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Dear Friends,

Happy Fourth of July. May the Lord bless all in our country with prosperity and safety. May he give our leaders wisdom to work for peace and justice. May we all enjoy our blessings and freedom to practice our faith.

A favorite cartoon of mine is one where a young mother goes into the bathroom during the night, sees herself in the mirror in the semi darkness, and says "Mom, what are you doing here?"

Soon after my Dad died many years ago, on a visit to Ireland, I noticed some of my nieces and nephews staring at me. Before my ego took over, and I began to think they were intrigued by my scintillating personality, my brother told me that they think I look like my Dad!

We become our parents. There is a magic moment in the growing process when it dawns on us and, with some reluctance, we sigh and admit it. But there is good news for parents, particularly those who are living the challenge of bringing up their children in the faith. Statistically, children eventually make their own, most of the values that their parents had. So parents, if you live your faith your children most likely will too. If you make Sunday Mass a non negotiable family practice, your children will too. If the Sacrament of Reconciliation is important to you, it will be important to your children. If family prayer is the usual practice at home, your grandkids will have it too. If supporting the Church and other charities is your practice, then it will become your children's. If you talk about Jesus, the Bible and Church teaching, when you have a decision to make, so will your children.

We do indeed pass on our faith to our children. Note well, that it is not by our words but by our deeds. May the Lord bless all you parents.

Last week I wrote a little about Church Annulments. Somewhat related is another misconception about Church teaching. I often hear that someone cannot go to Holy Communion because they are divorced. That is false. Sadly, when there is violence or other dangers to spouses or children, divorce may be the only answer. Divorce does not block someone from going to Holy Communion. Only sin does that. So if the divorced person is single, and not living contrary to the Gospel, there is no reason they cannot receive Communion. In fact, when life is difficult we need the nourishment of Communion more than ever.

-Father McNamara



**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 4, 2010**

May I never boast  
except in the cross of our  
Lord Jesus Christ.

— Galatians 6:14



**A Prayer for Priestly Vocations**

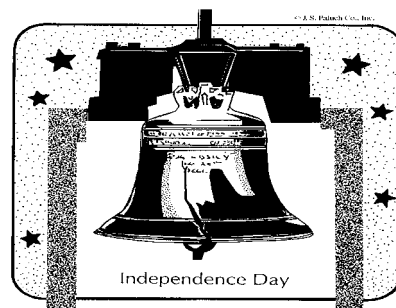
Lord Jesus,

You called chosen men

To be with you, to preach the  
Good news of salvation and to  
Have authority over the powers  
Of darkness. Send your Holy Spirit  
Upon the men you have chosen  
For the priestly ministry. May they  
Answer your call and follow you  
With generous hearts.

Amen

**Everyone Welcome!  
Bible Study-Book of Exodus  
Bring your Bible!  
Tuesday,  
June 22, 2010, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
In the Parish Library**



In observance of Independence Day, the  
Parish Office will be closed on  
**Monday, July 5th.**

**ALTAR CARE - July 9, 2010**  
Will & Ann Gartland, Jan Peixoto,  
Fran Van Buskirk, Sue Vigo &  
Jan Wheatman



### Share Your Faith!

“Modern teenagers are going to be evangelized and they are going to be converted. The question is, are we going to do it, or are we going to continue to let [the culture] do it?” - Mark Hart

For many Catholic teens, the process of preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation is a conversion experience that awakens them to their Catholic faith. You can help facilitate this awakening! We need more Confirmed Catholic adults, who are seeking to live out their faith authentically; to minister to our young people as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please contact me, **Andrew Gafvert**, Parish Director of Youth Ministry and Confirmation, today at **(818) 710-1662** or **stbcym@gmail.com** to learn more.

I'm waiting to hear from you. God bless you.

### Catholic Family Conference

Sunday, July 11, 2010

#### Ontario Convention Center

The Catholic Resource Center (CRC) invites you to the Annual Catholic Family Conference. This great event kicks off Saturday, July 10th with a Gala Dinner at the Ontario Double Tree Hotel.

Please email **info@CatholicCRC.org** or call toll free at **877-526-2151** for reservations.

