



Dear Friends,

It is an emotional roller coaster this week with the variety of our liturgies. The super highs and lows in the life of Jesus life will be remembered. Palm Sunday, today, is the beginning when his triumphal parade is recalled and we add our Hosannas to the Hosannas of history. The mood quickly changes with the quiet drama of Thursday reminding us of the awesome reality of his presence in the Eucharistic bread and wine and its important connection to service. We are called to wash each others feet. The uncomfortable drama of Good Friday sharpens our knowledge and understanding of his death. But out of despair comes promise and hope. Death is not the end, neither physical death nor sin. Easter Sunday is new life, new hope and new promise. We have a future. It will be a great week and I encourage you to attend all the Holy Week liturgies.

Not technically a part of the Holy Week liturgies, but nevertheless a very important part of our personal and communal preparation for Easter, is our Parish Penance Service on this Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Over the years I have seen a shift in us Catholics from "quantity to quality" in our approach to Confession, properly called the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Perhaps in the past we went, whether we needed it or not. We seem to be moving in the direction of going only when we need it. And we will only know we need it when we stop and look deep within ourselves and see that need of ours to be unburdened, to be forgiven. Is it time for you to formally make your peace with the Lord and start over? There will be eight priests Tuesday night. We will sing a song, read some scripture, listen to a reflection and then individually and privately confess to one of the priests. This may be the most important gift you give yourself in a long time. See you Tuesday.

Families get together for Easter dinner. So, if for any reason, you are going to be alone for your Easter dinner, call me. You will be most welcome to join me. *Call 818-888-8200.*

**-Fr. McNamara**

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**  
**March 28, 2010**

The Lord GOD is my help,  
 therefore I am not disgraced.  
 — Isaiah 50:7a



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

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 30th  
 3:00-4:30 pm Saturday, April 3rd  
 Also available after Morning Prayers on  
 Thursday, Friday and Saturday

*Masses*  
**HOLY THURSDAY—April 1**  
 9:00 am Morning Prayer  
 7:30 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 Followed by Adoration until Midnight

**GOOD FRIDAY - April 2**  
 9:00 AM Morning Prayer  
 12:00 pm - Stations of the Cross  
 1:00 pm - Celebration of the  
 Lord's Passion  
 7:30 pm - Celebration of the  
 Lord's Passion



**HOLY SATURDAY - April 3**  
 9:00 am Morning Prayer  
 7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass including  
 Rite of Christian Initiation

**EASTER SUNDAY - April 4**  
 7:00, 8:30, 10:00 am  
 12:00 noon & 5:30 pm

Christian Service - Justice & Peace - Death Row  
**Sanctity of Life**  
 Detention - Missions of Charity - Respect Life  
**IMPORTANT DATES**

**April 3/4** Sandwich Sunday. Bagged meals (sandwich, chips, dessert, fruit), water, socks and blankets will be collected at all the Masses for distribution to those in the San Fernando Valley.

**April 17/18** Food gathering for Guadalupe Center and Loaves and Fishes Pantry.

**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

Need a little sunshine and great greens,  
 then....  
 Mark your calendars for the  
**10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MONSIGNOR MURRAY  
 GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**MONDAY, MAY 3, 2010**  
**CALABASAS COUNTRY CLUB**  
 Sponsorship and entry forms available on  
 the church website, office, or call  
 Cathy Barkes (818) 703-0604



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**ALTAR CARE - April 2, 2010**  
 Mary Kesterson, Amy Okonski,  
 Tony Palmisano, Angie Syp and  
 Antonia Tarazan

**Tuesday Evening Bible Study**  
**THE BOOK OF EXODUS**  
**First Session: April 13, 2010 at**  
**7:00 p.m. in the Veranda Room**  
**Everyone Welcome!**  
**Please Bring your Bible!**

**PLEASE NOTE!**  
**THERE WILL BE**  
**NO SENIOR LUNCHEON ON**  
**FRIDAY, APRIL 2ND, GOOD FRIDAY**  
**WE WILL SEE YOU ON**  
**MAY 7TH, FOR THE NEXT SENIOR MASS**  
**AND LUNCHEON!**  
**-Senior Luncheon Committee-**

**Gifts for the Spirit**  
 The children of St. Bernardine soon will be making their First Communion. Gifts for the Spirit, your parish gift shop, has a beautiful selection of rosaries, metals, prayer books, crucifixes, picture frames, and albums to commemorate the children's friendship with Jesus. We also have Easter, Confirmation and RCIA gifts and cards. Please come in and browse our wonderful array of special items.

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

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**Confirmation**

**Sunday, March 28th:** Year Two Candidate Session and Mass, 3:00-6:30 pm Parish Center  
**Friday, April 9th - Sunday, April 11th:** Year Two Confirmation Retreat  
**Sunday, April 18th:** Year Two Candidate Session and Mass, 3:00-6:30 pm, Parish Center

**Religious Education  
 Easter Break Reminder**

The Religious Education classes will be on our Easter Break: **March 30-31** and **April 6-7**. Classes will resume on **April 13th** and **14th, 4:00-5:30 pm**. Our last classes of the year are on **May 4th** and **5th**. We wish you a Holy Lent and a Joyous Easter.



