

Dear Friends,



Here's a story that comes out of our parish Kindergarten. On Ash Wednesday there was a school Mass and of course, the theme was Lent. Over 300 children from Kindergarten through Eighth Grade gathered outside our Church, where we had the dramatic burning of palms. Last years palms become our ashes for Ash Wednesday. The teachers of course had also been preparing the students for Lent. So, young Gianni, from Kindergarten (no doubt inspired by the Mass and his teacher) had an announcement, when he arrived home that day. He informed his mom that, every day for Lent, he would go to bed on time. His mom told him that she was really proud of him and how terrific it will be that he will do it for forty days. "Forty Days?" Gianni said, "My teacher said Four!".

The whole point of Lent is that we learn discipline. I hope you really did make at least one Lenten resolution. It needs to be concrete and measurable, just so we can know how we are doing. And it's never too late to get in the spirit. You can start today. The discipline of Lent is all about strengthening us as disciples – disciples of Jesus. So, go to bed on time tonight!

Do you like plays? There is a play I hope to see this week by an Irish playwright. It is a story that explores issues of conscience, faith and heroism. It's about a native of Austria, a Catholic, who refused to sign an oath of loyalty to the Third Reich. Check out the website:

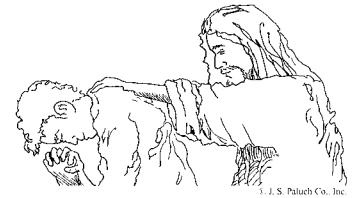
<http://www.gkchestertontheatre.org>

ALTAR CARE - March 5, 2010

Mary Kesterson, Amy Okonski,
Tony Palmisano, Angie Syp and
Antonia Tarazan

**Second Sunday of Lent
February 28,
2010**

The LORD is my light
and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
— Psalm 27:1



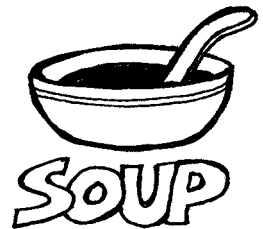
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

Lenten Soup Supper

Please join us for our
Lenten Soup Supper this
Friday night, March 5th
from **6:00-7:15 pm** in the
Parish Hall.

The *Stations of the Cross*
will follow at **7:30 pm** in
the Church.



**Parish Dinner to Fight Hunger
Sunday, February 28th**

Youth Ministry invites you to dinner in the Parish Hall **after the 5:30 pm Mass** this **Sunday, February 28th**. We look forward to sharing our simple meal with you as we break our fast of 30 hours following our participation in World Vision's 30 Hour Famine Hunger Fundraiser and Poverty Awareness Retreat. We will be accepting donations to help us reach our fund-raising goals. Please join us.



**St. Bernardine's
Girl Scout Troop 1206** will
be selling Girl Scout cookies
after all the masses on
**Saturday & Sunday,
Feb 27th & 28th**. They will

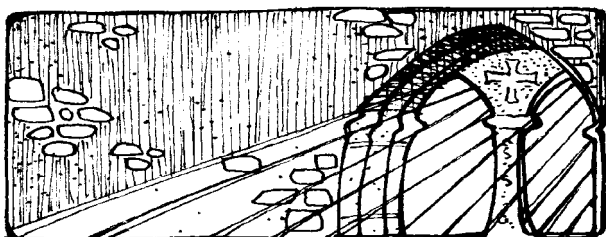
also be accepting donations for the
"Gift of Caring" program which sends
cookies to our military troops overseas.
Thank you for your support.



IMPORTANT DATES

March 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

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



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Mark Your Calendars

Saturday, *March 20th* - Save the Date!!!

The Wild Bunch Saloon & Casino Spring Event
6:30 pm



CASINO NIGHT Cactus Mac's Parish Hall

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MEMORIAL BRICKS

On an ongoing basis, we will continue to collect orders. Due to ongoing work on the most recent bricks implanted, we do not have to wait for 35 orders to come in. If you'd like to order a brick, please do so NOW. There will be order forms in our Parish Center or you can download one from our website.

