

# St. Bridget of Sweden Church

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Rectory/Rectoría

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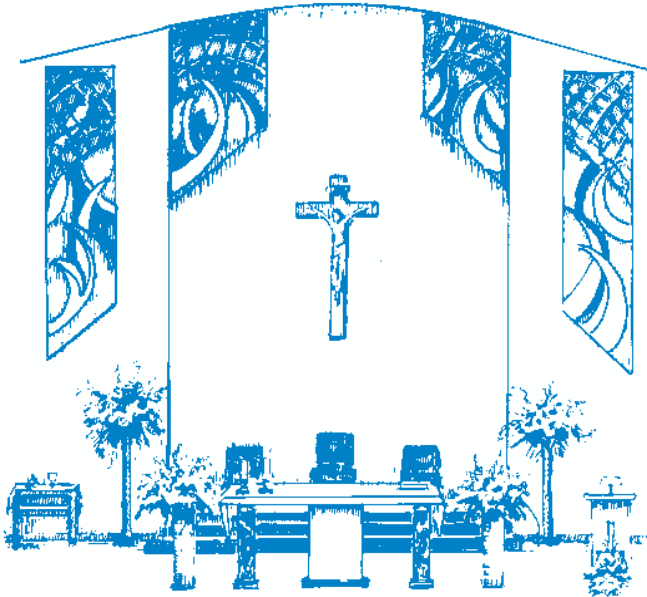
Father Victor J. Ruvalcaba, Administrator Pro Tem

Mr. Ray Rivera, Deacon

Parish Office Secretaries: Gloria Romero and

Dorothy Keenan

Parish Council: Tom Riley (818) 782-7180



## EDUCATION

**ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN SCHOOL**  
7120 Whitaker Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406  
(818) 785-4422 Vacation: 785-2564

Principal: Robert Pawlak

President: Dede Waller

**OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** 782-7180

Elementary (Gr. 1-8): Wed. 3:30-4:45 pm

Confirmation 1 & 2: Wed. 7-8:30 pm

**RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):  
Contact 782-7180

## SERVICES

**NORTH VALLEY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER:**

Sr. Una Connolly, M.A. 365-8588, 361-2819

**FOOD PANTRY COORD.,** Liz De Nicholas 780-8294

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION:** Tues., 10 am-4 pm.

## PRAYER GROUPS/GRUPOS DE ORACION

**SPANISH BIBLE STUDY:** Monday, 7:30 pm – Rosario & Jess Rodriguez, 989-5231; FAX 366-7640

**SPANISH PRAYER GROUP:** Friday, 7:00 pm – Porfirio, Maria Rodriguez 994-6438

**LEGION OF MARY English:** Saturday, 9:00 am

Lucy Santiago 730-7080 or Silia Fifita 782-8956

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP English:**  
2nd. Sat. of Month Katherine Tassinari 781-6738

## DEVOTIONS

**ROSARY:** Weekdays after 8:00 am Mass

**NOVENA** to Our Mother of Perpetual Help  
Wednesdays after 8 am Mass.

## Masses/Misas

5:00 pm – Saturday Vigil Mass - English

## Sunday/Domingo

7:30 am – English

9:00 am – English

10:30 am – Español

12:00 pm – Español

7:00 pm – English

**WEEKDAYS** 8:00 am – English

## SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTOS

### CONFESSIONS/CONFESIÓN:

Saturday/Sábado 8:30 am, and 4:00 pm or by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** Call the Rectory.

