishes in the West San Fernando Valley.
- We help seniors and their caregivers in your own parish by providing **free** 2-4 hours per week a wide variety of the following services:
friendly home visit; shopping escorts; transportation to MD or Dental appts.; minor home repairs; or light yard work
- The next OASIS New Volunteer Trainings will be held at the Guadalupe Community Center at *21600 Hart Street in Canoga Park* on the following two Saturdays. New volunteers need to attend both sessions. A complimentary breakfast and lunch will be served at both sessions plus free materials will be provided.

***Saturday, June 6th 8:45 am-1:00 pm**

***Saturday, June 13th 8:45 am-1:00 pm**

Please join us and make a difference! Please contact **Adele** or **Sunny** at our OASIS Volunteer Program office at **818-340- 5100** to make a reservation and for more information



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

Randy Miller; Laurie Pearson;
Rabbi Bill Gordon;
Mary Beth Ross; Fr. Joe Carroll;
Laura Caliguiri; George Gibbs;

Lisa Rogers; Carista Steele; Sharon Roque;
Anna Mae Orlando; Aurelio Salazar;
Linda McClean; Donald White;
Kevin Cordasco; Trish Greens;
John Bellere; James Doran; Mildred Jansen;
Mark Kaszynski



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls:

Patrick Johnson, son of Marcella;
Arminda Bermudez, mother of
Lou;

Eduardo Agra, father of Cristina Hughes

Mass Intentions For The Week



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May 24 through May 30, 2009
SUNDAY

7:00 am Pro Populo

8:30 am Charles Bohlig+

10:00 am Robert Ciancaglini+

12:00 noon Bob Gebken

5:30 pm Bob Gentile+

MONDAY-Memorial Day

10:00 am Antonia Cione+

TUESDAY

6:30 am Connie Plese+

8:30 am John Reyes Crispo+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Richard Hargraves+

8:30 am Dolly Fernando

THURSDAY

6:30 am Helen Van Heyde+

8:30 am Richard Murkey +

FRIDAY

6:30 am Holy Souls in Purgatory

8:30 am Edward Zellmer+

SATURDAY

8:30 am Maria & Rick Uribe

5:00 pm Edward Zellmer+

Looking for Some Interesting Summer Reading?

St. Bernardine Adult Faith Enrichment
Presents

Book Discussion: Pope John XXIII by Thomas Cahill *Thursday, June 18th, 7:30 pm in the Parish Center*

Copies of the book will be available outside of church after all the masses next weekend, May 30th/31st. This is a wonderfully readable biography of a beloved pope whose desire to open windows in the Church and return to the roots of early Christianity resulted in the call to convene the Second Vatican Council.

*Pick up a copy next weekend. Then join your fellow parishioners **June 18th** for a presentation followed by discussion of the book.*

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	348-5100
Parent/Teacher Assoc.	June Hunter	713-8120
Pre-School	Charlene Barks	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 Barks	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

**Continuing Bible Study:
The Gospel of Mark**

(through June 9)

**Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the
Parish Library**

All are welcome!

Please bring your bible!

Give the Gift of Sight

During the entire month of May, the Peace and Justice committee will be collecting used eyeglasses for the needy. Please place any of your old glasses in collection box located at the back of the Church. Thank you for your continued support!

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**Society of St. Vincent De Paul -
Bundle Sunday**

Sunday, May 31st, is Bundle Sunday for our Parish. The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here at 8:30 am to 1:30 pm to receive donations..

Please bring your **useable** clothing, shoes, appliances, household items, linens, books, jewelry, etc. They are in desperate need of all furniture and large working appliances. Remember your contributions will be helping the needy.

**Call for pick up of heavy items at 323-224-6280
or 800-974-3571.**

Life in The Spirit Seminar

May 30th - 31st

8:30 am—4:30 pm

St. Joseph the Worker Parish hall
19803 Sherman Way, Winnetka

Registration is free

Call **Agnes 818-217-4111** or email us:

sjwcp2007@hotmail.com

Come and experience a **NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT!**



**Learn How To
Protect Children from
Abuse**

There are 25,857
Catholic parishes and
schools in the United

States. If ever Catholic parish or school could stop just one child from being abused we could make a tremendous difference. Abuse prevention training programs are available on a regular basis in English and Spanish throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. These programs only take a few hours to complete. To locate a training program near you, please call the **Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office, 213-637-7727**

For particular help, you may call
Assistance Ministry at 213-637-7650



Crisis Pregnancy Hotline

(800)973-7334

Abortion Recovery Help

(877)467-3463 &

www.rachelsvineyard.org

Holy Family Adoption Services

(805)374-2785

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