**Mass Intentions  
 For The Week**   
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**March 28 thru April 3, 2010  
 PALM SUNDAY**

**7:00 am** Pro Populo  
**8:30 am** Clair & Shirley Jones+  
**10:00 am** Jess Reeve+  
**12:00 noon** Andrea Staid  
**5:30 pm** Dr. Payman Engheta+

**MONDAY**

**6:30 am** Lottie Czarnik  
**8:30 am** Norman Morin+

**TUESDAY**

**6:30 am** Michael Miller+  
**8:30 am** Frank Lynch+

**WEDNESDAY**

**6:30 am** Thomas R. Lynch+  
**8:30 am** Felix V. Duenez+

**HOLY THURSDAY**

**9:00 am** Morning Prayer  
**GOOD FRIDAY**

**9:00 am** Morning Prayer  
**HOLY SATURDAY**

**9:00 am** Morning Prayer  
**7:30 pm** Easter Vigil



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

Vince Scully, father of Kelly Teegarden; Olivia Gonzales; Leslie Frankenheimer; Max Foster, Sr.; Esta Prager; Iris Li; Art Pfeifer; Joyce Angelini; Mary Helen Corrigan; Carlee Bahr; Teresa McClean; Dorothea Green; Roger Sandy; Peggy Smith; Rita Pound; Josephine Ramsey; Joe Freas

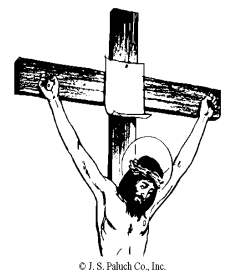


**Please pray for the happy  
 repose of the souls:**

Doris Allen, mother of Bob; Hector Marusich, brother of Blanche Gomez

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION  
 A CRY FOR HELP!**

In the land where Our Lord Jesus Christ chose to be born, where the ultimate loving sacrifice was made by his dying on the cross, and where his glorious resurrection took place... ***a desperate cry for help can be heard.***



For many centuries, the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land and the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem have been charged with the protection of Christians and the care of our holy shrines, including the Tomb of Christ. **On Good Friday, a special collection is taken up worldwide for this very important cause.**

*Please be very generous this Good Friday as the needs are especially great due to the unrest in the land of Our Lord.*

**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
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	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	Darma Trafecanty	515-2039
Women on the Journey	Jean Sampson	888-7073
Youth Ministry	Andrew Gafvert	710-1662



**FOCUS ON**

**THE GOOD NEWS DEPARTMENT**

Amidst all the doom and gloom the media often dispenses there are many good things happening in our Church.

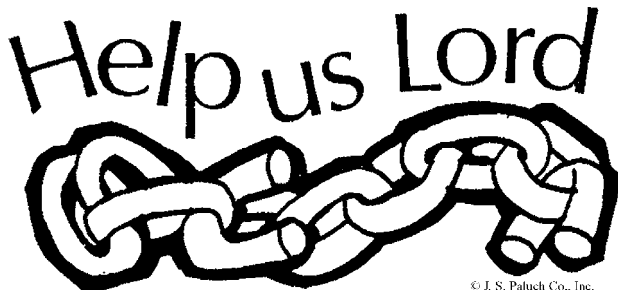
The Catholic population in the world continues to grow to over 1.1 billion \*. That means roughly 17 percent of the worlds citizenry is Catholic. Graduate level seminarians throughout the world have increased by 25% since 1985,

In the U.S. priestly ordinations are on the increase also with a 7% increase since the year 2000. Permanent Deacons (of which we are blessed to have four) have more than doubled in just 20 years.

Catholics in the U. S. now number over 65 million which is approaching 25% of the population. So the next time you hear or see some negatives about our Church, keep in mind that things are on the upswing and be justly proud of who we are and where we are going.


\*Statistics from the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA)

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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**St. B. Boy Scout Troop 175**  
**Free E-Waste Recycling Drive**  
**Saturday, April 24 from**  
**9AM - 2PM**  
**Church parking lot**  
 Accepting at no charge: monitors, tvs, laptops, cellphones, inkjet Cartridges, CPUs, VCRs, DVD players, printers, copiers, fax machines Stereos, cameras. Please no: hazardous liquids, single use batteries or light bulbs. For questions, call  
**Cathy Barks (818) 703-0604.**


**Respect Life**  
**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

Temple Aliyah Presents  
**Supper Club**  
 Featuring The Rat Pack

Annual Gala  
 Honoring

Vicki & Douglas Wolf  
 Alliyah Award

Julee & Michael Gould  
 ECE Ruach Award

*Father Robert J. McNamara*  
*Pastor St. Bernardine of Siena Catholic Church*  
*Koach Award*

**Sunday, May 16, 2010, 5 pm**



-Cocktails & Martini Bar-

-Silent Auction-

-Dinner & Show-

For Tribute Ad & Dinner Ticket information, contact  
**Anne Dater at 818-642-3106.**

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### **Marriage Encounter**

Let Marriage Encounter help you resurrect the romance in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are **April 23 - 25**, and **July 30 - Aug 1** in Woodland Hills.

Please visit our web site at [www.wvme-la-north.org](http://www.wvme-la-north.org) for more information or contact **Russ and Jeanine Walker**, 805-648-4244 or [walkerrjbp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:walkerrjbp@sbcglobal.net).

### **Sisters of Notre Dame**

#### **30 Years at Notre Dame Center**

The Sisters of Notre Dame invite you and your family to their Open House on **Sunday, April 11**,

**1:00 - 5:00 pm** at Notre Dame Center, 1776 Hendrix Ave., Thousand Oaks.

The event celebrates 30 years of life and service at the provincial center and features tours that include cloistered areas where the sisters live in community as well as exhibits about their current ministries.

Please **RSVP by April 8th** to **Carmela Burke** at **805-917-3714** or [carmela@sndca.org](mailto:carmela@sndca.org).

More details at [www.sndca.org](http://www.sndca.org)