**MARRIAGES:** Call the rectory at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY:** Please call the Rectory

**BODAS, BAUTIZOS,** en Español. Por favor llame al Diacono Ramon Rivera 782-7180

**QUINCEAÑERAS:** Por favor llame a la Rectoría con Gloria Romero

## MINISTRIES/MINISTERIOS

**Altar Servers** – Susan O'Sullivan, 994-9881

**Altar Society** – Gloria Romero, 782-7180

**Detention** – John Williams, 780-0526

**Encuentro Matrimonial**-Maricela & Fausto Urena, 635-9015

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Mary Grahek 344-4221

**Fall Festival** – R. Newton 344-2713, R. Contreras, 343-9598

**Filipino/American Community,** Joe Ariaga, 705-4741

**Lectors** – Dorothy Serrao, 780-5202

**Liturgy Committee** – Susan O'Sullivan 994-9881

**Music Director/English Choir** – Marcos Mendoza, 896-1505

**"Seasoned Citizens"** – John Williams, 780-0526

1st & 3rd Monday

**Spanish Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon Ray Rivera 782-7180

**Spanish Altar Servers** – Deacon Ray Rivera 782-7180

**Spanish Community**-Deacon Ray & Josie Rivera, 782-7180

**Spanish Ushers** – Arturo Romero 782-7180

**Spanish Lectors** – Marcelo/Jesse Rueda, 896-0490, 10:30 am mass; Rosario/Jess Rodriguez 989-5231/

360-0667, 12 noon mass

**Spanish Choir** – Carlos Cruz, 678-9116; Debbie Dominguez, 908-2534

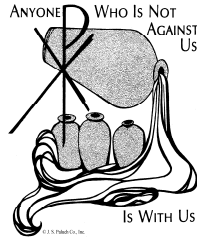
**Tongan Community** – Silia Fifita 782-8956

**Ushers** – John Williams, 780-0526

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

**September 27, 2009**

The law of the LORD is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.  
— Psalm 19:8



**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, September 27**

7:30 am Parishioners  
9:00 am Deceased Members of The Cortez Family  
(Estela Allen)  
+Joseph Jerome & Tony LaMonica  
(Mother & Aunt)

10:30 am Parishioners  
12 noon Parishioners  
7:00 pm Parishioners

**Monday, September 28**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Tuesday, September 29**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Wednesday, September 30**

8:00 am +Francisco Maiquez Sr. (Helen Cieslar)

**Thursday, October 1**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Friday, October 2**

8:00 am Parishioners

**Saturday, October 3**

8:00 am Parishioners  
5:00 pm +Evelyn Whittemore (Jim & Nancy Todd)

**Sunday, October 4**

7:30 am +Aileen & Kenneth Silva  
(Greg Silva & Family)  
9:00 am +Tony Sr., Norma, Fe, & Noli Ruiz  
(Their Family)  
+Aina Mc Gahon (Mary Yount)  
10:30 am Parishioners  
12 noon Int. & Thanksgiving of Paul Romero  
7:00pm Parishioners

**Eucharistic Ministers Schedule**

**October 3rd, & 4th, 2009**

Saturday, 5:00 PM	Walsh Miron	Herrera Watsabaugh	Alvarado
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Centeno	Vollmer	Emond
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Arciaga De Leon	Muljadi Sison	Meda
Sunday, 10:30 AM	S. Garcia J. Flores	P. Rodriguez M. Rodriguez	
Sunday, 12:00 Noon	M. Hernandez M. Hernandez	E. Medina	
Sunday, 7:00 PM	Serrao	Tallis	Fifita



**AND RAFFLE**

*Come join us for the start of  
St. Bridget's School Year  
It all begins at the Fall Festival!*

**Enjoy Great Food, Cool Drinks, Fun  
Games, Exciting Rides, Bingo, and  
all of your friends!**

**Friday \*Sept 25th\* 6-11 pm**  
**Saturday \*Sept 26th\* 2-11 pm**  
**Sunday \*Sept 27th\* 2-10 pm**

**For Festival information please contact  
Ralph Newton at (818) 344-2713 or  
Lucien Duran at (818) 780-3091**

**RAFFLE**

**Parish Early Bird Drawing  
Sunday, Sept. 20th!**

**Grand Prize Drawing  
Sunday, Sept. 27th, 9:00 pm**

*Need additional Raffle Tickets?*

*Please call St. Bridget's School office  
at (818) 785-4422 to order more!*

**Purchase your Raffle Tickets outside the church  
after Mass and during the Festival at the Raffle  
Booth. Don't miss your chance to win**