Just log on to www.stbernardine.org. Click on "Parish Forms" on the right-hand side of your screen. Select "Memorial Brick Order Form". Print and complete the order form. Turn completed order form, with your payment, into the Parish center.

If you have any questions, please call **Helen Worthen** at **818-883-4966** or email her at hewna@aol.com



FOCUS ON LENT AND EASTER FOR CHILDREN

The library has several books suitable for children to learn about Lent and Easter. Here are some of the titles:

The Story of Easter

What is Easter

Catholic Baby's First Easter

Stations of the Cross

The First Easter

Easter in the Garden

These books will be found on the Special Reading Shelves in the Library. In addition a DVD on An Easter Carol and a VHS tape on the Easter Story are available.

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**

**March Dinner with Friends
March 14, 2010**

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Join us for our special "St Patrick's Day - Dinner with Friends" on **March 14, 2010**. We will be dining *after the 5:30 Mass* on Corn Chowder, Corned Beef and Cabbage, and dessert. St. B's fantastic youth from Youth Ministry and St. B's own "executive" chef, Jeff Paradise and staff will once again be presenting a scrumptious meal. The meal will be served starting about 6:45 in the Parish Center. The cost will again be **\$5.00** per person and beverages will be provided. So that we can have enough food for everyone, please *call and reserve tickets or purchase tickets in advance*. Tickets are available from Bob Nicholas, at the Lenten Soup sessions, or purchase them in the parish center during normal business hours. Any questions, please call **Bob Nicholas (818) 346-8244**. Hope to see you there!



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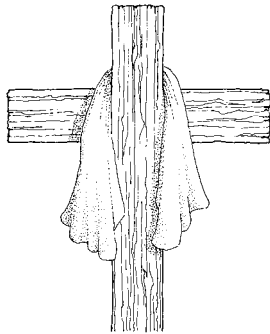


Confirmation

Sunday, March 7th: Year Two Candidate Session and Mass, **3:00-6:30 pm** Parish Center

Sunday, March 14th: Year One Candidate Session and Mass, 3:00-6:30 pm, Parish Center

Sunday, March 28th: Year Two Candidate Session and Mass, **3:00-6:30 pm** Parish Center



What are You Doing for Lent?

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**.



In your charity please pray for the sick of the parish:
 Ted Bonich; Tony Susca, brother of Angela Taufer; Rob Christie, son of Gloria and

Bob; Kim Hargraves, wife of Paul, daughter-in-law of Mary; Dorothy Dhesse; Ron Garifo; Hector Marusich; Wanda Edelman



Please pray for the happy repose of the souls:
 Shirley & Claire Jones, sister & brother-in-law of Mary Joyce Cellner;

Donald Hedrick; Patricia Duesberg; Barbara Burke, wife of Eugene

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Mass Intentions For The Week



February 28 thru March 6, 2010
SUNDAY

7:00 am Pro Populo
8:30 am Scott McBride+
10:00 am Patrick & Attracta Timmins+
12:00 noon Sylvia Vargas+
5:30 pm Domingo Silvestre+

MONDAY

6:30 am Devin Storz+
8:30 am Brenda Jo Kramer+

TUESDAY

6:30 am March Farah+
8:30 am Larry Slago+

WEDNESDAY

6:30 am Dolly Salassa+
8:30 am Bob Gebken+

THURSDAY

6:30 am Mary Fazio+
8:30 am Jesus S. Pasos, II+

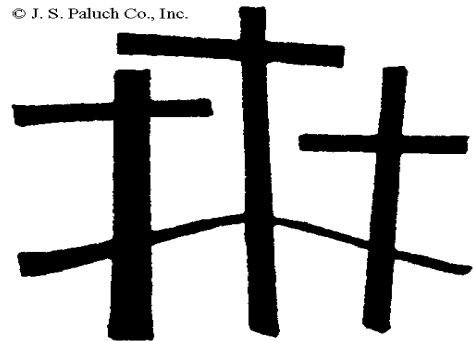
FRIDAY

6:30 am Helen Ligot
8:30 am Fran Herman+

SATURDAY

8:30 am Dorothy Moy+
5:00 pm Andrea Staid

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Cross Bearers Welcome

Did you make a New Year's resolution for volunteer work? Do you need service hours for school or confirmation? Or do you hear that whispering call to serve others?