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

Tara Isbelle, daughter of Ted & Pat;  
Cecilia Bellisimo, daughter of Joseph & Wendy; Diana Chiaverini, Fr. Daniel Fox; Char Rardin; Doug Pettibone, Sr.; Arleen Onken; Jo Ramsey; Rita Pound; Martha Fry; John Hoenig; Michael Sauber; Ellie Boord; Judith Stroz; Laurie Pearson



### Please pray for the happy repose of all souls:

Peggy Auer, wife of Ed, mother of Jim, grandmother of Emily, Jacqueline & Camille;  
Jim Tipton, brother of Jack



## Mass Intentions For The Week



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July 4 thru July 10, 2010

### SUNDAY-INDEPENDENCE DAY

7:00 am Pro Populo

8:30 Jeff Forrester+

10:00 am Godofredo Soliman Jr+

12:00 noon Mary Janneck & Rose Gasper+

5:30 pm Doris Allen+

### MONDAY

6:30 am Dorothy Giglio+

8:30 am John Crispo+

### TUESDAY

6:30 am Ely Theresa Jose+

8:30 am Lucy McClean

### WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Cipriano Alambra+

8:30 am Tony Famini+

### THURSDAY

6:30 am Patrick Bredican+

8:30 am Robert Lauer+

### FRIDAY

6:30 am Barbara Mackey

8:30 am Steven Cote

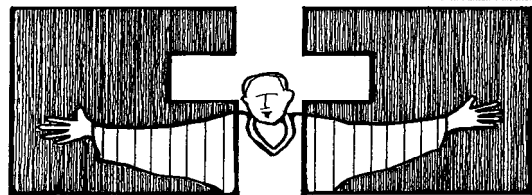
### SATURDAY

8:30 am Joe Freas+

5:00 pm Dorothea Mumm+

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



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### PARISH CALENDAR

Would you like to advertise your business on our Parish Calendar? Please contact the Parish Office at

**818-888-8200**

for further information.

**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
Coffee & Donuts	Angie Syp	222-1333
Cross Bearers	Dave Goracke	347-0192
Detention Ministry	Joyce Wright	884-4305
Environment	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
Eucharistic Ministers	Robert Nicholas	346-8244
EM's for Homebound	Dcn. Dale Taufer	888-8200
Facilities	John Erlinger	883-4345
Festival Chairpersons	Michelle Sjolander	999-6169
	Todd Borowski	348-5650
Finance Committee	Steve Kiser	999-6711
Funeral Buffet	Shirley Grochalski	347-6228
Gift Shop	Jean Sampson	888-7073
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	340-5100
Parent/Teacher Assoc.	June Hunter	713-8120
Pre-School	Charlene Barkes	716-4730
RCIA	Dcn. 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	206-8180
Tithing	Frank Loffa	880-8101
Ushers	Donna Forrester	712-9922
Webmaster (St. B's)	Odile Swift	613-0595
Welcoming Committee	Darna Trafecanty	515-2039
Women on the Journey	Jean Sampson	888-7073
Youth Ministry	Andrew Gafvert	710-1662



**FOCUS ON WORLD RELIGIONS AND INTRERFAITH**

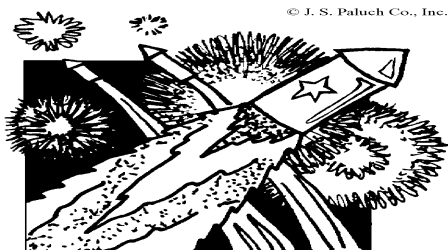
**Q:** Why does the library have books about other religions?

**A:** We live, work and play in a culturally diverse city and society. It is in our best interest as responsible citizens to have knowledge of the major tenants of other faiths.

There are approximately 7 billion people on earth. Of these some 4 billion plus espouse some form of religion. Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Judaism are the major world religions. Christianity is the most widespread with almost 2 billion and includes the Roman Catholic Church (one billion), orthodox churches, several hundred protestant denominations.

The parish library has a wide selection of Interfaith books which describe (but not promote) the world's largest religions, as well as many books which describe some of the larger protestant denominations.