**Cash Prizes of**

**\$2000 \$1000 \$500 or \$250!**

**Seasoned Citizens**

9-28-09 Board Meeting 10:45 am  
10-5-09 Business Meeting 11:00 am  
10-13 thru 10-15 Avi Casino Laughlin \$65.00  
12-10-09 Laurence Welk Theater & Luncheon \$99  
For info. Call Laura Spehar at 881-7221

**FROM THE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL  
DE EL CONCILIO FINANCIERO PARROQUIAL**

REGULAR INCOME 1 <sup>ST</sup> COLLECTION INGRESO REGULAR 1ra COLECTA	AVERAGE EXPENSES GASTOS PROMETIDOS	B/M & R FUND 2 <sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION FONDO DE M/R 2da COLECTA
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**September 27, 2009**

**\$5,305                      \$8,360    -\$3,055    \$1,074**

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK/ RECE POR LOS ENFERMOS**

Estela Areliz	Hector C. Lopez	Cruz Garcia	Dick Dybas
Dorothy Healy	Judy Rochon	Margie Sherrard	Timothy Stanley
Amy Anton	Dorothy Keenan	Teresa Carranza	Carlota Palacio
Florence Diaz	Yolanda Nestor	Dorothea Smith	Dan Kahn Jr.
Sherry Santor	Dan Kahn	Clarence Wright	Jim Nelson
Tony Ruiz Jr.	Belem Herrera	Juan Areliz	Jesus Herrera
Ed Keenan	Phyllis McNamara	Adolfo Navarro	Evelyn Shockley
Peter Wolf	Raquel Garcia	Sandy Baxter	Pat Valenzuela
Isabella Mills	Pearl Regenstreif	Justina Gomez	Josie Rivera
Rosalie Graveline	Emma Herrera	David Santibañez	Lainy Butler
Guadalupe Santibañez	Natividad Quezada		

***“Together in Mission” 2009***

***Goal: \$32,877***

***Amount Paid as of June 2009***

***\$11,934***

***Amount Needed***

***\$20,943***

**Medjugorje Peace Conference**

**19th Annual Conference**

**October 23-24-25, 2009**

**Bren Events Center**

**University of California, Irvine**

***Medjugorje— A Message for the World:***

***“Persevere in Faith...Do Not Be Afraid”***

***“The Lord has done great things for us.”***

The conference also offers beautiful liturgies, penance and healing service. See entire program and registration form at [www.medjugorjeirvine.org](http://www.medjugorjeirvine.org) or call 714-572-9779.

**Retrouvaille Weekend**

**Married Singles Lifestyle**— The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. For confidential information about, or to register for the November program beginning with a weekend on November 6-8, 2009 call 661-257-7980 or email: [retrouvaille4life@hotmail.com](mailto:retrouvaille4life@hotmail.com) or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

**First Communion and Confirmation**

If you would like to volunteer your time with the Religious Education Program, let us know. We are looking for volunteers. Please call the Rectory at 818-782-7180 for information.

**Thank You**

**Primera Comunion y Confirmación**

**Se necesitan voluntarios para las clases de Primera Comunion y Confirmacion. Si estan interesados por favor llamar al numero 818-782-7180.**

**Gracias por su atención.**

**NOT AGAINST US**

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time! He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones": the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor.

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**Little Church is back**

If you have 3-6 year old children, we welcome them to join us starting Sunday, October 4, 2009. We will be meeting in the kindergarten classroom on Sunday mornings during the 9:00 am Mass. We talk about the readings of the week and enjoy Catholic-themed arts and crafts and a snack. Cost is \$35.00 per family for the school year. School parents and high school students needing service hours, this is a fun and easy way to get them! Call Nicole Son at 818-232-3055.

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes:	Ef 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
Martes:	Esd 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lc 8:19-21
Miércoles:	Esd 9:5-9; Lc 9:1-6
Jueves:	Ag 1:1-8; Lc 9:7-9
Viernes:	Ag 2:1-9; Lc 9:18-22
Sábado:	Zac 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lc 9:43b-45
Domingo:	Num 11:25-19; Sal 19 (18); Stgo 5:1-6; Mc 9:38-43, 45, 47-48