Whatever the reason, the cross bearer ministry could use your help. The service is easy, convenient and flexible. If you are interested, please call **Dave Goracke** at **818-347-0192**

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	Rudy Vlasak	347-7144
Environment	Maria Giammatteo	884-2736
Eucharistic Ministers	Robert Nicholas	346-8244
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
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	340-5100
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
Sick/Homebound)	Dcn. Dale Taufer	888-8200
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
Welcoming Committee	Darna Trafecanty	515-2039
Women on the Journey	Jean Sampson	888-7073
Youth Ministry	Andrew Gafvert	710-1662

**Babysitting Volunteers needed for
8:30 & 10:00 am
Nursery Care.
Please call
Carole 818-999-3764 or
Michelle 818-207-5441.**



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OASIS

The next training sessions will be held:
Saturday, Mar, 6, - 8:45am - 1:00pm
Saturday, Mar. 13—8:45am - 1:00pm
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.

ReTOOL...Come Back To School**Mount St. Mary's College**

You are cordially invited to our next

Graduate Information Session**3/10/10-4/1/10**

Graduate Admissions

(213) 477-2800 ext. 106<http://www.msmc.la.edu/grad>**Relay For Life of Woodland Hills****Saturday, April 17th at 9:00 am -****Sunday, April 18th at 9:00 am**

Pierce College

Please join us? Register of Call Today:
www.RelayForLife.org/WoodlandHillsCA

Yvette Peterson, Volunteer Event chair

818-378-3068, Ywpeterson@gmail.com

Sonia Lopez, RFL Manager

818-447-7778, Sonia.Lopez@cancer.org**Join a Team! Camp Out for a Cure!****Light a Life with Luminaria!****Celebrate Survivors!**

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Crisis Pregnancy Hotline

(800)973-7334

Abortion Recovery Help

(877)467-3463 &

www.rachelsvineyard.org**Holy Family Adoption Services**

(805)374-2785

St. Bernardine of Siena ~ Adult Faith Enrichment ~



Prayer Workshop – Part 2 Thursday, March 4, 2010 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

St. Bernardine of Siena Parish Hall
24410 Calvert Street
Woodland Hills
(818) 888-8200

Topics

- Review of Meditation and Contemplation
- Theological Reflection
- Obstacles to Prayer and how to overcome them
- Unanswered Prayers
- Prayers as Poetry
- Spirituality of the Mystics

About our Presenter:

Virginia McCarron has served as a lector for St. B's for the past 8 years. She is a graduate of the Los Angeles Archdiocese Bible Institute 2-year program, as well as a graduate of the Monastery of the Risen Christ 2-year Spiritual Direction program. She was a Volunteer Chaplain at the Women's Jail at Twin Towers, Los Angeles and provided one-on-one counseling for the women inmates, as well as leading 3 Sunday Communion Services twice a month. She currently teaches the Wednesday morning Bible Study group at St. B's.

Spring Fling Boutique & Luncheon

Featuring gifts for the home, Easter decorations, clothing, jewelry, collectibles, baked goods and more!

Friday, March 19th

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Anne's Foundation Room
155 N. Occidental Blvd., Los Angeles

Box lunch catered by
Marie Callenders' -\$16

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to

Christina Essex 310-821-0108

(RSVP deadline is March 12th and is non-refundable)

The **PREGNANCY COUNSELING CENTER**

seeks women who are 6-28 weeks pregnant for FREE limited obstetrical ultrasounds to complete our nurses' training. The ultrasounds will be performed under the supervision of licensed Medical Sonographers.

WHERE: The Pregnancy Counseling Center
10211 Sepulveda Blvd., Mission Hills, CA 91345

WHEN: March 10 & 11th
(Wednesday & Thursday.)

Morning and afternoon appointments available.

CONTACT: 818-895-2500 and state you'd like to be a pregnant model during our training.