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 and 12:00 noon Masses**



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**39th Annual SCRC**  
**Catholic Renewal Convention**  
 Join thousands of Catholics at the 39th Annual SCRC Catholic Renewal Convention "Stand Firm in the Faith" to take place over Labor Day weekend, **September 3-5, 2010** at the Anaheim Convention Center!  
 -FREE John Michael Talbot Concert on **Saturday, Sept. 4th, 3:30 pm** in the Arena!  
 -Fr. Stan Fortuna, CFR will be performing and speaking throughout the weekend!  
 Something for the entire family!  
 Online registration available now:  
[www.scr.org](http://www.scr.org) For more info/brochure, please contact SCRC **818-771-1361**  
[spirit@scr.org](mailto:spirit@scr.org) or [www.scr.org](http://www.scr.org)



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**Crisis Pregnancy Hotline**  
 (800)973-7334  
**Abortion Recovery Help**  
 (877)467-3463 &  
[www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)  
**Holy Family Adoption Services**  
 (805)374-2785

## Angels Way Fundraiser - OPEN HOUSE!!!!

SILPADA JEWELRY PARTY  
**Thursday, July 8th from 5:30 to 8:30pm**  
 @ Angels Way Maternity Home  
**22212 Welby Way, Woodland Hills**  
 Bring a Friend to join in on the fun!!!!  
 Any questions please call  
**Kasey 818-268-0325**

## Save the Date! July 10 & 11th

Water & Soda drive for  
 Habitat for Humanity Volunteers  
 building hopes in Pacoima.  
 Info: **Nancy Mahoney 818-712-9989**

## Stretch Your Heart

The Sisters of Notre Dame invite single women, ages 18-40, to their summer volunteer program, **July 12-16**. Stretch Your Heart volunteers will serve the homeless at the St. Vincent de Paul Center in Bakersfield and share in the community life of the sisters at their lodge near Frazier Park.

For details, call **805-452-9699**, email **Sr. Valerie Marie Roxburgh at [sistervalsnd@gmail.com](mailto:sistervalsnd@gmail.com)** or visit **[www.sndca.org](http://www.sndca.org)** by **June 30th**

## Theology on Tap

Young adults, married, single, dating between the ages of 18-39, you are invited to join us for the 10th annual summer series, Theology-on-Tap!

WHEN: **Saturdays, July 17th, 24th, 31st & Aug 7th**

WHERE: **St. Mary Catholic Church  
 1527 Fremont Ave., S. Pasadena**

TIME: **6:30-8:00 pm**—Doors open at **6 pm**

For more info or if you would like to be part of the San Gabriel Regional Theology-on-Tap Team, contact **Vanessa & Louis at [lvgittens@gmail.com](mailto:lvgittens@gmail.com)**

## Attention All Pro-Lifers, including Respect Life Groups

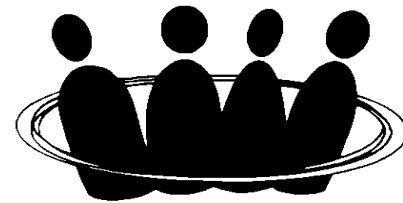
International Life Services (ILS) is hosting a fabulous Pro-Life conference, **July 23 & 24** in Santa Ana. Speakers include Fr. Robert Spitzer, Abby Johnson, Gregory Lester, Ph.D., Fr. Tom Cusack, and others. For information and tickets go to **[www.internationallifeservices.org](http://www.internationallifeservices.org)** or call **951-694-6300**.

## Justice and Peace

In *September*, the Justice and Peace committee will have a Shower Sunday collection of individual-size toiletries. So please save your unused shampoos, conditioners, lotions and soaps from your travels this summer. We will also be collecting new toothbrushes and individual-size toothpaste. We will assemble the toiletries into hygiene kits and bring them to M.E.N.D. (Meeting Each Need with Dignity) in Pacoima. For more information, please visit their web-



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ONE ANOTHER  
THROUGH LOVE**



**RETREAT**

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## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

In the world today couples become so involved in the day-to-day concerns of their lives -- job, children, home, social activities -- that they can lose touch with each other and their married relationship. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend helps couples discover each other again. The next WWME Weekends are

**July 30 - Aug 1** in Woodland Hills and **Sep 17-19** in Ventura. Please contact **Russ and Jeanine Walker, 805.648.4244** or **[walkerrjbp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:walkerrjbp@sbcglobal.net)** or **[www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)**